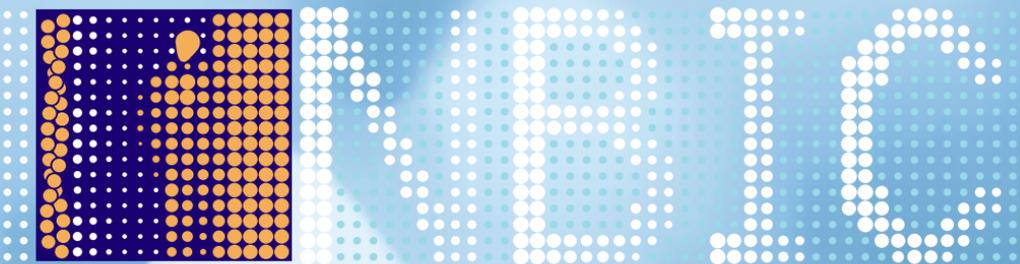


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STEVEN M. BLOCK

2006 Recipient

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Steven M. Block is a biophysicist at Stanford University holding a joint appointment in the Department of Biological Sciences and the Department of Applied Physics. He is also a Senior Fellow of Stanford's Institute for International Studies. Prior to moving to Stanford in 1999, Block served on the faculty of the Department of Molecular Biology at Princeton University (1994-1999). Before that, he taught at Harvard University while conducting research at the Rowland Institute for Science in Cambridge, MA (1987-1994). Trained in both physics and biology, Block was an undergraduate at Oxford University (UK), received his doctorate from the California Institute of Technology with Howard Berg (1983), and did postdoctoral work with James Spudich at Stanford University (1985-7). He is the recipient of the 1994 Young Investigator Award of the Biophysical Society and a fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences. He served as the President of the Biophysical Society during 2005-2006, a professional scientific society with nearly 10,000 members. Block's interdisciplinary research lies at the interface of physics and biology, particularly the study of motor proteins, or mechanoenzymes. In his spare time, he enjoys downhill skiing, particularly in fresh powder, and playing the bluegrass banjo and mandolin. He is a former monthly columnist for *Banjo Newsletter*, and placed 2nd in the National Banjo Championship in 1979.

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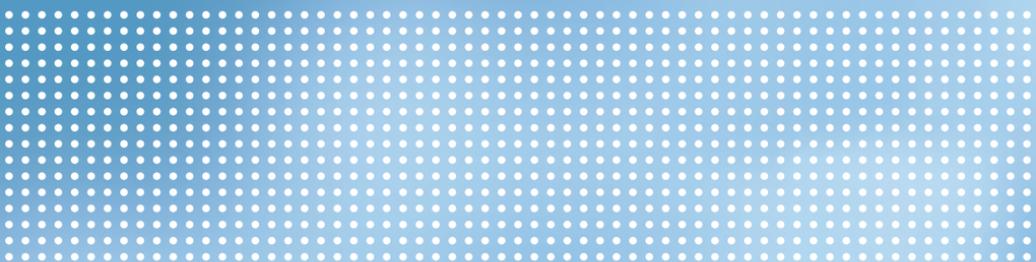
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Reception to follow



Nano/Bio Interface Center at the University of Pennsylvania is a Nanoscale Science and Engineering Center (NSEC) bringing together researchers from the Schools of Engineering and Applied Science; Arts and Sciences; and Medicine. The NBIC exploits Penn's internationally recognized strengths in design of molecular function and quantification of individual molecules. The study of the ethics of nano-bio technology is also an integral part of the program. The Center unites investigators from ten departments to provide, not only new directions for the life sciences, but also for engineering in a two-way flow essential to fully realizing the benefits of nano-biotechnology.