Welcome to the 19th Annual NIDA International Forum

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) International Forum has become the premier scientific gathering for drug abuse researchers from around the world, and that fact was never more evident than when we began planning this year’s meeting.

The Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR) is cosponsoring the 2014 NIDA International Forum, and we are grateful for their many contributions, from planning a breakout session to identifying potential speakers and recognizing areas of mutual interest. CIHR and the NIDA AIDS Research Program, Clinical Trials Network, and Asian American/Pacific Islander Researchers and Scholars Work Group provided additional financial support for the 2014 NIDA International Forum. We thank Tony Phillips, Jacques Normand, Betty Tai, and Yu “Woody” Lin, respectively, for their invaluable assistance.

We also would like to acknowledge the NIDA International Program contractor staff from IQ Solutions, Inc., for their outstanding assistance in planning and implementing the Forum for the past 15 years. For this year’s Forum, IQ Solutions obtained an educational grant from Reckitt Benckiser Pharmaceuticals to provide travel awards for presenters at the international research poster session held jointly at the Forum and the College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD) meeting. Additional travel award support was provided by James C. Anthony, the Inter-American Drug Abuse Control Commission (CICAD), the International Women’s and Children’s Health and Gender Working Group (InWomen’s), Walter Ling, David S. Metzger, George E. Woody, and CPDD. We are very grateful for this generous support of the talented scientists whose research makes this meeting such a success.

The NIDA International Program and our partners thank each of you for sharing your unique perspectives on common issues, and encourage you to continue forging research partnerships that advance our understanding of drug abuse and addiction.

Steven W. Gust, Ph.D.
Director, International Program
National Institute on Drug Abuse
2014 NIDA International Forum
Building International Collaborative Research on Drug Abuse

Friday, June 13, 2014

2:30 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  Registration and Information

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  NIDA International Networking Session

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Co-Chairs: J. Randy Koch, Virginia Commonwealth University
Dale Weiss, International Program, NIDA

Reaching Out to Teens and Communities: NIDA’s National Drug Facts Week

❖ Susan Weiss, Associate Director, NIDA

International Programs at the NIH

❖ Joni Rutter, Division of Basic Neuroscience and Behavioral Research, NIDA

The NIDA Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowships: Past, Present, and Future—Celebrating 25 Years of International Education

A Living Legacy: The Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship Program After 35 Years

❖ Judy Gibson, Institute of International Education

The NIDA-HHH Partnership: Internationalizing Drug Abuse Research

❖ M. Patricia Needle, Former Director, NIDA International Program

Hubert H. Humphrey Fellows Panel

Moderator:
❖ Robert Balster, Virginia Commonwealth University

Panelists:
❖ Rawnak Aqrawi, Ministry of Health Kurdistan, Iraq
❖ Sergii Dvoriak, Ukrainian Institute on Public Health Policy, Ukraine
❖ Ivan D. Montoya, Division of Pharmacotherapies and Medical Consequences of Drug Abuse (DPMCDA), NIDA
❖ Chinyere Okonkwo, Federal Neuropsychiatric Hospital, Yaba, Lagos
❖ Riza Sarasvita, The Ministry of Health, Republic of Indonesia

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NIDA International Forum: Symposium

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8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.  Plenary Session  San Geronimo B

8:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m.  Welcoming Remarks and Introduction
National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)
❖ Steven W. Gust, Director, International Program, NIDA

College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD)
❖ Jan Copeland, Chair, CPDD International Committee, and University of New South Wales, Australia

Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR)
❖ Nathalie Gendron, Assistant Director, Institute of Neurosciences, Mental Health and Addiction

8:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.  Marijuana: Global Policy and Research Update
Chair: Susan Weiss, Associate Director, NIDA

8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.  State of the Science on Marijuana’s Adverse Health Effects
❖ Nora D. Volkow, Director, NIDA

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.  Global Perspectives on Marijuana Policy, Research, and Knowledge Gaps
❖ Jan Copeland, University of New South Wales, Australia
❖ Paul Griffiths, European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMCDDA)
❖ Priscillia Hunt, RAND Corporation
❖ Paul E. Simons, Organization of American States

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.  Break

10:45 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.  Update on New Psychoactive Substances
Chair: Paul Griffiths, EMCDDA

Update on European Union Developments in Trends on Drug Use With Special Focus on New Psychoactive Substances
❖ Paul Griffiths, EMCDDA
The Italian National Action Plan on New Psychoactive Substances
❖ Giovanni Serpelloni, National Early Warning System (N.E.W.S.), Italy

New Psychoactive Substances in the Americas and CICAD/UNODC Collaborative Effort in the Region
❖ Marya Hynes, Organization of American States

Update on New Psychoactive Substance Use in North America
❖ Jane C. Maxwell, The University of Texas at Austin

11:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. 2014 NIDA International Awards of Excellence Mentoring
❖ Dennis McCarty, Oregon Health & Science University

International Leadership
❖ Charles O’Keeffe, Virginia Commonwealth University

Collaborative Research
❖ Marek C. Chawarski, Yale University
❖ Vicknasingam B Kasinather, Universiti Sains Malaysia

Special Recognition
❖ William L. Dewey, Virginia Commonwealth University

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch (On Your Own)

1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Concurrent Breakout Sessions

Breakout #1 Advances in Addiction Research in Canada Flamingo
Integrating approaches to brain health research is a primary goal for Canadian health agencies. Speakers will report on recent advances and new initiatives to address dual diagnoses, cultural interventions, and capacity building in addiction research.

