

## Seminar 3006 Let's Take the Myth-stery Out of Mold

### Needs Assessment

Allergists frequently encounter patients who believe that mold is the cause of all their problems.

These patients often come armed with a body of belief-supporting knowledge garnered from the internet. The practitioner must often sort the truly sensitive patients from those that have succumbed to false or misleading information.

This presentation will review the publicly available mold information and separate the properly supported facts from the exaggerated claims. It will also discuss problems of mold assessment and interpretation in the context of everyday mold exposure.



### Description

Twenty years after the landmark "Mold Meeting" in San Francisco, there is still considerable misunderstanding, misinformation, mystery, and mythology about exposure to mold and mold products.

Nearly everyone has an opinion about mold and many folks have done their homework on "Google Med" / "Google Mold". The Merchants of Mold have helped out by seeding the internet with dire claims about "Scary Stachy" and other "Black Toxic" fungi. We will separate the real from the imagined mold information and discuss mold and mold assessments in an everyday context.