



# National Toxicology Program

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

## Agenda

### NTP Board of Scientific Counselors (BSC) Meeting

Rodbell Auditorium, Rall Building  
National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS)  
Research Triangle Park, NC

June 16, 2015

8:30 AM	<b>Introductions and Welcome</b>	Dr. Lisa Peterson, University of Minnesota, BSC Chair
8:45	<b>Report of the NIEHS/NTP Director</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• BSC Discussion</li></ul>	Dr. Linda Birnbaum, NIEHS Dr. Peterson
9:15	<b>Contract Concepts</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <b>Statistical Support – ACTION</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public Comments</li><li>• BSC Discussion</li></ul></li><li>– <b>Conduct of Studies to Evaluate the Toxicologic Potential of Selected Test Agents for the NTP – ACTION</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public Comments</li><li>• BSC Discussion</li></ul></li></ul>	Ms. Velvet Torain, NIEHS Dr. Grace Kissling, NIEHS/DNTP  Dr. Peterson Ms. Molly Vallant, NIEHS/DNTP  Dr. Peterson
10:00	<b>BREAK</b>	
10:30	<b>Report on NTP Response to the Elk River Chemical Spill</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public Comments</li><li>• BSC Discussion</li></ul>	Dr. Scott Auerbach, NIEHS/DNTP  Dr. Peterson
11:30	<b>LUNCH</b>	
12:15 PM	<b>Report of the NTP Associate Director</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• BSC Discussion</li></ul>	Dr. John Bucher, NIEHS/DNTP Dr. Peterson
12:30	<b>Office of Health Assessment and Translation</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <b>Introduction</b></li><li>– <b>Clearing New Ground with New Tools: Identifying Research Needs for Assessing Safe Use of High Intakes of Folic Acid</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public Comments</li><li>• BSC Discussion</li></ul></li></ul>	Dr. Kristina Thayer, NIEHS/DNTP Dr. Abee Boyles, NIEHS/DNTP  Dr. Peterson
1:15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <b>NTP Tools and Approaches for Enhancing Evaluation and Communication of Analysis Activities</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Systematically Searching the Literature</b></li><li>▪ <b>SWIFT: A Text-mining Workbench for Systematic Review</b></li><li>▪ <b>Environmental Influences on the Epigenome: Using SWIFT Text Mining Tool to Explore the State of the Science</b></li></ul></li></ul>	Ms. Stephanie Holmgren, NIEHS/OSIM Dr. Ruchir Shah, Sciome Dr. Katherine Pelch, NIEHS/DNTP
2:30	<b>BREAK</b>	
2:45	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ <b>Health Assessment Workplace Collaborative (HAWC)</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public Comments</li><li>• BSC Discussion</li></ul></li></ul>	Mr. Andy Shapiro, NIEHS/DNTP  Dr. Peterson
3:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– <b>Updating Level of Concern Categories</b><ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public Comments</li><li>• BSC Discussion</li></ul></li></ul>	Dr. Mary Wolfe, NIEHS/DNTP  Dr. Peterson
4:15	<b>ADJOURN</b>	Dr. Peterson