

***Bioengineering's Jessica Kramer named Top 5 finalist in the annual 2017-18 Dream Chemistry Award***

Assistant Professor of Bioengineering Jessica Kramer's creative research ideas for **new polymer chemistry techniques to engineer biomolecules and decorate the surface of human cells** has been selected for finalist consideration for the international Dream Chemistry Award.

**The Dream Chemistry Award** (see <http://dreamchemistryaward.org/about.php>) is a unique contest with a prize awarded to a young scientist with a chemistry background for an idea of a scientific project in the field of chemistry or chemistry-related disciplines that she/he dreams to solve. Applications are assessed based on the originality of the proposal; the CV of the Candidate is considered as well.

The Dream Chemistry Award contest was established in 2013 by the Institute of Physical Chemistry of the Polish Academy of Sciences (IChF-PAN) with the aim of supporting young talent in pursuing their scientific dreams. In 2017, the Institute of Organic Chemistry and Biochemistry of the Czech Academy of Sciences (IOCB Prague) stepped in as the principal contest organizer.

Jessica will travel to Prague in December to compete for the final prize in front of the Scientific Committee and will be honored on their website as a finalist.

Jessica Kramer:

