From the President’s Desk
- Anthony Liguori, Ph.D.

This is the time of year when many Division 28 members have conventions and travel on their minds. Psychopharmacologists always have several meetings to choose from, and of course August is when the annual American Psychological Association conference occurs. These conferences would not be successful without the committed work of the program chairs, the diligent individuals who compile submissions and organize them around compelling themes. So, with summer conference frenzy in mind, I begin this month’s Presidential column by highlighting the enthusiastic and innovative efforts of two individuals who are making Division 28’s August 2013’s APA convention and February 2014’s Collaborative Perspectives on Addiction (CPA) programs outstanding.

Upcoming Division 28 Meetings: A Tale of Two Katies

Kathryn Saulsgiver, of the Center for Health Incentives and Behavioral Economics at the University of Pennsylvania, began working on the Division 28 program for the August APA meeting over a year ago, with frequent wise advice from 2012 Program Chair Mark Smith, Katie has compiled a stellar program that leads off with presentations by 2013 Division award winners Marci Mitchell (Outstanding Dissertation Award), Carmela Reichel (Young Psychopharmacologist Award), and Richard Foltin (MED Associates Brady-Schuster Award), then features paper sessions and symposia on such timely topics as opiate addiction, treatment of stimulant and other substance abuse, analytic approaches to clinical trial data, and drug abuse vulnerability. Other symposia include presentations from several former Presidents of Division 28, including Alan Budney (“Technology-Based Interventions for Substance Use Disorders and Related Conditions”) and Warren Bickel & Stephen Higgins (“Behavioral Economics and Maternal-Infant Health Among Substance Abusers”). Add in a Neuroscience and Addiction Poster session—featuring over three dozen presenters from locations spanning six countries—and a New Fellow address from the recently elected 2015 Division President (more on him in a minute), and you’ve got four days of dazzling science that will make any Division 28 member proud to be part of this organization. I thank all of
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UPCOMING IMPORTANT DEADLINES

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  • http://www.apa.org/about/awards/scidir-dissertre.aspx

Early Graduate Student Researcher Award
  • Deadline: 9/16/2013
  • http://www.apa.org/about/awards/scistucoun-earlyre.aspx

F.J. McGuigan Early Career Investigator Research Prize on Understanding the Human Mind.
  • Deadline: 3/1/2014
  • http://www.apa.org/apf/funding/mcguigan-prize.aspx

APA Distinguished Scientific Award for the Application of Psychology
  • http://www.apa.org/about/awards/scientific-contributions.aspx
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the presenters for their commitment to our Division, and I thank Katie for her initiative, organization, and energy in putting this great program together. Katie will continue to serve the Division as a newly elected Member-at-Large of the Executive Committee, beginning in January. She will also serve as Poster Chair for the 2014 Collaborative Perspectives on Addiction (CPA) meeting. You can read more about the about the 2013 Convention Program on pages 4-5 of this newsletter.

Although it is seven months away, Division 28’s next meeting, the 2014 CPA conference, is already in development. This year’s inaugural meeting, held in collaboration with Division 50, was a remarkable success. Meeting highlights include the enthusiastically received keynote addresses by Saul Shiffman and Edith Sullivan and several novel “in the round” poster sessions, as well as multiple symposia with translational emphases. This meeting would not have been a success without the efforts of APA’s Chad Rummel, Division 50 President Sara Jo Nixon and President-Elect John Kelly, Division 50 Treasurer Jennifer Buckman, and new Division 28 member Katie Witkiewicz, of the University of New Mexico Department of Psychology. This group, combined with over 80 attendees, created a unique foundation that both divisions hope to build on for future generations of psychopharmacology, substance abuse, and addiction researchers.

A particularly exciting aspect of the 2014 CPA preparations is the continuity of organizational leadership. In conjunction with Division 50 Program Chair Jennifer Buckman, Katie Witkiewicz will serve as Division 28’s Program Chair. Katie and Jen are in the early stages of preparation, but have already identified a theme—Changing Addictive Behavior: Bench to Bedside and Back Again—that is sure to encompass a variety of thought-provoking presentations across a wide range of preclinical and clinical approaches. Please save the dates of February 28-March 1, 2014 for CPA’s return to the W Hotel Midtown in Atlanta! The Call for Proposals may be found here: www.tinyurl.com/2014CPACFP.

Congratulations to 2015 Division President Bill Stoops!

Finally, I am pleased to announce the election of William [Bill] W. Stoops of the University of Kentucky College of Medicine as Division 28’s 2015 President. Bill is an exceptionally productive behavioral pharmacologist who has been honored by the Division three times in the past seven years. He was the recipient of the Outstanding Dissertation Award in 2006, the Wyeth Young Psychopharmacologist Award in 2008, and was elected to the ranks of Division Fellows in 2012. Just last month, he received the 2013 Joseph Cochin Young Investigator Award from the College on Problems of Drug Dependence. In addition to his research and accomplishments in the field of psychopharmacology, Bill has shown commitment to our Division throughout his career, having served as Newsletter Editor and then as Division Secretary. Bill brings a fresh perspective to our Division, and we are fortunate to have his leadership in 2015. Congratulations, Bill!
2013 CONVENTION PROGRAMMING UPDATE
- Kathryn Saulsgiver, Ph.D.; 2013 Program Chair

121st APA Convention, Division 28 Program Highlights

The 2013 APA convention in Honolulu, Hawaii is fast approaching! With only a month until we launch another year of great symposia, paper sessions, and poster hours, Division 28 wanted to highlight the multiple opportunities for learning, networking, and fun that will be available at the conference this year.

We invite all APA attendees to come to our events, many of which are eligible for CE/CEU credits, to learn more about the novel and innovative work occurring in the field of substance abuse. This year’s program theme is Behavioral Economics and we have several symposia, paper sessions, and posters that highlight the use of behavioral economic theory in substance abuse treatment and research. We have organized the program so that most events end by 3 pm every day so that attendees will have plenty of time to enjoy all the beautiful amenities Hawaii has to offer.

