

## Antibiotic Class Emerges through Digestive Enzyme, find out more at 3rd Annual Superbugs and Superdrugs USA Conference

*SMi Group Reports: The official agenda and highlights for the 3rd annual conference* 

NEW JERSEY, ISELIN, USA, September 4, 2018 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Drugresistant organisms kill an estimated 23,000 people in the U.S. every year, and it is predicted that by 2050 antimicrobial drug resistance will lead to more than 10 million deaths worldwide annually, the researchers write. "... new treatment options to combat antibiotic resistance are urgently needed." In the hunt for new antibiotic classes, antimicrobial peptides, also known as host defence peptides (HDP), represent what the authors describe as "promising alternative" to conventional antibiotics.



SMi Group is proud to announce the

return of the <u>Superbugs</u> & <u>Superdrugs</u> USA conference to Iselin, NJ on the 12th and 13th November 2018.

This year's event will discuss the issue of antibacterial resistance is becoming increasingly prevalent within the world of modern medicine. Difficult-to-treat pathogens create an incredibly real issue within clinical environments; and the problem needs to be addressed with novel treatments and the development of mechanisms which circumvent current therapeutic barriers.

The two-day event will explore the ever-growing need of informative and thought-provoking discussion, to address these industry issues, Superbugs & Superdrugs USA conference will offer a jam-packed agenda with presentations from key industry leaders and up-and-coming thinkers, within the field.

This year's expert speaker line-up includes:

•William Weiss, Director of Pre-Clinical Services, University of North Texas Health Science Center

•Anthony Simon Lynch, Senior Scientific Director, Janssen Fellow & Incubator Leader, Janssen •Brent Cezairliyan, Senior Scientist, Octagon Therapeutics

• Ian Friedland, Clinical Consultant, Ex-Chief Medical Officer, Achaogen

•Malcolm Thomas, CEO, Agile Sciences

•Daniel Pevear, Sr. Vice President of Biology and Grants Development, Venatorx Pharmaceuticals • Joe Newman, Senior Director, Head of Biology, Tetraphase Pharmaceuticals • David Huang, Chief Medical Officer, Motif BioSciences

•Antonio DiGiandoneico, Principal Scientist, MedImmune

•Mahmoud Ghannoum, Director of Center for Medical Mycology, Case Western Reserve University

•Btephen Barat, Head of Pre-Clinical and Early Clinical Development, SCYNEXIS Inc

• Christopher Ford, Group Leader, Microbiome Sciences of ID, Seres Therapeutics • Mark Albrecht, Project Officer, HHS/ASPR/BARDA

• Daura Kovanda, Senior Director Global Development Project Leader, Astellas Pharma

• Plus many more...

The next annual instalment in the global series will feature a packed agenda that homes in on expert led approaches to exploring new technologies, novel methods and broadening an understanding of funding and regulation. It will also offer hands on training through carefully selected post-conference interactive workshops, taking place on November 14th.

Rapid Diagnostics for Drug Resistance: Are we there yet? - November 14th David Perlin, Executive Director & Professor, Public Health Research Institute, Rutgers University

Avoiding the post antibiotic era: The challenges and solutions to successful commercialisation of new antibiotics

Adam Woodrow, CCO, Paratek & David Findlay, Managing Director, Morton Findlay & Associates Ltd

2018 Event Highlights:

•Dearn about pathogen focused drug development

•Discover the best methods to overcome bacterial resistance through novel modes of action •Discuss the state of developments within the anti-fungal space

•Develop an understanding of funding opportunities which support antibacterial research and development

•Gain insight into the new techniques through case-study examples of rapid diagnostic methods currently being used within the field

The latest conference brochure is now available to download on the event website, where you can also register online: <u>www.superbugs-usa.com/pr4</u>. Book by Sept 28 and save \$100

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