

**The National Academies
INSTITUTE OF MEDICINE**

**Committee on Making Best Use of the Agent Orange Exposure Reconstruction Model
Second Meeting
April 30 – May 1, 2007**

**The Keck Center of the National Academies
500 Fifth Street, NW
Washington, DC**

Draft Agenda



**Monday, April 30, 2007
Room 110**

Open Session

- 1:30 p.m. Introductory remarks
David Savitz, Ph.D.
*Chair, Committee on Making Best Use of the Agent Orange Exposure
Reconstruction Model*
- Introductions by committee members and meeting attendees
- 1:45 p.m. VA Data Resources Relevant to Use of the Agent Orange Exposure Model
Han Kang, Ph.D.
Director, Environmental Epidemiology Service
Director, War-Related Injury and Illness Study Center
Department of Veterans Affairs
- Discussion
- 2:30 p.m. Review of the CDC Agent Orange Exposure Index and Validation Study
Thomas H. Sinks, Ph.D.
Deputy Director
National Center for Environmental Health/ATSDR
Centers for Disease Control
- Discussion
- 3:15 p.m. Accessing Military Unit Records at the College Park Archives
Richard Boylan
National Archives and Records Administration

Discussion


Monday, April 30, 2007 (cont'd)

- 3:45 p.m. Accessing Service Member Personnel and Medical Records via the IOM
Medical Follow-up Agency
William Page and Harriet Crawford
Institute of Medicine Medical Follow-up Agency

Discussion

- 4:15 p.m. General Discussion

- 4:30 p.m. **Adjourn Open Session**



Tuesday, May 1, 2007
Room 110

Open Session

- 8:30 a.m. Introductory remarks
David Savitz, Ph.D.
*Chair, Committee on Making Best Use of the Agent Orange Exposure
Reconstruction Model*
- 8:45 a.m. Environmental Fate of TCDD: Relationships to Human Exposure in Vietnam
Alvin L. Young, Ph.D.
Visiting Professor, Institute for Science and Public Policy
The University of Oklahoma

Discussion

- 9:30 a.m. Michigan's Dioxin Exposure Study: Findings of Interest for Agent Orange
Exposure Assessment
David H. Garabrant, M.D., M.P.H.
Professor, Occupational Medicine and Epidemiology
The University of Michigan School of Public Health

Discussion

Tuesday, May 1, 2007 (cont'd)

10:00 a.m. Perspectives on Agent Orange Exposure Reconstruction in Vietnam
Marie Haring Sweeney, Ph.D., M.P.H.
Chief, Surveillance Branch
Division of Surveillance, Hazard Evaluations & Field Studies
National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health

Discussion

10:45 a.m. Points to Consider When Evaluating the Stellman Model
John H. Ross, Ph.D., DABT
Director, Environmental Sciences
Infoscientific.com, Inc.

Michael E. Ginevan, Ph.D.
M.E. Ginevan & Associates

Discussion

11:15 a.m. General Discussion

11:45 a.m. **Adjourn Open Session**

IOM Meeting

Dear Dr. Young,

A new study has begun at the Institute of Medicine of the National Academies entitled "Making Best Use of the Agent Orange Exposure Reconstruction Model." The project will consider the best ways to employ the model that was developed by researchers at Columbia University to produce better estimates of wartime exposure to herbicides for Vietnam veterans, with the expectation that such estimates could be used in studies of potential health effects of that exposure. The charge to the Committee on Making Best Use of the Agent Orange Exposure Reconstruction Model and committee roster are attached to this email.

On behalf of the committee, I would like to invite you to attend their next meeting, to be held April 30-May 1 in Washington, D.C., and provide a presentation sharing your perspectives, based on your work at Eglin AFB, on the levels of TCDD and herbicides likely to have been in the soil in Vietnam both at the time of spraying and now, and the potential for evaluating the model by assessing soil levels today.

The meeting will be held in Room 110 of the Keck Center of the National Academies, located at 500 Fifth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. The Institute of Medicine will pay reasonable costs for your travel. The open session of the meeting will begin at 1:30 pm on April 30 and resume during the morning on May 1. We would anticipate planning 45 minutes for your portion of the agenda and suggest that you plan for a 10- to 15-minute talk beginning at 1:45 pm on April 30, with questions and discussion to follow. To the extent your schedule will permit, we would welcome your participation in the discussion periods throughout the open session that afternoon and any the next morning.

I hope that you will be willing to come and share your expertise with the committee. I would welcome the opportunity to discuss the study or this invitation with you further at your convenience.

With many thanks in advance,

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