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Bugs to Drugs: Lessons Learned From Using Fecal Transplants to Treat Recurrent *Clostridium Difficile* Infection

Eric Alm is Co-Director of the Center for Microbiome Informatics and Therapeutics at MIT and Massachusetts General Hospital. His research program is focused on practical applications of microbial ecology, with a special interest in the human microbiome. His lab recently spun off a successful non-profit organization, OpenBiome, to provide fecal microbiota transplants to patients suffering from recurrent *Clostridium difficile* infection. His past research has helped to elucidate the earliest events in the evolution of life, helped to define the concept of a bacterial species, and mapped the horizontal transfer of genes across microbial species using a combination of new molecular technologies and computational algorithms.



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1:00 p.m.

West Campus Conference Center Auditorium

Refreshments will be served