CPDD President’s Column

ANNA ROSE CHILDRESS, Ph.D.

PRESIDENT

Greetings CPDD members –

I will complete my term as CPDD President in only a few more weeks. It has been an extraordinary experience, with several uplifting moments (seeing the program take shape for the June meeting; welcoming our new officers, our new Board members, and the 2011 award recipients), many uncertain ones (e.g., what will be the shape of the new NIH institute housing our addiction science?) and in recent months, multiple periods of acute loss and mourning.

Five of our CPDD members died in less than four months (January 9 through April 23; individual obituaries can be found starting on p. 15.), and some losses were separated by only a few days. I knew all these good men, and many were long-time friends. They had each devoted their entire working life, whether full or cut short, to the passionate pursuit of addiction science – and some had contributed decades of individual service to CPDD. This harsh volley of losses left our research organization stunned, and searching for a way to honor these several members’ lives and work, even as we continue to mourn their loss. In addition to the In Memoriam slides at the Opening Plenary (Sunday), we will offer a quiet Reflection area for viewing material contributed by colleagues and families of those we have lost. In addition to the In Memoriam slides at the Opening Plenary (Sunday), we will offer a quiet Reflection area for viewing material contributed by colleagues and families of those we have lost. I greatly appreciate the efforts of Rich De La Garza, our new President-elect, for gathering these materials. We hope to archive the materials on the CPDD website after the conference -- and we would also greatly welcome posting of electronic materials to the archive from the families and friends of any CPDD members who have died prior to this past year.

In addition to these deserved formal recognitions, there is another very important way in which we must honor our fallen colleagues:

• We must continue the work. We must generate and share the very best addiction research possible, and use this knowledge to improve our understanding and treatment of the addictions.
• We must step across historical divides, and form effective coalitions to preserve addiction research funding.
• We must serve the addiction community with the generosity, passion and commitment that they each demonstrated.

Our continued efforts will be their ongoing legacy. They deserve no less. The annual meeting each June is a special opportunity for sharing our newest and best research findings; this meeting is the vital, living memoriam for all those who have come before – and the inspiration for the next generation of addiction scientists.

The upcoming June meeting will not disappoint – we will have multiple occasions for celebrating research lives and research legacies, for sharing our newest findings, for encouraging coalitions, and for supporting and

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inspiring addiction research trainees.

Celebrating research lives and research legacies. Each year CPDD bestows awards to recognize the contributions of those who have come before us, and the promise of those who will lead us into the future. The Nathan B. Eddy award recognizes outstanding research efforts in the field of addiction research, and it is the highest honor given by the College. This year’s Eddy award winner is Michael J. Kuhar, and his Eddy lecture “Uncensored Reflections on a Research Career: MUs, DATs, CARTs and Beyond” will be presented during the opening Plenary on Sunday, June 19. Bertha K. Madras is the recipient of this year’s Marian W. Fischman Lectureship award, given to an outstanding woman scientist in drug abuse research. Dr. Madras’ lecture “Public Health and Drug Policy – Challenges for Neuroscience” will also be a highlight of the opening Plenary. Thomas Prisinzano will receive the Joseph Cochin Young Investigator Award, and Steve Gust is recipient of the J. Michael Morrison award recognizing excellence in scientific administration. The CPDD/NIDA Media Award will be given to Justin Hunt for “American Meth”, his film about the dangers of methamphetamine abuse and dependence. The CPDD Mentorship Award, recognizing outstanding service in mentoring young scientists, will be awarded posthumously to Steve Holtzman, the most recent loss to our CPDD family.

