18th Keck Center Annual Research Conference

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Interdisciplinary Bioscience Research and Training

Emerging Paradigms for Drug Discovery and Development

October 3-4, 2008

UT M. D. Anderson Cancer Prevention Building, Houston

Co-Chairs:

George M. Stancel
Dean of the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences,
University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston

Tim Palzkill
Professor and Chair of Pharmacology,
Baylor College of Medicine

Agenda

Day 1: Friday, October 3

7:30 am - 8:20 am  Registration, Poster set-up, and light refreshments
8:20 am - 8:30 am  Welcome: George Stancel and Tim Palzkill
8:30 am - 10:30 am Plenary Session I: Biomarkers

Session Chair:

David Loose, Ph.D. Associate Professor, Integrative Biology & Pharmacology, UT Health Science Center-Houston

Speakers:

Adrian V. Lee, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Lester and Sue Smith Breast Center, Baylor College of Medicine

Vikas Kundra, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Diagnostic Radiology, UT M. D. Anderson Cancer Center

Stephen M. Hewitt, M.D., Ph.D., Tissue Array Research Program, Advanced Technology Center, Center for Cancer Research, National Cancer Institute
10:30 am - 12:00 pm  Poster Session I
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm  Lunch
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm  Plenary Talk: Jogarao V. Gobburu, Ph.D., Director, Pharmometrics, Office of Clinical Pharmacology, Center for Drug Evaluation and Research, Food and Drug Administration (FDA).
2:00 pm - 4:00 pm  Plenary Session II: High Throughput Screening in Drug Discovery  
Session Chair:
Peter J. Davies, M.D., Ph.D., Executive Vice President for Research, UT Health Science Center-Houston
Speakers: TBA
4:00 pm - 5:30 pm  Poster Session II
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm  Poster viewing and Reception

Day 2: Saturday, October 4
8:00 am - 8:30 am  Poster setup and light refreshments
8:30 am - 10:00 am  Poster Session III
10:30 am - 12:00 pm  Plenary Session III: Systems Biology  
Session Chair:
George Stancel, Ph.D., Dean, Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, UT Health Science Center-Houston
Speakers:
Prahlad Ram, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Molecular Therapeutics, UT M. D. Anderson Cancer Center
Avi Ma’ayan, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Pharmacology and Systems Therapeutics, Mount Sinai School of Medicine
Luay Nakhleh, Ph.D., Assistant Professor, Computer Science, Rice University
12:00 pm – 12:30 pm  Poster award winners and closing remarks
12:30 pm – 4:00 pm  Family outdoor picnic in Hermann Park
Families welcome - food and games provided