

## Preliminary Program

### National Directors of Graduate Studies in Pharmacology

July 25-28, 2007

University of Utah Health Sciences Center

Salt Lake City Utah

#### Wednesday Schedule

Meeting registration

#### Opening Reception, Dinner and Keynote Address

Officer's Club

5:00-6:00: Drinks and hors d'oeuvres

6:00-6:30: Welcomes

6:30-8:00: Buffet dinner (provided) and Keynote Address by Robert Ruffalo (Wyeth)

#### Thursday Schedule

##### Session 1: Objectives for Graduate Training

8:30 -9:00:	Welcome/Introductions
9:00-9:30:	Training for industry 1: Kalpana Merchant, Ph.D. (Eli Lilly)
9:30-10:00:	Training for industry 2: Faye Wang, Ph.D. (Pfizer)
10:00-10:30:	Training for Clinical/translational research careers: Robert Ward, M.D. (Utah)

10:30 -10:50 Break

10:50-12:00:	Chairs' Panel: Training for an academic career (Speth, Haywood, Westfall, Patel, Barnett)
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**12:00-1:15: Lunch (provided)**

**Session 2: Objectives (continued)**

1:15-1:45:	Government advocacy: Newt Williams
1:45-2:15:	Speaker on Teaching careers
2:15-2:45:	Professional Masters program: William Jackson, Ph.D. (MSU)

2:45-3:00: Break

3:15-4:30: Breakout Sessions 1 (2-3 concurrent based on speakers' topics)

4:30-5:45: Breakout session 2 (repeat of first session)

Dinner on your own

### Friday Schedule

#### Session 3: Strategies for Effective Training

8:30 -9:00:	Postdoctoral training: Nancy Nickman, Ph.D. (University of Utah)
9:00-9:30:	Umbrella programs: Emel Songu-Mize, Ph.D. (LSU)
9:30-10:00:	Undergraduate programs: Rochelle Schwartz-Bloom, Ph.D. (Duke)

10:00-10:15: Break

10:15-10:45	Qualifying Exams: Steven Sawyer, Ph.D. (MCV)
10:45-11:45:	Panel presentation and discussion on curriculum (Keefe, Utah; Scofield, Creighton;

**12:00-1:15: Lunch (provided)**

#### Session 4: Professional skills and Ethics

1:15-1:45:	Speaker on training in leadership skills
1:45-2:15:	Training in Survival Skills: Beth Fischer, Ph.D. (Pittsburg)

2:30-3:30: Breakout Session 1 (2-3 concurrent)

3:30-3:45: Break

3:45-4:45: Breakout Session 2 (repeat topics)

5:00-6:30: Poster Session from Utah Graduate Students/Wine and Cheese Officer's Club

Dinner on your own

## **Saturday Schedule**

### **Session 5: Funding: Who Pays?**

8:30 -9:00:	The view from NIH 1 (P. Preusch or R. Okita, NIGMS)
9:00-9:30:	The view from NIH 2 (Donald Mattison, M.D., NICHD)
9:30-10:00:	NIH funding issues (Howard Garrison, Ph.D. (FASEB)
10:00-10:30:	Wrap-up and looking ahead

## **Breakout Sessions**

### **Thursday:**

Recruiting strategies/Minority recruiting: Barbara Beckman

Postdoctoral training:

Government advocacy: Newt Williams, J. R. Haywood

### **Friday:**

Qualifying Exams: Steve Sawyer

Teaching basic pharmacology to graduate students vs. medical or pharmacy students (Scofield?)

Graduate student perspectives

Teaching professional; skills/leadership/ethics (Scofield?)