ISSSEEM SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM  
JUNE 24, 8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.  
PRESENTER INFORMATION

1. All persons who register for the ISSSEEM Conference are invited to also attend the Science Symposium at no fee.

2. Researchers who apply and who are selected to present their work at the symposium must pay a **presenter’s fee** (This includes remote presenters). Presenter’s abstracts will be printed in the Official Symposium Proceedings.

3. Once you receive notice that your work has chosen to be presented at the symposium (By April 1st, 2015), you will need to call the Bursar, Marilyn at 417-777-7717 to pay your presenter’s fee by credit card.

We have a limited number of slots for symposium presentation this year. Please get your research submission in as early as possible. To submit an abstract please click on the link at the right hand side of the page. Please have all the information ready to submit at one time as the entry will not be saved until it is completed.

If you are interested in submitting to the symposium please be aware of the following requirements for submission:

1. You must include name email address and phone number of the presenting author.

2. Please include all authors of the study in the order in which they are to be presented. Last name, First Initial. Then list full names of each author and their affiliations.

3. You must submit a 150 word presenter bio as part of the submission process.

4. You must submit a 400 word abstract on your research. Please write the abstract in standard scientific format. Include Purpose/Objective, Materials, Methods, Results, Discussion and Conclusion. Abstracts which exceed 400 words will be cut off and may fail the peer review process!

5. Please include the p values as part of your research abstract.

6. If you received a grant please list the granting organization.

7. All presenters must fill out the conflict of interest statement for all study team members. If it is not applicable please write N/A in the response area.

8. Please note that the research symposium is not a suitable place to present a theory of how your style of energy work is making physical changes on people unless you have clinical research to support your theory.

9. All studies will consist of new material which has not been presented at an ISSSEEM conference and preference will be given to studies which include data which has never been previously presented.

10. All studies will be presented by people who did the study or are properly authorized to present the study by the studies original authors (IE: PI, co-PI).

11. All case studies will have individual consents from the person who was the case study client.

12. All human studies (clinical or basic science) will have had an institutional review (IRB) or an ethics review which meets state or national standards.

13. All investigators doing human studies will be properly qualified to do human studies research which includes human studies protection training.

14. All investigators doing animal research will be properly qualified to do animal studies research which includes animal studies ethics training.

15. All studies of pre-existing cumulative clinical data must go through a retrospective data analysis human studies review and the person(s) from whom data is being used must be individually consented prior to the abstract submission.

16. Device studies are to be proof of concept, single case studies or clinical studies.
The Peer Review Process:
Each study submitted to the ISSSEEM Research Symposium goes through the peer review process. This process is done blinded. Each abstract is grouped by the category under which the author submitted. Then the title and the abstract is numbered and all other information is removed. The members of the peer review committee then receive a copy of all of the abstracts which are then ranked in each category. Comments are attached by committee members which they feel are pertinent to the peer review process. The rankings are then tabulated and placement in the schedule is based on the individual rankings of each abstract. For those abstracts which have sufficient quality but for which there was not enough room in the schedule to provide an individual talk, the authors are invited to provide a poster session as an alternative.

Symposium Enrollment and Fees Procedure for Symposium Presenters:
Fees are to be paid after proposal acceptance. Fees are set at four levels.
Presenter Symposium Fee (Standard): $ 200.00 (for Presenters who are not registering and paying ISSSEEM Conference fees)
Symposium Fee for **Student Presenter or for Presenters registered and paying ISSSEEM Conference fees (ISSEEM attendee/Student Project): $ 100.00
Symposium Fee – Presenter – Remote: $ 50.00
**Student Presenters who wish to get the $50.00 reduction in fee above must email a copy of their student ID to: Melinda Connor at

Presenters pay these fees thru Marilyn by calling 417-777-7717 once you have been ACCEPTED. If you are attending the full conference you may register at any time and registration is limited so register early. The registration for the ISSSEEM Conference is handled thru the website link.

In an exciting development all of the conference proceedings abstracts will be published in the International Journal of Healing and Caring. We also hope to broadcast the symposium over the web.
Looking forward to seeing you in June!
Melinda H. Connor, D.D., Ph.D, AMP, FAM
Chair, 2015 Research Symposium

Maria Syldona, Ph.D.
Co-Chair, 2015 Research Symposium

2015 ISSSEEM Research Symposium Keynote Speaker
Gaëtan Chevalier, Ph.D.
The Biofield: What it is and why it is important to know about it.
Dr. Gaëtan Chevalier received his Ph.D. from the University of Montreal in Engineering Physics with specialization in Atomic Physics and Laser Spectroscopy. After 4 years of research at UCLA in the field of nuclear fusion, he became professor and Director of Research at the California Institute for Human Science for 10 years doing research on human physiology and electrophysiology. After leaving CIHS, he became an invited researcher in the Department of Developmental and Cellular Biology at UC Irvine. Dr. Chevalier has been Director of the Earthing Institute since its foundation in 2009 and has been Research Director at Psy-Tek, a privately owned research company in Encinitas, California, since 2010.