Please browse the Division 28 program and brochure to find more information about our terrific line up outside of our highlights below. We hope that our program provides you with ample networking opportunities as well as a chance to learn more about the happenings within Division 28. Browse programs and brochures from other APA divisions to learn more about all the exciting science and knowledge being shared this year!

We have put together an exceptional program filled with research in behavioral economics, technology, drug use vulnerability, and mental health. We will also be co-hosting many networking and social events with other divisions.

This year we will be turning the annual NIDA/NIAAA Young Investigators Poster Session into a social and networking session. Please come enjoy food, a cash bar, and some excellent science, while taking the opportunity to meet individuals from other divisions. This event will be on Friday August 2nd and is co-hosted with our colleagues in Divisions 6 [Behavioral Neuroscience] and 50 [Society of Addiction Psychology]. We hope to see everyone there!

In addition to our annual Young Investigator’s Award Symposium, MED Associates Brady-Schuster Award Lecture, New Fellows Symposium, and President’s Lecture, we will be sponsoring the following symposia from our members:

1. Behavioral Economics and Maternal-Infant Health among Substance Abusers
2. Drug Abuse Vulnerability: A Developmental Window into ”Subtle” Environmental Exposures
3. Examining Group-based Trajectories in Substance Use Disorder Clinical Trial Data
4. Technology Based Interventions for Substance Use Disorders and Related Conditions

We will also be sponsoring several Paper Sessions focused on behavioral and pharmacological related treatments for substance abuse and dependence:

1. Buprenorphine and Opioid Addiction
2. Monitoring and Treating Stimulant Use and Abuse
3. Mental Health and Treating Substance Abuse Disorder

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We have also worked closely with Divisions 6, 25 [Behavior Analysis], and 50 this year to cross-advertise many symposia and paper sessions from each division that would be of interest to all of our members.

We strongly recommend attending these sessions as well as others you will find in the 121st APA program:

1. Translating Neuroscience Findings into Practical Drug Abuse Prevention
2. Integrating Neuroscience into Clinical Practice in Addiction
3. Rewards: The Effect of Drugs of Abuse on Sexual Behavior
4. Symposium on Social Factors in Addiction and Learning

Our Division 28 Poster Session, in collaboration with Divisions 6 and 50, will be held on Friday morning. This poster session will exhibit research from many of our talented and productive members and provide an excellent opportunity for networking with other APA members in and outside of our division. We encourage all to attend.

This year’s location should prove to be fun and exciting. Honolulu, Hawaii has much to offer in the way of entertainment, fine dining, outdoor activities, and an abundance of water sports. We encourage everyone to turn your trip to the Convention into a fun-filled vacation.

We hope you can attend the 121st Annual convention of APA in Honolulu, Hawaii, July 31-August 4. You may visit http://www.apa.org/convention/index.aspx to register for this year's Convention and to secure your hotel reservations!

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**CHANGES TO DIVISION 28 BYLAWS**

- William W. Stoops, Ph.D.; Division 28 Secretary

**Important Update Regarding Proposed Division Bylaw Changes**

Proposed changes to our bylaws were approved by email vote in April 2013. There were two sets of changes approved. The first set of amendments, proposed by our Fellows Chair, Stephen Heishman, clarified the New Fellows Nomination and Selection Process. The second set of amendments, which I proposed, added electronic balloting, in addition to mail balloting, for election of Division Officers. If you have questions about the changes or would like a full text copy of the bylaws, please email me at william.stoops@uky.edu.
CONGRATULATIONS TO DIVISION 28 ELECTION WINNERS!

William W. Stoops Ph.D.; Division 28 President, 2015

Kathryn A. Saulsgiver, Ph.D.; Member-At-Large 2014-2016
ADVOCACY UPDATE

- Vatsalya Vatsalya M.D., M.S., P.G.D.

Updates on APA Advocacy for Research Funding and Contributions to FDA, and Congressional Cuts to Fiscal Year 2013 Budgets.

1. American Psychological Association (APA) lobbied Capitol Hill for defense research, mental health, and sexual assault programs. APA's Science Government Relations Office (Science GRO) actively lobbied for and tracked a number of issues within two fiscal year 2014 Department of Defense (DoD) authorization and appropriations bills. The bills addressed research funding levels, mental health services, and suicide prevention programs, as well as the impact of federal travel restrictions and possible policy changes regarding sexual assault in the military. In terms of support for research, Science GRO staff and APA's defense research coalition colleagues estimated that the president's FY 2014 budget request would result in a slight decrease to the overall DoD Science and Technology account.

2. Psychological scientists address congressional briefing on STEM [Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics] education. On May 23, APA helped to sponsor a briefing on Capitol Hill titled “From the Lab to the Classroom: Institute of Education Sciences (IES) Research to Improve our Nation's Math and Science Achievement”, to highlight the findings of three scientists funded by the Department of Education's Institute of Education Sciences. APA's Executive Director for Science, Steven Breckler, moderated the briefing and emphasized the need for not only more research on STEM education, but also that as part of the “S” in STEM, psychological science was uniquely positioned to improving learning outcomes across STEM disciplines.

3. APA and other healthcare organizations commented on smokeless tobacco warning labels. APA partnered with the “Campaign for Tobacco Free Kids” and several other scientific and public health advocacy groups in early April 2013 to file comments on smokeless tobacco warning labels with the Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Four warning labels had been mandated by the Family Smoking Prevention and Tobacco Control Act and the FDA asked for input and supporting evidence regarding how any changes in the warning labels would affect both users’ and nonusers' understanding of the risks associated with the use of smokeless tobacco products.

