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Decision Sourcing Jun 30 2022 We are living in the post-information age, the era of so-called 'Big Data'. It is a practical possibility for corporations to report, chart and analyse every action, transaction and click that happens inside and outside their business. In Decision Sourcing Roberts and Pakkiri examine what this means to organisational decision making. They explode the myth that good decisions need only be informed ones through an examination into how business really make choices. They lay bare the poverty of decision making processes in today's corporate world and offer fresh and fascinating insight into how social tools are providing new sources of information, how they are challenging hierarchy and how they are providing opportunities for growth and agility through aligned and inclusive decision making. This book is for those organisations that want to get beyond the corporate Facebook account and are ready for the next bold step. It is for those businesses that want to engage their workforce and their customers in collaborative relationships that are at the heart of the successful social enterprise.
Hochkultur und Gewalt – Haute culture et violence Sep 29 2019 Die Gewaltfrage ist eine der großen Fragen der Menschheitsgeschichte. Die Urszene der Gewalt ist die biblische Geschichte von Kain und Abel und dem Brudermord. Der »homo violens« steht im Zentrum der Beiträge dieses Bandes, der den Zusammenhang von Hochkultur und Gewalt behandelt und im Rahmen der Kooperation der Universität Bonn mit dem Collège de France (Ernst-Robert-Curtius-Gastprofessur) entstanden ist.

Im ersten Teil widmen sich sieben Beiträge der Theorie und Geschichte der Gewalt in Theologie, Medizin, Politischer Theorie, Philosophie und Geschichte; im zweiten Teil befassen sich sechs Beiträge speziell mit dem Zusammenhang von Literatur und Gewalt im Zeitraum vom 18. bis zum 20. Jahrhundert. Die multidisziplinären Beiträge verstehen sich als Elemente einer Diskursgeschichte der Gewalt. The question of violence is one of the great questions of human history. The primal scene of violence is the biblical story of Cain and Abel and fratricide. This anthology deals with the connection between high culture and violence and was produced as part of the cooperation between the University of Bonn and the Collège de France (Ernst-Robert-Curtius Visiting Professorship). In the first part, seven contributions are devoted to the theory and history of violence in theology , medicine, political theory, philosophy, psychology and history; in the second part, six contributions deal specifically with the connection between literature and violence in the period from the 18th to the 20th century. The multidisciplinary contributions are understood as elements of a discourse history of violence.
Advances in Marine Biology Sep 21 2021 Advances in Marine Biology has been providing in-depth and up-to-date reviews on all aspects of marine biology since 1963--over 40 years of outstanding coverage! The series is well known for its excellent reviews and editing. Now edited by Barbara E. Curry (University of Central Florida, USA) with an internationally renowned Editorial Board, the serial publishes in-depth and up-to-date content on many topics that will appeal to postgraduates and researchers in marine biology, fisheries science, ecology, zoology, and biological oceanography. Volumes cover all areas of marine science, both applied and basic, a wide range of topical areas from all areas of marine ecology, oceanography, fisheries management and molecular biology and the full range of geographic areas from polar seas to tropical coral reefs. Review articles on the latest advances in marine biology Many of the

authors are leading figures in their fields of study Material is widely used by managers, students, and academic professionals in the marine sciences

Computational Modeling in Tissue Engineering May 06 2020 One of the major challenges in tissue engineering is the translation of biological knowledge on complex cell and tissue behavior into a predictive and robust engineering process. Mastering this complexity is an essential step towards clinical applications of tissue engineering. This volume discusses computational modeling tools that allow studying the biological complexity in a more quantitative way. More specifically, computational tools can help in: (i) quantifying and optimizing the tissue engineering product, e.g. by adapting scaffold design to optimize micro-environmental signals or by adapting selection criteria to improve homogeneity of the selected cell population; (ii) quantifying and optimizing the tissue engineering process, e.g. by adapting bioreactor design to improve quality and quantity of the final product; and (iii) assessing the influence of the in vivo environment on the behavior of the tissue engineering product, e.g. by investigating vascular ingrowth. The book presents examples of each of the above mentioned areas of computational modeling. The underlying tissue engineering applications will vary from blood vessels over trachea to cartilage and bone. For the chapters describing examples of the first two areas, the main focus is on (the optimization of) mechanical signals, mass transport and fluid flow encountered by the cells in scaffolds and bioreactors as well as on the optimization of the cell population itself. In the chapters describing modeling contributions in the third area, the focus will shift towards the biology, the complex interactions between biology and the micro-environmental signals and the ways in which modeling might be able to assist in investigating and mastering this complexity. The chapters cover issues related to (multiscale/multiphysics) model building, training and validation, but also discuss recent advances in

scientific computing techniques that are needed to implement these models as well as new tools that can be used to experimentally validate the computational results.

Synbio and Human Health Apr 04 2020 Since 2010, the Inter-university chair in law and the Human Genome has been involved in an EU 7th Framework Programme funded Project called Sybhel, leading work package 5. The aim of this work package was to face the issues related to synthetic biology and intellectual property rights. In these years, the Chair organized two international workshops devoted to this topic, collecting a number of high level unpublished papers redacted by some of the most prominent experts in this field worldwide, including Stephen Maurer, Joachim Henkel, Ingrid Schneider, etc. We consider that it would be extremely interesting to have them all gathered in a unique contributed volume, which would be the first book exclusively dedicated to analyze the implications that Synbio may involve in what refers to the currently existing intellectual property rights system.

Regulation of Synthetic Biology Jan 26 2022 This book explores the interplay between regulation and emerging technologies in the context of synthetic biology, a developing field that promises great benefits, and has already yielded fuels and medicines made with designer micro-organisms. For all its promise, however, it also poses various risks. Investigating the distinctiveness of synthetic biology and the regulatory issues that arise, Alison McLennan questions whether synthetic biology can be regulated within existing structures or whether new mechanisms are needed.