Peer Review Committee for the 2015 ISSSEEM Research Symposium
Melinda H. Connor, D.D., Ph.D., AMP, FAM
Dr. Connor is an ordained Buddhist priest who has trained as a clinical psychologist, neuropsychologist, drama therapist, and in a variety of integrative techniques. Originally an engineer in the computer field, Dr. Connor changed careers in the 1990’s. As a NIH sponsored T32 post doctoral fellow, Dr. Connor received her training as a research scientist at the University of Arizona’s Program in Integrative Medicine under Dr. Andrew Weil and Dr. Iris R. Bell. She is the former director of the Optimal Healing Research Program at the Laboratory for Advances in Consciousness and Health at the University of Arizona, directed by Dr. Gary E. Schwartz and is both Board Certified and a Fellow of the American Alternative Medicine Association. An Adjunct Professor at Akamai University in Hilo, Hawaii and the science advisor for the Spirituals for the 21st Century project, Dr. Connor continues to present her research work at conferences around the world.

Maria Syldona, Ph.D.
Dr. Syldona’s academic degrees, postdoctoral fellowships, internships and teaching experience range from science and engineering to electrophysiology, Eastern psychospiritual traditions and clinical psychology at institutions including Carnegie-Mellon University, California School of Professional Psychology, Stanford University Medical School, Brown University and State University of New York, Stonybrook, Medical Schools. Dr. Syldona is currently director of the Institute for Human Psychospiritual Development, publishes articles in peer-reviewed journals and is an international speaker, educator and consultant. Her world view has held a strong component of spirituality since childhood, and her major areas of interest are “bridge work” between: science and spirituality, ancient and modern, and wisdom of East and West. Among the Eastern psychospiritual sciences she has studied and/or practiced are Shotokan Karate, TM, Vedanta, Patanjali Yoga Sutras, Vipassana, and Kashmir Shaivism.

Oliver London, Ph.D.
Dr. London worked for over 30 years in business helping organizations develop their people and their organizations. His foci are corporation vision, mission and values. He has helped NBC, Jack Daniel’s (increasing profits by over $30 million) and Burger King as well as consulted with other major corporations. He switched from helping people in the business environment grow and develop to helping others find their own spiritual life paths. He is a graduate of the Core Star Healing Program and a Reiki master from two lineages. He was formerly the Board Chair and Provost of Holos University and professor there. Currently he teaches at two universities (Baker and Webster)- teaching leadership, strategic planning, statistics, organization behavior and organization change. He is interested in individual differences in spiritual development as well as exploring the universe. He is currently writing a book to be titled: Self Love: Being Centered in Yourself BUT not Being Self Centered.

Midge Murphy, J.D., Ph.D.
Midge Murphy is the first attorney to receive her PhD in energy medicine. She understands both the law and the healing arts which allow her to lend her expertise as a bridge between the two worlds. Midge is a leading expert on ethics, legal principles, and risk management strategies in the practice of energy healing methods. While Midge no longer practices law, she does offer professional liability risk management consulting services. She is the creator of online ethics and legal certificate courses in the field of energy psychology and energy medicine. Midge is a professor at Energy Medicine University and on the faculty at the Academy of Intuition Medicine®. Midge is the co-author of Creating Right Relationships: a Practical Guide to Ethics in Energy Therapies. Midge also has an energy healing practice for animals and humans. She is trained in Therapeutic Touch and has been initiated as a Reiki Master. Midge is also a certified Matrix Energetics® Practitioner and uses shamanic processes in her healing work.

Reggie A. Stout, DAOM (candidate), MAcOM, Lac
Reginald Stout, DAOM (candidate), MAcOM, BA, LAc, worked for 18 years as a Senior Instructor of Oriental Medicine at the Arizona School of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine, Tucson, Arizona. He received his B.A. in Holistic Health from PrescottCollege, his M.Ac.O.M., from the Arizona School of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine and is a D.A.O.M. doctoral candidate at the American College of Traditional Chinese Medicine (ACTCM) a school associated with the California Institute of Integral Studies (CiiS), San Francisco, California. During the last 20 years he served twice as the President of the Arizona Society of Acupuncture (ASA) and the Asian Medicine and Acupuncture Society of Arizona (AMASA). Before becoming supervising licensed acupuncturist and Clinic Dean at the Arizona School of Acupuncture and Oriental Medicine (ASAOM) he also taught at Prescott College and was a High School Principal at the Good ShepherdChurch School, Deming, New Mexico where he earned the A.C.E. Award of Academic Excellence. After his eighteen-year career as a clinical supervisor and award winning senior instructor, he is now writing and developing a career as a well-respected events speaker and lecturer in Integrative Medicine. In addition to teaching, he is also a skilled professional guitarist, singer-songwriter, and former major concert promoter.

Shelagh Smith, BA, RMT (Canada)
Shelagh Smith is certified as a Resonance Modulation Practitioner, Advanced Integrative Energy Healing Practitioner, Visionary Craniosacral Worker and is a Registered Massage Therapist. In private practice for over ten years in Whitehorse, Yukon, Canada, she specializes in treating clients with chronic and acute pain. She is a clinic supervisor and faculty for the Integrative Energy Healing Program at Langara College in Vancouver, BC.