

14th US-Japan Symposium on Drug Delivery Systems

Logistics

Dates

The conference will be held at the **Westin Resort & Spa, Lahaina, Maui** from **Thursday, December 14, 2017 through Monday, December 18, 2017.**

Daily Format

The Conference will offer morning plenary sessions, evening plenary and, poster sessions. Morning sessions are scheduled from approximately 8:00 AM – 12 Noon. Afternoons are left open for your leisure pursuits. Evening sessions are scheduled from approximately 7:00 PM to 10:00 PM.

Hotel Reservations

The Symposium will be held at the Westin Resort & Spa, 2365 Ka'anapali Parkway, Lahaina, Maui. We have a limited number of rooms blocked for the conference. When you reserve your room, please make sure that the hotel knows that you are attending the 14th US-Japan Symposium.

Symposium Registration

The symposium registration is available online at the conference website via secured credit card transaction, or by postal mail with enclosed paper check. The registration fee is \$695.00. We do not accept credit card or other personal identification information via email. Early registration is suggested prior to the conference start date. We will hold an onsite registration on the opening day of the conference from 2:30-5:30pm. An additional registration will be held on from 7:00-8:00 am during the second day of the conference. Registrants are invited to the Welcome Reception on at 5:45-6:55pm on the opening day of the conference. The Symposium ends on Monday, December 18th at about 10 PM.

The registration fee is \$695.00 US Dollars.

Cancellation Policy: There is a \$100 non-refundable fee. Prior to Sunday, October 1, 2017, registration fee minus \$100 will be refunded. After Sunday, October 1, 2017, there are no refunds. Substitutions may be made.

Meeting registration includes access to all sessions, the Welcome Reception, coffee breaks, and receipt of one Abstract Book per registrant. Sessions will be held in the mornings and evenings, with afternoons unscheduled so that you can plan your leisure time activities independently.

Plenary Session

The plenary session speakers are selected by Symposium Chairmen on an invitation only basis. The plenary session features presentations from academic and industrial leaders in the drug delivery field. The Symposia is well-known for the important scientific inquiries and discussions held during the Plenary and Poster Sessions.

The Symposia also provides extensive opportunities for academic and business discussions, networking, and negotiations that begin at the conference site and continue long after the meeting.

Poster Session

Call for Abstracts – due Sunday, October 15, 2017

There will be two Poster Sessions (PS#1 and PS#2) during the meeting and researchers are invited to present their latest findings in this forum. Online Abstracts are due by Sunday, **October 15, 2017**. Abstracts are limited to a ½ page format as a brief overview of your paper. All those accepted into the Poster Session should print and bring a poster describing the work cited in the abstract.

Acceptance into the Poster Session also provides the opportunity for being selected to give a 5-minute evening presentation at the conference (followed by 5 minutes of questions & answers), which will be announced at the conference. If you would like to be considered for an oral presentation, please come prepared with a 5-minute presentation on CD or jump drive so it can be loaded onto the conference laptop, or bring your own laptop. Oral presentation selection is decided and announced at the conference.

Poster Board Dimension and Details

The poster boards are 4 feet (high/vertical) by 8 feet (long/horizontal) (1.22 m x 2.44m), and you will be using one side of a double-sided board. Your poster must fit within this size board and may be one large poster or several smaller posters, providing that it does not exceed these dimensions.

Roster:

All registrants will be given a roster of attendees at the conference during the on-site registration, not before it.

Meals

No meals are provided by the conference other than the Welcome Reception and Coffee Breaks. Attendees are personally responsible for their own meal expenses, airfare, hotel accommodations, shuttles/taxis, and all other travel expenses.

Official Language and Dress Code

English is the official language of the symposium. Business casual dress is recommended.

History

The US-Japan Symposium is typically held every other year, during the current decade we expect to hold the conference on each odd-numbered year: 2017 and 2019. Past Symposiums were held in: 1991, 1993, 1995, 1997, 1999, 2001, 2003, 2005, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013 and 2015. Updates and announcements about the conference can be found at:

<http://web.mit.edu/langerlab/symposium/index.html>