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# InfoFair 2008



**Spencer S. Eccles  
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## The Air We Breathe

Research, Community, Advocacy

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Presented by  
Spencer S. Eccles  
Health Sciences Library  
and  
Utah Physicians for a Healthy Environment

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## PROGRAM

- 8:15 A.M.-11:45 A.M. **Location: The George S. and Dolores Doré Eccles Institute of Human Genetics, Auditorium**
- 8:15 A.M.-8:45 A.M. **Continental Breakfast and Social in Genetics Atrium**
- 8:45 A.M.-10:00 A.M. **Welcome and Introduction**  
**Joan M. Gregory, M.L.S., AHIP**, Head of Technical Services, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library
- The Clifford C. Snyder, M.D. and Mary Snyder Lecture**  
**Devra Lee Davis, Ph.D., M.P.H.**, Director, Center for Environmental Oncology, University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute  
*The Air We Breathe*
- 10:00 A.M.-10:15 A.M. **Short Break and Conversation with Jean P. Shipman, M.S.L.S., AHIP**  
Director, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library
- 10:15 A.M.-10:25 A.M. **Tribute to Nina E. Dougherty, M.A.—Librarian and Environmental Champion**  
Mary E. Youngkin, M.L.S., Head of Public Services, Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library
- 10:25 A.M.-11:15 A.M. **Meet the Experts—Panel Discussion**  
**Moderator:** Joan M. Gregory, M.L.S, AHIP  
**Panelists:** Devra Lee Davis, Ph.D., M.P.H.  
Craig B. Forster, Ph.D., PGeol  
Brian J. Moench, M.D.  
John M. Veranth, Ph.D.
- 11:15-11:45 A.M. **Conversation—Effectively Searching the Environmental Literature**  
**Devra Lee Davis, Ph.D., M.P.H.**

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## INVITED EXHIBITS AND DEMONSTRATIONS

- 11:45 A.M.-1:00 P.M. **Location: Spencer F. and Cleone P. Eccles Health Sciences Education Building**  
**2nd floor Atrium—Light refreshments will be available**
- American Lung Association of Utah: <http://www.lungutah.org/>
  - Environmental Epidemiology, Utah Department of Health: <http://health.utah.gov/epi/enviroepi/>
  - National Network of Libraries of Medicine MidContinental Region: <http://nnlm.gov/mcr/>
  - Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library: <http://library.med.utah.edu>
  - University of Utah Health Sciences Bookstore: <http://www.hsstore.utah.edu/home.aspx>
  - University of Utah Student Physicians for Social Responsibility:  
[http://www.psr.org/site/PageServer?pagename=spsr\\_homepage](http://www.psr.org/site/PageServer?pagename=spsr_homepage)
  - Utah Chapter Sierra Club: <http://utah.sierraclub.org/>
  - Utah Clean Energy: <http://utahcleanenergy.org/>
  - Utah Division of Air Quality: <http://www.airquality.utah.gov/>
  - Utah Moms For Clean Air: <http://www.utahmomsforcleanair.org/>
  - Utah Physicians for a Healthy Environment: <http://www.uphe.org/>
  - Utahealthnet: <http://utahealthnet.org/>

## THE CLIFFORD C. SNYDER, M.D. AND MARY SNYDER LECTURER

### **Devra Lee Davis, Ph.D., M.P.H.**

Director, Center for Environmental Oncology,  
University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute

## PANELISTS AND MODERATORS

### **Craig B. Forster Ph.D., PGeol**

Director, Office of Sustainability, and Research Associate  
Professor of Urban Planning, University of Utah

### **Joan M. Gregory, M.L.S., AHIP**

Head of Technical Services, Spencer S. Eccles Health  
Sciences Library, University of Utah

### **Brian J. Moench, M.D.**

Founder and President, Utah Physicians for a Healthy  
Environment (UPHE), and Anesthesiologist,  
LDS Hospital

### **John M. Veranth, Ph.D.**

Research Associate Professor, Pharmacology and  
Toxicology, College of Pharmacy, University of Utah

### **Mary E. Youngkin, M.L.S.**

Head of Public Services, Spencer S. Eccles Health  
Sciences Library, University of Utah

## Biography

**Devra Lee Davis** is a leading epidemiologist, public health expert, and researcher on the environmental causes of cancer and chronic diseases. Dr. Davis holds a Ph.D. from the University of Chicago and an M.P.H. from the Johns Hopkins School of Public Health. She is Director of the world's first Center for Environmental Oncology located at the University of Pittsburgh Cancer Institute and served as a Lead Author of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change, the group awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2007.