Sharing new research findings. This year’s annual meeting, thanks to the intensive efforts of Sandy Comer (CPDD Program chair), Ellen Geller (CPDD Executive Office), Sari Izenwasser and Ellen Unterwald (INRC Program co-chairs), and the hard-working members of the Program Committees for each organization, offers a rich variety of data-sharing opportunities. Dr. Nora Volkow, NIDA Director, will offer her annual update at the joint CPDD-INRC Plenary on Wednesday morning, June 22nd. There will be 7 full symposia, 5 mini-symposia, multiple oral sessions, and more than 850 posters, along with 15 evening workshops and a variety of pre-CPDD satellites. As always, our program has an impressive range, reflecting the diversity of our members’ addiction research interests: from genes to animal models, brain imaging, medications and psychotherapy, to epidemiology and policy – whatever your specific interests, you are likely to be rewarded! And if you crave more coverage of your specialty – please use this craving as a stimulus to propose a cutting-edge symposium, mini-symposium, or a group of posters, for next year’s meeting.

Of course, sharing of new research findings is not limited to our June conference. Our organization’s journal, Drug and Alcohol Dependence, welcomes your contributions for peer review. The journal is thriving, with a steadily increasing impact factor (5-year impact factor is 3.947), and a seamless (to outside observers, anyhow!) transition from Bob Balster to Eric Strain last summer.

Encouraging coalitions. The slowed pace of the NIH SMRB (Scientific Review Management Board) task force -- charged with guiding the creation of a new NIH Institute on addictions – offers an opportunity to build stronger coalitions across arbitrary historical divides, e.g., between researchers focused primarily on alcohol v. those working on other abused substances. As a field, we will need the strongest possible coalitions to protect against potential funding cuts for NIH and for the addictions. Though the original timeline was for a “straw model” of proposed portfolio carving to be offered for stakeholder (grantee) comments in April 2011, this will now occur in early fall, with recommendations to be incorporated into the FY 2013 budget. We need to re-frame this 5-month delay as an opportunity for coalition-building.

Please bring your own good ideas for

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coalition-building, and a brown bag lunch, to the Public Policy Forum scheduled for Sunday, June 19 (11:00 - 1:00 p.m.). Speakers will offer a view “from the Hill”, and from NIDA, on issues relevant to addiction policy – including both budget concerns and the creation of the new NIH institute.

Another kind of critical coalition – between academia and the pharmaceutical companies who can forward promising agents for psychiatric medications, including those for addictions - is on thin ice. Within the past year, several major pharmaceutical companies have discontinued development of CNS medications, as the profit margins for these medications is often significantly lower than for other (e.g., cardiac or cancer) drugs. What is the answer to this dilemma? Can we find ways to re-engage pharma? Can we encourage federal incentives to companies to maintain, or to resume, production of CNS agents? Can we form effective coalitions with researchers in the other “big market” disorders (depression, anxiety) to address this problem? If you have creative ideas in this arena, please share them at the planned Town Hall meeting sponsored by the Industry Relations committee (Tuesday 12-2 p.m.).

If you want to see and hear an inspiring coalition-builder, up close and personal, don’t miss Patrick Kennedy’s invited President’s Lecture, “We Must Be of One Mind for Research” (Monday afternoon, June 20, at 4:15 p.m.). As introduced in the January Newsline (and in an interview with Marc Kaufman on the CPDD Blog, www.cpdblog.com), former Rep. Kennedy – also our CPDD Distinguished Service Awardee for 2011) is building a coalition of neuroscience research across disciplines with the goal of accelerating the pace of therapeutic discovery (achieving a “moon shot”) for brain disorders, including the addictions. Kennedy’s skill in building coalitions, honed through two decades of public service in Washington, and tested during the long struggles for mental health/addiction parity and health care reform, is a valuable inspiration for the battles that lie ahead for our field.

**Inspiring and supporting the next generation of addiction scientists.** With NIH funding lines often sinking into the single-digits, the prospect of building a research career can be daunting for a young trainee. Developing friendships and collaborations with other peer scientists can make the journey more rewarding, and less scary. The CPDD Pre- and Post-doc Trainee’s Networking Event (Monday 5:30 to 7:00) is our organization’s informal opportunity for young researchers to socialize, and (often) to develop connections that may be sustaining for their entire career. Please encourage your trainees to attend, and if you want to offer financial support to this event (the cost per trainee is $30-35, no contribution too small!), please contact Ellen Geller through the CPDD Executive Office (ebgeller@temple.edu).

