ANNOUNCEMENT AND PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON
SURFACE SCIENCE ASPECTS OF PHARMACEUTICAL SCIENCE,
PHARMACOLOGY, COSMETICS AND BIO-TECHNOLOGY
April 19-21, 2010 in Danbury, Connecticut, USA

The staff of MST CONFERENCES are happy to announce the inaugural symposium in a planned series on the surface science aspects of pharmaceutical science, pharmacology, cosmetics and bio-technology. The scope of the program will deal, among others, with all aspects which are critically dependent on understanding the nature of surface interactions which control the behavior and biological activity of therapeutic formulations as well as cosmetic and biomedical technologies such as bio-adhesives, drug delivery systems, cosmetic formulations and gene chip arrays.

The overall focus of the symposium will of necessity be multi-disciplinary in nature involving researchers engaged in developing new drugs to surface scientists concerned with the detailed nature of surface interactions and their accurate measurement. It is indeed a prime objective of the symposium to bring these normally disparate groups together within a forum where needs, ideas and methodologies can be discussed and mutually beneficial collaborations encouraged.

It is well recognized that a wide range of critical biological interactions occur at or across surfaces including drug absorption, cellular adhesion, autoimmune reactions, skin inflammation and cell growth to name a few.

SYMPOSIUM TOPICS:

Needs of the Biomedical, Pharmaceutical and Cosmetic industries:

1. Interaction of biologically active molecules with tissue substrates.
2. Problems of drug delivery in vivo
3. Drug interactions with cellular surfaces relating to immune system response and implant rejection
4. Interactions with biomaterial surfaces
5. Biocompatibility
6. Problems relating to drug encapsulation in capsules or tablets
7. Skin surface chemistry and interactions

Tools and Methodologies of Surface Science:

1. Surface analytical methods
   a. ESCA, AUGER, SIMS ...
   b. Atomic Force Microscopy
   c. Contact Angle Goniometry
   d. Surface Micro-Calorimetry
2. Theoretical concepts of Surface Science
   a. Hamaker theory
   b. JKR theory
   c. Surface thermodynamics
   d. Acid-Base interactions
3. Surface Chemistry Modification
   a. Silane adhesion promoters
   b. Chemical grafting
   c. Plasma and radiation modification

Applications:

1. Drug Delivery Systems
   a. Delivery through fabrics made with surface modified fibers
   b. Advanced capsule and tablet technologies
   c. Delivery using surface activated particles
   d. Drug screening, label free detection
2. Advanced adhesives for mending bone fractures
3. Gene chip arrays
4. Immobilization strategies of biomolecules on solid surfaces
5. Cosmetic applications

Cross-Disciplinary Studies:

1. Use of Atomic Force Microscopy to study biological surfaces
2. Contact angle measurements on skin and dental tissues
3. Bioadhesives such as hydrogels
4. Advanced adhesive applications employing the GECKO effect
5. Applications of superhydrophobicity and the LOTUS LEAF effect
6. Micro/Nano Technology; e.g. smart implants using MEMS

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

The following is a partial list of papers to be presented at the symposium:

**BIOLOGICAL SURFACE PROPERTIES AND CELL ADHESION**

Thomas Ballet, Laurence Boulangé, Yves Bréchet, 
Franz Bruckert, Paolo Mangiagalli, Laurent Nault, 
Marianne Weidenhaupt; Kinetics of Insulin Amyloid Fiber Formation on Hydrophobic Surfaces

Pei lin Chen; Research Center for Applied Sciences, 
Academia Sinica, Nankang, Taipei 115, TAIWAN; 
Observation of Enhanced Cell Adhesion and Transfection Efficiency on the Superhydrophobic Surfaces

K. Fricke, K. Schröder, T. v. Woedtke and K.-D. 
Weltmann; Leibniz Institute for Plasma Science and Technology (INP), Felix-Hausdorff-Strasse 2, 17489 
Greifswald, GERMANY; Atmospheric Pressure Plasma Sources - Modification and Decontamination of Biomedical Relevant Surfaces

Odessa Petzold, Wageesha Senaratne, Ying Wei, 
Lijun Zou and Lung Wu; CORNING Incorporated, 
Sullivan Park, Corning, NY 14831; Exploiting Liver Cell Membrane Receptors and Mechano-Sensing to Modulate Cell Attachment and Morphology

Cláudia Sousa; IBB-Institute for Biotechnology and Bioengineering Centre of Biological Engineering, University of Minho, Campus de Gualtar 4710-057 Braga, PORTUGAL; Thermodynamic Analysis of S. Epidermidis Adhesion to Biomedical Materials

**SURFACE SCIENCE ASPECTS OF DRUG DELIVERY**

Xiaoping Cao; Pfizer Global Research & Development, 
Eastern Point Road, Groton, CT 06340; 
Characterizing Surface Properties of Pharmaceutical Materials Using Atomic Force Microscopy

