

## International Conference on Opioids, June 10-12, 2018

The 2018 International Conference on Opioids (ICOO2018) was held in Boston, June 10-12, 2018, at the Joseph B. Martin Conference Center at Harvard Medical School. Attendees from around the world participated in this two plus day conference that featured renowned speakers from many countries presenting the latest research, ethics, legal and clinical applications of opioids.



SAMHSA's Dr. Elinore McCance-Katz presenting her vision for the agency's response to the opioid crisis in her keynote presentation, *Opioids for Pain Management and the Public Health Crisis*.

Sincere thanks and congratulations to all our ICOO 2018 presenters, conference committee, educational partners and co-chairs for creating a truly world class event!  
Join us for ICOO 2019, June 9-11, 2019!



Dr. Adam Bisaga presenting his latest research in *Primary Care Providers Can Treat Opioid Use Disorder and Help End the Epidemic*.



Daniel P. Alford, MD, program director and lead educator of the SCOPE program in his excellent keynote presentation, *Opioid Prescribing Education: Does it Work?*



Mark Ware, MBBS, MRCP in his excellent presentation, *Medical Cannabinoids for the Management of Chronic Noncancer Pain*.



Co-Chairs, Dr. Paul Sloan and Dr. Richard Dart directed the seventh annual International Conference on Opioids to a successful finish.



**Jenny Lau, MD, Paolo Mazzotta, MD and Ciara Whelan, MD presenting *Symptom Management in the Midst of an Opioid Epidemic: An Expert Consensus Guideline for Safer Opioid Use in Palliative Care.***



**John Renner, Jr., MD, Dustin Patil, MD and Brad Stankiewicz, MD presenting *Rethinking Medication Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder.***



**Richard Dart, MD and Shruti Kulkarni, JD after her presentation *Pathway to Treatment and Recovery: Understanding the Role of Warm Handoff Policies & Programs.***



**Mellar Davis, MD, presented *Does Nalbuphine Have a Niche in Managing Pain?***



**Aleksandra Zgierska, MD, PhD, Robert Edwards, PhD and Eric Garland, PhD, LCSW presenting *Addressing the Opioid Epidemic by Maximizing Behavioral Treatment in Chronic Non-Cancer Pain.***



**John Peppin, DO, Michael Schatman, PhD, CPE and Daniel Carr, MD presenting *The Death of Pain Medicine: What Will Pain Medicine Look Like in the Next Few Decades?***



**Dr. Steven Ballet, in a very interesting talk, *Engineering Hybrid Peptidomimetics for Improved Pain Treatments.***



**Daniel B. Carr, MD, MA presenting an update on the National Pain Strategy.**



**Day 1 Experts Panel-Aleksandra Zgierska, MD, Richard Dart, MD, Daniel Carr, MD and Paul Sloan, MD moderating.**



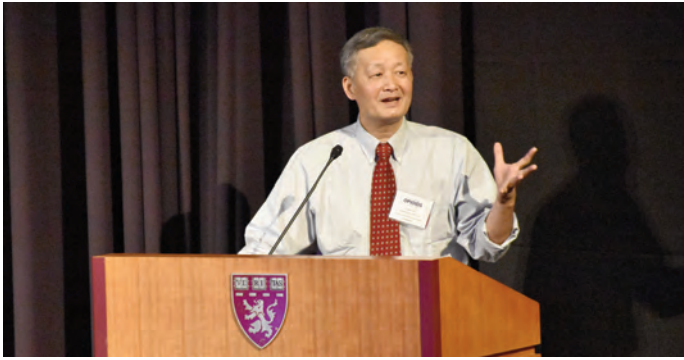
**Mellar Davis, MD joined the Day 1 Experts Panel at the request of conference co-chair Paul Sloan, MD.**



**Raeford E. Brown, Jr., MD, FAAP presenting *Abuse Deterrent Formulations and the Federal (FDA) Response.***



**Richard C. Dart, MD, PhD presenting interesting new data in *Emerging Data on Non-Opioid Prescription Drugs that are Abused.* Dr Dart was co-chair for IC002018.**



Jianren Mao, MD, PhD asking many critical questions in his presentation: *Why Are We Still Using Opioids if Opioid Therapy is so Problematic?*



(Left to Right) Dr. Mellar Davis, Dr. Doug Gourlay and Dr. Mary Lynn McPherson in their excellent panel discussion *Now What? Managing Pain in the Presence of Opioid Agonist Therapy.*



Jennifer L. Murphy, PhD and Nicolle C. Angeli, PhD presenting *How to Talk Tapering: Strategies and Treatment Considerations.*



David Greaney, MSc presenting *Opioid Medication Errors and Harm in Pediatric Practice: Five Years' Experience of Adverse Event Reporting.*



SAMHSA's Dr. Elinore McCance-Katz, ICOO2016 co-chair, returned to fire up the opioid crisis response.



(Left to Right) Dr. Doug Gourlay, Dr. Mellar Davis, and Dr. Mary Lynn McPherson in their excellent case study workshop *Not Your Mama's Opioid Conversion Chart! Evidence-Based Opioid Conversion Calculations.*



(Left to Right) ICOO2018 co-chairs Richard C. Dart, MD, PhD and Paul A. Sloan, MD with SAMHSA's Dr. Elinore McCance-Katz who was ICOO2016 co-chair.



ICOO2018 attendees learning from thought leaders.



Jordan Zjawiony, PhD and James Fajemiroye, PhD presenting *Dual Affinity to Opioid Receptors: From Potent Hallucinogenic Salvinorin A to Promising Analgesic AK-1401*. Our apologies for not capturing Dr. Fajemiroye on film.



Lynn R. Webster, MD in his timely presentation *Virtual Reality Therapy Alternative to Opioid Therapy for Pain*.



Day 2 Experts Panel-Raeford E. Brown, Jr., MD, Lynn Webster, MD, John F. Peppin, DO, Mary Lynn McPherson, PharmD and Paul Sloan, MD moderating.



Hans Willems, PharmD and Elien De Mooter, MBS presenting *Consumption of Prescription Opioids in Belgium (2006-2016)*.



Evan Ross, MD presenting *Long Term Opiate Prescribing after Trauma: The Influence of Injury Burden*.



ICOO2018 conference co-chair Paul A. Sloan, MD presenting *Opioid Guidelines from the World 2018*.



Our ICOO2018 three top poster winners, (Left to Right) Michel Wurm, MD, Christina McDonnell, MSc and John Standridge, MD.