**Finishing up.** I would like to close by extending deep thanks to the many kind and wise people who love CPDD so greatly, and who have helped me so generously during the past two years. The CPDD Executive Office – including the Officer himself (yes, Marty!), Ellen Geller, Connie Pollack, Rochelle Davis and Neico Smith – have a level of commitment to this organization that is extraordinary. The centuries (!!) of “group wisdom” in the Executive Committee have been invaluable (Drs. Dewey and Adler adding significantly to both the total years and the total wisdom) – and the strong support of past (Linda Porrino) and past-past (Sharon Walsh) presidents has been absolutely enabling, in the best sense of that word. Without the insight and humor of President-elect Scott Lukas, the year would have been less in every way – and
The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) International Program fosters international cooperative research and the exchange of scientific information by drug abuse researchers around the globe. The 2011 NIDA International Forum is scheduled for June 18-23, 2011, in conjunction with the 73rd Annual Scientific Meeting of the College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD). The meeting will be held at the Westin Diplomat in Hollywood, FL.

The topic for the 2011 NIDA International Forum is Building International Collaborative Research on Drug Abuse. The Forum will feature a research symposium, interactive workshops, a poster session, and network-building activities highlighting NIDA-supported and other international research on drug abuse.

Highlights

- Improving the Availability and Use of Youth Risk Data in Predominantly Muslim Countries
  Co-Chairs: Dale Weiss, International Program NIDA
  J. Randy Koch, Virginia Commonwealth University

- Basic Science Research
  Chair: Joni Rutter, Division of Basic Neuroscience and Behavioral Research, NIDA

- Epidemiology/Prevention/Treatment Research
  Chair: Betty C. Tai, Center for the Clinical Trials Network, NIDA

- HIV/AIDS Research
  Chair: Wilson M. Compton, Division of Epidemiology, Services and Prevention Research, NIDA

- Poster Session

There is no registration fee to attend the 2011 NIDA International Forum. However, registration is required. On-line registration is closed, but on-site registration will be available. Please note registration for this event is separate from that for the CPDD meeting.

Meeting programs and other information is also available at http://international.drugabuse.gov/information/intl_forum_2011.html
Meeting Highlights – The 2010 Mentorship Award

This award is given yearly to a member of CPDD who has been an exemplary mentor to developing researchers in the field of drug dependence.

2010 Awardee:
Charles P. O’Brien, M.D., Ph.D.

Dr. O’Brien, a native of New Orleans, earned M.D. and Ph.D. degrees from Tulane University. He received residency training at Harvard, Tulane, University of London, and University of Pennsylvania in internal medicine, neurology and psychiatry. As Chief of Psychiatry at the Philadelphia VA Medical Center, he was responsible for over 9,000 psychiatric patients. Despite this large clinical responsibility, he was able to establish and direct a clinical research program that has had a major impact on the treatment of addictive disorders. His research group has been responsible for numerous discoveries described in over 500 publications that have elucidated basic information on the nature of addiction and improved the results of treatment for addictive disorders. His work encompasses discovery of CNS changes involved in relapse, new medications, behavioral treatments and instruments for measuring the severity of addictive disorders. He was elected to the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences (1991) and has received numerous awards including an honorary doctorate from the University of Bordeaux, the Eddy Award for research from the College on Problems of Drug Dependence (2003), American Psychiatric Association Research Award (2000) and the Gold Medal Research Award from the Society of Biological Psychiatry (2010).

Introductory remarks by Anna Rose Childress, Ph.D.

As someone who has directly benefited from nearly three decades of mentorship by Dr. Charles O’Brien, and who has observed his passionate commitment to mentoring of other addiction scientists, I am gratified to introduce him as the recipient of the 2010 CPDD Mentorship Award.

