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Natural and Accelerated Bioremediation Research Program

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#### Introduction DOE–NABIR PI Workshop January 31 - February 2, 2000

The mission of the NABIR program is to provide the scientific understanding needed to use natural processes and to develop new methods to accelerate those processes for the bioremediation of contaminated soils, sediments and groundwater at U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) facilities. The program is implemented through seven interrelated scientific research elements (Assessment, Bacterial Transport, Biogeochemical Dynamics, Biomolecular Science and Engineering, Biotransformation and Biodegradation, Community Dynamics/Microbial Ecology and System Engineering, Integration, Prediction and Optimization); and through an element called Bioremediation and its Societal Implications and Concerns (BASIC), which addresses societal issues and concerns of stakeholders through communication and collaboration among all relevant groups, including community leaders and representatives, engineers, scientists, lawyers, etc.

The initial emphasis of NABIR program research is on the bioremediation of metals and radionuclides in the subsurface below the root zone, including both thick vadose and saturated zones. The material presented at this year's workshop focuses on research funded in FY 1998-2000 by DOE's Office of Science through its Office of Biological and Environmental Research. Sixty-eight projects have been funded in the scientific program elements, and two have been funded in the BASIC program. Abstracts of these programs are summarized in this booklet, along with abstracts of other DOE programs related to research in the NABIR program.

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#### Agenda DOE–NABIR PI Workshop January 31 – February 2, 2000

## Monday, Jan. 31

8:30-9 a.m.	Welcome, Opening Comments
9-9:30 a.m.	Biogeochemistry (Fendorf, Stanford)
9:30-10 a.m.	Biotransformation (Bolton, PNNL)
10-10:30 a.m.	Break
10:30-11 a.m.	Biotransformation (Kemner, ANL)
11-11:30 a.m.	Proposed Field Research Center (Watson, ORNL)
11:30-noon	Bioremediation and its Societal Implications and Concerns
Noon-1:30 p.m.	Lunch

Afternoon Session				
1:30 p.m.	Posters: Community Dynamics, BASIC Biomolecular, Bacterial Transport	Breakout: Metal- Microbe Interactions (Gorby-organizer)	Breakout: Scaling from Lab to Field (Hazen- organizer)	
3 p.m.		Proposed Field Research (Watson)	n Center: Q&A Session	
4:30-6:30 p.m.	Poster/Happy Hour: Authors should be at posters			

## Tuesday, Feb. 1

8:30-9 a.m.	Assessment (Blake, Tulane)	
9-9:30 a.m.	Assessment (Chandler, PNNL)	
9:30-10 a.m.	Community Dynamics ( MacNaughton, U. Tennessee)	
10-10:30 a.m.	Break	
10:30-11 a.m.	Community Dynamics (Konopka, Purdue)	
11-11:30 a.m.	Biomolecular (Clark, UC Berkeley)	
11:30-noon	Biomolecular (Giometti, ANL)	
Noon-1:30 p.m.	Lunch	

### Tuesday, Feb. 1, continued

Afternoon Session			
1:30 p.m.	Posters: Biogeochemistry, Biotransformation, Assessment, Systems Integration, Data Management	Breakout: Molecular Methods for Community Fingerprinting (White- organizer)	Breakout: Metal Reducing Microbes (Frederickson- organizer)
3 p.m.		Roundtable: Communicating Bioremediation Research to Non-Scientists. (Bilyard, Bjornstad and Wolfe-organizers)	
4:30-6:30 p.m.	Poster/Happy Hour: Authors should be at posters		

#### Wednesday, Feb. 2

8:30-9 a.m. Field Research at UMTRA Sites (Long, PNNL)
9-10 a.m. Bacterial Transport/ Field Research at Oyster, VA (Onstott, Princeton)
10-10:15 a.m. Break

Breakout Sessions			
10:15-2 p.m.	Breakout: Field Research at Oyster, VA (ends at noon) Onstott, DeFlaun	Breakout: Field Research at UMTRA sites (ends at 2 p.m.) Long	

2 p.m. Meeting adjourns