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Wed., January 28

8:00 am–8:20 am Opening Remarks

Matthew Fields, Director, CBE; Professor, Microbiology & Cell Biology, MSU
Darla Goeres, Industrial Coordinator, CBE

Keynote Presentation

8:20–8:50 ASTM International: A trusted source for standards based on science

Dan Smith, Vice President, Standards & Membership, ASTM

SESSION 1: EU and UK Regulatory Pathways

8:50 am–8:55 am Session Introduction

Darla Goeres

8:55–9:25 Phage therapy for the control of biofilms: Translational research and regulatory pathways under the Portuguese magistral framework

Joana Azeredo, Associate Professor, Health Biotechnology & Bioengineering, University of Minho

9:25–9:55 Giving regulatory context to anti-biofilm biocidal products under the GB Biocidal Products Regulation (GB BPR)

Michael Davies, Senior Biocides Efficacy Specialist, The Health & Safety Executive, UK

9:55–10:25 Regulatory landscape surrounding biofilms and endoscopes

Lionel Pineau, Scientific Director, Eurofins Hygiene Hospital

10:25–10:45 20-min Break

SESSION 2: US Regulatory Opportunity & Breakthrough

10:45–10:50 Session Introduction

Al Parker, Biostatistician, CBE

10:50–11:20 Dry biofilms affect bacterial survival and surface disinfection efficacy

Chris Jones, PI, Biofilm Standardized Methods Laboratory, CBE

11:20–11:50 Transitioning a drug-led combination product through the FDA: The Purgo Pouch, FDA interactions, and meeting a major unmet need of biofilm-complicated, fracture-related infections

Dustin Williams, Professor, Orthopedics, University of Utah School of Medicine; CSO, Purgo Scientific

11:50–12:00 Closing Remarks

Matthew Fields
Darla Goeres

Thurs., January 29

7:45 am–7:50 am Opening Remarks

Matthew Fields

SESSION 3: The Role of AI in Regulatory Decision Making

7:50 am–7:55 am Session Introduction

Darla Goeres

Keynote Presentation

7:55–8:25 Positively irresistible: Designing novel cationic amphiphiles to overcome bacterial resistance

Bill Wuest, Georgia Research Alliance Distinguished Investigator and Professor, Chemistry, Emory University

Panel Discussion

8:25–9:05

Anita Gupta, DO, Board Certified Anesthesiologist

Marcia Ryder, Research Scientist, Ryder Science

John Sheppard, Norm Asbjornson College of Engineering Distinguished Professor,

School of Computing, Montana State University

Bill Wuest

Moderator: Darla Goeres

9:05–9:15

Closing Remarks

Matthew Fields

Darla Goeres



Save the Date!

July 15–17, 2026

Bozeman, MT