

# The 5<sup>th</sup> Biannual Young Researcher Conference Speaker List



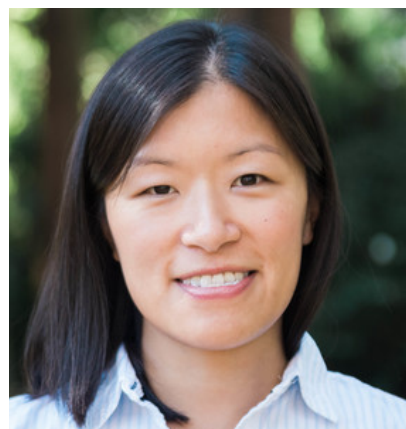
**Rigoberto Hernandez, PhD**

Professor of Chemistry, Johns Hopkins University  
He is the Gompf Family Professor in the Department of Chemistry at the Johns Hopkins University as of July 1, 2016, and remains as the Director of the Open Chemistry Collaborative in Diversity Equity (OXIDE) since 2011.

**Christina Woo, PhD**

Professor of Chemistry, Harvard

We are developing approaches that combine chemical biology and mass spectrometry to reveal how small molecules interact with the proteome.



**Seena Ajit, PhD**

Professor of Pharmacology and Physiology, Drexel University

Dr. Ajit's research focus is to understand the molecular mechanisms of pain with emphasis on epigenetics. She is interested in pursuing various aspects of epigenetics, such as DNA methylation, histone modifications and small noncoding RNAs called microRNAs (miRNAs).



**Gloria Washington, PhD**

Professor of Computer Science, Howard University  
She runs the Affective Biometrics Lab and performs research with her students on affective computing and biometrics. Before coming to Howard University she was an Intelligence Community Postdoctoral Research Fellow in the Department of Computing Science at Clemson University.

