

Call for Papers - 2007 International Symposium on Microencapsulation

September 9-12, 2007, Lexington Convention Center, Lexington, Kentucky, USA

The 16th International Symposium on Microencapsulation will be hosted by the University Of Kentucky College of Pharmacy on September 9–12, 2007 at the Lexington Convention Center, in Lexington, Kentucky. Included among the symposium cosponsors are the American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists (AAPS) and the College's Center for Pharmaceutical Sciences (CPST). Other supporting organizations include the International Microencapsulation Society, Associazione Docenti e Ricercatori Italiani di Tecnologie e Legislazione Farmaceutiche (ADRITELF), Arbeitsgemeinschaft für Pharmazeutische Verfahrenstechnik (APV), and Association de Pharmacie Galénique Industrielle (APGI).

The symposium is designed to cover a broad spectrum of contemporary issues within the area of microencapsulation, nanotechnology and lipid systems. The plenary sessions include presentations on Nanoparticles as an Escape to Biochemical Barriers by Simon Benita (Hebrew University of Jerusalem), Microparticles as a Generic Platform for Vaccine Delivery by Hans P Merkle (ETH Zurich) and Lipidic Nano-

capsules in Cancer Treatment by Jean-Pierre Benoit (Université d' Angers). Some specific topics in the program include pharmacology of polymers and nanomaterials, engineering of nanoparticles, microparticles of PEGylated peptides, micro/nanosystems for drug delivery based on chitosan derivatives, deposition of particles in a simulated lung apparatus and regulatory aspects of liposomal products. This symposium will provide a forum for individuals from industry, government, and academia to present and discuss the challenges facing this rapidly growing micro/nano particulate technology sector of the pharmaceutical industry. The scientific program is comprised of a combination of in-depth oral presentations, poster sessions and technical exhibits. There are still slots in the program for podium presentations, as well as for the poster sessions. Technical exhibits will be featured on the first two days and industry sponsorships are being solicited to cover travel grants for students.

A preliminary program, as well as information on the symposium venue and registration procedures, may be found at www.cpst.com/micro16. For more information contact: Chair, Patrick P. DeLuca at ppdelu1@uky.edu or Organizing Secretariat, Carol Guinnup at carolg@email.uky.edu.