4. Congress approved fiscal year 2013 funding, though cuts were made to science funding. Congress finally approved H.R. 933 FY [fiscal year] 2013 Appropriations in late March this year, after a series of temporary resolutions. Although it means that scientific funding agencies can finally make decisions about how to manage their programs between now and September 30, 2013, the bill cuts almost $10 billion from research and development. This results in a $506.6 million reduction in research and development funding from FY 2012 levels, according to estimates by the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS). Since the bill also leaves sequestration in place, federal research and development funds may be reduced by $9.6 billion below last year’s levels, representing a 6.9 percent decline. APA Science GRO has been writing blogs for some time now about the federal budget and most recent activities about the ongoing budget deliberations can be accessed via http://www.apa.org/about/gr/science/news/budget.aspx.

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Other Headlines:

- **New campaign to help parents talk to younger children about the dangers of underage drinking.** “Talk. They Hear You.” is a new national public service announcement (PSA) campaign that was launched on May 13, 2013 by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to empower parents to talk to children as young as nine years old about the dangers of underage drinking. The kickoff occurred in conjunction with SAMHSA’s 2013 National Prevention Week—an annual health observance dedicated to increasing awareness of, and action around, substance abuse and mental health issues.

- **NSF seeks proposals for research in neuroscience and cognitive science.** The National Science Foundation (NSF) released a letter on March 4 aimed at “accelerating integrative research in neuroscience and cognitive science,” or AIR-NCS (more information at: http://www.nsf.gov/pubs/2013/nsf13067/nsf13067.jsp). In keeping with President Obama’s neuroscience initiative, within which APA’s Science Government Relations Office has been actively involved, NSF is seeking proposals that have the potential to transform these areas of research “across disciplines and across spatial and temporal scales of analysis” in four broad thematic areas: adaptation to changing environments; mechanisms underlying dynamic decisions and communication within and across scales; neural representations and coding; and technologies for discovering, analyzing and modeling brain function, neural coding and circuits.

Editor's note: This will be Dr. Vatsalya’s final Advocacy Update column. We thank him for his numerous contributions over the past few years and for his continued effort in keeping us updated about the numerous advocacy events taking place on behalf of our science.


Specific information regarding the federal budget is available via a dedicated budget blog provided by the APA Science Government Relations Office at: http://www.apa.org/about/gr/science/news/budget.aspx.

To learn more about the history of the APA Science Government Relations Office advocacy efforts, please review their advocacy archive at http://www.apa.org/about/gr/science/advocacy/index.aspx.

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STUDENT COLUMN

- Alexa Lopez, Division 28 Student Representative

Student Oriented Programming at the Convention

Are you a student attending Convention this year in Honolulu, Hawaii and trying to sort through the website to map out what talks and programs you’re going to attend? The website can be complicated and you may be overwhelmed over the variety of programs that are being offered, therefore I have outlined some of the APAGS [American Psychological Association of Graduate Students] and Science Student Council-sponsored programming that may be of particular interest to students.

Wednesday, July 31:
- “Making the Most of APA Convention- An Introduction for Graduate Students and First-Time Attendees”
  - Convention Center 315
  - 9:00am-9:50 am
- Flying Solo Social
  - APAGS Suite
  - 4:30pm-5:30 pm
- APAGS 25th Anniversary Social
  - Modern Honolulu Hotel; 1775 Ala Moana Blvd.
  - 6:00pm-8:00 pm
  - Join APAGS members in a sand covered courtyard complete with a wading pool, food, drinks, and fantastic views of the sunset over the Pacific Ocean. You must pick up a free ticket from the APAGS booth at Convention and IDs will be checked at the bar.

Thursday, August 1:
- “Translating Neuroscience Findings into Practical Drug Abuse Prevention”
  - Convention Center 302A
  - 8:00am-9:50 am

Friday, August 2:
- “Publish or Perish! What Grad Students Need to Know About Publication and Peer Review”
  - Convention Center 323A
  - 8:00am-8:50 am
- “Deployment Stress and Military Families’ Health- A Focus on Health-Risk Behaviors and Physiology”
  - Convention Center 303A
  - 8:00am-9:50 am
- Graduate Student Research Poster Session
  - Convention Center Kamehameha Exhibit Hall
  - 9:00am-9:50 am
- “Psychology Without Borders- International Teaching, Research, and Service”
  - Convention Center Kalakaua Ballroom A
  - 10:00am-11:50 am
- “We’re in the Money: Helpful Hints from Psychological Scientists about Securing Research Funding”
  - Convention Center 323B
  - 11:00am-11:50 am

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Saturday, August 3:

- “Giving Yourself an Edge- Frank Advice on Funding for Graduate Research”
  - Convention Center 321B
  - 8:00am-8:50 am
- “How to Earn a Salary that you Deserve”
  - Convention Center 318B
  - 8:00am-8:50 am
- ”Use of Behavior and Social Science Volunteers to Reduce Disparities in Cancer Incidence and Mortality in Socioeconomically Disadvantaged Populations”
  - Hilton Hawaiian Village Beach Resort, Honolulu Suite I
  - 9:00am-9:50 am
- Cutting-Edge Research from Emerging Psychological Scientists Poster Session
  - Convention Center Kamehameha Exhibit Hall
  - 10:00am-10:50 am
- “Adolescent Substance Abuse- State of the Science in Four Evidence-Supported Approaches”
  - Convention Center 313C
  - 10:00am-11:50 am
- “Succeeding in Horizontal Collaborations: Tips and Advice from Interdisciplinary Researchers in Psychological Science”
  - Convention Center 323A
  - 12:00pm-12:50 pm
- “Breaking the Academic Mold: Nontraditional Career Options”
  - Convention Center 323A
  - 1:00pm-1:50 pm

Sunday, August 4:

