

Marin Science Seminar presents

Sun, Skin Cancer, and the Highlands of Guatemala

with James E. Cleaver, Ph.D. of UCSF



A one-hour multimedia presentation for Marin High School Students

Wednesday, April 21st, 2010

7:30 – 8:30 pm

Terra Linda High School, Room 207
320 Albion Way, San Rafael, CA 94903

Dr. Cleaver will describe the discovery of a Guatemalan village with a high incidence of skin cancer and his lab's plans for their care. The genetic cause is a failure to repair sunlight damage to DNA. Repair of DNA is a mechanism our bodies possess for protection against all kinds of environmental exposures. DNA repair defects are involved in many kinds of cancer and neurodegenerative disease.

Dr. Cleaver is an internationally recognized expert on the molecular mechanisms of environmentally-induced and genetically-determined human cancers. Currently he is Professor in the Departments of Dermatology and of Pharmaceutical Chemistry at UCSF and he is a member of the UCSF Cancer Center.

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