

Fall 2026 tentative schedule

- Aug 24 – NO CBI
- Aug 31 – Group and topic: Vincent Lowe, Vanshika Patel, Kieran Johnson, Melanie Nelson (Synthetic cells and programmable chemical systems)
– 3MT presenters: Kyle Davis, Hedyeh Zamani, Vaibhav Ginoya
– **Pizza: Bethel**
- Sept 7 – NO CBI (Labor Day)
- Sept 14 – Group and topic: Jason Smith, Korin Murray, and Maria Zaballa (Data centers, their environmental impact, and their use in biological research)
– 3MT presenters: Ayo Ogunsanya, Joshua Camacho, Bethel Beyene
– **Pizza: Jeanne**
- Sept 21 – Group and topic: Ayo Ogunsanya, Chris Welsh, Nick Anderson, Sadikshya Dhakal (Targeted protein degradation)
– 3MT presenters: Nigar Fatima, Nav Raj Phulara, Vanshika Patel
– **Pizza: Kyle**
- Sept 28 – (Hosted at UMB; **attendance required**)
– Group and topic: Vaibhav Ginoya, Codi Hrynko, Matt Denny, Oliver Paszkowski (Machine learning in the development of protein force fields)
– 3MT presenters: Kieran Johnson, Melanie Nelson, Nick Anderson
- Oct 5 – External Speaker, Prof. Jacqueline Smith (Howard University)
(attendance required)
– **Pizza: Melanie**
- Oct 12 – NO CBI (UMBC Fall Break)

- Oct 19**
- Group and topic: Nav Phulara, Meagan Bauer, Nimalee Jayasekera, Durga Devkota (Brain organoids and the possibility of sentience)
 - 3MT presenters: Trisha De Jesus, Fidelia Asomani, Codi Hrynko
 - **Pizza: Bethel**
- Oct 26**
- (Hosted at UMB; **attendance required**)
 - Group and topic: Fidelia Asomani, Hedyeh Zamani, Nigar Fatima, Bijaya B K (nano particles in drug delivery)
 - 3MT presenters: Ismael Watts, Sarah Pogash, Vincent Lowe
- Nov 2**
- External Speaker, Dr. Mary Doolin (Rooster Bio)
 - (**attendance required**)
 - **Pizza: Jeanne**
- Nov 9**
- Group and topic: Sarah Pogash, Kyla DeWittie, and Ismael Watts (Diseases linked to the human microbiome)
 - 3MT presenters: Rajat Jha, Bijaya B K, Oliver Paszkowski
 - **Pizza: Kyle**
- Nov 16**
- Group and topic: Kyle Davis, Bethel Beyene, Trisha De Jesus, and Rajat Jha (The development and usage of peptides as drug-like molecules)
 - 3MT presenters: Sean O’Sullivan, Kyla DeWittie, Durga Devkota
 - **Pizza: Melanie**
- Nov 23**
- NO CBI (week of Thanksgiving)
- Nov 30**
- (Hosted at UMB; **attendance required**);
 - Group and topic: Zabrina Malto, Ruchira Basu, Agbo-oma Uwakweh (Expansion of RNA-based therapeutics beyond COVID-19)
 - 3MT presenters: Agbo-oma Uwakweh, Ruchira Basu, Zabrina Malto

Dec 7

- Group and topic: Jeanne Ngo, Rachel Kramer, Joshua Camacho, Sean O’Sullivan (Production of pharmaceuticals with fewer toxic waste production and lower environmental impacts)
- 3MT presenters: Jeanne Ngo, Meagan Bauer, Nimalee Jayasekera
- **Pizza: Bethel**

Dec 14

- CBI Holiday Party