- “Financial Literacy for Graduate Students- Student Loans, Starting Salaries, and Loan Forgiveness”
  - Convention Center 301A
  - 8:00am-8:50 am
- “From STEM to STEAM- Challenges in Guiding Creative Students into Scientific Careers”
  - Convention Center 303B
  - 11:00am-11:50 am
EARLY CAREER PSYCHOLOGIST

- Diann Gaalema, Ph.D. & Adriana Falco, Ph.D.; Early Career Representatives

The Sequester Squeeze

For those of us whose futures are tied to the availability of grant money, news of the sequester brings quite a bit of fear and anxiety. Just the uncertainty preceding the sequester was enough to throw a wrench in the funding system. Personally I’ve seen or heard of funding decisions taking two to three times longer than they have in the past, budgets for regularly funded conferences being slashed from $30,000 to $6,000, and a program officer recommending that a grant that received a 7% ranking be resubmitted. Rather than taking it for granted that a grant that has been labeled as “funded” will come through, some wait until the money actually hits the university before releasing the breath they’ve been holding. Talking to those who’ve been part of the system for far longer than I, this seems to be about as bad as it’s been.

But there’s no going back, the sequester has gone into effect, and what does that mean? NIH has stated that its budget will be cut by $1.71 billion, and they expect to award 700 fewer grants this year as compared to previous years¹. The frustration of the scientific community is only heightened by the ability of Congress to swoop in and save air traffic controllers and meat inspectors while leaving science funding in limbo². This seeming lack of respect for supporting the basic sciences may have long-lasting implications. Already research projects are being scaled back, research personnel are being let go, and even systems monitoring seemingly important events such as extreme weather and volcanos³ have had to cut back. The long-term implications may be more dire. Some worry that young people will not see research as a viable career and that young researchers, such as ourselves, will note the lack of support and head for jobs overseas⁴.

So short of fleeing the country what is an early career researcher to do? If you’re intent to stay in the field you have a few options. You can diversify your income; for instance, is teaching, consulting, or even administrative work a possibility to help keep you afloat? You could also apply for money from different sources; consider whether your work be appreciated by a not-for-profit or by others in the private sector? Or perhaps you could join one of the new trends in scientific funding, crowdsourcing. Built along the lines of kickstarter, there are at least 30 sites⁵ that provide a platform for crowdsourcing of scientific projects. One example is https://www.microryza.com/. One project that was on the front page when this column was being written is right in our area https://www.microryza.com/projects/mapping-addiction. The idea is that you propose a project with very specific costs and goals and post that proposal for public scrutiny. If your project strikes a chord, the public pledges dollars. In return for their money they get to interact with you, receive regular updates, and be among the first to see the results. Almost like a CSA for science. Who knows, if your project is sexy enough, you might just get the average Joe to open up their wallet.

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Post-doctoral Research Fellowship Positions for Physicians

MENTAL ILLNESS RESEARCH, EDUCATION, AND CLINICAL CENTER (MIRECC) AT PHILADELPHIA VAMC

A two-year research fellowship position is available to interested candidates, focusing on dual diagnosis of medical, psychiatric, and addictive disorders in an established center with a specific focus on co-morbidities. The start date is planned for July 1, 2011, but is negotiable. The fellowship director is Henry R. Kranzler, M.D. and other established investigator mentors include David Oslin, M.D., Steven Sayers, Ph.D., Kyle Kampman, M.D., Michael Thase, M.D., Richard Ross, M.D., and Stanley Caroff, M.D. Pilot funding is available to fellows to initiate projects in the etiology, diagnosis, clinical course, and treatment of dual disorders with access to primary care, psychiatric, and substance dependence populations, as well as chronic pain patients. Potential research approaches include clinical trials, genetic and pharmacogenetic studies, health services research, and human laboratory studies.

The fellowship provides 75% time for research and 25% clinical training in dual disorders. The goals of the fellowship are to provide a mentored experience in research design and implementation, data analysis, report and grant writing, and a supervised clinical training. Potential exists for suitable candidates to receive a third year of fellowship support.

To apply: Applicants must have a medical degree from an accredited medical school and be eligible to practice medicine in any state in the U.S. and be a U.S. citizen. Preference will be given to board-eligible and board-certified candidates in any medical specialty. Interested candidates should send a letter describing their research interests and career goals, and a sample of publications or grant applications to henry.kranzler@va.gov or to the following mailing address: Henry R. Kranzler, M.D., MIRECC/116, Philadelphia Veterans Affairs Medical Center, 3900 Woodland Ave., Philadelphia, PA 19104

Postdoctoral Position in Pre-clinical and Clinical Brain Imaging Of Drug Abuse

PSYCHIATRY SPECT IMAGING PROGRAM, YALE OPENING SUMMER/FALL 2010

The Psychiatry SPECT Imaging Program at Yale invites applications for postdoctoral positions in neuroreceptor imaging of addiction and other psychiatric disorders in human subjects and in animal models. Ongoing projects include imaging the nicotinic acetylcholine and GABAA-benzodiazepine receptors in living humans and animals during the recovery from alcohol dependence and chronic tobacco smoking. We are also interested in examining the genetic polymorphisms that mediate neurochemical changes in addiction and the cognitive impairments associated with chronic addiction and recovery. Additional studies include preclinical radiotracer development and opportunities to acquire training in MRI and PET imaging. Applicants must have completed a MD or PhD or equivalent degree in neuroscience, psychology, biology, chemistry, pharmacology or related discipline. Willingness to conduct animal research is preferable.

