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We are Pleased to Announce a Seminar Presented by

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Friday, Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> 2023 4 pm Stephenson Life Sciences Research Center 3410/3430

## "Structure & Function of the *Legionella* pneumophila Dot/Icm Type IV Secretion System"

## Refreshments at 3:45pm

Bacterial secretion systems, including the Dot/Icm Type IV Secretion System (T4SS) in the pathogen Legionella pneumophila, are macromolecular machines that deliver proteins and DNA directly into the cytoplasm of host cells to aid in colonizing hosts, transferring antibiotic resistance genes between bacteria, and forming biofilms. High resolution structures determined by cryo-electron microscopy of this ~5 MDa complex revealed many unexpected structural features. Our work integrates biochemical, biophysical, structural, and genetic approaches to develop a mechanistic model for how the protein-translocating Legionella pneumophila Dot/Icm T4SS delivers effector proteins into host cells during pathogenesis.

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