Lignocellulose Bioconversion Through White Biotechnology Feb 12 2021 Lignocellulose Bioconversion Through White Biotechnology Comprehensive resource summarizing the recent technological advancements in white biotechnology and biomass conversion into fuels, chemicals, food, and more Lignocellulose Bioconversion Through White Biotechnology presents cutting-

edge information on lignocellulose biomass conversion, detailing how white biotechnology can develop sustainable biomass pretreatment methods, effective plant cell wall degrading enzymes to yield high quality cellulosic sugars, and the eventual conversion of these sugars into fuels, chemicals, and other materials. To provide comprehensive coverage of the subject, the work offers in-depth critical analysis into both techno-economic and life cycle analysis of lignocellulose-based products. Each of the 16 chapters, written by a well-qualified and established researchers, academics, or engineers, presents key information on a specific facet of lignocellulose-based products. Topics covered include: Lignocellulose feedstock availability, types of feedstock, and potential crops that are of high interest to the industry Lignocellulose bioconversion, including both foundational technical aspects and new modern developments Plant cell wall degrading enzymes, including cellulase improvement and production challenges/solutions when scaling up Improvements and challenges when considering fermenting microorganisms for cellulosic sugars utilization Scaling up of lignocellulose conversion, including insight into current challenges and future practices Techno-economic aspects of lignocellulose feedstock conversion, green consumerism and industrialization aspects of renewable fuels/chemicals Students, academics, researchers, bio-business analysts, and policy-makers working on sustainable fuels, chemicals, materials, and renewable fuels can use Lignocellulose Bioconversion Through White Biotechnology to gain invaluable expert insight into the subject, its current state of the art, and potential exciting future avenues to explore.

Advances in Systems Immunology and Cancer Sep 09 2020

Krankheitserreger in der Mikrobiologie Aug 01 2022 Es ist üblich, von einer ganzen Bakterienart als pathogen zu sprechen, wenn sie als Ursache einer Krankheit identifiziert wird. Die moderne Ansicht ist jedoch, dass die Pathogenität vom gesamten

mikrobiellen Ökosystem abhängt. Ein Bakterium kann an opportunistischen Infektionen bei immungeschwächten Wirten teilnehmen, Virulenzfaktoren durch Plasmidinfektion erwerben, an eine andere Stelle im Wirt übertragen werden oder auf Änderungen der Gesamtzahl anderer vorhandener Bakterien reagieren. Beispielsweise kann eine Infektion der Mesenteriallymphdrüsen von Mäusen mit Yersinia den Weg für eine fortgesetzte Infektion dieser Stellen durch Lactobacillus ebnen., möglicherweise durch einen Mechanismus der "immunologischen Narbenbildung". Inhalt dieses Buches: Pathogen, Pathogenität, Arten von Pathogenen, Pathogenwirte, Behandlung, sexuelle Interaktionen, Prion, Prionprotein, Prionreplikation, Krankheiten, Pilze, Behandlungen, Bei anderen Krankheiten, Etymologie und Aussprache, Virus, Etymologie, Herkunft und Früh Evolution, Morphologie, Zellstruktur, Stoffwechsel, Wachstum und Reproduktion, Genetik, Verhalten, Klassifizierung und Identifizierung, Wechselwirkungen mit anderen Organismen, Bedeutung in Technologie und Industrie, pathogene Bakterien, Krankheiten, Schädigungsmechanismen, Überleben im Wirt, Identifizierung, Behandlung, Prävention, Liste der Gattungen und Mikroskopie-Merkmale, Liste der Arten und klinischen Merkmale, genetische Transformation, Pilz, Merkmale, Vielfalt, Mykologie, Morphologie, Wachstum und Physiologie, Reproduktion, Evolution, Taxonomie, Ökologie, Mykotoxine, pathogene Mechanismen, menschlicher Gebrauch, pathogener Pilz, Candida, Aspergillus, Cryptococcus, Histoplasma, Pneumocystis, Stachybotrys, Wirtsabwehrmechanismen, menschlicher Parasit, häufigste Parasiten, häufig dokumentierte Parasiten, Protozoen, Merkmale, Klassifikation, Ökologie, parasitärer Wurm, Taxonomie, Fortpflanzung und Lebenszyklus, Verwendung in der Medizin

Natural and Artificial Models in Computation and Biology Nov 11 2020 The two volume-set, LNCS 7930 and LNCS 7931, constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 5th International

Work-Conference on the Interplay between Natural and Artificial Computation, IWINAC 2013, held in Mallorca, Spain, in June 2013. The 92 revised full papers presented in LNCS 7930 and LNCS 7931 were carefully reviewed and selected from numerous submissions. The first part, LNCS 7930, entitled "Natural and Artificial Models in Computation and Biology", includes all the contributions mainly related to the methodological, conceptual, formal, and experimental developments in the fields of neurophysiology and cognitive science. The second part, LNCS 7931, entitled "Natural and Artificial Computation in Engineering and Medical Applications", contains the papers related to bioinspired programming strategies and all the contributions related to the computational solutions to engineering problems in different application domains, specially Health applications, including the CYTED "Artificial and Natural Computation for Health" (CANS) research network papers. In addition, this two volume-set reflects six interesting areas: cognitive robotics; natural computing; wetware computation; quality of life technologies; biomedical and industrial perception applications; and Web intelligence and neuroscience.

