

**UCI SKIN**

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# 8th Annual Skin Symposium

The Language of Skin: Decoding Immunity, Genetics, and Technology

## FEATURED SPEAKERS



**Iwei Yeh, MD, PhD**  
UC San Francisco



**Roxana Daneshjou, MD, PhD**  
Stanford University



**Fu-Tong Liu, PhD**  
University of Southern California



**Jae Choi, MD, PhD**  
Northwestern University



**Sarah Tishkoff, PhD**  
University of Pennsylvania



**Zihao Ou, MD, PhD**  
University of Texas, Dallas



**Shawn Demehri, MD, PhD**  
Harvard Medical School



**Piotr Konieczny, PhD**  
Mount Sinai School of Medicine



**Michelle Kahlenberg, MD, PhD**  
University of Michigan

**February 21, 2025**

**8:30am – 5:30 pm**

**Location: Gross Hall 4th Floor**

**Thorp Conference & Sprague Hall Lobby**

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## AGENDA

9:00 AM—9:05AM	<b>Introduction by UCI Skin Biology Leadership</b>
9:05AM—9:45AM	<b>Dr. Roxana Daneshjou</b> <i>"AI in Dermatology: Where are we really?"</i>
9:45AM—10:25AM	<b>Dr. Fu-Tong Liu</b> <i>"Galectins and skin: Regulators of intracellular innate immunity"</i>
10:25AM—10:40AM	<u>Break</u>
10:40AM—11:20AM	<b>Dr. Sarah Tishkoff</b> <i>"Role of genetics and natural selection on skin pigmentation variation in Africans"</i>
11:20AM—12:00PM	<b>Dr. Piotr Konieczny</b> <i>"Skin Adaptation to Damage and Inflammation"</i>
12:00PM—1:30PM	<u>Lunch Break &amp; Poster Session in Sprague Hall</u>
1:30PM—2:10PM	<b>Dr. Michelle Kahlenberg</b> <i>"Interferons and Inflammation: what we know about the skin in SLE"</i>
2:10PM—2:50PM	<b>Dr. Zihao Ou</b> <i>"Enhancing Optical Transparency in Biological Tissues Using Photonics Engineering"</i>
2:50PM—3:05PM	<u>Break</u>
3:05PM—3:45PM	<b>Dr. Iwei Yeh</b> <i>"Hailstorms in Acral Melanoma"</i>
3:45PM—4:25PM	<b>Dr. Shawn Demehri</b> <i>"Control of Malignant Clones by Antiviral T Cells in the Skin"</i>
4:25PM—4:40PM	<u>Break</u>
4:40PM—5:20PM	<b>Dr. Jaehyuk Choi</b> <i>"Evolution of T Cell Fitness in the Tumor Microenvironment"</i>

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