



Universities Allied for Essential Medicines (UAEM) presents:

Weill Cornell / Rockefeller / Sloan Kettering Tri-Institutional (Tri-I)

Forum on Neglected Diseases

Co-sponsored with Weill Cornell American Medical Student Association (AMSA)

Purpose:

- To introduce the concept of neglected diseases to the Tri-I community
- To connect interested students with active Tri-I faculty involved with neglected diseases
- To propose future steps for Tri-I community involvement in neglected diseases
- To connect interested parties with global health leaders based in New York City

Agenda for January 30th, 2007 2:00-6:00 pm.

2:00 pm: Introduction to Tri-I Neglected Disease Forum

Antonio M. Gotto Jr, M.D., D.Phil. The Stephen and Suzanne Weiss Dean; Professor of Medicine; and Provost for Medical Affairs, Weill Cornell Medical College

Mission of the Forum: Sandeep P. Kishore and Christin Price, UAEM

2:10 pm: Keynote Address: Neglected Tropical Diseases: New Opportunities for Research and Education

Peter Hotez M.D., Ph.D. Director of Global Network for Neglected Tropical Disease Control; Director, Human Hookworm Vaccine Initiative; Walter G. Ross Professor and Chair, Department of Microbiology and Tropical Medicine, The George Washington University and Sabin Vaccine Institute; Cornell/ Rockefeller MD-PhD Alumnus

2:45 – 3:05 pm: An Update on Initiatives to Promote Research in the Developing World

Harold E. Varmus, M.D. Nobel Laureate in Medicine; President, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center; Co-Founder of Public Library of Science (PLoS); Chairman of the Scientific Board of Grand Challenges in Global Health

3:10 – 3:30 pm: Weill Cornell in Developing Countries: Tanzania, Brazil and Haiti

Warren Johnson, M.D. B.H. Kean Professor of Tropical Medicine, Chief of Division of International Medicine and Infectious Diseases, Weill Cornell Medical College

Coffee/Tea Break

3:45 pm: Malaria: Strange Biological Secrets of a Successful Pathogen

Lakshmi Sonbuchner, Tri-Institutional MD-PhD Candidate, Laboratory of Kirk Deitsch, Weill Cornell Medical College

4:05 pm: The Role of Universities in Achieving the UN Millennium Development Goals

Joanna Rubinstein, D.D.S, Ph.D. Chief of Staff to the Director, Jeffrey Sachs & Director of Strategic Initiatives at the Earth Institute at Columbia University. Former Director of Global Health Initiatives at the UN Millennium Project

4:25 pm: Aligning Pharmaceutical Innovation with Medical Need

Carl Nathan, M.D. Chairman, Department of Microbiology and Immunology, Weill Cornell Medical College

4:50 pm: Scientists Without Borders: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Global Health

Ellis Rubinstein, President of the New York Academy of Sciences (NYAS); Chairman of Scientists Without Borders; Former Editor of *Science*

5:15 pm: Tri-Institutional Open Forum

Moderators: Peter Hotez M.D.,Ph.D & Sandeep P. Kishore, UAEM

5:35pm: Reception

Archbold Commons, 2nd floor, Education Center, Weill Cornell Medical College