

Interagency Workshop on Synthetic Biology Use Cases by Sector

Sector	Use Case 1	Use Case 2	Use Case 3
Transforming Bioenergy & Agriculture with Synthetic Biology	<i>Metabolic Engineering of Lignin Synthesis and Composition</i>	<i>Metabolic Engineering of C3 Plants to C4 plants</i>	<i>Synthetic Sexual Reproduction - Apomixis</i> Apomixis (synthetic fertilization)
Transforming Cellular Factories with Synthetic Biology	<i>Temporally and Spatially Controlled Production of Structural Materials using Artificial Cells and Cell Free Systems</i> Spatially and temporally controlled biological synthesis of mesoscale molecular structures using Artificial cell or Cell Free systems	<i>Temporally and Spatially Controlled Production of Structural Materials</i> Spatially and temporally controlled biological synthesis of mesoscale molecular structures using engineered microbial cultures (communities)	N/A
Transforming Medicine with Synthetic Biology	<i>Cells as Physicians</i> Smart Medicine: Engineered gut microbial communities that produce compounds to activate neuropod cells with predictable, quantifiable, and reproducible cognitive and/or psychological outcomes	<i>Living Wearable Technology</i> Smart Medicine (Cells): Engineered (bio-circuits) mammalian cells to sense and respond to physiological state and interface with electronic medical devices	<i>Synthetic Tissues and Organs</i> Bio-printing: Bio-printing of tissues/organs with their associated network of functional blood vessels
Transforming Biomanufacturing with Synthetic Biology	<i>Minimizing Supply Chain Gaps</i> Minimize supply chain gaps of critical DoD precursors: Example → production of 1,2,4-butanetriol-energetic precursor	<i>Scaling Cell-Free Systems</i> Scaling Cell-Free Systems: Practical cell-free workflows to span volumes of 10ul to 10 ³ L, expansion to non-model systems, and predicative modeling of cell-free systems	N/A