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[Jacqueline Wurst](#) successfully defended her thesis in diversity-oriented synthesis entitled “Studies on the Stereoselective Synthesis of Glycal Derived Spiroketal” on April 17, 2011. Jackie’s family made the trip out from Minnesota for the event! Our thanks to her committee members Profs. Minkui Luo (chair), Howard Hang, and Gabriela Chiosis, who stepped in at the last minute. We also note that important contributions to this project were made by our late colleague, Prof. David Y. Gin, who sadly could not be with us for Jackie’s defense. Danielle Rose organized a wonderful party to celebrate Jackie’s accomplishments.

Congratulations Dr. Wurst!





Dr. Jacqueline Wurst and Danielle Rose prepare the opening salvo of the party!



Jackie fires off the first shot!



Sharon Wurst checks out Renato Bauer's photo of the champagne cork with Todd Wenderski and Chris Stratton



Members of the Tan and Gin Groups are ready to celebrate!



The groups enjoy a nice spread of food organized by Danielle Rose





Jackie discusses her defense with a friend



Derek congratulates our newest Doctor!



We're very happy that Jackie's mother, Sharon, managed to beat the weather to fly in for her defense!

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