Omics Technologies and Bio-engineering Mar 04 2020 Omics Technologies and Bio-Engineering: Towards Improving Quality of Life, Volume 1 is a unique reference that brings together multiple perspectives on omics research, providing in-depth analysis and insights from an international team of authors. The book delivers pivotal information that will inform and improve medical and biological research by helping readers gain more direct access to analytic data, an increased understanding on data evaluation, and a comprehensive picture on how to use omics data in molecular biology, biotechnology and human health care. Covers various aspects of biotechnology and bio-engineering using omics technologies Focuses on the latest developments in the field, including biofuel technologies Provides key insights into omics approaches in personalized and precision medicine Provides a

complete picture on how one can utilize omics data in molecular biology, biotechnology and human health care

Biological Ontologies and Semantic Biology Oct 03 2022 As the amount of biological information and its diversity accumulates massively there is a critical need to facilitate the integration of this data to allow new and unexpected conclusions to be drawn from it. The Semantic Web is a new wave of web- based technologies that allows the linking of data between diverse data sets via standardised data formats ("big data"). Semantic Biology is the application of semantic web technology in the biological domain (including medical and health informatics). The Special Topic encompasses papers in this very broad area, including not only ontologies (development and applications), but also text mining, data integration and data analysis making use of the technologies of the Semantic Web. Ontologies are a critical requirement for such integration as they allow conclusions drawn about biological experiments, or descriptions of biological entities, to be understandable and integratable despite being contained in different databases and analysed by different software systems. Ontologies are the standard structures used in biology, and more broadly in computer science, to hold standardized terminologies for particular domains of knowledge. Ontologies consist of sets of standard terms, which are defined and may have synonyms for ease of searching and to accommodate different usages by different communities. These terms are linked by standard relationships, such as "is_a" (an eye "is_a" sense organ) or "part_of" (an eye is "part_of" a head). By linking terms in this way, more detailed, or granular, terms can be linked to broader terms, allowing computation to be carried out that takes these relationships into account.

Medizinische Mikrobiologie I: Krankheitserreger und menschliches Mikrobiom Mar 16 2021 Es gibt verschiedene Wege, über die Krankheitserreger in einen Wirt eindringen können. Die Hauptwege haben unterschiedliche episodische

Zeitrahmen, aber der Boden hat das längste oder beständigste Potenzial, einen Krankheitserreger aufzunehmen. Krankheiten beim Menschen, die durch Infektionserreger verursacht werden, werden als pathogene Krankheiten bezeichnet. Das menschliche Mikrobiom ist das Aggregat aller microbiota die sich auf oder in menschlichen Geweben und Biofluiden befinden, zusammen mit den entsprechenden anatomischen Stellen, an denen sie sich befinden, einschließlich Haut, Brustdrüsen, Plazenta, Samenflüssigkeit, Gebärmutter, Eierstockfollikeln, Lunge, Speichel, Mundschleimhaut, Bindehaut, Gallenwege und Magen-Darmtrakt. Inhalt dieses Buches: Krankheitserreger, Prion, Virus, pathogene Bakterien, Pilze, pathogener Pilz, menschlicher Parasit, Protozoen, parasitärer Wurm, Liste der Parasiten des Menschen, klinische Mikrobiologie, Wechselwirkung zwischen Wirt und Krankheitserreger, Infektionskrankheit, Liste der Infektionskrankheiten, Infektionen assoziiert mit Krankheiten, Humanes Mikrobiom, Humanes Mikrobiom-Projekt, Biodiversitätshypothese der Gesundheit, Ersterwerb von microbiota, Humanes Virom, Humaner Magen-Darm microbiota, Darm-Gehirn-Achse, Psychobiotikum, Kolonisationsresistenz, Hautflora, Vaginalflora, Vaginalflora in der Schwangerschaft, Liste der bakteriellen Vaginose microbiota, Plazentamikrobiom, Muttermilchmikrobiom, Mundökologie, Speichelmikrobiom, Lunge microbiota, Liste von Mensch microbiota, Probiotika, Probiotika bei Kindern, Psychobiotika, Bacillus clausii, Postbiotika, Proteobiotika, Synbiotika, Bacillus coagulans, bakterielle Vaginose, Bifidobacterium animalis, Bifidobacterium bifidum, Bifidobacterium breve, Bifidobacterium longum, Botryosphaeran, Clostridium butyricum, Escherichia coli Nissle 1917, Gal4-Transkriptionsfaktor, Ganeden, Lactinex, Lactobacillus acidophilus, Lactobacillus casei, Lactobacillus crispatus .

Gutes Timing ist alles Sep 02 2022 Wann sollte ich am besten aufstehen? Wann frage ich meinen Chef nach der

Gehaltserhöhung? Wann lohnt es sich, Sport zu machen? Neueste Forschungen zeigen, dass es den richtigen Zeitpunkt für uns alle gibt, um zum Beispiel einen Cocktail zu trinken oder eine Grippeimpfung zu bekommen. Dieser richtige Zeitpunkt kann aber von Person zu Person vollkommen verschieden sein. Zum Glück ist das Kennenlernen des eigenen »Inneren Uhrwerks« und die Anwendung dieses Wissens im Hinblick auf Gesundheit, Fitness und Produktivität aber ganz einfach: Der renommierte Schlafwissenschaftler Dr. Michael Breus nimmt uns mit auf eine aufregende Reise durch unseren Tag und zeigt, wie viel Spaß darin stecken kann, endlich die Fragen nach dem »wie« und dem »was« in unserem Leben in ein »wann« zu verwandeln. Angefüllt mit faszinierenden Fakten, persönlichen Erfolgsgeschichten, kurzweiligen Tests und leicht umzusetzenden Orientierungshilfen zeigt uns dieses Buch nicht nur, wie wir unsere eigenen Persönlichkeiten besser verstehen können, sondern auch die der Menschen um uns herum. Wir finden heraus, welcher Chronotyp uns entspricht – und können so unseren Tag optimal einteilen, unsere Bedürfnisse viel besser ausleben und letztlich auch das Maximum an Produktivität und Gesundheit aus unserem Tag herausholen. Denn auf den richtigen Zeitpunkt kommt es an!

