

Organic Neighborhoods

The 36th National Pesticide Forum

Beckman Center of the National Academies of Sciences, Irvine, California, April 13-14, 2018

A Summary of the Program

(subject to slight changes, additional speakers; workshop speakers not listed on summary)

Friday, April 13, 2018

- 11:00am–3:30pm **Field trip:** Organic land management for soil health, and managing invasive plants and playing fields; managed goat grazing demonstration
- 4:00–4:50pm **Special Presentation: GMO Crops and Pesticides**
Warren Porter, PhD, University of Wisconsin Madison
- 4:50–5:00pm **City of Irvine's Path to Organic Land Management**
Kim Konte, Non Toxic Irvine
- 5:00–6:15pm **Understanding Pesticides–Health and Law**
Caroline Cox, Center for Environmental Health; Meg Sears, PhD, Prevent Cancer Now, Ottawa, Canada; Melinda Hemmelgarn, Food Sleuth Radio
- 6:15–10:30pm **Welcome and Keynotes**
- 6:15-7:00pm **Reception**
- 7:00-7:20pm **Welcome** (Jay Feldman, Beyond Pesticides; Routt Reigart, MD, Medical University of South Carolina; Dean Baker, MD, UCI Center for Occupational and Environmental Health
- 7:20-8:10pm **Keynote: A Critical Eye on Pesticides, Science, and Industry**
Carey Gillam, U.S. Right to Know, author, *Whitewash*
- 8:15-9:00pm **Keynote: Organic Systems for Health and Resiliency**
Steve Sprinkel, Center for Regenerative Agriculture
- 9:00-10:30pm **Reception and Book Signing**

Saturday, April 14, 2018

- 8:00–8:30am **Breakfast and Registration**
- 8:30–8:45am **Welcome**
Mayor Pro Tem, Christina Shea, City of Irvine
- 8:45–9:00am **Protecting Family Health and the Environment**
Dean Baker, MD, UCI Center for Occupational and Environmental Health
- 9:00–9:40am **Health Effects of Pesticide Use, Children and the Community**
Routt Reigart, MD, Medical University of South Carolina
Nayamin Martinez, MPH, Central California Environmental Justice Network
- 9:40–10:00am **Cutting Edge Science**
Bruce Blumberg, PhD, UCI School of Biological Sciences
- 10:00–10:45am **Science and Ecology–From aquatic organisms to plants and pollinators**
Michelle Hladik, Ph.D, U.S. Geological Survey
James Nieh, Ph.D., School of Biological Sciences, UC San Diego
Scott P. Carroll, PhD, Institute for Contemporary Evolution, UC Davis

10:45–11:00am	Pesticides and the Law Kim Richman, JD, The Richman Law Group, Brooklyn, NY
11:00–11:15am 12:45pm	Break (<i>move to workshops</i>) 11:15– Workshop Block I Human Health and Pesticides ▪ Supporting Biodiversity and Balanced Ecosystems ▪ Threatened Watersheds and Riparian Preservation ▪ Organic Soil Management: Nurturing soil biology for plant health
12:45–2:30pm	Lunch served, followed by lunch speakers 1:15–2:00pm Farmworkers, Families, and Health Angel Garcia, Californians for Pesticide Reform, Tulare County Coalition Advocating for Pesticide Safety
2:00–2:30pm	Protecting Life—From Frogs to the Human Family Tyrone Hayes, PhD, UC Berkeley
2:45–4:00pm	Adopting Organic Land Management Practices: Investing in Success ▪ Chip Osborne, Osborne Organics ▪ John Bohert and Scott Eldredge, Eldredge Lumber & Hardware, ACE Hardware ▪ Johnny Gonzales, Ecological Land Management ▪ Manuel Gomez, public works director, City of Irvine ▪ Joe Hoffman, maintenance and operations director, Irvine Unified School District ▪ Michael O’Connell, Irvine Ranch Conservancy ▪ Lisa Novick, Theodore Payne Foundation for Wildflowers and Native Plants
4:00–4:15pm 4:15–5:45pm	Break (<i>move to workshops</i>) Workshop Block II Leveraging the Law for Health and the Environment ▪ Organizing for Local Policy Change ▪ Organic Land Management: For playing fields and farms ▪ Creating Just, Local, Organic Food Systems
5:45–7:15pm 7:15–9:00pm	Dinner Panel and Keynote Reception 7:00–8:15pm The Leading Edge of Community-Based Change Panel ▪ Kim Konte, Non Toxic Irvine ▪ Christina Shea, Mayor Pro Tem, City of Irvine ▪ Autumn Ness, aide, Councilwoman Elle Cochran, Maui County, Hawaii ▪ Rachel Burger, Protect South Portland, Maine ▪ Valerie Gorospe, The Center for Race, Poverty and the Environment ▪ Meg Sears, PhD, Prevent Cancer Now 8:15–9:00pm Keynote: A Sustainable Future Philip Ackerman-Leist, Green Mountain College, Vermont, author, <i>Precautionary Tale</i>
9:00–10:30pm	Reception and Book Signing