To apply: Applicants should send a letter of interest, curriculum vitae, and the names of three references to Dr. Kelly Cosgrove, Director, Psychiatry SPECT Imaging, Department of Psychiatry, Yale University School of Medicine & VACHS 116A6; 950 Campbell Avenue, West Haven CT 06516 or kelly.cosgrove@yale.edu. US Citizenship is required. Yale University School of Medicine is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

Postdoctoral Fellowship

THE UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM (UAB)

Department of Psychiatry is recruiting a Postdoctoral Fellow in one of the following areas: Substance Abuse, Mood Disorders, or Schizophrenia Neuroimaging: The Psychiatry Department at UAB invites applications for a postdoctoral position. Opportunities to gain experience in both neuroimaging as well as clinical trials is available. The fellow would be expected to participate in writing NIH grants as well as papers for publication from existing data sets and ongoing projects. Mentoring in grant writing and publications is available to transition the fellow to an independent scientist position in an academic medical setting. The ideal candidate would be a doctoral level clinical or counseling psychologist (Alabama license or license-eligible preferred) who is dedicated to an academic medical research career. In addition to writing papers and grants, the fellow would be expected to participate as a member of a team of psychologists and physicians conducting clinical research, as well as participate in limited clinical responsibilities. Excellent writing and communication skills are essential, as well as a dedication to working with underserved and stigmatized client populations.

To apply: Please forward a letter of interest and CV to Dr. Karen Cropsey, Associate Professor, UAB Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurobiology, kcropsey@uab.edu. Women and members of minority groups are especially encouraged to apply.
Postdoctoral Research Fellowships in Substance Abuse and Psychopharmacology Human Research Training

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Postdoctoral research fellowships available in a stimulating, productive program with excellent resources. Prepare to be an independent investigator.

HUMAN LABORATORY -- behavioral & clinical pharmacology of abused drugs (abuse liability, self-administration, cognitive/memory function, impulsivity, neuroimaging); anti-drug abuse medication development; behavioral research related to addiction: delay discounting, behavioral economics, and sexual risk behavior. Opioids, cocaine, anxiolytics, alcohol, caffeine, nicotine, hallucinogens, psilocybin, salvinorin A, MDMA, methamphetamine.

CLINICAL TRIALS - testing medications, behavioral therapies (especially incentive/contingency-based), and combinations; psychiatric comorbidity research; addiction & pregnancy/women; therapeutic applications for psilocybin (cancer anxiety & smoking cessation). Opioid, cocaine, tobacco, mixed/other dependencies.

ELIGIBILITY: U.S. citizen, permanent resident. Many backgrounds are appropriate, including experimental or clinical psychology, pharmacology, psychiatry, neuroscience, public health, and social work. Background in human or nonhuman research is appropriate.

NIH stipend levels: $37K - 51K+.

Start Date: Flexible.

Faculty: George Bigelow, Roland Griffiths, Maxine Stitzer, Eric Strain, Kenneth Silverman, Robert Brooner, Miriam Mintzer, Una McCann, Ryan Vandrey, Anthony DeFulio, Matthew Johnson

To apply: Contact George Bigelow; BPRU, Behavioral Biology Research Center; 5510 Nathan Shock Drive; Johns Hopkins Bayview Campus; Baltimore, Maryland 21224-6823. (410) 550-003, bigelow@jhmi.edu. For more information see www.bpru.org

Assistant Professor Addiction Treatment Research, Department of Psychiatry

DARTMOUTH MEDICAL SCHOOL

THE DARTMOUTH PSYCHIATRIC RESEARCH CENTER invites applications for one non-tenure-track position at the Assistant Professor level. Applicant should have: interest in substance use disorder treatment development and testing, services research in community settings and/or implementation/dissemination science research and some clinical expertise, as well as documented knowledge of standardized assessment, research design and conduct, and data analytic techniques.

Qualifications include: A doctoral degree in a relevant psychological, medical, social or public health discipline; background in clinical research; a commitment to improving community services or the public health; and capacity to work effectively on a team.

The Dartmouth Psychiatric Research Center is a multi-disciplinary group of researchers with broad range of interests and faculty members from the Department of Psychiatry and the Department of Community & Family Medicine at Dartmouth Medical School. A commonality of the work at the Center is the design, testing and dissemination of evidence-based treatments for implementation in routine community settings. Of particular focus in this position are services to persons with co-occurring substance use and psychiatric disorders. Dartmouth Medical School is an equal opportunity, affirmative action employer and seeks diversity in faculty and staff. Women and minorities are strongly encouraged to apply.

To apply: Candidates should send a CV, cover letter describing areas of expertise, and a list of three references to: Mark McGovern Ph.D., Dartmouth Medical School, 85 Mechanic Street, Suite B4-1, Lebanon, NH 03766. E-mail: Mark.P.McGovern@Dartmouth.edu. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled.

Postdoctoral Fellowship in Genetics of Behavioral Risk and Alcohol Abuse/Alcoholism (US citizens/residents)

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN ADDICTION RESEARCH CENTER (UMARC)

Training grant position is available for 2-3 years of postdoctoral training in behavioral genetics in the University of Michigan Addiction Research Center (UMARC) http://www.med.umich.edu/psych/sub/pdf/postdocad.pdf. The project involves an ongoing collaboration to study the genetics of behavioral risk relevant to alcohol and other drug abuse in a longitudinal (>20 years) sample of nearly 500 families enriched for alcohol and other substance abuse. Psychological and behavioral as well as substance abuse variables are available on close to 2000 individuals, in about half of them since early childhood. A subset of the sample has been genotyped for >1000 SNPs in >100 candidate genes. The data will allow genetic association studies, gene x gene, gene x environment and behavioral pathway analyses. Additional genotyping may also be performed by the fellow as needed although the major effort will be on analysis. Candidates should be recent (<5 years) Ph.D.s in psychology, genetics, bioinformatics, or statistics who seek cross-training in the other disciplines. Interested MDs with expertise in one of these areas are also invited to apply.