I first met Chuck O’Brien in 1980, when I was a fresh-faced 8-year old (!) Post-Doc, completing a Fellowship within the Department of Psychiatry at Penn. I wanted to test whether an opiate antagonist might block alcohol euphoria in local undergrads, and the kindly Department Chair referred me to Dr. O’Brien as a possible source of naloxone – “I think Chuck O’Brien could be of help”. (This stands as the singular understatement of my career!) With characteristic generosity of spirit, Dr. O’Brien provided the naloxone for free, out of the simple wish to encourage a young (very young) would-be scientist, and to further the new opiate-alcohol science for which we shared an enthusiasm. After providing free naloxone for several months, Dr. O’Brien offered me my first real-world job…by that time, this offer probably seemed a cost-saving alternative to providing me with a life-time research supply of naloxone!

Whatever the motive for the job offer, I am forever grateful: this first position opened the world of addiction science to me, and turned into a career that I could not have imagined – and that clearly could not have occurred, without his support. The special micro-environment Dr. O’Brien created within the VA and within the Department of Psychiatry, and the regular interactions with him, allowed me to develop rapidly -- to learn to run clinical studies (my doctoral training had been in animal models of reward), to write effective grant applications, and to establish independent funding. And when the opportunity arose for me to combine our novel behavioral paradigms (on cue-induced drug motivation) with the newest brain imaging tools – Chuck

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O’Brien became, and remains, the strongest possible supporter of this path. His confidence in our brain science, even when NIH funding lines were at their tightest, was extremely meaningful.

Across the decades, I have seen so many others’ addiction careers shaped and enabled by Chuck O’Brien’s mentoring. The mentees have run the gamut – men, women, M.D.s, Ph.D.s, M.D.-Ph.D.s, younger, older. Dr. O’Brien extends himself generously to all who have passion and curiosity – it is the only real “entrance criterion”. The mentoring itself – whether for a semester, for a year – or, in my case, for a career – generates lasting dividends for the individuals, and for our field. The dividends are reflected not only in the shared knowledge per se, but in the large number of mentees who are inspired by their interaction with Dr. O’Brien to themselves become future mentors; to give, and to do it reflexively. It is a gift that truly keeps on giving.

Chuck, as your mentees, we incur a debt of which we are always aware, and can never adequately repay. However, we hope that by mentoring others, sharing with them the joy of discovery, and the gratification of doing science that may benefit our patients’ difficult struggles – that we can help “pay forward” this large debt. After all, we feel that we have learned mentoring from the very people who nominated me for this award such as Tom McLellan, Anna Rose Childress, Jim McKay, George Woody, Kyle Kampman, Teri Franklin and others. I have also received great mentoring from my wife Barbara who is also the best editor for my papers. Thus in accepting this award in the names of all the mentors that I have had, I would like to express my deepest gratitude. The spirit of CPDD is a kind of mutual mentorship and my experience in more than three decades with this organization is a great example of this.

Congratulations on receiving the CPDD 2010 Mentorship Award

Acceptance Remarks by Dr. O’Brien

I am very touched by this award and the sentiments from my younger colleagues at Penn who nominated me. My feeling about mentorship is that it is a two-way street and so I was mentored by the people of CPDD who were leading the organization when I arrived in the 1970s. I got important mentoring from Abe Wikler, Bill Martin, Joe Cochin, Avram Goldstein, Eric Simon and many others beginning in the 1970s. I also learned from my contemporaries such as Bob Schuster, Ted Cicero and many others. Finally I felt that I got mentoring from the very people who nominated me for this award such as Tom McLellan, Anna Rose Childress, Jim McKay, George Woody, Kyle Kampman, Teri Franklin and others. I have also received great mentoring from my wife Barbara who is also the best editor for my papers. Thus in accepting this award in the names of all the mentors that I have had, I would like to express my deepest gratitude. The spirit of CPDD is a kind of mutual mentorship and my experience in more than three decades with this organization is a great example of this.

