

National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases
Network of Minority Research Investigators Workshop

Bethesda North Marriott Hotel and Conference Center
April 19–20, 2007

Agenda

Thursday, April 19, 2007

- 7:30 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. **Registration and Continental Breakfast**
- 8:00 a.m. – 8:05 a.m. **Introduction of the Speaker**
Lawrence Agodoa, M.D., Director
Office of Minority Health Research Coordination (OMHRC), National
Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases (NIDDK),
National Institutes of Health (NIH)
- 8:05 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **Keynote Speaker**
Honorable Louis Sullivan, M.D.
Past Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services
- 9:00 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. **Overview of the Day's Activities and
Introduction of Senior Members of the Network**
Lawrence Agodoa, M.D., Director
OMHRC, NIDDK, NIH
- 9:15 a.m. – 9:45 a.m. **Welcoming Remarks**
Griffin Rodgers, M.D., Acting Director, NIDDK, NIH

Scientific Sessions

- 9:45 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **Molecular Mechanisms in Diabetic Nephropathy**
Mario Marrero, Ph.D., Medical College of Georgia
- 10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. **Break**
- 10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Hypertension and Kidney Disease**
Janice Lea, M.D., Emory University

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Lunch and Mentor Sessions**

Table Topics

Diabetes and Obesity - *Greg Florant, Ph.D.*, Colorado State University
Gastroenterology and Liver Disease - *Frank Hamilton, M.D.*, NIDDK
Health Services Research and Epidemiology - *Michael Rodriguez, M.D.*,
University of California, Los Angeles
Nutrition - *Odilia Bermudez, Ph.D., M.P.H.*, Tufts University
Nephrology - *Jesús López-Guisa, Ph.D.*, University of Washington

1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Mock Study Section**

Study Section 1—Chair: *Janice Lea, M.D.*, Emory University
SRA: *Michael Edwards, Ph.D.*, NIDDK

Study Section 2—Chair: *Robert Ferry, M.D.*, University of Texas
Health Science Center
SRA: *Michele Barnard, Ph.D.*, NIDDK

Study Section 3—Chair: *Marco Cabrera, M.D.*, Case Western Reserve
University
SRA: *Maria Davila Bloom, Ph.D.*, NIDDK

Study Section 4—Chair: *Mario Marrero, Ph.D.*, Medical College of
Georgia
SRA: *James Hyde, Ph.D.*, NIDDK

3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. **Break**

3:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. **Members Scientific Presentations** (15-minute presentations)
Carmen Castaneda-Sceppa, M.D., Ph.D., Tufts University
Raul Martinez-Zaguilan, Ph.D., Texas Tech University Health Science
Center
Virginia Sarapura, M.D., University of Colorado Health Science Center
Yvonne Romero, M.D., Mayo Clinic
Orhan Oz, M.D., Ph.D., University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center

5:00 p.m. – 5:10 p.m. **Overview of Poster Session**
Lawrence Agodoa, M.D., Director
OMHRC, NIDDK, NIH

5:10 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. **Open Poster Session**

7:00 p.m. – 9:45 p.m. **Dinner Meeting**
Keynote Speaker: Roland A. Owens, Ph.D.
Chief, Molecular Biology Section
Laboratory of Molecular and Cellular Biology, NIDDK, NIH

Friday, April 20, 2007

7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m. **Registration and Continental Breakfast**

8:00 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. **Introduction and Welcome**
Lawrence Agodoa, M.D., Director
OMHRC, NIDDK, NIH

8:15 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Junior and Senior Investigator Groups Split**

Junior Investigators (stay in room)

8:15 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. **NIH Roadmap and CTSA Initiative**
Anthony Hayward, M.D., Ph.D.
National Center for Research Resources (NCRR), NIH

8:45 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Selling Your Science—Getting Published**
Keith Norris, M.D.
Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science

Martin Frank, Ph.D.
American Physiological Society

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **Break**

10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Career Development Workshops: Junior Track**
(Breakout sessions - choose 2)

- **Grants: Going from an Idea to a Winning Proposal**
Shirley Blanchard, Ph.D., Creighton University
- **Managing Laboratory Growth and Remaining Focused**
Sherri-Ann Burnett, M.D., M.P.H., Massachusetts General Hospital
- **Negotiating Your First Academic Position**
Eva McGhee, Ph.D., University of California, San Francisco
- **Mentor: Finding or Being a Great One**
Robert Ferry, M.D., University of Texas Health Science Center
- **Balancing Clinical Duties with Your Research Effort**
Fiemu Nwariaku, M.D., University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center

Senior Investigators (leave room)

- 8:15 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **Committee Memberships:** Orientation for those senior members who would like to join the Network of Minority Research Investigators (NMRI) Oversight or Planning Committees.
Carlos Isales, M.D.; Bessie Young M.D., M.P.H.; Eva McGhee, Ph.D.; Jesús López-Guisa, Ph.D.; and Mario Ascoli, Ph.D.
- 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Funding Opportunities:** Orientation for senior members on minority research funding opportunities: R01 minority supplements, R25, K08, K24, or volunteer for NIH study sections as grant reviewers.
Judith Podskalny, Ph.D., NIDDK, NIH
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. **Break**
- 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Internal Promotion and Tenure Committee** (Non-tenured members of the network who would like their promotion packets reviewed by an internal committee for recommendations in identifying areas that need to be strengthened prior to their institutional review)
Akinlolu Ojo, M.D., Ph.D., University of Michigan
Carlos Isales, M.D., Medical College of Georgia
Greg Florant, Ph.D., Colorado State University
- 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Journal Review and Editing:** Opportunities for journal reviewers and editors.
Keith Norris, M.D., Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science
Martin Frank, Ph.D., American Physiological Society
- 12:30 p.m. **Senior Investigators Rejoin Junior Investigators**

12:30 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. ***Lunch Meetings***

Agenda Items (same topics in each breakout room)

Facilitators: *Healani Chang, Dr.P.H.*, University of Hawai'i
Mario Ascoli, Ph.D., University of Iowa
Eva McGhee, Ph.D., University of California, San Francisco
Leah Tolosa, Ph.D., University of Maryland, Baltimore
County
Daisy DeLeon, Ph.D., Loma Linda University

- How can the annual workshop be improved?
- What topics should be covered in future workshops?
- How can the network become more active and viable (outside of the context of the annual workshop)?
- How can we recruit additional members to the network?

1:30 p.m. – 1:45 p.m. **Update on NIDDK Outreach Efforts**

Elizabeth Singer, M.S., NIDDK, NIH

1:45 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. **Business Meeting and Committee Reports**

Oversight Committee Report
Update on Western Region Meeting and Plans for Southern Region Meeting
Summary of Lunch Meeting Feedback and Discussion of Future Goals for NMRI
Other Business

2:30 p.m. – 2:45 p.m.

Wrap-Up

Lawrence Agodoa, M.D., Director
OMHRC, NIDDK, NIH

2:45 p.m.

Adjournment