To apply: Please send applications - see link above for requirements - to Dr. Margit Burmeister, margit@umich.edu or Dr. Kristi Rahrig Jenkins (kristirj@umich.edu).
Tenure Track Assistant Professor Position, emphasis in Health Psychology

WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY

We seek applicants with interests in either (a) health and aging research, (b) health and addictions research, or (c) methodologies for studying health-related outcomes. Responsibilities include developing and maintaining a productive research program, mentoring graduate student research, and teaching graduate and undergraduate courses. Required qualifications: Applicants must have earned a Ph.D. in psychology or a closely related discipline, with a demonstrated record of research publication and college-level teaching experience. Preferred qualifications: Applicants who can contribute to the Department’s graduate training areas in Neuropsychology, Clinical Health Psychology, Psychopathology, Applied Quantitative Methods, or Biopsychology, and who have documented experience working with historically disadvantaged populations, are especially desirable.

Washington State University is a moderate-sized (20,000 students) land-grant institution located in Pullman, Washington, a small college town in rural southeastern Washington. The Psychology Department has over 800 undergraduate majors and well-established doctoral programs in Clinical Psychology and in Experimental Psychology, with the first PhD degrees granted in 1956. For a description of the Department of Psychology see http://www.wsu.edu/psychology/

Our department is interested in candidates who will contribute to diversity and equal opportunity in higher education through their teaching, research, and service. WSU employs only U.S. citizens and lawfully authorized non-U.S. citizens. All new employees must show employment eligibility verification as required by U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services. Washington State University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action educator and employer. People of color, women, Vietnam-era or disabled veterans, persons of disability and/or persons age 40 and over are strongly encouraged to apply.

WSU is committed to excellence through diversity, has faculty friendly policies including a partner accommodation program, and a NSF ADVANCE Institutional Transformation grant to increase the advancement of women faculty in science, engineering and math http://wwwADVANCE.wsu.edu/

To apply: Applicants should apply online through WSU Human Resources (http://www.wsujobs.com) and submit a letter of application describing their relevant experience, a c.v., up to four reprints, and three letters of recommendation. Inquiries can be directed to Dr. Maureen Schmitter-Edgecombe, Chair of the Health Psychology Search Committee, at schmitter-e@wsu.edu. Review of applications begins November 15, 2012.

Postdoctoral Fellowship in Drug Abuse Research-Technology and Health Focus, Behavioral Sciences Training Program

NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH INSTITUTES, INC. (NDRI)

There are immediate openings for two Postdoctoral Fellows with a focus on research pertaining to technology-based interventions for drug abuse. Fellows will be enrolled in The Behavioral Sciences Training (BST) program, the largest training program supported by the National Institute on Drug Abuse (16 postdoctoral and predoctoral fellows). The program is housed at National Development and Research Institutes, Inc., a non-profit research and training center with over 25 nationally renowned Principal Investigators and 70 major grants and contracts from the National Institute on Drug Abuse, other Federal and state agencies, and a variety of private sources. BST is administered by Public Health Solutions, the largest non-profit organization providing public health services and conducting health-related research in New York City, and affiliated with the Mailman School of Public Health at Columbia University.

All BST fellows attend weekly seminars at NDRI to receive advanced training in substance abuse research and methods. All postdocs also work closely with senior researchers at NDRI on ongoing research and develop their own research projects and grants. The two Technology and Health Fellows will have the opportunity to participate on research projects including a web-based intervention for adolescents with substance use disorders, a web-based contingency management intervention for adult smokers, and a web-based intervention for recent Veterans with problematic substance use and post-traumatic stress. A study developing and testing a mobile intervention for methadone maintenance clients is expected to begin in December, 2011. These two postdocs also will receive support from BST staff and subject matter experts in NDRI’s Center to Technology and Health in preparing technology-based grant applications to obtain funding for their own research.

Fellows will receive an annual stipend, health insurance, and a modest amount for travel and research-related expenses. Postdoctoral fellowship appointments are made for one year and are renewable for a second year, based upon satisfactory progress. Detailed information including eligibility, application, award details are available at http://www.ndri.org/jobs/postdoc.html. More information about ongoing projects in the Center for Technology and Health can be found at http://www.ndri.org/cts/cth.html.

To apply: Interested candidates can submit a letter of interest, curriculum vita, dissertation abstract, and a publication or paper to Gregory Falkin, Ph.D. at falkin@ndri.org and Bethany Raiff at raiff@ndri.org. Please make sure to indicate at the top of your letter that you are applying for the Technology and Health Fellowship.
Postdoctoral Alcohol Research Fellowship in Neurocognitive Effects of Alcohol and Other Substance Use/Abuse

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN ADDICTION RESEARCH CENTER (UMARC)

UMARC invites applications from Ph.D.s and M.D.s for its NIAAA funded post-doctoral research training program. The Center has a focused interest in recruiting a fellow with interests in the comorbidity of alcohol and smoking with a specialized focus on neurocognitive effects. The successful candidate will be involved in cognitive testing and functional MRI in longitudinal studies of children, adolescents and adults at risk for alcohol and other drug involvement. We are seeking fellows with previous research experience in MR imaging who are interested in a multidisciplinary approach to the study of these comorbidities and neurocognitive risk. This position is primarily mentored by Jennifer M Glass, Ph.D., with additional mentoring and collaboration opportunities with other faculty, including Mary M Heitzeg, Ph.D. (neuroimaging - fMRI), Jon-Kar Zubieta, M.D., Ph.D. (Neuroimaging - fMRI, PET), and Robert A. Zucker, Ph.D. (developmental psychopathology). UMARC is the research arm of the Substance Abuse Section (http://www.med.umich.edu/psych/sub/) within the Department of Psychiatry, and it currently houses 23 projects addressing issues pertaining to the etiology, course, clinical manifestations, and treatment of alcoholism, alcohol problems, and other substance use disorders. The University provides an unusually strong methodological infrastructure for trainees, and a research environment that is rich in interdisciplinary collaborations, including faculty from the Departments of Psychiatry, Psychology, Statistics, Human Genetics, Pharmacology, Emergency Medicine, the Institute for Social Research, and a number of other university-wide Centers and institutes. UMARC’s activities are focused in six areas: I. Developmental Psychopathology and Genetics; II. Neuroimaging and Neurophysiological Research; III. Treatment Research; IV. Health Services Research; V. Prevention and Early Intervention; and VI. Research on Sleep and Sleep Problems as Related to Substance Use Disorder. Fellowships offer the opportunity to develop an integrated research program and enhance skills necessary for a successful academic/research career. Applicants must be US citizens or permanent residents with a Ph.D. or M.D. degree. Appointments typically are for two years of training although a third year appointment is sometimes available. Salaries are commensurate with prior postdoctoral experience and NRSA regulations. Applications will be considered as received. Preliminary inquiries may be addressed to Dr. Glass (jglass@umich.edu). The University of Michigan, as an equal opportunity employer, complies with all applicable federal and state laws regarding nondiscrimination and affirmative action.

