The Ramanbhai Foundation 6th International Symposium
Current Trends in Pharmaceutical Sciences

“Advances in New Drug Discovery Technologies & Translational Research”

Feb 4-6, 2013
Zydus Research Centre, Ahmedabad, India

About the event

The RBF Symposium, with its unique focus and format has over the past several years been creating an unparalleled knowledge-sharing platform for scientists across the globe from both academia and industry engaged in drug discovery & development.

We welcome you to participate in the RBF 6th International Symposium, to be held at Zydus Research Centre, from Feb 4-6, 2013 with the theme of “Advances in New Drug Discovery Technologies And Translational Research”.

Distinguished lectures and information exchange that have been hallmarks of the previous five events will continue. The poster presentation sessions on all the 3 days will ensure that your posters are available for viewing by all participants until the symposium concludes. Interactive panel discussions at the end of each day will be a key feature this year as we deliberate on the unmet medical needs and key learnings from the sessions.

We look forward to your participation, and seeing you in February 2013.

Best Regards

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Conference Key Features

- Renowned scientists as keynote speakers
- Workshop on latest technologies in drug discovery research
- Interact & Learn from technology or therapeutic area heads and scientific experts
- Discussion on application of new drug discovery technologies on drug discovery research
- Case studies from both academia and industry
- Panel discussion at the end of each session
- Poster presentation from both academia and industry
- Best scientific poster awards
- Networking sessions
- Experience Incredible India

Key Focus Areas

- Designing New Chemical Entities
- Designing New Biological Entities
- Target identification & validation
- Novel Screening Technologies
- Novel In Vivo screening strategies & disease models
- New tools for In silico drug design
- New Analytical Technologies
- Futuristic preclinical development approaches
- New approaches in Bioanalytical & DMPK research
- New strategies for Biomarker identification
- Achieving rapid POC.
- New clinical trials Design & fast track drug development strategies

Keynote Speakers in Previous Events

Prof. (Dr.) Rolf Zinkernagel
Dr. Roger Newton
Dr. Richard DiMarchi
Dr. John Amatruda
Dr. Gianni Gromo
Dr. Nancy Thornberry
Dr. Kapil Dhingra
Prof. Inder M. Verma
Dr. William W. Chin
Dr. Jeffrey M. Friedman
Dr. Charles Burant
Dr. Samir K. Brahmachari
Dr. Walter Wahl
Dr. David E. Moller

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- **Dr. A. W. Tolcher**
  Director of START, University of Texas Health Science Center, San Antonio, USA

- **Prof. B. M. Hegde**
  Retd. Vice Chancellor, Manipal University, India

- **Prof. Dr. Monika Seibert-Grafe, M.D.**
  Head of Coordination Centre for Clinical Trials, University Hospital Heidelberg, Germany

- **Dr. Bernard Thorens**
  Professor of Physiology, Center for Integrative Genomics, University of Lausanne, Switzerland

- **Dr. Alain Baron**
  Senior Vice President, Research, Amylin

- **Dr. Elena Sebokova**
  F. Hoffmann-La Roche Ltd, Disease Area Head Metabolic Disease, Basel, Switzerland

- **Dr. Dr. Alan M. Gewirtz**
  Clinical Professor, University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, USA

- **Dr. Charles Burant**
  Associate Professor, Metabolism, Endocrinology & Diabetes, University of Michigan, USA

- **Dr. Eric R. Francotte**
  Head Separation & Cold Metabolism, Novartis Pharma AG, Research Department, Central Technologies, Basel, Switzerland

- **Dr. Andras Nagy**
  Professor, Department of Medical Genetics & Microbiology University of Toronto, Canada

- **Dr. Eric Niesor**
  Metabolic & Vascular Disease Area, Roche AG, Switzerland

- **Dr. D. Walker**
  Senior Director, Translational Medicine, Array Biopharma, USA

- **Dr. Farid Barzaoui**
  Head of Biostatistics, Roche, Switzerland

- **Dr. D. Vijaya Kumar**
  Professor of Chemistry, Physical and Biological Chemistry, University of Connecticut, USA

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- **Dr. Jyoti Chattopadhyay**
  Professor & Chairman Department of Bioorganic Chemistry Uppsala University, Sweden

- **Dr. Darrell R. Abernethy**
  Chief, Laboratory of Clinical Investigation, National Institute on Aging/ National Institutes of Health, USA

- **Dr. Dana Small**
  Associate Professor, Department of Psychiatry Yale University, USA

- **Dr. Dalia Cohen**
  Vice President and Global Head of Functional Genomics, Novartis Pharmaceuticals, USA

- **Dr. Dana Small**
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- **Dr. Anil Bhansali**
  Professor & Head, Endocrinology Postgraduate Institute of Medical Education & Research, India

- **Dr. David E. Moller**
  Vice President, Endocrine and Cardiovascular, Lilly Research Laboratories, USA

- **Dr. David Llyod**
  Principal Scientist, Analytical R&D, Bristol Myers Squibb, Wilmington, USA

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