Her book, *When Smoke Ran Like Water* (2002, Basic Books) has been described by the *Toronto Globe & Mail* as "the most readable exposé of the hidden costs of pollution since *Silent Spring*." Dr. Davis was a National Book Awards finalist for *When Smoke Ran Like Water* and is also the author of *The Secret History of the War on Cancer* (2007, Basic Books).

## ABSTRACTS

### **Keynote Address**

#### *The Air We Breathe*

*When Smoke Ran Like Water* (2002, Basic Books) has been described by the *Toronto Globe & Mail* as "the most readable exposé of the hidden costs of pollution since *Silent Spring*." In it, Dr. Davis confronts both public triumphs and private failures in the battle against environmental pollution. She reports on the deadly London smog of 1952 (when deaths were falsely attributed to influenza); behind-the-scenes machinations by oil companies and auto manufacturers to keep lead in gasoline; and the pollution that killed many in her own family and forced others - survivors of the 1948 smog emergency in Donora, Pennsylvania - to live out their lives with damaged health. Dr. Davis was a National Book Awards finalist for *When Smoke Ran Like Water* and is also the author of *The Secret History of the War on Cancer* (2007, Basic Books).

### **Tribute to Nina E. Dougherty, M.A.**

Nina E. Dougherty served on the faculty of the Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library from September 1974 until her retirement in January 1999. During her 25 years at the Eccles Library, Nina was instrumental in establishing innovative reference services and mediated user searching. In addition, Nina developed an expertise in the use of online environmental health and toxicology databases and resources that were developed by Specialized Information Services at the National Library of Medicine.

Nina originated the InfoFair concept in 1983. The first annual InfoFair focused on "personal computer access to health related databases." Her vision and foresight were important motivators for educating faculty, staff, students and the public about accessing and using online information resources and databases. Now in its 26th year, InfoFair 2008 continues the tradition started by Nina to inform and educate the user.

In her private life, Nina continues her crusade as an environmental champion; she has volunteered for a variety of organizations, including the Utah Chapter Sierra Club, Utahns for Better Transportation, the Western Regional Air Partnership, and the American Lung Association of Utah.

### **Meet the Experts—Panel Discussion**

Panelists will respond to remarks made by Dr. Davis and discuss issues related to clean air in Utah. Participating panelists are currently involved with organizations that have a focus on protecting the health and well-being of citizens by promoting science-based education and interventions that result in progressive, measurable improvements to the environment. Of equal importance, panelists will review strategies used to educate and increase public awareness of the health effects of air pollution.

Panel moderator is Joan M. Gregory (Eccles Health Sciences Library); panelists include Devra Lee Davis, Craig B. Forster, (U's Office of Sustainability), Brian J. Moench (UPHE), and John M. Veranth (College of Pharmacy).

### **Effectively Searching the Environmental Literature: a Conversation**

The focus of this session is to engage Dr. Devra Lee Davis in a conversation about strategies she has found to be effective for finding information, searching the environmental and public health literature, keeping up-to-date, and assessing and evaluating the evidence.

### **Exhibits and Demonstrations**

InfoFair 2008 will host exhibits and demonstrations from 11:45 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. in the atrium on the 2nd floor of the Spencer F. and Cleone P. Eccles Health Sciences Education Building. Exhibits include the Utah Department of Health, local advocacy groups, the Spencer S. Eccles Health Sciences Library, the National Network of Libraries of Medicine MidContinental Region and Utahealthnet. Stop by the exhibits to find out more about local efforts to improve air quality, what you can do to help and how to search the Web for quality evidence-based information.

Dr. Davis will be signing her books which will be available for purchase at the Health Sciences Bookstore booth.

Light refreshments will be available.

## ABOUT INFOFAIR

InfoFair is an annual event at the University of Utah Health Sciences Center with the goal of providing up-to-date health sciences information. Past InfoFairs have focused on computer services, applications and resources as well as the future of computing in the health sciences.

## THE CLIFFORD C. SNYDER, M.D. AND MARY SNYDER LECTURE

Dr. Clifford C. Snyder, former Professor of Surgery, founded the Division of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery at the University of Utah School of Medicine in 1967. He served as chair of that division until 1985 when he was appointed Professor Emeritus of Surgery and Associate Dean, School of Medicine. Throughout his career, Dr. Snyder was an ardent supporter of the Eccles Health Sciences Library. Dr. Snyder's endowment of The Clifford C. Snyder, M.D. and Mary Snyder Lectureship provides funding for the InfoFair featured presentation. Sadly, Dr. Snyder passed away June 15, 2007.

## NO REGISTRATION REQUIRED

InfoFair is **FREE** and is broadcast live over the Internet. Check the InfoFair website for the live link.

## QUESTIONS

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