

7th Passive Sampling Workshop and Symposium

April 24-26, 2007 (Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday)

**Location: U.S. Geological Survey National Center
Reston, Virginia USA
(Washington DC area)**

Scientific Program

The main program will comprise a mix of *platform and poster presentations* and *topical discussions*. The scientific focus of the meeting will be on *in situ* passive samplers for environmental monitoring and risk assessment. Other subjects may include the use of passive samplers to carry out surveillance, operational, and investigative monitoring that are necessary to meet the needs of regulatory agencies. With the continued maturation of passive sampling tools, this upcoming meeting will also offer more 'hands-on' discussions to tackle specific practical applications of these tools.

This meeting will be beneficial to *scientists* (experts to first-time users), *policy makers* (regulatory authorities, accreditation bodies), and *end users* (companies, laboratories, and municipalities) that have a need for monitoring environmental pollution.

Tentative Topics for Presentations and Discussion *(subject to change due to proposed topics)*

New Advances in Passive Sampling Technologies	Design of Successful Field Deployments
Practical Issues of Laboratory Processing	Emerging Contaminants
Combination of Bioindicator Tests with Passive Samplers	Regulatory Issues (TMDLs, etc.)

Important Dates *(on-line submissions only without prior approval)*

Call for Session Proposals: June 1, 2006 to August 1, 2006

Call for Abstracts: August 14, 2006 to February 1, 2007

Preliminary Program *(subject to change based on session proposals and audience response)*

Day 1 (Tuesday)	Day 2 (Wednesday)	Day 3 (Thursday)
8 am – 5 pm Registration Introduction Opening Remarks Plenary Sessions Lunch Posters Topical Discussions	8 am – 5 pm Welcome Plenary Sessions Lunch Posters Topical Discussions	8 am – 12 pm Welcome Topical Discussions Adjourn Safe trip home

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