

## 2008 Benjamin Franklin Medal in Chemistry Symposium

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Scripps Research Institute,  
La Jolla, California, USA  
And Swiss Federal Institute of Technology,  
Zurich, Switzerland

**Wednesday, April 16, 2008**

**8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon**

*Searching for the Chemistry of Life's Origin:  
a Challenge to Organic Chemistry*

Professor Albert Eschenmoser, Laureate  
Swiss Federal Institute of Technology and The Scripps Research Institute

*Tandem Cycloadditions of 2-Azoniaheterodienes: An Enabling Technology for  
the Synthesis of Natural and Non-natural Products*

Professor Scott E. Denmark, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

*Systems Chemistry*

Professor Reza M. Ghadiri, The Scripps Research Institute

*Rapid Formation of Molecular Complexity in Natural Product Synthesis*

Professor Erik J. Sorensen, Princeton University

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