To apply: For the formal application, send a CV, three letters of reference, reprints, and a detailed cover letter describing your research interests, potential project foci for the fellowship period, and longer term career goals to: Kristi R. Jenkins, Ph.D.; Training Program Administrator, University of Michigan Addiction Research Center; Rachel Upjohn Building; 4250 Plymouth Road; Ann Arbor, MI 48109-5740; Email: kristirj@umich.edu

Postdoctoral Fellowships

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT SAN ANTONIO

Highly motivated individuals are invited to apply for POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS that are currently available in the laboratories of Drs. Charles France and Lisa Gerak at the University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio. These highly collaborative investigators within the Department of Pharmacology are funded by NIH to study behavioral and pharmacological mechanisms underlying the therapeutic and/or abuse potential of drugs from several pharmacological classes and to study the behavioral and biologic basis of vulnerability to addiction. The successful applicants will contribute to projects involving drug self-administration, drug discrimination, place conditioning, and other behavioral procedures, conducted within a spacious, state-of-the-art animal facility housing a variety of laboratory animal species. Individuals who have completed or will complete their Ph.D. training in pharmacology, psychology, biology, neuroscience or a related field are encouraged to apply. All postdoctoral appointments are designated as security sensitive positions. The University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio is an Equal Employment Opportunity/Affirmative Action employer.

To apply: Applicants should send a curriculum vitae, a brief statement of research interests and career goals, and letters of reference to Lisa Gerak, Department of Pharmacology, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, 7703 Floyd Curl Dr, mail code 7764, San Antonio TX 78229 or by email to gerak@uthscsa.edu.
Postdoctoral Traineeship In Drug Abuse Treatment and Services Research

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO (UCSF)

Overview
The University of California, San Francisco (UCSF) is offering this National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)-funded postdoctoral program. Our program is one of the few that trains scientists in treatment and service research. Scholars work with a preceptor to design and implement studies on treatment of drug dependence, including nicotine dependence. Scholars also select a specific area of focus for independent research.

Current research interests of our faculty include:
- trials of efficacy and effectiveness of psychosocial and pharmacologic treatment of drug abuse, including tobacco dependence;
- innovative methodology including internet based studies;
- treatment of complex patients in innovative settings;
- diagnostic techniques and research on treatment tailored for HIV positive drug abusers and drug abusers with psychiatric and medical disorders;
- research on provision of services to drug abusing populations; and
- instrument development in drug abuse.

A variety of university-affiliated and community substance abuse programs are available as research sites. These include inpatient and outpatient setting programs that treat a range of problems related to drugs of abuse, including dependence on cocaine, nicotine, alcohol, and opiates. The program encourages close research involvement with the preceptor, and involvement in selected classes, seminars, and grant preparation.

The training program is supported in part by a Center grant, the San Francisco Treatment Research Center, and a grant supporting the Western States Node of the NIDA Clinical Trials Network program. Intellectual resources from other significant extramural funding and R01-level grants are also routinely available to scholars.

Philosophy
Our program’s unifying philosophy is:

- Drug abuse treatment and services research must be methodologically excellent and clinically relevant;
- Problems related to drug abuse are best attacked from a multidisciplinary perspective; and
- Integration of knowledge of various intellectual domains is essential to the development of effective treatment.

Because our philosophy implies that the quality of the postdoctoral program depends on the quality of the scholars, faculty, and environment, rather than on any particular class or activity, we energetically recruit in order to bring high-quality applicants into a research environment where they will work under the guidance of research-sophisticated investigators.

Program Faculty
Our postdoctoral program is directed by a seven-member Executive Committee and has twenty core faculty, representing psychiatry, public health and policy, the behavioral sciences, medicine, and biostatistics. They represent a diverse, but overlapping, range of research interests.

Postdoctoral Training Program
Each year, scholars participate in a Core Research Seminar and the Writers’ Task Force, a group that facilitates, supports, and encourages the publication of manuscripts.

As part of their research training, scholars interact daily with investigators who guide them in responsible conduct of research and in solving the special ethical dilemmas of treatment and clinical research. Most scholars also take one of the several advanced statistics courses offered by the UCSF Biostatistics Department. Scholars’ research projects and those of their mentors are closely tied. As scholars move from Year 1 to Year 2, they progress from a project designed by their mentor to a more independently conceived project, which they lead.

Goals for Postdoctoral Scholars
At the end of our postdoctoral program, we expect scholars to have acquired the following competencies and completed the following tasks:

1. gained knowledge of drugs of abuse and their treatment;
2. advanced their knowledge of statistical and methodological techniques needed for clinical and services research;
3. understand drug abuse treatment systems and drug research projects;
4. conducted at least two research projects in a clinical setting: One designed by their preceptor; and one of their own design, for which they have primary responsibility;
5. made multiple internal presentations;
6. made at least two presentations of their work at national meetings;
7. published one to three journal articles;
8. submitted a small grant application to local funding sources; published additional manuscripts from the work completed as a scholar during the two years following enrollment in our program.