Arthur J. Coury; 154 Warren Avenue, Boston, 
Massachusetts 02116; Local Drug Delivery from Synthetic Hydrogel Implants

Laila J. Jallo, Yuhua Chen, Xi Han, James Bowen, Frank Etzler, and Rajesh Dave; New Jersey Center for Engineered Particulates, New Jersey Institute of Technology, 138 Warren Street, Newark, NJ, 07102-1982, USA; Adhesion Force Prediction for Fine Particles from Surface Energy and Surface Roughness Measurements

Mitsuhiro Ebara, Takao Aoyagi, Masayuki Yamato and Teruo Okano; Biomaterials Center, National Institute for Materials Science, JAPAN; Switchable Surface Capture/Release Systems For Cells, Biomolecules, And Analytical Beads

F.J. Chen, Tommasina Bramante, Richard Deanne, 
George Gereg, Svetlana Sienkiewicz, Luying Wang and Frank M. Etzler, Pharmaceutical R&D, Boehringer-Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc. POB 368, 900 Ridgebury Road, Ridgefield, CT 06877; Effect of Sodium Dodecyl Sulfate on the Tabletability, Compressibility and Compactibility of Common Pharmaceutical Excipients

G. Papandreou, K. Wolf, J. Meng, N. Rahbar, 
C. A. Maryanoff, and W. Soboyejo; Convergent Product Development, Cordis Corporation, Welsh and McKean Roads, Spring House, PA 19477; Durability Studies of Drug-Eluting Stents

Vorhaben, D. Böttcher, U. T. Bornscheuer and K.-D. 
Weltmann; Leibniz Institute for Plasma Science and Technology (INP), Felix-Hausdorff-Strasse 2, 17489 
Greifswald, Germany; Plasma-assisted Immobilization of Bioactive Molecules for Biomedical and Biotechnological Applications

Jean-Sébastien Samson, Hilton Barbosa de Aguiar, 
Alex de Beer and Sylvie Roke; Max-Planck Institute for Metals Research, Stuttgart, GERMANY; Structure and Functionality of a Potential Liver Cancer Medicine

Sofia Svedhem; Rickard Frost, and Bengt Kasemo; 
Dept. of Applied Physics, Chalmers University of Technology, 412 96 Göteborg, SWEDEN; Supported Lipid Membranes as Model Systems for Nanodrug and Nanoparticle Interactions at Biological Barriers

**ANALYTICAL MEASUREMENTS ON BIOLOGICAL SURFACES**

Matthias Lauer; F.Hoffmann La-Roche LTD., 
Pharmaceutical Research, Basel 4070, SWITZERLAND; Screening Assay to Probe API/Excipient Miscibility and Stabilities using Scanning Probe Microscopy

Thomas Luxbacher; Anton Paar GmbH, Anton-Paar- 
Strasse 20, A-8054 Graz, AUSTRIA; Assessment of Biomaterial Surfaces by Streaming Potential Measurement
Infrared Microscopic Monitoring of Microfouling on Germanium Surfaces

Mark Poggi; BioIn Scientific, 808 Landmark Drive Suite 124, Glen Burnie, MD 21061; Enabling in vitro Real-Time Characterization of Biointerfaces with Quartz Crystal Microbalance with Dissipation Monitoring

Nicholas Randall; CSM Instruments, Needham MA; State-of-the-art in Surface Mechanical Properties Characterization of Biomaterials

Xu Li, Junfei Tian and Wei Shen; Australian Pulp and Paper Institute, Department of Chemical Engineering, Monash University, Clayton Campus, VIC 3800 AUSTRALIA; Thread-based Low-cost Semi-quantitative Diagnostic Sensors

Ruchirej Yongsunthon, Wendy Baker, Marie Bryan, Jin Liu, Theresa Chang and Odessa Petzold; CORNING Incorporated, Sullivan Park, Corning, NY 14831; Force Spectroscopy to Investigate Cell Reconstruction of Culture Surfaces

INVESTIGATIONS OF BIOLOGICAL CRYSTALS AND LIQUID STATE

A.E. Jefferson, D.R. Williams and J. Y. Y. Heng; Surfaces and Particle Engineering Laboratory, Department of Chemical Engineering, Imperial College London, South Kensington Campus, London SW7 2AZ, United Kingdom; Surface Energy Heterogeneity of Pharmaceutical Powders

J. Y. Y. Heng; Imperial College London, South Kensington Campus, London SW7 2AZ; Geometrical and Chemical Interactions for Controlled Nucleation and Crystallization of Lysozyme

Hilton Barbosa de Aguiar, Alex de Beer, Matthew L. Strader and Sylvie Roke; Max-Planck Institute for Metals Research, Stuttgart, Germany; SDS Surfactant Has a Marginal Effect on the Interfacial Tension of Nanoscopic Oil Droplets in Water

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TRANSPORTATION: Limousine and shuttle service is available from Laguardia and Kennedy airports

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