Chair: Nathalie Gendron, Canadian Institutes of Health Research

Addiction Treatment, Education in Research in a Canadian Centre
❖ Bohdan Nosyk, British Columbia Centre for Excellence in HIV/AIDS, Simon Fraser University

Honoring Our Strengths: Culture as Intervention
❖ Colleen Anne Dell, University of Saskatchewan

Treating Concurrent Mental Illness and Addiction: Understanding Treatment Failure and Improving Outcomes
❖ Kathryn Gill, McGill University
**Breakout #2**

**Vaccination for Addiction and AIDS**

Vaccines are an effective intervention for many diseases and public health. Speakers in this session will report on the latest efforts in the development of vaccines to protect against HIV/AIDS, heroin, and cocaine addiction. The translation of innovative research into clinical practice will be discussed.

Co-Chairs: Jacques Normand, *Director, AIDS Research Program, NIDA*  
Yu “Woody” Lin, *Division of Clinical Neuroscience and Behavioral Research (DCNBR), NIDA*

**Opening Remarks**

❖ Jacques Normand, *Director, AIDS Research Program, NIDA*

**Active Vaccination for Elimination (AV4E) of AIDS: Thinking Outside the Box**

❖ Zhiwei Chen, Ph.D., *AIDS Institute of the University of Hong Kong*

**Pathways Toward Development of a Practical Heroin-HIV Vaccine**

❖ Gary Matyas, *Henry Jackson Foundation*

**Combined Cocaine and HIV Vaccine: Synergy and Staying Power**

❖ Timothy Cardozo, *New York University School of Medicine*

**Advancing Clinical Translation, Innovations, Opportunities, and Networks**

❖ Yu “Woody” Lin, *DCNBR, NIDA*

2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. **Break**

2:45 p.m. – 4:15 p.m. **Concurrent Breakout Sessions**

**Breakout #3**

**Substance Use Treatments: Secondary Analyses Using the Clinical Trials Network (CTN) Datashare**

This session will present information about the CTN public datashare website, methods, and results of secondary analyses conducted using the datasets, and the value of conducting secondary analyses to advance knowledge of evidence-based treatments.

Co-Chairs: Carmen Rosa, *Center for Clinical Trials Network (CCTN), NIDA*  
Betty Tai, *CCTN, NIDA*

**Overview of CTN Datashare**

❖ Carmen Rosa, *CCTN, NIDA*

**Practical Approaches for Using the CTN Datashare: Proposing Parameters, Creating Data Tables, and Analyzing Results**

❖ Abigail G. Matthews, *The EMMES Corporation*
Breakout #4

Advances in Treatment for Marijuana Dependence

Globally, marijuana is the most widely used illicit substance and accounts for a significant portion of treatment demand. Speakers will review the latest research on pharmacological treatments for marijuana dependence.

Chair: Ivan D. Montoya, Division of Pharmacotherapies and Medical Consequences of Drug Abuse (DPMCDA), NIDA

Current Strategies in Treatment of Cannabis Use Disorders

❖ Aidan Hampson, DPMCDA, NIDA

Anxiolytic and Antipsychotic Effects of Cannabidiol

❖ Francisco Guimarães, Medical School of Ribeirao Preto, University of São Paulo, Brazil

Pharmacological Treatment of Cannabis Dependence

❖ Barbara J. Mason, The Scripps Research Institute

Novel Targets for Medication Development for Cannabis Dependence

❖ Aimee McRae-Clark, Medical University of South Carolina

Monday, June 16, 2014
Joint NIDA International Forum and CPDD Workshop

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m. International Research Posters

San Cristobal

Learn about research conducted outside of the United States and meet NIDA staff and colleagues from around the world at this CPDD Workshop and NIDA International Forum poster session.
8:15 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.  Epidemiology and Public Health Research Methods for Underrepresented Minorities

Sponsored by the CPDD International Committee

Co-Chairs: James C. Anthony, Professor, Michigan State University
Jan Copeland, Chair, CPDD International Committee and Professor, University of New South Wales, Australia

Introduction
❖ James C. Anthony, Michigan State University and Jan Copeland, University of New South Wales, Australia

Just-In-Time Adaptive Interventions Delivered Via Smartphones
❖ Susan Murphy, University of Michigan

The Challenge of Effective and Culturally Sensitive Research Methodologies: Australian Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Communities
❖ Jan Copeland, University of New South Wales, Australia

The Challenge of Effective and Culturally Sensitive Research Methodologies in the United States: Lessons Learned From the Collaborative Psychiatric Epidemiology Surveys and Other Health Disparities Research Projects
❖ Margarita Alegria, Harvard University Medical School

Remarks and Leader of Final Discussion Before Closing
❖ C. Debra M. Furr-Holden, Johns Hopkins University Bloomberg School of Public Health
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