The Molecular Mechanisms of Regulatory T cell Immunosuppression Feb 24 2022 Ever since Regulatory T cells (T-Regs) were first defined as peripheral CD4+ T cells that express the interleukin-2 (IL-2) receptor alpha chain (IL-2Ra), there have been intensive efforts to determine the molecular mechanisms whereby this minor subset of CD4+ T cells (~ 5-10%) nonspecifically suppresses all potential effector T cells, whether reactive to self or non-self antigens. Multiple possible molecular mechanisms have been implicated, including the scavenging of IL-2 via the expression of high densities of IL-2Rs, the inhibition of antigen presentation via CTLA-4 molecules leading to decreased IL-2 production, the activation of intracellular cAMP thereby suppressing both IL-2 production and action, and the

production of suppressive cytokines such as IL-10 and Tumor Growth Factor-beta, to list a few. However, the field has thus far failed to come to a consensus, such that some investigators have now asserted that many molecular mechanisms may be operative, in fact that perhaps all of the described mechanisms may account for the suppressive effects of these cells, acting either simultaneously or sequentially. Thus, this Research Topic is focused on articles that can shed some new light on the molecular mechanisms responsible for T-Reg immunosuppression.

Universal Access in Human-Computer Interaction. Access to Learning, Health and Well-Being Jun 06 2020 The four LNCS volume set 9175-9178 constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 9th International Conference on Learning and Collaboration Technologies, UAHCI 2015, held as part of the 17th International Conference on Human-Computer Interaction, HCII 2015, in Los Angeles, CA, USA in August 2015, jointly with 15 other thematically similar conferences. The total of 1462 papers and 246 posters presented at the HCII 2015 conferences were carefully reviewed and selected from 4843 submissions. These papers of the four volume set address the following major topics: LNCS 9175, Universal Access in Human-Computer Interaction: Access to today's technologies (Part I), addressing the following major topics: LNCS 9175: Design and evaluation methods and tools for universal access, universal access to the web, universal access to mobile interaction, universal access to information, communication and media. LNCS 9176: Gesture-based interaction, touch-based and haptic Interaction, visual and multisensory experience, sign language technologies and smart and assistive environments LNCS 9177: Universal Access to Education, universal access to health applications and services, games for learning and therapy, and cognitive disabilities and cognitive support and LNCS 9178: Universal access to culture, orientation, navigation and driving, accessible security and voting, universal access to the built environment and ergonomics

and universal access.

PI3K signalling Jul 08 2020 The PI3Ks control many key functions in immune cells. PI3Ks phosphorylate PtdIns(4,5)P2 to yield PtdIns(3,4,5)P3. Initially, PI3K inhibitors such as Wortmannin, LY294002 and Rapamycin were used to establish a central role for Pi3K pathway in immune cells. Considerable progress in understanding the role of this pathway in cells of the immune system has been made in recent years, starting with analysis of various PI3K and Pten knockout mice and subsequently mTOR and Foxo knockout mice. Together, these experiments have revealed how PI3Ks control B cell and T cell development, T helper cell differentiation, regulatory T cell development and function, B cell and T cell trafficking, immunoglobulin class switching and much, much more. The PI3Kd inhibitor idelalisib has recently been approved for the treatment of B cell lymphoma. Clinical trials of other PI3K inhibitors in autoimmune and inflammatory diseases are also in progress. This is an opportune time to consider a Research Topic considering when what we have learned about the PI3K signalling module in lymphocyte biology and how this is making an impact on clinical immunology and haematology.

Biocomposites for High-Performance Applications Oct 30 2019 Biocomposites for High-Performance Applications: Current Barriers and Future Needs Towards Industrial Development focuses on future research directions that will make biocomposites a successful player in the field of high-strength structural applications. With contributions from eminent academic researchers and industrial experts who have first-hand experience on the advantages/disadvantages of biocomposites in their daily lives, the book examines the industrial development of biocomposite products, identifying the current barriers and their future industrial needs Topics covered include: recent research activities from academia in the biocomposite research field, valuable thoughts and insights from biocomposite manufacturing

industries, the strength and weaknesses of biocomposite products, and the practical issues that need to be addressed to reach the next level. Highlights the practical issues involved in biocomposites research Contains contributions from eminent academic researchers and industrial experts Discusses recent research activities from academia in the biocomposite research field, along with valuable thoughts and insights from biocomposite manufacturing industries

The nature of activatory and tolerogenic dendritic cell-derived signal 2 Oct 23 2021 One of the most interesting issues in immunology is how the innate and adaptive branches of the immune system cooperate in vertebrate organisms to respond and destroy invading microorganisms without destroying self-tissues. More than 20 years ago, Charles Janeway proposed the innate immune recognition theory [1]. He hypothesized the existence of innate receptors (Pattern recognition receptors, PRRs) that, by recognizing molecular structures associated to pathogens (PAMPs) and being expressed by antigen presenting cells (APCs) and epithelial cells, could alert the immune system to the presence of a pathogen, making it possible to mount an immediate inflammatory response. Moreover, by transducing the alert signal in professional APCs and inducing the expression of costimulatory molecules, these receptors could control the activation of lymphocytes bearing clonal antigen-specific receptors, thereby promoting appropriate adaptive immune responses. Since adaptive immunity can be activated also following sterile inflammatory conditions, it was subsequently proposed by Polly Matzinger that the innate immune system could be also activated by endogenous danger signals, generically called danger associated molecular patterns (DAMPs)[2]. The first prediction has been amply confirmed by the discovery of Toll-like receptors [3; 4; 5] and cytoplasmic PRRs such as RIG-like receptors [6]. Other PRR families such as the NOD-like receptors and C-type lectins exert immunogenic or tolerogenic signals [7; 8;

