

2011 UGA Conference on Drug Discovery November 3, 2011

The 2011 UGA Conference on Drug Discovery was held at the Georgia Center for Continuing Education and included three keynote speakers and a poster competition for postdoctoral associates and graduate students. Over 140 participants attended the daylong event.



UGA Provost Jere Morehead officially opened the conference, noting that the CDD exemplifies the mission of the university in teaching, research and service by promoting excellence and the extension of knowledge.



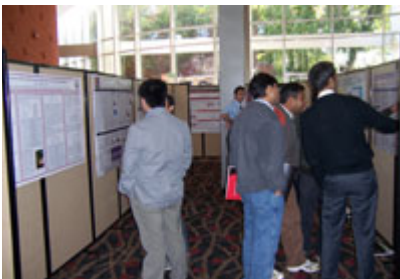
UGA Vice President for Research David Lee gave highlights of major research programs and accomplishments at the University of Georgia during his luncheon talk.

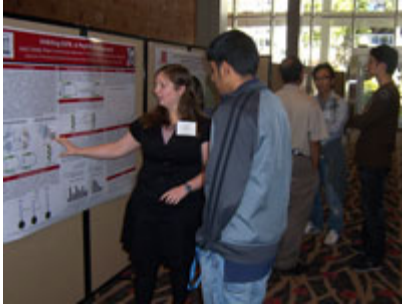


Pictured left to right: UGA College of Pharmacy Dean Svein Oie, UGA Provost Jere Morehead and CDD Director Vasu Nair with speakers Dr Kenneth Jacobson, Chief of the Laboratory of Bioorganic Chemistry and Molecular Recognition Section, National Institute of Diabetes, Digestive, and Kidney Diseases, National Institutes of Health; Dr. David Weiner, Professor of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, Perelman School of Medicine, and Chair, Gene Therapy and Vaccines Graduate Program, University of Pennsylvania; and Dr. John Rossi, Lidow Family Research Chair and Professor in the Department of Molecular and Cellular Biology, and Dean, Graduate School of Biological Sciences, Beckman Research Institute, City of Hope.



UGA/GHSU Medical Partnership Dean Barbara Schuster awarded prizes to the poster winners. Pictured left to right, bottom row are: Dean Schuster, Best Postdoctoral Poster winner Adam Barb, Third Place Graduate Poster winner Sahar Soliman, Second Place Graduate Poster winner Anna Williams, Best Graduate Poster winner Molly Altman, and CDD Director Vasu Nair. Poster committee members pictured on the top row are Dr. Ralph Tripp, Committee Chair Dr. Robert Phillips, and Dr. Somanoth Shenoy.





Over 140 faculty, staff and students from across the state attended the 2011 UGA Conference on Drug Discovery. There were 58 submissions in the poster competition with cash prizes awarded to the top winners in the Graduate Student and Postdoctoral categories.