

# **US-JAPAN SYMPOSIUM ON DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEMS**

## **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: 2007, 2009, 2011. Past Symposiums were held in: 2005, 2003, 2001, 1999, 1997, 1995, 1993, 1991. Updates and announcements are available at this website.

## **Plenary Session**

The plenary session features presentations from academic and industrial leaders in the drug delivery field. The hallmark of the Symposia are the scientific discussions and questions which are addressed 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 October 19, 2009**

There will be a two Poster Sessions during the meeting and researchers are invited to present their latest findings in this forum . Abstracts submissions are due online by October 19, 2009 Abstracts are limited to a ½ page format as a brief overview of your paper. All those accepted into the Poster Session would print a poster of their work to fit on one side a poster boards which are 4 feet (high) by 8 feet (long) (1.22 m x 2.44m).

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 and Answers). If you would like to be considered for an oral presentation, please come prepared with a 5 minute presentation on CD. Oral presentation selection is decided and announced at the conference.

## **Poster Board Dimension and Details**

The size of the poster board will be 4 feet (high) by 8 feet (long) (1.22m 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. The boards are covered in soft (fluffy) velcro. We recommend bringing velcro strips or dots (male loop) or tacks so they can be affixed to the back of your poster for mounting. Please note that these items are not available at the hotel.

In addition, some of the posters will be selected to be presented orally on Thursday or Saturday evening. The presentations would be five minutes in length with an additional five minutes for questions. Posters selected for an oral presentation are announced at the conference. Therefore, we recommend that you bring a CD or jump drive loaded with your five minute presentation.

## **Hotel Reservations**

Rooms have been blocked at The Westin Maui Resort & Spa on Ka'anapali Beach, outside of Lahaina, Hawaii on the beautiful island of Maui. Reservations at the special conference rates

**must be received by November 21, 2009.** Please book early to obtain this special rate, it is offered at a first come, first served basis. To reserve your room please go to:

<http://mit.edu/langerlab/10thsymposium/hotel.html>

## **Online Symposium Registration Early Registration deadline - October 1, 2009**

The Symposium registration will be held on Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 3-6 PM, and on Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 7 AM to 10 AM, at the Westin Maui Resort & Spa. Registrants are invited to the Welcome Reception on Wednesday, December 16, 2007, at the Westin Maui. The Symposium ends on Monday, December 20, 2007, at about 10 PM.

The prepaid registration fee is \$650.00 in US Dollars. There are a limited number of spaces; early registration is recommended. Please register online at:

<http://mit.edu/langerlab/10thsymposium/register/index-2.html>

Meeting registration includes access to all sessions, the Welcome Reception, breaks, and receipt of one Abstract Book per registrant. Sessions will be held in the mornings and evenings, with afternoons free.

## **Official Language**

English is the official language of the symposium.

## **Dress Code**

Business casual is the recommended dress for the meeting.