UTC INSTITUTE FOR ADVANCED SYSTEMS ENGINEERING Seminar Series

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Bioprocess Systems Engineering of Cell Culture Processes: Challenges and Opportunities

Systems Engineering has been an integral part of many engineering disciples and has proven its value in many industries. As a young and heavily regulated industry, Biopharmaceutical manufacturing has been slow to adopt process systems engineering approaches, but the FDA and other regulatory bodies are pushing for more advanced methods to monitor and control manufacturing processes. In this talk we will discuss practical examples on how this is achieved. The first part of the talk will introduce some challenges and present several cases studies in which a systems engineering and model-based approaches have proven successful. The second part of the talk will focus on research on advanced modeling and simulation of bioprocesses based on dynamic flux balance analysis that can further improve process monitor and control. The Bioprocess Engineering and Data Analytics group designs and uses new process technologies and data analysis systems to enable Sanofi to better monitor, understand, control, plan, and tech transfer its manufacturing operations.

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