9] and may recognize not strictly pathogens but also endogenous danger signals that may lead to inflammasome activation [10; 11] . Dendritic cells (DCs) have been identified as the cells of the innate immune system that, by sensing PAMPs or DAMPs transduce signals to the nucleus. This leads to a transcriptional reprogramming of DCs with the consequent expression of three signals, namely signal 1 (MHC+peptide), signal 2 (surface costimulatory molecules) and signal 3 (cytokines) necessary for the priming of antigen-specific naïve T cell responses (signal 1 and 2) and T cell polarization (signal 3). The reason why DCs are superior with respect to other professional APCs in naïve T cell activation has not been unequivocally defined but in vivo may mainly result from their migration capacity to secondary lymphoid organs. It has not been established whether DCs can provide a special "signal 2" or simply very high levels, compared with other APCs, of commonly expressed signals 1 and 2, so that a naïve T cell could reach the threshold of activation. A second aspect of DC biology needs also to be taken into account. Concerning the question of how self-tissues are not destroyed following the initiation of adaptive immune responses, different mechanisms of central and peripheral auto-reactive T cell tolerization have been proposed [12]. In particular, it has been defined that high affinity T cells are deleted in the thymus, while low affinity auto-reactive T cells or T cells specific for tissue-sequestered antigens that do not have access to the thymus are controlled in the periphery. In a simplified vision of how peripheral T cell tolerance could be induced and maintained, it was thought that, in resting conditions, immature DCs, expressing low levels of signal 1 and low or no levels of signal 2, were able to induce T cell unresponsiveness. Nevertheless, it is now clear that a fundamental contribution to the peripheral tolerance is due to the conversion of naïve T cells into peripheral regulatory T cells (pTreg cells) and it is also clear that DCs need to receive a specific conditioning to become able to induce pTreg cell

differentiation. Even more intriguing is that also DCs activated through PRRs, with particular Toll like receptor (TLR) agonists, are capable of generating pTreg cell conversion if these agonists induce the production of the appropriate cytokines.

Barriers to Bioweapons Jul 28 2019 In both the popular imagination and among lawmakers and national security experts, there exists the belief that with sufficient motivation and material resources, states or terrorist groups can produce bioweapons easily, cheaply, and successfully. In Barriers to Bioweapons, Sonia Ben Ouagrham-Gormley challenges this perception by showing that bioweapons development is a difficult, protracted, and expensive endeavor, rarely achieving the expected results whatever the magnitude of investment. Her findings are based on extensive interviews she conducted with former U.S. and Soviet-era bioweapons scientists and on careful analysis of archival data and other historical documents related to various state and terrorist bioweapons programs. Bioweapons development relies on living organisms that are sensitive to their environment and handling conditions, and therefore behave unpredictably. These features place a greater premium on specialized knowledge. Ben Ouagrham-Gormley posits that lack of access to such intellectual capital constitutes the greatest barrier to the making of bioweapons. She integrates theories drawn from economics, the sociology of science, organization, and management with her empirical research. The resulting theoretical framework rests on the idea that the pace and success of a bioweapons development program can be measured by its ability to ensure the creation and transfer of scientific and technical knowledge. The specific organizational, managerial, social, political, and economic conditions necessary for success are difficult to achieve, particularly in covert programs where the need to prevent detection imposes managerial and organizational conditions that conflict with knowledge production.

General and Oral Pathology for the Dental Hygienist,

Enhanced Edition Apr 16 2021 This updated Third Edition of General and Oral Pathology for the Dental Hygienist provides the information students need to develop an understanding of basic pathology and recognize the clinical manifestations of oral and systemic disease. In accordance with ADEA Curriculum Guidelines, which stress the recognition of oral disease based on clinical signs and symptoms, the oral pathology section is uniquely organized by distinct clinical/radiographic features of oral lesions to help students evaluate and categorize lesions according to appearance, emphasizing the concept of differential diagnosis. This edition features new "Oral Medicine Considerations" that highlight the relationship between oral and systemic disease, a stunning collection of art work with over 600 images, and a wide range of online resources, such as case studies and practice questions, that reinforce student learning.

Distributed Computing and Internet Technology Jun 18 2021 This book constitutes the refereed proceedings of the 10th International Conference on Distributed Computing and Internet Technology, ICDCIT 2014, held in Bhubaneswar, India, in February 2014. The 29 revised full papers presented together with 6 invited talks in this volume were carefully reviewed and selected from 197 submissions. The papers cover topics such as distributed computing, sensor networks, Internet technologies and applications, security and multimedia.

Systems and Synthetic Biology Jul 20 2021 This textbook has been conceptualized to provide a detailed description of the various aspects of Systems and Synthetic Biology, keeping the requirements of M.Sc. and Ph.D. students in mind. Also, it is hoped that this book will mentor young scientists who are willing to contribute to this area but do not know from where to begin. The book has been divided into two sections. The first section will deal with systems biology – in terms of the foundational understanding, highlighting issues in biological complexity, methods of analysis and various aspects of modelling. The second

section deals with the engineering concepts, design strategies of the biological systems ranging from simple DNA/RNA fragments, switches and oscillators, molecular pathways to a complete synthetic cell will be described. Finally, the book will offer expert opinions in legal, safety, security and social issues to present a well-balanced information both for students and scientists. *Emerging Threats of Synthetic Biology and Biotechnology* May 30 2022 Synthetic biology is a field of biotechnology that is rapidly growing in various applications, such as in medicine, environmental sustainability, and energy production. However these technologies also have unforeseen risks and applications to humans and the environment. This open access book presents discussions on risks and mitigation strategies for these technologies including biosecurity, or the potential of synthetic biology technologies and processes to be deliberately misused for nefarious purposes. The book presents strategies to prevent, mitigate, and recover from 'dual-use concern' biosecurity challenges that may be raised by individuals, rogue states, or non-state actors. Several key topics are explored including opportunities to develop more coherent and scalable approaches to govern biosecurity from a laboratory perspective up to the international scale and strategies to prevent potential health and environmental hazards posed by deliberate misuse of synthetic biology without stifling innovation. The book brings together the expertise of top scholars in synthetic biology and biotechnology risk assessment, management, and communication to discuss potential biosecurity governing strategies and offer perspectives for collaboration in oversight and future regulatory guidance. **Ethics and Emerging Technologies** Nov 04 2022 First and only undergraduate textbook that addresses the social and ethical issues associated with a wide array of emerging technologies, including genetic modification, human enhancement, geoengineering, robotics, virtual reality, artificial meat, neurotechnologies, information technologies, nanotechnology, sex

selection, and more.

