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Department of Chemistry

announces the 36th  
H. Martin Friedman Lecture

**Frontiers in  
Bioinorganic Chemistry**  
*Knowledge of mechanisms drives  
discoveries towards biomedical  
applications*

The purpose of this lecture is to provide evidence of how fundamental bioinorganic chemistry knowledge can be applied to drive important changes in different areas of biomedical science.

Therefore, I will introduce some examples from our group on the use of gold-based compounds as selective protein binders. Having a metal compound as a selective protein inhibitor enables its applications in medicine as a novel therapeutic agent or its use in chemical biology, to study a protein's function and its role in disease mechanisms.

Moreover, the application of discrete supramolecular metal-based structures, specifically self-assembled metallocages, as new generation theranostic agents will be presented. The robustness and modular composition of such supramolecular metal-based molecules allows for the incorporation of different functionalities in the same scaffold to enable imaging in cells via different modalities, but also active tumor targeting and stimuli-responsiveness. In this context, two examples of metallocages as targeted drug delivery systems for anticancer chemotherapeutics and radioactive imaging agents will be presented.

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**Angela Casini**

Chair of Medicinal and Bioinorganic  
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Distinguished Professor  
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Friday, March 19, 2021  
11:00 - 12:30 pm

This lecture will be held virtually @  
[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89775130069?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89775130069?pwd=SVAvZmJKQjdoRWNuMkE1bjZpUGVEZD09)  
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Dr. H. Martin Friedman, Class of 1935, has made possible, through a generous endowment, a Brooklyn College lecture series planned primarily to benefit undergraduate students. Each year, the series presents a distinguished scientist who addresses the students, faculty, and staff of the College on a topic in chemistry. It is the aim of the series to inspire and stimulate interest in science as a career by bringing to Brooklyn College scientists at the peak of their professions.

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