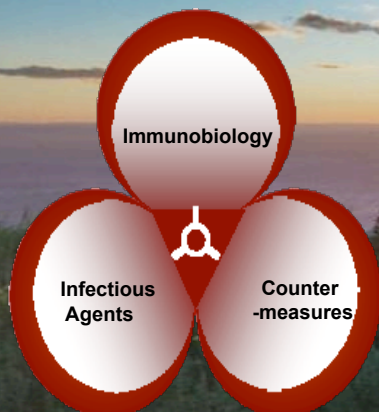


12TH INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM OF IMMUNOBIOLOGY

Infectious Agents: Immunobiology and Countermeasures

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Organized by:

The Institute of Immunobiology and the Center for Bio-security Science at Los Alamos National Laboratory
(<http://www.lanl.gov/cbss>)

Dates:

May 4-7, 2009

Venue:

Hilton Santa Fe Resort & Hotel at Buffalo Thunder
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Purpose

In the post-sequencing era of genome research, scientists are in a unique position to combine genome-scale measurement and focused studies to understand and mitigate the threats from natural, emerging, and engineered infectious agents to human health, agriculture, and national security. The organizing committee of the symposium has chosen to review the advances made in the area of immunobiology and countermeasures of infectious agents with specific focus on:

- 1) Fundamentals of immunobiology and infection mechanisms
- 2) Advanced platforms for pathogen detection and pre-symptomatic diagnosis
- 3) Vaccines and therapeutics not defeated by pathogenic resistance
- 4) Disease outcome in natural outbreak and bio-threat scenarios

In addition to the speaking sessions, the poster session will constitute a very important component of the conference. Two panel sessions will be dedicated to discuss future prospects and will draw ideas from the poster presenters, the speakers, and other participants.

Space and facilities are available for exhibition booths to showcase products and instruments by representatives from pharmaceutical and biotech industries. Through these exhibition booths, the conference aims to expose post-doctoral scientists and PhD students to the process by which Lab discoveries are transformed into practical applications and marketable products.

Registration, Abstract, & Exhibition Booth

Participants must complete the registration form on the website. The registration fee will cover access to scientific sessions & exhibition booths and meals for May 4-7, 2009.

Speakers and poster presenters are requested to submit an abstract not exceeding an 8.5"X11.0" page with 1" margin and Arial font size no smaller than 12. March 4 is the deadline for submission of abstract. For exhibition space please contact Goutam Gupta at gxa@lanl.gov or goutam.gupta@hotmail.com

Hotel Reservation

The Buffalo Thunder Resort & Hotel is located just 15 minutes north of the renowned Santa Fe Plaza. The world-class skiing in Taos is just 45 minutes north. To reserve rooms, participants must contact: Hotel Direct 505-455-5555 and ask for Group Reservations, or toll free 1 800-HILTONS.

Email: Marilia.arendar@hilton.com

Transport

The hotel is about 70 miles from the Albuquerque Sunport Airport. Participants may use a rental car service at the airport or the shuttle service organized by the hotel.

Agenda

The conference will start at 4:30 pm on May 4, 2009 and end on May 7 with a banquet dinner. See agenda on the conference website. Participants are advised to arrive no later than 2 pm on May 4, 2009.

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