Die egoistische Information Oct 11 2020 Prof. Dr. Dr. Gerhard Vollmer (Mitbegründer der Evolutionären Erkenntnistheorie): "Mir scheint, dass hier die bisher beste Verallgemeinerung des Evolutionsgedankens vorliegt." Kurzbeschreibung: Alles Leben ist absolute und komparative Kompetenzverlustvermeidung, oder anders gesagt: Lebewesen und sonstige Evolutionsakteure verhalten sich informationsegoistisch. Aus dieser mit dem Zweiten Hauptsatz der Thermodynamik begründbaren Verallgemeinerung der Theorie der egoistischen Gene wird im Laufe des Buches ein Großteil der uns umgebenden belebten Welt evolutionär rekonstruiert, von einfachsten Lebensformen bis hin zu aktuellen sozialen Phänomenen und Problemstellungen moderner menschlicher Gesellschaften. Mehr ist nicht erforderlich. So gesehen ist die Welt einfach. Als Verhaltensmodell stellt die Theorie der egoistischen Information eine Alternative zum Modell des Homo oeconomicus dar: Menschen und sonstige Lebewesen sind gemäß ihr keine einfachen Nutzenmaximierer, sondern primär darum bemüht, ihre Kompetenzen mit der Zeit und in Relation zu ihrer Umwelt und anderen nicht schwächer werden zu lassen. Zudem werden einige wesentliche Theorien und Theoreme auf sie zurückgeführt. Dazu zählen: 1) Charles Darwins biologische Selektionstheorie, 2) Ricardos Theorem in einer verallgemeinerten kompetenzbasierten Formulierung und 3) die Population Ecology of Organizations Theory. Für die Eusozialität im Tierreich, die sozialen Phänomene demografischer Wandel und demografisch-ökonomisches Paradoxon und die Begriffe Sozialdarwinismus und Zivilisation werden neue, sich unmittelbar auf die Theorie der egoistischen Information stützende Erklärungen und Definitionen vorgestellt. Das Paradigma der egoistischen Information ist Weltbild und Welterklärung zugleich.

The Chemistry of Bio-based Polymers Aug 28 2019 An exhaustive and timely overview of renewable polymers from a respected

chemist and successful author The recent explosion of interdisciplinary research has fragmented the knowledge base surrounding renewable polymers. The Chemistry of Bio-based Polymers brings together, in one volume, the research and work of Professor Johannes Fink, focusing on biopolymers that can be synthesized from renewable polymers. After introducing general aspects of the field, the book's subsequent chapters examine the chemistry of biodegradable polymeric types sorted by their chemical compounds, including the synthesis of low molecular compounds. Various categories of biopolymers are detailed including vinyl-based polymers, acid and lactone polymers, ester and amide polymers, carbohydrate-related polymers and others. Procedures for the preparation of biopolymers and biodegradable nanocomposites are arranged by chemical methods and in vitro biological methods, with discussion of the issue of "plastics from bacteria." The factors influencing the degradation and biodegradation of polymers used in food packaging, exposed to various environments, are detailed at length. The book covers the medical applications of bio-based polymers, concentrating on controlled drug delivery, temporary prostheses, and scaffolds for tissue engineering. Professor Fink also addresses renewable resources for fabricating biofuels and argues for localized biorefineries, as biomass feedstocks are more efficiently handled locally. Audience The Chemistry of Bio-based Polymers will be read by chemists, polymer and materials scientists, chemical, bio-based, and biomedical engineers, agricultural and environmental faculty and all those who work in the bioeconomy area. This book will be critical for engineers in a number of industries including food packaging, medical devices, personal care, fuels, auto, and construction.

Rebuilding the Foodshed May 18 2021 Part I. Dilemmas : Location, location, values -- The geography of local -- How far should local go? -- Part II. Drivers for rebuilding local food systems : Energy -- Environment -- Food security -- Food justice --

Biodiversity -- Market value -- Marketplace values -- Part III. New directions : Bringing it all back home -- Collaborative possibilities -- Farmland security -- Bridging the divides.

Ambivalences of Creating Life Apr 28 2022 "Synthetic biology" is the label of a new technoscientific field with many different facets and agendas. One common aim is to "create life", primarily by using engineering principles to design and modify biological systems for human use. In a wider context, the topic has become one of the big cases in the legitimization processes associated with the political agenda to solve global problems with the aid of (bio-)technological innovation. Conceptual-level and meta-level analyses are needed: we should sort out conceptual ambiguities to agree on what we talk about, and we need to spell out agendas to see the disagreements clearly. The book is based on the interdisciplinary summer school "Analyzing the societal dimensions of synthetic biology", which took place in Berlin in September 2014. The contributions address controversial discussions around the philosophical examination, public perception, moral evaluation and governance of synthetic biology.

