

Master Plan

CENTER FOR LIFE SCIENCE POLICY (CLSP) University of California at Berkeley

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Executive Summary

The Mission

The purpose of the CLSP is to build a rigorous intellectual and academic program to discuss, analyze and propose solutions and reforms in life science policy.

In conjunction with the QB3 program, the Graduate School of Journalism, and the office of the Assistant to Chancellor for Science and Technology, the Center will focus on the profound implications of new discoveries in the life sciences on economics, business, politics, international affairs, the health care system, law, the media, ethics, the arts, and individuals.

Specific Activities

Over the next five years, the CLSP will operate a program that will generate academic studies, whitepapers, and reports; develop a fellowship program for selected students and faculty at UC Berkeley, and outside scholars and professionals; hold meetings and forums at Berkeley and elsewhere where leading figures from the life sciences and other fields (journalism, law, etc; and develop educational programs and a curriculum for students as appropriate.

Projects Underway or in the Works:

- The Experimental Man Project: An interactive website, portal and wiki providing extensive information on personalized medicine testing (genes, environment, brain and body).
www.experimentalman.com
- Future of Life Forums: a series of panels, debates and talks.
- Student projects: specific projects for selected students focusing on issues of life science policy.

- White papers on personalized medicine beyond genomics; a New Deal for Science and Technology; and on designing a next generation discipline for life science policy.

Background

The CLSP was developed out of the BioAgenda Institute, an independent, California nonprofit founded by journalists, scientists, business people and others to create a forum to discuss crucial life science issues and policy. Most of BioAgenda's activities will be integrated into the CLSP. For information of BioAgenda programs, events and studies, go to <http://www.BioAgendaPrograms.com>

Outline of Five-Year Plan

Years 1-2: Expand on BioAgenda's studies and meetings; meet and get input from the Berkeley community; establish basic infrastructure; seek baseline funding

Year 3: Develop fellowships and more Berkeley-based programs; expand reach and funding

Years 4-5: Develop educational programs for the Berkeley community, establish major funding base

Funding

The CLSP has been granted access to funding from the Samuelson Clinic at the School of Law School at UC Berkeley. The Center is seeking additional funding.

Key Personnel

Director: David Ewing Duncan, Visiting Researcher at the Graduate School of Journalism, UC Berkeley; Founder and Editorial Director of BioAgenda; award-winning and best-selling science writer and author

Associate Director: Gregory Stock, PhD, MBA; Director, Program of Medicine, Technology and Society, UCLA; bestselling author

Supporters

The CLSP has a broad range of supporters on the UC Berkeley campus, the Bay Area and beyond. Key figures in making the Center possible at Berkeley include **Tom Kalil**, Assistant to the Chancellor for Science and Technology; **Graham Fleming**, Professor of Chemistry and co-director of QB3, The California Institute for Quantitative Biomedical Research; and

Michael Pollan, Graduate School of Journalism. Check the BioAgenda website for the Institute's distinguished Board of Advisors and Council of Journalists – <http://www.BioAgendaPrograms.com>.

Location

The CLSP is housed on campus in the offices of the Samuelson Clinic at the School of Law School at UC Berkeley