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I greatly look forward to the coming year, with Scott at the helm. And with gifted planners Sandy Comer, Ellen Geller, Sari Izenwasser, and Ellen Unterwald, we all have a conjoint CPDD-INRC Annual Meeting program that is rich and stimulating -- I am very grateful.

It is indeed a program that honors – and extends into the future -- the contributions of those we have lost.

Anna Rose Childress
The International Women's and Children's Health and Gender Group
4th Meeting and Conference

This conference will bring together expert researchers and clinical providers passionate and committed to improving the lives of women and children.

**Highlights**

**Keynote Speaker**
- The GENACIS Project: What Can It Tell Us about Global Needs for Women-Focused Substance Abuse Prevention and Interventions
  Sharon Wilsnack, PhD, University of North Dakota

**Speakers**
- Shabnam Salimi, The Journey Out of Drug Use and Into Treatment for Women in Iran
- Hendree Jones, MOTHER Study Results: Safety and Efficacy of Perinatal Methadone and Buprenorphine Treatment
- Rachel Galper, Storyteller

**Discussion Tables with Expert Hosts**
- Issues during pregnancy and post-partum including infant attachment Karol Kaltenbach, Loretta Finnegan
- Family issues, childhood trauma, family therapy, parenting skills Yukiko Washio, Tara Carney
- Gender-based, interpersonal violence and victimization and trauma in drug-using women Jennifer Johnson, Jamila Stockman
- What structural interventions are needed for women (e.g. housing, employment, skill building, microeconomics, etc.)? Maayan Schori, Urmil Sharma
- Developing guidelines for woman-focused methods and treatment globally (sensitive to culture and sexual orientation) Sally Stevens, Sheryl McCurdy
- Health disparities, risk behavior and HIV in women Adrian Abagiu, Felicia Browne, Bijan Nasiri
- Education and prevention of substance use and abuse for women (e.g. prescription drug abuse) Hilary Surratt, Cathy Friedman

**Friday, June 17, 2011, 12:00 to 6:00**
Westin Diplomat Hotel, Hollywood, Florida

Registration is $20 (lunch is included).
For more information, contact Wendee Wechsberg via email wmw@rti.org.

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**Congratulations**

**2010 CPDD Award Winners**

- **Nathan B. Eddy Award**
  Michael Kuhar
- **Joseph Cochin Award**
  Thomas Prisinzano
- **J. Michael Morrison Award**
  Steve Gust
- **Marian W. Fischman Award**
  Bertha Madras
- **Mentorship Award**
  Steve Holtzman
- **Media Award**
  Justin Hunt
- **Distinguished Service Award**
  Patrick Kennedy
Meeting Highlights – The 2010 J. Michael Morrison Award

As a memorial to this well-liked and respected administrator at NIDA, an award is given every other year for outstanding contributions in the area of scientific administration related to drugs of abuse.

2010 Awardee:
Cora Lee Wetherington, Ph.D.

Dr. Wetherington joined the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) in 1987. Since 1995, she has served as NIDA’s Women and Sex/Gender Differences Research coordinator. In that role, her activities are aimed at integrating and advancing research on issues specific to women and on sex/gender differences into all areas of drug abuse research. She also serves as a program officer in NIDA’s Behavioral Sciences Research Branch within the Division of Basic Neuroscience and Behavioral Research where she manages and promotes a program of extramural preclinical research that includes the study of sex differences, vulnerability to drug abuse, and the behavioral neurobiological effects of exposure to drugs during lifespan development. She received her Ph.D. in Experimental Psychology from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. Prior to joining NIDA in 1987, she was a professor at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, where for twelve years she taught courses and conducted research in the field of animal learning and behavior. Her research was funded in part by grants from NIH and the National Science foundation. In 2005 she was awarded the Meritorious Research Service Commendation by the American Psychological Association Board of Scientific Affairs for her leadership in promoting research on women, sex/gender differences and drug abuse.