Pandemic Influenza in Fiction Jun 26 2019 The influenza pandemic of 1918-1919--the worst widespread outbreak in recorded history--claimed an estimated 100 million lives globally. Yet only in recent decades has it captured the attention of historians, scientists, and fiction writers. This study surveys influenza research over the last century in original scientific and historical documents and establishes a critical paradigm for the appreciation of influenza fiction. Through close readings of 15 imaginative works, the author elucidates the contents of and the interaction between the medical and the fictional. Coverage extends from Pfeiffer's 1892 bacillus theory, to the multidisciplinary effort to isolate the virus (1919-1933), to the reconstruction of the H1N1 viral genome from archival and exhumed RNA (1995-2005), to the emergence of H5N1 and H7N9 avian viruses (1997-2014).This book demonstrates that pandemic

fiction has been more than a therapeutic medium for survivors. A prodigious resource for the history of medicine, it is also a forum for ethical, social, legal, national defense and public health issues.
Yellow Biotechnology I Dec 25 2021 Utility of Insects for Studying Human Pathogens and Evaluating New Antimicrobial Agents, by Yan Wang, De-Dong Li, Yuan-Ying Jiang and Eleftherios Mylonakis. Galleria Mellonella as a Model Host to Study Gut Microbe Homeostasis and Brain Infection by the Human Pathogen Listeria Monocytogenes, by Krishnendu Mukherjee, Ramya Raju, Rainer Fischer and Andreas Vilcinskas. Drosophila as a Model to Study Metabolic Disorders, by Julia Hoffmann, Renja Romey, Christine Fink and Thomas Roeder. The Fruit Fly Drosophila melanogaster as a Model for Aging Research, by Annely Brandt and Andreas Vilcinskas. Drosophila and the Hallmarks of Cancer, by Theodoulakis Christofi and Yiorgos Apidianakis. The red flour beetle Tribolium castaneum as a model to monitor food safety and functionality, by Stefanie Grünwald, Iris V. Adam, Ana-Maria Gurmai, Ludmila Bauer, Michael Boll, and Uwe Wenzel. Identification and Bioanalysis of Natural Products from Insect Symbionts and Pathogens, by Alexander O. Brachmann and Helge B. Bode. Antiparasitic Peptides, by Jette Pretzel, Franziska Mohring, Stefan Rahlfs and Katja Becker.
Synthetic biology applications in industrial microbiology Mar 28 2022 Exponentially increasing information on biological organisms coupled with increasing computational power in the past decade have broadened the perspective of fundamental biological research, bringing about considerable promise and unprecedented potential for practical applications in biotechnology. As one emergent discipline, synthetic biology aims to design and engineer novel biologically-based parts, devices, and systems, in addition to redesigning existing, natural biological systems. Although previously relegated to demonstration studies, more recent research in synthetic biology has focused on the rational engineering of industrial

microorganisms with the potential to address many of society's critical challenges. Within the realm of industrial microbiology, progress in the field of synthetic biology has enabled the development of, for example, new biosynthetic pathways for the production of renewable fuels and chemicals, programmable logic controls to regulate and optimize cell function, and robust microbes for the destruction of harmful environmental contaminants. Some of the exciting examples included producing anti-malarial drug, anti- cancer taxol precursor and various biofuel molecules in E. coli and yeast. In addition, these researches have also greatly enhanced our understanding of the cellular machinery and its regulation in some of the industry important microbes, laying an important foundation for further design and engineering of biological function for even greater application. For these reasons, we present here a collection of articles from the leading edge of the field of synthetic biology, with a specific focus on the development in industrial microorganisms. It is the intent of this collection to reach a wide audience whose interests and expertise spans from development of novel synthetic biology methodologies and theories (both experimental and computational) to practical applications seeking to address issues facing the world today.

Computational Vision and Bio-Inspired Computing Dec 01 2019 This book includes selected papers from the 4th International Conference on Computational Vision and Bio Inspired Computing (ICCVBIC 2020), held in Coimbatore, India, from November 19 to 20, 2020. This proceedings book presents state-of-the-art research innovations in computational vision and bio-inspired techniques. The book reveals the theoretical and practical aspects of bio-inspired computing techniques, like machine learning, sensor-based models, evolutionary optimization and big data modeling and management that make use of effectual computing processes in the bio-inspired systems. As such it contributes to the novel research that focuses on developing bio-inspired

computing solutions for various domains, such as human–computer interaction, image processing, sensor-based single processing, recommender systems and facial recognition, which play an indispensable part in smart agriculture, smart city, biomedical and business intelligence applications.

Governing Intellectual Property Rights Within Publicly Funded Biobanks Jan 02 2020 Governing Intellectual Property Rights Within Publicly Funded Biobanks R. Neethu The boom in biobanks and health databases as research infrastructures have evoked various legal and ethical debates. Since then numerous new developments have emerged such as digitalization, big-data research and artificial intelligence which has important implications for biobank-based research and collaborations. This new paradigm offers new legal challenges for commercial involvement particularly within a publicly funded setting. In this innovative book, the author shows that securing maximum social benefit out of the knowledge emanating from the use of biobank resources lies in managing intellectual property inputs and outputs effectively in keeping with the values core to such research. Focusing on the challenges of involving intellectual property rights (IPRs) particularly in the precompetitive phase of biobank-based research, the book offers an extensive understanding of the role of different IPRs and identifies the gaps in the law and its implications for biobanks. The analysis covers important aspects in relation to biobanks such as: Digital integration and biomedical data storage; Ownership of biological samples; Commercialization and benefit sharing; Partnership models; Public sector research; Disposition of samples; Consent; Cross-border exchange; Trade secrecy; Privacy; Regulatory stewardship; Business strategies; Ethical considerations over biological resources; Patenting of inventions relating to personalized medicine; Ethical parameters within patent law; and Rights regarding genetic data and databases. The book includes observations, case studies and interviews conducted by the

author. In conclusion, the author offers cogent recommendations for legal interoperability of IP rules and research practices designed to enhance the ability of biobanks to share, access and reuse data. This book is the first of its kind to explore the organizational and legislative choices for biobanks particularly while engaging in the protection of research results and technology transfer within a publicly funded setting. It will be of substantial interest to all stakeholders in biobanking, especially policymakers, biobankers and researchers working in the field of health law as well as for legal practitioners, academics and patient interest groups.

