



OPIOIDS AND DRIVING

WORKSHOP SPONSORED BY IACT & SOFT/AAFS DRUGS AND DRIVING COMMITTEE

Location: Hyatt Regency Indianapolis, IN

Date: May 4, 2018

Time: 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Instructors: Curt Harper, Ph.D., Chief Toxicologist, Alabama Department of Forensic Sciences [Chair]
Michael Wagner, Associate Professor, Department of Pharmacology/Toxicology,
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Joe Turner, Past Indiana DRE Coordinator (Retired)
Stephanie Weber, Senior Chemist, Wisconsin State Laboratory of Hygiene

Target Audience: All forensic toxicologists (new and experienced).

Abstract: This workshop will provide a fundamental understanding of the pharmacology of Opiates and Opioids. Using the DRE Recognition Expert (DRE) evaluation/matrix, the attendee will gain an appreciation for the physiological and general indicators, duration of effects and methods of administration of Narcotic Analgesics. The speakers will discuss Opioid DUID and overdose trends (e.g. heroin, fentanyl, fentanyl analogues, designer opioids) in various regions of the United States. Finally, the workshop will highlight specific opioid and driving case studies.

Goal: After this workshop, participants will have knowledge of the current climate of Opiate/Opioid abuse and the driving effects of these drugs. Attendees will gain knowledge about the tools used in the field to detect drivers under the effect of Opiates/Opioids.

Course Specifics: The course fee includes registration, all course materials, attendance certificate, and breaks. Attendees will be responsible for travel, lodging, and meal expenses.