Support for Postdoctoral Scholars
Scholars are funded by two sources. Stipend levels are set by NIH, based on years of related experience, and range from $38,496 to $53,112. Preceptors are often able to augment these stipends from non-NIH sources. Scholars are provided with other research support, including travel to at least one annual professional meeting and other support required for a useful training experience, including statistical consulting, some administrative support, and access to computers for writing and data analyses.

Background of Former Postdoctoral Scholars
Our postdoctoral scholars have come from a variety of fields, including clinical psychology, counseling psychology, developmental psychology, neuroscience, nursing, political science, psychiatry, pharmacology, and social psychology. Their studies have included vocational issues among methadone outpatients, social identities and treatment outcomes among alcohol and cocaine abusers in private treatment, the effects of acute nicotine use on cue-induced cocaine craving, mood management intervention for injection drug users, childhood trauma and PTSD in inpatient substance abusers, prevention and treatment of HIV in drug users, studies of effective educational method in drug abuse education, studies of the relationship of readiness to change and depression to nicotine dependence, studies of service utilization and outcome among elderly substance users, and studies of drug abuse treatment and services within health maintenance organizations.

Success of Our Postdoctoral Graduates
We admit two to four scholars every year. Graduates of our postdoctoral program have been placed at numerous high-caliber institutions where research is valued.

To apply: For consideration in the postdoctoral program, please send an application packet consisting of your curriculum vitae, statement of research interests, and representative work. Two (continued on next page)
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UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN FRANCISCO (UCSF)

...letters of reference should be sent directly from the recommenders to the address below. Research statement should include the following items: 1) history of research projects, 2) current interests, 3) what you would like to learn and accomplish during your postdoctoral traineeship at UCSF, and 4) a list of program faculty with whom you would like to work. Representative work can include dissertation chapters if no publications are available. Electronic submission of materials (except reference letters) is strongly encouraged.

All applicants must have completed the doctorate at the time of entry into the program and be a U.S. citizen or have Lawful Permanent Residency (Green Card) at the time of appointment.

Please direct information requests, application packets and letters of recommendation to: James L. Sorensen, Ph.D.; c/o. Barbara Paschke; Postdoctoral Program in Drug Abuse Treatment and Services Research; 2727 Mariposa Street, Suite 100; San Francisco, CA 94110; tel: (415) 437-3032; fax: (415) 437-3020 e-mail: Barbara.paschke@ucsf.edu; http://addiction.ucsf.edu/education/postdoctoral-training

Research Scientist

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS HEALTH SCIENCE CENTER AT SAN ANTONIO

The Division of Neurobehavioral Research (Department of Psychiatry, UT Health Science Center as San Antonio), is seeking a motivated individual to join our ongoing NIH studies of the behavioral and biological effects of human alcohol consumption. These studies bridge human laboratory assessment and interventions to reduce dangerous drinking patterns outside the lab. This is a "springboard" position designed to allow the candidate to grow into a faculty-level position. The division offers training in the areas of behavioral pharmacology (Dr. Donald Dougherty), neuroimaging (Dr. Ashley Acheson), and molecular biology (Dr. Nathalie Hill-Kapturczak). This position has a significant administrative/supervisory focus with ample opportunities for publication. Responsibilities include study coordination and supervision of study personnel; participant recruitment, screening, and psychological testing; data management and statistical analyses; and manuscript/grant preparations. Applicants must have completed a Ph.D. or equivalent degree in behavioral pharmacology, experimental psychology, or other relevant area. Previous postdoctoral experience preferred and preference given to those with a history or evidence of interests in developing an alcohol-related research program.

To apply: Submit curriculum vitae, a letter outlining interests and career goals, and representative publication reprints (pdf files) to: Dr. Donald M. Dougherty DoughertyD@uthscsa.edu, Department of Psychiatry, University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio, MC 7793, 7703 Floyd Curl Drive, San Antonio, TX 78229-3900. UTHSCSA is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer.gerak@uthscsa.edu.

Tenure Track Assistant or Associate Professor

UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS

The Department of Applied Behavioral Science at the University of Kansas invites applications for an Assistant or Associate Professor, academic year, tenure-track faculty position expected to begin as early as August 18, 2012.

KU seeks to hire an outstanding applied and intervention research scholar in substance abuse. Along with qualifications and experience, salary is commensurate with other leading research universities. Ph.D. or ABD in a social or behavioral science discipline with specialization in applied behavioral pharmacology is expected by start date of the appointment.

Required qualifications for the Assistant Professor include the potential for high quality research and teaching in the area of applied behavioral pharmacology that compliments the needs of the university and the department faculty.

For the Associate Professor, the required qualifications include demonstrated high quality research and teaching in the area of applied behavioral pharmacology that compliments the needs of the university and the department faculty.

The University of Kansas is especially interested in hiring faculty members who can contribute to four key campus-wide strategic initiatives: (1) Sustaining the Planet, Powering the World; (2) Promoting Well-Being, Finding Cures; (3) Building Communities, Expanding Opportunities; and (4) Harnessing Information, Multiplying Knowledge. For more information see http://www.provost.ku.edu/planning/themes/

To apply: For a complete announcement and to apply on-line, go to https://jobs.ku.edu and search for the position 00002480. Attach (upload) the following documents to the on-line application form: (1) letter of application describing educational and work experiences; (2) curriculum vitae; (3) teaching portfolio; (4) statement of research interests; (5) a list of 3-5 references.

In addition, applicants should arrange to have 3-5 reference letters, as well as selective reprints/preprints sent separately to Applied Behavioral Pharmacology Search Coordinator, Department of Applied Behavioral Science, 1000 Sunnyside Avenue, 4001 Dole Human Development Center, The University of Kansas, Lawrence, KS 66045-7555 or e-mail the information to absc@ku.edu. Review of applications begins December 1, 2011, and will continue until no longer needed. EO/AA Employer.
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