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*Featuring a Presentation by
J. Craig Venter, Ph.D. and Dr. Larry Smarr*

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AGENDA

5:00 p.m. **Registration and networking**

5:45 p.m. **Welcome**

Duane Roth
CEO, CONNECT

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Presentation

J. Craig Venter, Ph.D.
Founder and President, J. Craig Venter Institute

Dr. Larry Smarr
*Director, California Institute for Telecommunications and
Information Technology (Calit2)*

6:45 p.m. **Reception**

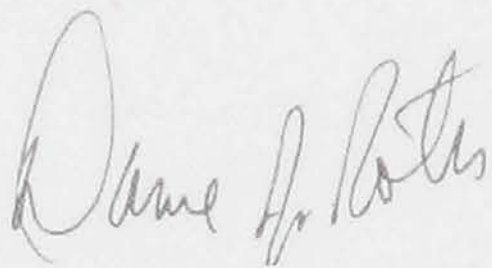
8:00 p.m. **Program closes**

Welcome CONNECT Supporters and Friends:

On behalf of CONNECT, I am pleased to welcome you to this special edition of the Venture Affiliates program. Today we're honored to showcase two world-renowned scientists, J. Craig Venter of the J. Craig Venter Institute and Dr. Larry Smarr of the California Institute for Telecommunications and Information Technology (Calit2), and their prestigious collaboration - the CAMERA project. This high profile endeavor to decipher the genetic code of communities of microbial life was recently awarded a \$24.5 million grant from the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation. We're pleased to bring the Venture Capital community together to learn about the cutting-edge science resulting from CAMERA and what it means for industry.

I'd like to offer a special thanks to our Lead Sponsor Morrison & Foerster and to our Supporting Sponsor Enterprise Partners Venture Capital, for their role in making this event possible. I hope you enjoy this evening's program and look forward to your participation in future CONNECT events.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Duane Roth".

Duane Roth
CEO, CONNECT

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About the CAMERA Project

The Community Cyberinfrastructure for Advanced Marine Microbial Ecology Research and Analysis is a high-performance computational collaboratory that supports metagenomics research—analyzing microbial genomic sequence data in the larger context of microbe communities and the environmental metadata associated with the sequence data (e.g., what other species are present, the chemical and physical conditions in which the microbes are sampled, how these communities change over space and time, etc.). CAMERA will grow in value to include new sequences, genes, and gene families, together with their annotations and associated environmental metadata. CAMERA, awarded in early 2006, is a seven-year project with \$24.5M in funding from the Gordon and Betty Moore Foundation. For more information, visit camera.calit2.net.

ABOUT THE PRESENTERS

Dr. Larry Smarr

Larry Smarr is director of Calit2, Harry E. Gruber professor in the Jacobs School's Department of Computer Science and Engineering at UCSD, and PI on the CAMERA grant. Smarr is also PI on the NSF OptIPuter LambdaGrid project and co-PI on the NSF LOOKING ocean observatory prototype. As founding director of the National Center for Supercomputing Applications and the National Computational Science Alliance, Smarr drove major contributions to development of the national high-performance computing infrastructure, the Internet, the Web, the emerging Grid, and scientific visualization. Recently, he has become a member of the Networking and Information Technology Advisory Group to provide input and feedback to the President's Council of Advisors on Science and Technology, which is undertaking a review of the Federal Networking and Information Technology Research and Development Program. Smarr formerly was a member of the President's Information Technology Advisory Committee, the Advisory Committee to the Director of the National Institutes of Health, and the NASA Advisory Council. He also formerly served as chair of NASA's Earth System Science and Applications Advisory Committee. His views have been quoted in the New York Times, Wall Street Journal, Time, Newsweek, Fortune, and Business Week, and he's frequently invited to give keynote addresses at professional conferences and to popular audiences.

J. Craig Venter, Ph.D.

J. Craig Venter, Ph.D., is regarded as one of the leading scientists of the 21st century for his invaluable contributions in genomic research and is one of the most frequently cited scientists. He is founder and president of the J. Craig Venter Institute and the J. Craig Venter Science Foundation, not-for-profit, research and support organizations dedicated to human genomic research, to exploration of social and ethical issues in genomics, and to seeking alternative energy solutions through microbial sources. In addition, Dr. Venter is the founder and chairman of the not-for-profit organization The Institute for Genomic Research (TIGR) and the for-profit company Synthetic Genomics. Dr. Venter began his formal education after a tour of duty as a Navy Corpsman, in Danang, Vietnam from 1967 to 1968. After earning a bachelor's degree in biology and a Ph.D. in Physiology and Pharmacology, both from the University of California at San Diego and both in three years, he was appointed professor at the State University of New York at Buffalo and the Roswell Park Cancer Institute. In 1984, he moved to the National Institutes of Health campus where he developed expressed sequence tags or EST's, a revolutionary new strategy for gene discovery. In 1992, he founded The Institute for Genomic Research (TIGR). There he and his team decoded the genome of the first free-living organism, the bacterium *Haemophilus influenzae*, using his new whole genome shotgun technique. TIGR has sequenced more than 50 genomes to date using Dr. Venter's techniques. Dr. Venter is the author of more than 200 research articles and is the recipient of numerous honorary degrees, public honors, and scientific awards.

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