

"Light as Reagent and Product": Saturday Seminar Series – Spring 2026

Saturdays, Jan 31- May 16, 2026, 8:30 PM (IST); 10:00 AM (EST, USA)

Background: The Saturday seminar series (SSS) that started during the pandemic crisis, having completed more than 161 lectures, still continues. Thanks to the speakers and participants these interactive sessions that have become popular and useful will feature the following speakers and student presentations in Spring 2026.

Confirmed Speakers for the Spring 2026 Session



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Univ. Minnesota Duluth
Jan 31



Stephen Craig
Duke Univ.
Feb 07



Robert J. McMahon
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-Madison
Feb 14



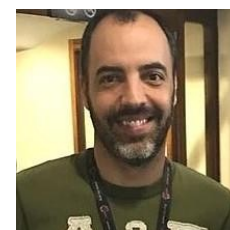
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Laskar
BITS Pilani, India
Feb 21



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Shiv Nadar Univ.
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Mar 07



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Grande do Sul (UFRGS)
Brazil



Ankit Jain
Brooklyn College
CUNY
Mar 21

Mar 14



Na'il Saleh
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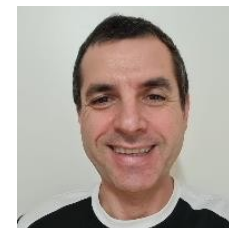
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Mauricio Baptista
Univ. São Paulo
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Apr 25



Claudio Borsarelli,
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del Estero,
Argentina
May 02



Cassius Vinicius
Stevani
Univ. São Paulo
Brazil
May 09

Zoom Link: <https://bgsu-edu.zoom.us/j/84851842159?pwd=nWDzpUuKbgMfQgU2cQOFWX07ATz2ih.1>

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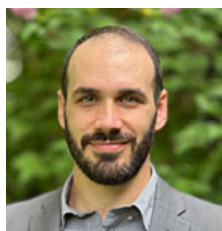
**We welcome suggestions for topics
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"Light as Reagent and Product": *Saturday Seminar Series –Fall 2025*

Saturdays, Sept 06- Dec 06, 2025, 7:30 PM (IST); 10:00 AM (EST, USA)

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Case Western Reserve University
Sept 06



Lei Zhu
FSU
Sept 13



Satrajit Adhikari
IACS Kolkata
Sept 13



Ashwani Kumar Tiwari
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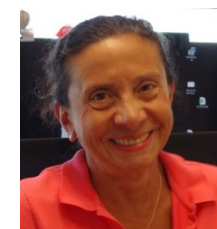
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Nov 8



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Nov 15



Elena Galoppini
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"Light as Reagent and Product": *Saturday Seminar Series (SSS)*

Saturdays, September 07, 2024 - May 24, 2025, 8:00 PM (IST); 10:00 AM (EST, USA)



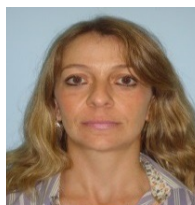
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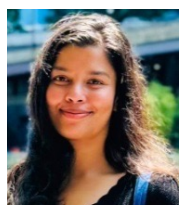
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"Light as Reagent and Product": *Saturday Seminar Series (SSS)*

Saturdays, September 02, 2023 - June 01, 2024, 8:00 PM (IST); 10:00 AM (EST, USA)



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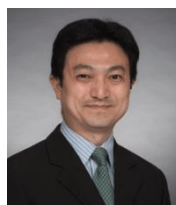
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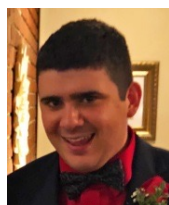
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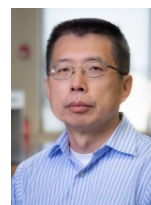
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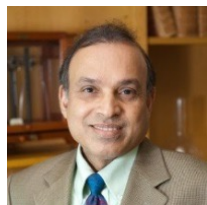
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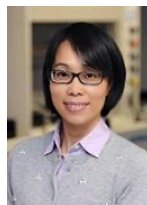
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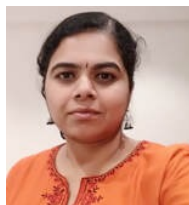
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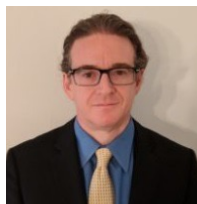
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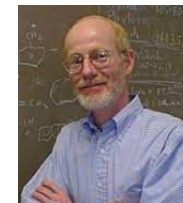
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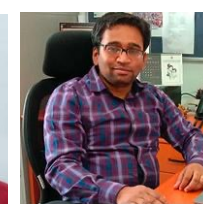
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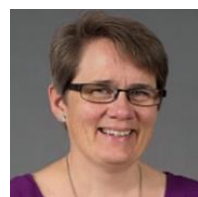
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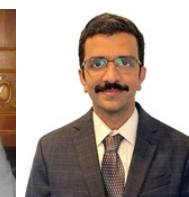
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- **In Memory of Richard Weiss:** May 3, 2025, featuring **Cornelia Bohne** (University of Victoria), **Miguel Garcia-Garibay** (UCLA), and **Frank Quina** (Univeristy of Sao Paulo).

Interested parties are welcome to participate as presenters/listeners by emailing one of the seminar coordinators.

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