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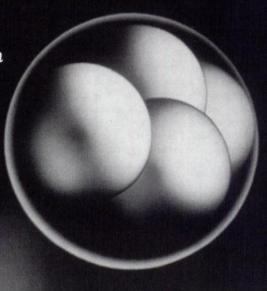
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Pharmacogenetics of the Glutathione S-transferases

Discussion Leader: Peter van Bladeren (TNO/CIVO; The Netherlands); Speakers: Brian Ketterer (Univ. Coll.; London, England) "Class θ glutathione S-transferases: mechanisms and relevance to variations in human risk." David Eaton (U. Wash.; Seattle, WA) "Class α glutathione S-transferases: mechanisms and relevance to variations in human cancer risk."

Drug Metabolism in the Brain

Discussion Leader: *Henry Strobel* (UT Med. School; Houston, TX); Speakers: *Jean-Francois Ghersi-Egea* (Institut Pasteur; Lille, France) "Roles of blood-brain barriers in cerebral drug metabolism." *Hidenori Kawashima* (UT Med. School; Houston, TX) "Brain cytochromes P-450 and mental diseases." *Arthur Cooper* (Cornell Univ.; NY) "Cysteine conjugate β-lyases."

Drug Metabolism as a Determinant of Drug Toxicity

Discussion Leader: *David Jollow* (Med. Univ. S. Carolina; Charleston, SC); Speakers: *Arthur K. Cho* (UCLA; Los Angeles, CA) "The demethylation of methylenedioxyamphetamines by cytochromes P450." *Neal Castagnoli* (VPI and State U.; Blacksburg, VA) "Biotransformation of cyclic tertiary amines to neurotoxic metabolites."

Phase III Metabolism: The Export of Drugs and Metabolites

Discussion Leader: Terrence J. Monks (U. Texas; Austin, TX); Speakers: Piet Borst (Nederlands Kanker Inst. Amsterdam; The Netherlands) "The GS-X pump." Jeff Silverman (NCI; Bethesda, MD) "Xenobiotic regulation of the rat multi-drug resistance lb gene." Mary Vore (U. Kentucky; Lexington, KY) "Does canalicular P-glycoprotein mediate estrogen glucuronide cholestasis?"

Drug Metabolism Data Blitz

Discussion Leader: Serrine S. Lau (U. Texas; Austin, TX); Selected presentations from conferees.

Drug Metabolism in Drug Discovery and Drug Development

Discussion Leader: *Brian Smith* (SmithKline Beecham; King of Prussia, PA); Speakers: *Brian Smith* (SmithKline Beecham; King of Prussia, PA) "Strategies to facilitate the discovery to development transition." *Andrew Ayrton* (SmithKline Beecham; King of Prussia, PA) "*In vitro* biotransformation in the drug discovery process." *Martin Dyroff* (Zeneca; Wilmington, DE) "The role of drug metabolism and pharmacokinetics during drug hunting and optimization."

Technological Advances in Drug Metabolism

Discussion Leader: Ronald E. White (Bristol Myers-Squibb; Princeton, NJ); Speakers: Jeremy K. Nicholson (Univ. London; England) "HPLC-NMR studies on drug metabolism, and drug metabolite reactivity." Daniel E. Murnick (Rutgers Univ.; Newark, NJ) "Laser-assisted isotope ratio analysis of C, N, and O."