Emerging Issues in Global Addiction Research

2017 NIDA International Forum
June 16–19, 2017 | Montréal, Canada

Agenda
Welcome to the 22nd Annual NIDA International Forum

We are delighted to convene the 22nd National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) International Forum. Our co-sponsor, the Canadian Centre on Substance Use and Addiction (CCSA), has provided invaluable help and financial support to plan the meeting, and we thank CCSA Chief Executive Officer Rita Notarandrea and Director of Research and Policy Amy Porath.

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This year’s meeting is an ideal opportunity to identify research advances and knowledge gaps in addiction treatment and prevention interventions, policies, emerging drug trends, and drug-related HIV infection. More importantly, the NIDA International Forum highlights the outstanding research you conduct and helps all of us implement evidence-based drug policies and interventions.

Steven W. Gust, Ph.D.
Director, International Program
National Institute on Drug Abuse
Friday, June 16, 2017

1:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.  Registration and Information  
Montréal Ballroom Foyer

1:45 p.m. – 3:45 p.m.  Drug Flows Research Consortium  
Montréal Ballroom—Verdun
Chair: James C. Anthony, Michigan State University
❖ David Otashvili, Addiction Research Center Alternative Georgia, Republic of Georgia
❖ Tomas Zabransky, ResAd Institute and International Cannabis and Cannabinoids Institute, Czech Republic

3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.  Break

4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.  Workshop: Preparing Your Research for Publication  
Montréal Ballroom—Lachine/Lasalle
International Society of Addiction Journal Editors (ISAJE)
❖ Dominique Morisano, University of Toronto/Centre for Addiction and Mental Health, Canada
❖ Richard Saitz, Boston University School of Public Health

6:00 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.  Break

6:15 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.  Drug Education and Training Opportunities  
Montréal Ballroom—Lachine/Lasalle
Co-Chairs: Steven W. Gust, Director, International Program, NIDA and J. Randy Koch, Virginia Commonwealth University

International Society of Substance Use Professionals
❖ Charlotte A. Sisson, U.S. Department of State Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement
❖ Antonius Riva Setiawan, International Society of Substance Use Professionals, Indonesia

National Drug and Alcohol Facts Week: International Update
❖ Judy McCormally, International Program Contractor, NIDA
❖ Mariana E. Azcárraga Quiza, National Institute of Neurology and Neurosurgery, Mexico

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What’s Next? Case Studies in Building on the Fellowship Experience

Moderator: J. Randy Koch, Virginia Commonwealth University
❖ Adrian Abagiu, National Institute for Infectious Diseases
  Prof. Dr. Matei Bals, Romania
❖ Tetiana Kiriazova, Ukrainian Institute on Public Health Policy, Ukraine
❖ Fernanda de Conto, Florianopolis Department of Health, Brazil
Saturday, June 17, 2017
NIDA International Forum: Symposium

8:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.  Registration and Information  
*Montreal Ballroom Foyer*

8:30 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.  Plenary Session  
Chair: Steven W. Gust, Director, International Program, NIDA  
*Montreal Ballroom—Westmount/Outremont*

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.  Welcoming Remarks and Introduction  
**National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)**  
❖ Steven W. Gust, Director, International Program, NIDA  
**Canadian Centre on Substance Use and Addiction (CCSA)**  
❖ Rita Notarandrea, Chief Executive Officer, CCSA, Canada  
**College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD)**  
❖ Clyde McCoy, Chair, CPDD International Committee, and University of Miami Miller School of Medicine

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.  Evaluation of Marijuana Policies and Interventions  
Chair: Steven W. Gust, Director, International Program, NIDA  
**Canada’s National Research Agenda on the Health Impacts of Nonmedical Cannabis**  
❖ Amy Porath, Director, Research and Policy, CCSA, Canada  
❖ Marsha Lopez, Epidemiology Research Branch, NIDA  
**Low- and Middle-Income Country Approaches to Marijuana: Case Examples From South America**  
❖ Flavio Pechansky, Center for Drug and Alcohol Research, Federal University of Rio Grande do Sol, Brazil  
**Enforcement Approaches for Addressing Drug-Impaired Driving**  
❖ Amy Porath, Director, Research and Policy, CCSA, Canada  
❖ Doug Beirness, CCSA, Canada

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.  Break
10:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m.  Marijuana Research Issues
Chair: Amy Porath, Director, Research and Policy, CCSA, Canada

National Academy of Sciences Report on Marijuana Health Effects and Research Needs
❖ Steven W. Gust, Director, International Program, NIDA

Medical Benefits of Cannabis
❖ Mark Ware, McGill University, Canada

Canadian Youth Perceptions on Cannabis: Implications for Prevention
❖ Anna McKiernan, Research and Policy, CCSA, Canada
❖ Katie Fleming, Strategic Partnerships and Knowledge Mobilization, CCSA, Canada

Pilot Studies on Oral Fluid Screening Devices
❖ Rachel Huggins, Public Safety Canada
❖ Doug Beirness, CCSA, Canada

12:15 p.m. – 1:45 p.m.  Lunch (On Your Own)

1:45 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  Plenary Session (continued)  Montréal Ballroom—Westmount/Outremont

1:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.  Research on HIV and Substance Use Disorder: International Perspective
Chair: Petra Jacobs, Center for the Clinical Trials Network, NIDA

Integrating Addiction Pharmacotherapy Into HIV Primary Care: Examples From North America and Vietnam
❖ Todd Korthuis, Oregon Health & Science University

Developing an International Substance Use Research Centre
❖ Evan Wood, British Columbia Centre on Substance Use, Canada

Research Collaborations in Eastern Europe: Implementation Science in Action in Community and Criminal Justice Settings
❖ Frederick Altice, Yale University School of Medicine

Discussant
❖ David Metzger, University of Pennsylvania
3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.  Break

3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.  Identifying Knowledge Gaps as Kratom Emerges on the Global Stage  
Chair: Vicknasingam B Kasinather, Universiti Sains Malaysia  
**Pharmacology of Ketum/Kratom**  
❖ Sharif Mahsufi Mansor, Universiti Sains Malaysia  
❖ Surash Ramanathan, Universiti Sains Malaysia  

**Neurobiology of Ketum/Kratom**  
❖ Zurina Hassan, Universiti Sains Malaysia  

**Human Field Studies on Ketum/Kratom**  
❖ Darshan Singh, Universiti Sains Malaysia  

**Plans for Human Laboratory Studies on Ketum/Kratom**  
❖ Marek C. Chawarski, Yale University School of Medicine

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Monday, June 19, 2017  
Joint NIDA International Forum and CPDD Workshop

7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.  International Research Posters  
Learn about research conducted outside of the United States and meet NIDA staff and colleagues from around the world at this CPDD Workshop and NIDA International Forum poster session.
# Program At a Glance

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