The Evolution and Development of the Antibody Repertoire Nov 23 2021 Although at first glance mechanisms used to create the variable domains of immunoglobulin appear to be designed to generate diversity at random, closer inspection reveals striking evolutionary constraints on the sequence and structure of these antigen receptors, suggesting that natural selection is operating to create a repertoire that anticipates or is biased towards recognition of specific antigenic properties. This Research Topics issue will be devoted to an examination of the evolution of antigen receptor sequence at the germline level, an evaluation of the repertoire in B cells from fish, pigs and human, an introduction into bioinformatics approaches to the evaluation and analysis of the repertoire as ascertained by high throughput sequencing, and a discussion of how study of the normal repertoire informs the construction or selection of in vitro antibodies for applied purposes.

Systems Biology Approaches to Understanding the Cause and Treatment of Heart, Lung, Blood, and Sleep Disorders Jan 14 2021 Development of powerful new high- throughput technologies for probing the transcriptome, proteome and metabolome is driving the rapid acquisition of information on the function of molecular systems. The importance of these achievements cannot be understated – they have transformed the nature of both

biology and medicine. Despite this dramatic progress, one of the greatest challenges that continues to confront modern biology is to understand how behavior at the level of genome, proteome and metabolome determines physiological function at the level of cell, tissue and organ in both health and disease. Because of the inherent complexity of biological systems, the development, analysis, and validation of integrative computational models based directly on experimental data is necessary to achieve this understanding. This approach, known as systems biology, integrates computational and experimental approaches through iterative development of mathematical models and experimental validation and testing. The combination of these approaches allows for a mechanistic understanding of the function of complex biological systems in health and their dysfunction in disease. The National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI) has recognized the importance of the systems biology approach for understanding normal physiology and perturbations associated with heart, lung, blood, and sleep diseases and disorders. In 2006, NHLBI announced the Exploratory Program in Systems Biology, followed in 2010 by the NHLBI Systems Biology Collaborations. The goal of these programs is to support collaborative teams of investigators in using experimental and computational strategies to integrate the component parts of biological networks and pathways into computational models that are based firmly on and validated using experimental data. These validated models are then applied to gain insights into the mechanisms of altered system function in disease, to generate novel hypotheses regarding these mechanisms that can be tested experimentally, and to then use the results of experiments to refine the models. The purpose of this Research Topic is to present the range of innovative, new approaches being developed by investigators working in areas of systems biology that couple experimental and modeling studies to understand the cause and possible treatment of heart, lung, blood and sleep diseases and

disorders. This Research Topic will be of great interest to the cardiovascular research community as well as to the general community of systems biologists.

Bio-inspired Neurocomputing Feb 01 2020 This book covers the latest technological advances in neuro-computational intelligence in biological processes where the primary focus is on biologically inspired neuro-computational techniques. The theoretical and practical aspects of biomedical neural computing, brain-inspired computing, bio-computational models, artificial intelligence (AI) and machine learning (ML) approaches in biomedical data analytics are covered along with their qualitative and quantitative features. The contents cover numerous computational applications, methodologies and emerging challenges in the field of bio-soft computing and bio-signal processing. The authors have taken meticulous care in describing the fundamental concepts, identifying the research gap and highlighting the problems with the strategical computational approaches to address the ongoing challenges in bio-inspired models and algorithms. Given the range of topics covered, this book can be a valuable resource for students, researchers as well as practitioners interested in the rapidly evolving field of neurocomputing and biomedical data analytics.

Emerging Policy Issues in Synthetic Biology Aug 21 2021 This book examines policy issues in synthetic biology including R&D funding, company investment, PPP arrangements and innovative financing, infrastructure requirements, education and training, intellectual property (IP), regulation, and public engagement.

Systems Biology Modelling and Analysis Aug 09 2020 Systems Biology Modelling and Analysis Describes important modelling and computational methods for systems biology research to enable practitioners to select and use the most suitable technique Systems Biology Modelling and Analysis provides an overview of state-of-the-art techniques and introduces related tools and

practices to formalize models and automate reasoning for systems biology. The authors present and compare the main formal methods used in systems biology for modelling biological networks, including discussion of their advantages, drawbacks, and main applications. Each chapter includes an intuitive presentation of the specific formalism, a brief history of the formalism and of its applications in systems biology, a formal description of the formalism and its variants, at least one realistic case study, some applications of formal techniques to validate and make deep analysis of models encoded with the formalism, and a discussion on the kind of biological systems for which the formalism is suited, along with concrete ideas on its possible evolution. Edited by a highly qualified expert with significant experience in the field, some of the methods and techniques covered in Systems Biology Modelling and Analysis include: Petri nets, an important tool for studying different aspects of biological systems, ranging from simple signaling pathways to metabolic networks and beyond Pathway Logic, a formal, rule-based system and interactive viewer for developing executable models of cellular processes Boolean networks, a mathematical model which has been widely used for decades in the context of biological regulation networks Answer Set Programming (ASP), which has proven to be a strong logic programming paradigm to deal with the inherent complexity of biological models For systems biologists, biochemists, bioinformaticians, molecular biologists, pharmacologists, and computer scientists, Systems Biology Modelling and Analysis is a comprehensive all-in-one resource to understand and harness the field's current models and techniques while also preparing for their potential developments in coming years with the help of the author's expert insight.

Modern aspects of sustainable management Dec 13 2020