

The Use of Animal Models in the Battle Against Superbug Infections

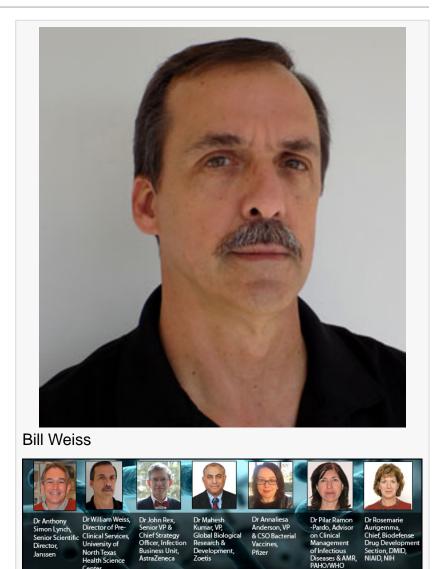
Leading Author and Director of Pre-Clinical Services at the North Texas Health Science Center, William Weiss, to present on antimicrobial therapy this fall

LONDON, ENGLAND, UNITED KINGDOM, October 11, 2016 /EINPresswire.com/ -- SMi Group are delighted to have William Weiss, Leading Author and Director of Pre-Clinical Services at the North Texas Health Science Center (UNTHSC), present an exclusive keynote address on antimicrobial therapy at <u>Superbugs &</u> <u>Superdrugs USA</u> this fall.

The congress, set to take place on Nov 14th and 15th in Iselin, New Jersey, has attracted an audience of high level industry leaders and government bodies following a recent United Nations General Assembly on antimicrobial resistance (AMR).

An attendee list is available in the event download centre.

As well as presenting on antimicrobial combination therapy, Dr Weiss will also be leading a pre-conference interactive workshop taking place on Nov 16th.



Superbugs Speaker Panel

With a focus on the use of animal models in pre-clinical drug development, the session will provide attendees with an in-depth discussion on the transition from vitro activity to in vivo efficacy, explore animal model choices for proof of concept studies, and provide examples of relevant animal models with supportive data and interpretation of results as it relates to the clinical condition.

Dr Bill Weiss has over 33 years of experience in infectious disease research and has worked on numerous antibacterial programs leading the discovery and development of new antimicrobial agents.

His expertise encompasses the development and evaluation of animal models of infectious disease as well as pharmacokinetic and pharmacodynamic analysis.

Other notable speakers on the Superbugs USA agenda include:

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Sessions focused on novel platforms and agents in the treatment and prevention of diseases caused by so-called 'Superbugs' are all of interest as they cover a broad spectrum of alternate approaches • Dr Pilar Ramon-Pardo, Advisor on Clinical Management of Infectious Diseases and Antimicrobial Resistance, PAHO/WHO

- Dr John Rex, Senior Vice President and Chief Strategy Officer, Infection Business Unit, Astra Zeneca
- Dr Christopher Houchens, Branch Chief, Antibacterials Program, BARDA
- Dr Rosemarie Aurigemma, Chief, Biodefense Drug Development Section, DMID, NIAID, NIH
- Dr Annaliesa Anderson, Vice President and CSO Bacterial Vaccines, Pfizer

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• Dr Anthony Simon Lynch, Senior Scientific Director, Janssen Research & Development LLC

• Dr Mahesh Kumar, Vice President, Global BiologicalResearch and Development, Zoetis

The full speaker line-up and conference agenda is available online at <u>www.superbugs-usa.com</u>

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