



Kratom Leadership Summit

2020 KRATOM LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

November 11-13, 2020

Tampa Airport Marriott -- 4200 George J. Bean Parkway, Tampa, FL 33607

Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2020

7:30 PM On-site Welcome Reception with light hors d'oeuvres
Registration Open at Hotel

Thursday, Nov. 12, 2020

7:00 AM Registration Open at Hotel
Kratom Summit Kickoff Breakfast
Welcome, **Matt Salmon**, Chairman of the AKA
Speaker: "Kratom: 2016 to Now" – **Utah State Senator Curt Bramble**

8:00 AM Speaker: "The Science on Kratom: Needed Research" – **Jack Henningfield, Ph.D.**, Vice President, Research, Health Policy, and Abuse Liability; Professor, Adjunct, Behavioral Biology, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine.

9:15 AM Break

9:30 AM Panel Discussion: "The Profile of a Kratom Consumer in America" – **Oliver Grundmann, Ph.D.**, College of Pharmacy, Department of Medicinal Chemistry, University of Florida; **Albert Garcia-Romeu, Ph.D.**, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Baltimore, MD; and **Kirsten Smith, Ph.D.**, National Institute on Drug Abuse Intramural Research Program.

11:00 AM Break

11:15 AM Roundtable Discussion: "Advertising and Social Media Standing of Kratom: The Metrics" – **Mark Allen**, AKA

12:00 PM Lunch
Speaker: "A State Legislator's View of Kratom" – **Georgia State Representative Vernon Jones**

1:00 PM Speaker: "Kratom is a Food" – **Michael J. Werner**, Holland & Knight, Washington, D.C.

- 1:45 PM Break
- 2:00 PM Speaker: "The Potential and Future of Kratom Alkaloids and Their Derivatives as FDA-Approved Therapies" – **Andrew Kruegel, Ph.D.**, Chief Scientific Officer and Co-Founder at Kures.
- 2:45 PM Speaker: "The Kratom Foundation: The Facts on Kratom" – **James Morrissette**, CEO and Board Chair.
- 3:30 PM Break
- 3:45 PM Panel Discussion: "The Potential for Kratom as a Therapy" – **Marc Swogger, Ph.D.**, Department of Psychiatry, University of Rochester Medical Center, Rochester, NY; **Paula Brown, Ph.D.**, Natural Health and Food Products Research Group, BC Institute of Technology, Burnaby, BC, Canada; **Zach Walsh, Ph.D.**, Department of Psychology, University of British Columbia, Kelowna, BC, Canada.
- 5:00 PM Open Q&A
- 6:30 PM Kratom Summit Dinner
- Keynote Speaker and Recipient of the 2020 AKA Kratom Champion Award:
Congressman Mark Pocan.

Friday, Nov. 13, 2020

- 7:15 AM Breakfast
- 8:00 AM Panel Discussion: "The Future of Kratom Exports from Indonesia" – **PEKRINDO Representative; PPHI Representative; and KOMPHAR Representative**
- 9:15 AM Speaker: "CBD and Kratom: Challenges Created by the FDA" -- **Robert Hoban**, Hoban Law Group, Denver, CO.
- 10:00 AM Break
- 10:15 AM Panel Discussion: "NIDA's Commitment to Kratom Research" -- **Geoff Laredo**, former NIDA Senior Advisor to the Director of the Office of Science Policy and Communications; **Kirsten Smith, Ph.D.**, National Institute on Drug Abuse Intramural Research Program; and **Aidan Hampson, Ph.D.**, Health Science Administrator, National Institute on Drug Abuse.
- 11:15 AM Speaker: "Kratom Science: Where We Stand Today" – **Chris McCurdy, Ph.D.**, Director and Professor, College of Pharmacy, University of Florida.
- 12:15 PM Closing Session – "Major Challenges to Keeping Kratom Legal" – **Mac Haddow**, Senior Fellow on Public Policy, AKA
- 1:00 PM SUMMIT ADJOURNED TO 2021