Introduction by Marilyn Carroll, Ph.D.

I am honored to introduce Dr. Cora Lee Wetherington for the J. Michael Morrison Award for service to the scientific community as a NIDA staff member.

My remarks are also on behalf of Nancy Mello, her co-nominator who couldn’t be here today.

Cora Lee’s Background

Dr. Wetherington received her B.A. and Ph.D. degrees from UNC at Greensboro. After a 12-year productive career as a researcher and NIH and NSF grantee at UNC, Charlotte, she became a staff member at NIDA where she has been for 27 years. Her current position is:

• ½ time Women & Sex/Gender Research Coordinator
• ½ time Program Officer in the Behavior & Cognitive Sciences Research Branch

Awards

She has received several NIDA Director’s Awards of Merit, several NIDA group awards, and meritorious service commendations from the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Problems Association and the Board of Scientific Affairs of the American Psychological Association.

Sex/Gender and Hormonal Influences in Drug Abuse

Dr. Wetherington’s interest and innovative work in sex/gender and hormonal topics and her innovative work in this area over the last 16 years have led to many important contributions:

Most notably, she has brought about an understanding and acceptance of the pervasive sex differences that exist in many aspects of drug abuse and the influence of gonadal hormones.

Recently she wrote reviews on this topic for journal issues of Experimental and Clinical Psychopharmacology and one just published in Hormones and Behavior.

Overall, she has published more than...
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22 peer-reviewed papers, 2 chapters and 3 edited books on sex and gender and women’s health issues. She has also given lectures, chaired and co-chaired numerous symposia on those topics. In fact, she has participated in close to 80 of these activities including 6 just within the last 2 months.

One of her more high profile efforts (which is in your registration packet) has been to consolidate CPDD sex and gender abstracts each year into this very useful book. In the last 11 years that she has done this, the number of abstracts has more than doubled.

Cora Lee has also been involved with the NIH Office of Research on Women’s Health by serving on several committees and helping organize over 35 activities.

She has been involved with the BIRCWH training program (Building Interdisciplinary Research Careers in Women’s Health), by publicizing RFAs, recruiting applicants, serving on committees, and coordinating interactions among BIRCWH programs and the SCOR P50 programs to establish P50 centers on Sex and Gender Factors Affecting Women’s Health.

Program Officer in the Behavior & Cognitive Sciences Research Branch

In the other half of her job as a program officer Dr. Wetherington is very thorough and thoughtful about the way grant-supported research evolves.

She stands out at NIDA for her excellent guidance to grantees to provide focus and relevance to current problems in drug abuse, helping them to move the research forward and keep on track with NIDA’s missions.

She has been my grant project officer for many years, and I am impressed that she reads the progress reports thoroughly, and gives me great feedback by asking stimulating questions about the results.

I think most of us who have worked with her through our NIDA projects feel that she is truly an interested partner in our research and that she really cares about how it is going and where it is leading. This level of interest from a NIDA staff member motivates grantees to do their best work in a timely manner because they know they have a colleague who is working with them and is interested in the results.

Conclusion

In conclusion, on behalf of Nancy Mello and myself, I would like to say that Dr. Wetherington’s dedication and administrative effectiveness have resulted in a leadership role for NIDA in highlighting the importance of sex and gender in several aspects of drug addiction as well as treatment and prevention.

Without her persistence and relentless efforts in this area, during an initial period of resistance and disinterest, the discovery of the effects of sex and hormonal influences on drug abuse would have been greatly delayed.

To end with a personal note, Cora Lee’s diligence was being expressed on this February on President’s Day. She happened to be in the office working on a federal holiday (of course) when she got the call from Linda Porrino telling her she would receive this award. I was lucky to be one of the subsequent phone calls that Cora Lee made and to hear that she had won this award. I can tell you she was extremely honored and thrilled, and I am just as thrilled today to present her to you for the well-deserved J. Michael Morrison Award.

