Department Newsletter

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Upcoming Events

**Grand Rounds** *(SPH/PI, Room 109)*
Mar. 5, 2014: **Dr. Maria Oquendo**, Columbia University Medical Center, “Neuroinflammation, Glucocorticoids, and Suicidal Behavior”
Mar. 12, 2014: **Dr. Tracy Binius**, UIC, “The Diagnosis and Management of Conversion Disorder in the Consultation-Liaison Setting”
Mar. 26, 2014: **Dr. Paul Summergrad**, Tufts University School of Medicine, “Psychiatry and Health Care Reform”

Please see link of Grand Rounds booklet 2013-2014

**Behavioral and Cognitive Neuroscience Seminar Series** *(NPI, 7th Floor Auditorium)*
Mar. 7, 2014: **Dr. Robin Nusslock**, Northwestern University, “fMRI Methods for Examining Reward-Related Brain Function in Mood Disorders”
Mar. 14, 2014: **Dr. Heather Abercrombie**, University of Wisconsin-Madison, “Research is me-search: The Path to Understanding the Biology of Emotions, Stress, and Depression”
Mar. 21, 2014: **Dr. Steve Rao**, Cleveland Clinic, “Tracking Brain Changes in Cognitively Intact Elders with Varying Genetic Risk for AD: Results of a 5 Year Longitudinal fMRI Study”
Mar. 28, 2014: **Dr. Ken Adams**, University of Michigan, “How Neuropsychology Came to Respect the Frontal Lobes”
Mar. 31, 2014: **Dr. Erika Forbes**, Pittsburgh Medical Center, “Fun and Not so Fun: Neural Reward Systems and the Development of Depression during Adolescence”

**Neuroscience Seminar Series** *(SPH/PI, Room 366)*
Faculty/Research News

Dr. Julie Carbray was appointed as chair of the Child and Adolescent Council for the American Psychiatric Nurse’s Association.

Dr. Marina Guizzetti received an NIH/NIAAA grant titled, “Effect of ethanol on chondroitin sulfate proteoglycans: relevance to FASD.”

Dr. Rachel Jacobs was accepted as a new member of the Society of Biological Psychiatry.

Dr. Pauline Maki was quoted in a HealthDay News article about her recent study finding that a common nerve-blocking treatment for pain may provide relief for women with moderate to severe hot flashes. [click here to read the article].

Dr. Sally Mason co-presented at the UIC Medical Center Clinical Ethics Grand Rounds on February 5 with Dr. R. Novak. Their presentation was titled, “HIV in Chicago: Current clinical treatments and research related to parents living with HIV and the social effect on their children/families.”

Dr. Graziano Pinna is now a member of the editorial board for Innovations in Pharmaceuticals and Pharmacotherapy, Advances in Medicine, and Psychiatry Journal.

Dr. Jasmin Vassileva was invited to present at the Frontiers in Neuroscience for Global Health: 10th Anniversary Brain Disorders in the Developing World Symposium at NIH in Bethesda, MD on her research program in Bulgaria that has spanned the past 10 years.

Dr. Shaolin Yang received a pilot grant from the Chicago Developmental Center for AIDS Research (D-CFAR) for his submission titled, “Impact of Cocaine on Brain Neurochemistry, Functional Connectivity and Cognition in HIV.”

Clinical News

Physician leaders from the Shanghai (China) Power Hospital visited the Department of Psychiatry’s Neurobehavior Program this past month to learn more about methods in the US for evaluation and treatment of electrical shock injury. The program is part of the Chicago Electrical Trauma Research Institute, a multidisciplinary and multi-institutional collaborators devoted to advancing our understanding of this type of trauma.

Educational News

The Psychology Internship Program matched all 5 of its spots for the 2014-2015 year. Congratulations to the new UIC interns:

Child
- Heather MacPherson (Ohio State University)
- Elizabeth Shelleby (University of Pittsburgh)
- Angela Walden (University of Illinois - Urbana Champaign)

Adult
- Mitzi Gonzalez (University of Texas -Austin)
- Autumn Kujawa (Stony Brook University)

Please welcome Johnathan Coleman, MD, Thomas (TJ) Hartman, MD, and Smita Guatam, MD, to the Child Fellowship program for academic year 2014-2015. Johnathan Coleman and TJ Hartman are transferring from UIC General Psychiatry program and Smita Guatam is transferring from Case Western Reserve University. All are entering in their PG-4 year.
Recent Publications


**Drs. Kathleen Rospenda, Judith Richman, Jennifer Wolff, and Larissa Burke** have a paper in *Journal of Addictive Diseases* titled, “Bullying Victimization Among College Students: Negative Consequences of Alcohol Use.” [click here to read more](#).

**Dr. Graziano Pinna** published a paper titled “Targeting neurosteroidogenesis as therapy for PTSD” in *Frontiers in Pharmacology*. [click here to read more](#).

**Dr. Neil Pliskin** and associates have published a paper in *The Clinical Neuropsychologist* called, “360 Degree Advocacy: A Model for High Impact Advocacy in a Rapidly Changing Healthcare Marketplace.” [click here to read more](#).

**Dr. Amynah Pradhan** and colleagues at UCLA published their paper, “Delta Opioid Receptor Agonists Inhibit Migraine-Related Pain, Aversive State, and Cortical Spreading Depression” in the *British Journal of Pharmacology*. [click here to read more](#).

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**Drs. Leah Rubin, Jeff Bishop, Lauren Drogos**, and colleagues published a paper titled, “Reduced levels of vasopressin and reduced behavioral modulation of oxytocin in psychotic disorders” in *Schizophrenia Bulletin*.

**Drs. Leah Rubin, Judith Cook, Pauline Maki**, and colleagues have a paper in *Menopause* titled, “An investigation of menopausal stage and symptoms on cognition in HIV-infected women.” [click here to read a press release about the article](#).

**Drs. Jasmin Vassileva, Michael Wilson**, and associates published their paper, “Heroin and amphetamine users display opposite relationships between trait and neurobehavioral dimensions of impulsivity” in *Addictive Behaviors*. [click here to read more](#).

**Drs. Sara Weisenbach, Anne Weldon, Scott Langenecker**, and colleagues published a paper in the *International Journal of Geriatric Psychiatry* titled, “The double burden of age and disease on cognition and quality of life in bipolar disorder.” [click here to read more](#).

**Drs. Michael Wilson, Jasmin Vassileva**, and associates have a new paper, “Psychopathy in Bulgaria: The cross-cultural generalizability of the Hare Psychopathy Checklist” in *Psychopathology and Behavioral Assessment*. [click here to read more](#).

**Drs. Xiaolu Zhang, Handojo Kusumo, Marina Guizzetti** and colleagues have a new paper in *GLIA* titled, “Arylsulfatase B modulates neurite outgrowth via astrocyte chondroitin-4- sulfate: dysregulation by ethanol.” [click here to read more](#).
Recent Publications (cont.)

Drs. Xiaolu Zhang, Handojo Kusumo, Amul Sakharkar, Subhash Pandey, and Marina Guizzetti published a paper titled, “Regulation of DNA methylation by ethanol induces tissue plasminogen activator expression in astrocytes” in the *Journal of Neurochemistry*. [click here to read more.](#)

Drs. Adrian Zhubi, Ying Chen, Erbo Dong, Edwin Cook, Alessandro Guidotti, and Dennis Grayson have a paper out in *Translational Psychiatry* titled, “Increased binding of MeCP2 to the GAD1 and RELN promoters may be mediated by an enrichment of 5-hmC in autism spectrum disorder (ASD) cerebellum.” [click here to read more.](#)