

Quality Education for Minorities (QEM) Network Workshop
National Science Foundation (NSF)'s Directorate for Biological Sciences (BIO)
Embassy Suites Hotel • BWI Airport • 1300 Concourse Drive • Lithicum, MD • 410/850-0747
October 21-22, 2005

AGENDA

Note: Participants are reminded that, at Embassy Suites Hotels, a full breakfast is free with each night's lodging. Workshop participants who wish to have breakfast should do so prior to the opening session on Friday and Saturday mornings in *Chophouse 13*.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

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8:30	Registration	Outside JFK Room
9:00	Opening Plenary Session <i>Welcome, Purpose, and Introductions</i> Shirley McBay, President, QEM Network	JFK Room
9:15	<i>Welcoming Remarks</i> James Collins, Assistant Director, Directorate for Biological Sciences (BIO) <i>Overview of the National Science Foundation (NSF) and the Directorate for Biological Sciences (BIO)</i> Tom Brady, Division Director BIO/Division of Integrative Organismal Biology (IOB)	
9:45	<i>BIO Proposal Preparation and the NSF Merit Review Criteria and Review Process</i> Parag Chitnis, Program Director BIO/Division of Molecular and Cellular Biosciences (MCB)	
10:30	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
10:45	Four Concurrent Division-focused Sessions <i>-Overview of Programs, Priorities, and Processes by BIO Division</i> <i>-Initial Presentation of Participants' Proposed Project Summaries</i>	
	Session I: Division of Biological Infrastructure (DBI) Jane Silverthorne, Program Director, BIO Daniel Wubah, BIO Award Recipient, James Madison University	LAX I
	Session II: Division of Integrative Organismal Biology (IOB) Ione Hunt von Herbing, Program Director, BIO/IOB Derrick Brazill, BIO Award Recipient Hunter College, City University of New York	LAX II
	Session III: Division of Environmental Biology (DEB) Saran Twombly, Program Director, BIO/DEB Martyn Caldwell, Program Director, BIO/DEB Elvia Melendez-Ackerman, BIO Award Recipient University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras	BWI Room
	Session IV: Division of Molecular and Cellular Biosciences (MCB) Joanne Tornow, Program Director, BIO/MCB Parag Chitnis, Program Director, BIO/MCB Carla Mattos, BIO Award Recipient North Carolina State University	JFK Room

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

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- 9:00 Plenary Session *Friendship Room*
-*Integrating Research into Teaching – “Best Practices”*
Daniel Wubah, BIO Award Recipient
James Madison University

-*Effective Mentoring of Undergraduate and Graduate Students*
Carla Mattos, BIO Award Recipient
North Carolina State University
- 10:15 *Coffee Break*
- 10:30 Four Concurrent Division-focused Sessions
Refinement of Proposals/Proposal Concepts by Participants
- Session I: Division of Biological Infrastructure (DBI) *LAX I*
Jane Silverthorne, Program Director, BIO\
Daniel Wubah, BIO Award Recipient, James Madison University
- Session II: Division of Integrative Organismal Biology (IOB) *LAX II*
Ione Hunt von Herbing, Program Director, BIO/IOB
Derrick Brazill, Hunter College, City University of New York
- Session III: Division of Environmental Biology (DEB) *DFW Room*
Saran Twombly, Program Director, BIO/DEB
Charles Lydeard, Program Director, BIO/DEB
Elvia Melendez-Ackerman, University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras
- Session IV: Division of Molecular and Cellular Biosciences (MCB) *Friendship Room*
Joanne Tornow, Program Director, BIO/MCB
Parag Chitnis, Program Director, BIO/MCB
Carla Mattos, North Carolina State University
- NOON *Luncheon Plenary Session* *JFK Room*
Closing Comments
NSF Staff, BIO Grantees, Consultants, and QEM Staff
- 1:30 Plenary Session: *Use of NSF’s FastLane for Submitting Proposals/Required Reports*
Evelyn Baisey-Thomas, Computer Specialist
Division of Information Systems (DIS)
Office of Information and Resource Management, NSF
- 3:30 *Adjournment*

Additional NSF Resource Personnel Attending the Workshop:

Maryanna Henkart, Division Director, BIO/MCB
Margaret Johnson, Program Director, BIO/MCB
Egda Morales, Albert Einstein Fellow, BIO/MCB
Sally O'Connor, Program Director, BIO/DBI
John B. Pascarella, AAAS/NSF Science & Technology Policy Fellow, BIO/IOB