Effectively Assessing Core Concepts in the Molecular Life Sciences
an ASBMB RCN UBE Workshop
March 2, 2013
St Mary’s College of Maryland, Goodpaster Hall, Room 186

9:00 – 9:30 am Arrival and Check-In (Coffee and tea provided)

9:30 – 10:00 am Introduction and overview of the ASBMB-RCN UBE grant – Ellis Bell, University of Richmond

10:00 – 10:45 am Keynote: Developing and using concept assessments in the life sciences – Jenny Knight, University of Colorado, Boulder

10:45 – 11:45 am Workshop: Transform your teaching of molecular life sciences through assessment – Kathy Frame, Papillon Education Services, LLC

11:45 am – 12:30 pm Lunch (provided)

12:30 – 2:00 pm Workshop continued: Reporting out in small groups. Share best practices in concept assessment – Ellis Bell

2:00 – 2:30 pm Panel discussion: "Critical friends" report their observations and raise "critical questions" about their validation of the assessment questions – Pam Mertz, St. Mary’s College of Maryland, Jenny Knight and Kathy Frame

2:30 – 2:45 pm Coffee and tea break

2:45 – 4:00 pm Workshop: A "shredding" exercise. Small groups make the approaches from another group even better – Ellis Bell and Pam Mertz

4:00 – 4:30 pm Final report out and discussion facilitated by Pam Mertz

4:30 – 5:00 pm Presentation: Turning conceptual assessments into peer-reviewed publications – Sam Elliott, St. Mary’s College of Maryland

5:00 – 5:30 pm Planning for the future and wrap-up. Discussion of goals, assignments, deadlines. Meeting assessment – Ellis Bell

5:30 pm Workshop concludes.

6:00 pm Hosted dinner in President’s Room, Campus Center 205. All participants are invited to continue discussion and networking.