Congratulations, Cora Lee.

Acceptance Remarks by Dr. Wetherington

It is hard to express how honored I feel to be nominated for and to receive CPDD’s J. Michael Morrison Award. It is both exciting and very humbling. I’d like to thank Marilyn Carroll and Nancy

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The annual scientific meeting... serves as a forum for scholarly exchange among preclinical and clinical investigators from academia, government, the pharmaceutical industry, and colleagues in government regulatory and policy-making positions.

The 2011 Meeting of the International Study Group Investigating Drugs As Reinforcers (ISGIDAR)

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Saturday, June 12, 2011
Westin Diplomat, Hollywood, FL

The program for this year is shaping up to be outstanding. There will be a nice balance of presentations from senior ISGIDARians such as Jim Woods and Mike Nader, mid-career ISGIDARians including Elise Weerts and Bill Fantegrossi, and rising ISGIDARians including Ziva Cooper and Katie Saulsgiver. There will be an excellent balance of preclinical and clinical investigations. The guest speaker will be Paul Kenny from The Scripps Research Institute. Extra-special features this year include "Recollections on the History of ISGIDAR" from Chris Ellyn Johanson and "The 1970s ISGIDAR Validation Study" from Bob Balster.

Other speakers include:
Barak Caine  Daniella Rüedi-Bettschen
Rich De La Garza  Mark Smith
Bill Fantegrossi  Elise Weerts

Breakfast & Registration ($80) at the door at 8:30; talks at 9:00 a.m.
Lunch compliments of Grunenthal, USA, Inc. with prior reservation
(pre-payment not necessary but lunch reservation necessary, contact Wendy Lynch, wlynch@virginia.edu)
For further information, contact Barak Caine, barak@mclean.harvard.edu

CPDD Conference – Special Events

The 73rd Annual Scientific Meeting of the College will be held at the Westin Diplomat Resort & Spa in Hollywood, Florida. The meeting opens with a reception on Saturday, June 18 at 7 PM. The Sunday morning Plenary Session will include talks by our Marian Fischman Awardee, Bertha Madras, and Michael J. Kuhar, this year’s recipient of the Eddy Award. Presidential Lecturer, Congressman Patrick Kennedy, will speak on Monday afternoon. There will be overlap programming with the International Narcotics Research Conference, which will then continue for 2 days after CPDD concludes. CPDD and INRC will hold a joint Reception/Dinner with Dancing on Tuesday evening, June 21. On the schedule for the overlap days, Wednesday and Thursday, are a report from the National Institute on Drug Abuse by Director Dr. Nora Volkow, symposia on Epigenetics of Drug Abuse

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Mello for all their efforts in nominating me and Marilyn for her very kind and generous, if somewhat over-the-top, introduction. And I thank the members of the CPDD Awards Committee for selecting me.

An award like this often involves the commitment, dedication and hard work of lots of people, and that is certainly true in this case. There are many people who have helped, supported and encouraged me, and without them I would not be receiving this award. This includes many of you in this audience as well as colleagues back at NIDA, and I thank you all.

At NIDA I particularly thank NIDA directors, Alan Leshner and Nora Volkow; NIDA deputy directors, Dick Millstein and Tim Condon; my deputy, Samia Noursi; David Shurtleff, director of the Division of Basic Neuroscience and Behavioral Research; Minda Lynch, chief of the Behavioral Science Research Branch; and all the members of the Women & Sex/Gender Differences Research Group. Thanks to all drug abuse researchers who conduct research on women and sex/gender differences. And, special thanks to my husband, Tony Riley.

Thank you again. I am deeply honored.

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Genes, Human Brain Imaging of Opioid Receptors, New Perspectives on Buprenorphine, and shared poster sessions. There will be a Public Policy Forum (Sunday), during which the creation of a new substance use and abuse institute will be discussed, a Forum on Animals in Research (Monday), and a Town Hall Forum on Academia/Industry/Government Relations (Tuesday). One of the movies shown on Film Night (Wednesday) will be American Meth, a 2007 documentary directed by Justin Hunt, this year’s CPDD/NIDA Media Award winner.

