

**ETHNOPHARMACOLOGIC SEARCH
for PSYCHOACTIVE DRUGS • 2017**



50th Anniversary Symposium

PROGRAM: 6 – 8 JUNE, TYRINGHAM HALL, UK

TUESDAY 6 JUNE

7:30 - 8:30: Breakfast

8:30 - 8:45: Welcome (Dennis McKenna, Rory Spowers, Anton Bilton)

8:45 - 9:00: Video introduction from Dr. Stephen Szára

9:00 – 9:45: **Dennis McKenna** - *What a long, strange trip it's been: Reflections on the Ethnopharmacologic Search for Psychoactive Drugs 1967-2017*

SESSION ONE: FOCUS ON AYAHUASCA AND THE AMAZON

9:45 - 10:45: **Luis Eduardo Luna** – *Ayahuasca, a powerful epistemological wildcard in a complex, fascinating and dangerous world*

10:45 – 11:15: Coffee/Tea break

11:15 - 12:15: **Manuel Torres** - *The origins of the ayahuasca/yagé concept. An inquiry into the synergy between DMT and β carbolines*

12:15 – 1:30: Lunch

1:30 – 2:30: **Evgenia Fotiou** - *Plant use and shamanic dietas in contemporary Ayahuasca shamanism in Peru*

2:30 – 3:30: **Glenn Shepard** - *Substance, soul and sensation in Amazonian shamanism*

3:30 – 4:00: Coffee/Tea break

4:00 – 5:00: **Dale Millard** – *Broad-spectrum roles of harmine in ayahuasca*

5:00 – 5:30: Round table discussion: Ayahuasca: What have we learned and what will we learn in the next 50 years? (Eduardo Luna, Dennis McKenna (moderator), Mark Plotkin, Evgenia Fotiou, Glenn Shepard, Manuel Torres, Dale Millard)

5:30 - 6:30: Keynote: **Mark Plotkin** – *Viva Schultes - A Personal Retrospective*

6:30 Dinner

Optional: Ajna Light - Experiential Neurotechnology by Guy Harriman

WEDNESDAY 7 JUNE

8:00 - 9:00: Breakfast

9:00 – 9:15: Introduction of session 2 (Dennis McKenna)

SESSION 2: FOCUS ON AFRICA, AUSTRALIA & SE ASIA

9:15- 10:15: **Nigel Gericke** - */Kabbo's !kwaiń. The past, present and possible future of kanna*

10:15 – 11:15: **Christopher McCurdy** - *Kratom (Mitragyna speciosa) as a potential therapy for opioid dependence*

11: 15 - 11:45: Coffee/Tea break

11:45 - 12:45: **Ken Alper** – *The Iboga Project: Urban ethnomedicine for opioid use disorder*

12:45 - 2:00: Lunch

2:00 – 3:00: **Jean-Francois Sobiecki** - *Psychoactive Initiation plant medicines: Their role in the healing and learning process of South African and upper Amazonian traditional healers.*

3:00 – 4:00: **Snu Voogelbreinder** – *Psychoactive Australian Acacia Species and their alkaloids*

4:00 - 4:30: Coffee/Tea break

4:30 – 5:00: Round table discussion: Is the Old World the unexplored New World in the Ethnopharmacologic search for psychoactive drugs? (Gericke (moderator), Alper, McCurdy, Sobiecki, Millard, Vogelbreinder)

5:00 – 6:15: Keynote: **David E. Nichols** - *From 'there' to 'here': psychedelic natural products and their contributions to medicinal chemistry*

6:30: Dinner

Optional: Movie: A New Understanding: the Science of Psilocybin by Robert Barnhart

Ajna Light - Experiential Neurotechnology by Guy Harriman

THURSDAY 8 JUNE

8:00 - 9:00: Breakfast in the dining room

9:00 – 9:15: Introduction of session 3 and 4 (Dennis McKenna)

SESSION THREE: FOCUS ON MEXICO AND CENTRAL AMERICA

9:15 – 10:15: **Stacy Schaeffer** - *Fertile Grounds? – Peyote and the Human Reproductive System*

10:15 – 11:15: **Keeper Trout** - *Mescal, peyote and the red bean; a peculiar conceptual collision in early modern ethnobotany*

11:15 - 11:45: Coffee/Tea break

11:45 – 12:30: **Jerry Patchen** – *Reflections on the Peyote Road with the Native American Church – Visions & Cosmology.*

12:30 – 2:00: Lunch

SESSION FOUR: FOCUS ON THE BIOSPHERE

2:00 – 3:00: **Jeanmaire Molina** - *Phylogenetic analysis of traditional medicinal plants: discovering new drug sources from patterns of cultural convergence*

3:00 – 4:00: **Dennis McKenna** – *Ethnopharmacology meets the receptorome: Bioprospecting for psychotherapeutic medicines in the Amazon rainforest*

4:00 – 5:00: **Mark Plotkin** – *New medicines from the rainforest: Where are they?*

5:00 – 5:15: Coffee/Tea break

5:15 – 5:45: **Dale Millard** – *A preliminary report on some recent discoveries in Mozambique*

5:45 – 6:45: Keynote: **Michael Heinrich** – *Ethnopharmacology – From Mexican*

hallucinogen to a global transdisciplinary science

6:45 - 7:30: Roundtable: ESPD: the next 50 years. Will the psychoactive medicines of the future come from the forest primeval? (All speakers roundtable. Moderator: Mitch Schultz)

7:30: Dinner

Optional: Ajna Light - Experiential Neurotechnology by Guy Harriman

FRIDAY 9 JUNE

8:00: Breakfast

Departure
