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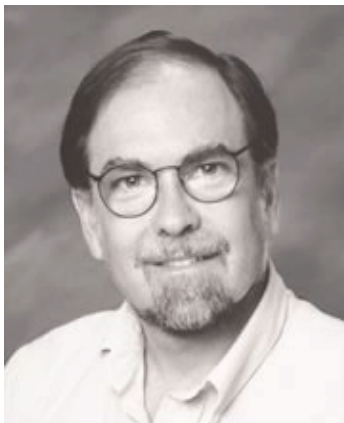
**PRESENTS**

**PROF. FRED BLOCK**

# **Where Do Innovations Come From? Lessons For Nanotechnology**

**A BROWN BAG SEMINAR**

**Tuesday, May 20, 2008  
12:00 Noon - 1:30 p.m.  
3001 Elings Hall (CNSI)**



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