CPDD’s famous Brunch with Champions. This is a great opportunity for pre-docs, post-docs, and junior faculty to chat informally with senior investigators in the drug abuse research field. This year, as for the last four years, the brunch has filled early and we have had to turn away people who waited too long to register. If you want to put your name on a wait-list, the registration form can be downloaded from the CPDD web site: http://www.cpdd.vcu.edu/.

Trainee Mixer. Pre- and post-doc trainees are invited to a reception from 5:30 to 7 PM Monday. This will be a wonderful time to mingle with other young investigators.

NIDA Tutorials. The 10th annual NIDA Tutorials are designed to provide junior investigators with fundamental information from a variety of disciplines representing the breadth of drug abuse and addiction research. The event will be held 1:30-5:30 PM Saturday.

Grant-writing Workshop. The workshop will be held 10 AM to 2 PM Tuesday. Registration for this event is closed.
Hollywood Travel Tips

Here are a few events happening in the area while we are in town:

**MUSIC & DANCING UNDER THE STARS**
Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday: 7:30 PM - 9:00 PM at the Hollywood Beach Theater, Johnston Street and Broadwalk, Hollywood

Dance on the Broadwalk or just enjoy the music. Year-round series features music ranging from easy listening to line dancing to blues, R&B and rock & roll to special theme nights.

**HOLLYWOOD MOVIE NIGHTS**
Enjoy a movie under the stars at the Artspark at Young Circle located at Hollywood Blvd. and US 1

Friday, June 17, 8-10 PM ~ Karate Kids (2010)
Friday, June 24, 8-10 PM ~ Megamind

**FUNSHOPS CREATION STATION**
Interactive Children's Art activity - Free for kids at the ArtsPark located at Hollywood Blvd. and Hollywood Blvd. Saturday, June 18, 4:00-5:30 PM

**MUSEUM OF ART | FORT LAUDERDALE**
The Spectacle of Life: The Art of William Glackens (through September 12, 2010)

The Art of Caring: A Look at Life through Photography (June 2 - September 25, 2011)
Through the use of photographs and film, The Art of Caring examines how key events are celebrated and honored and how pivotal decisions are made by different cultures throughout the world.

**FLAMINGO GARDENS**
June 18-19, 9:30yam to 4:30pm Great Gators! Flamingo Gardens salutes the great crocodilian in a special educational exhibit "Great Gators!" on display in the Gallery throughout June.

Fathers’ Day weekend will feature films, presentations, and live Crocs and Gators throughout the day with Wildlife Educator “Otter John” Jones and his 4-foot American Crocodile and American Alligator at 1pm Saturday and Sunday.

Botanical Collections & Everglades Wildlife Sanctuary 3750 S Flamingo Road, Davie (Flamingo Rd between Griffin & I-595)

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-- Contributed by Ellen Geller
Special Full-Day Training Session Preceding the CPDD Annual Meeting
9:00 Am – 5:30 PM

Addresses

- Keynote address: SAMHSA’s Strategic Initiative on Trauma and Justice: Integrating Trauma-Informed Approaches Throughout Health, Behavioral Health
  --H. Westley Clark, M.D., J.D., M.P.H., CAS, FASAM, Director CSAT/SAMHSA
- Overview of Trauma and Trauma-Informed Care
  --Norma Finkelstein, Ph.D.
- Readiness for Change to Trauma-Informed Services
  --Kath Schilling, M.Ed., CAS, LADC I
- Substance Use Disorders and the Person-Centered Healthcare Home
  --Barbara Mauer, M.S.W., CMC
- Readiness for Change
  --Mary Marden Velasquez, Ph.D.

Plenary Session: Trauma Issues with Specific Populations

- Criminal Justice
  --Brian Ron Sims, M.D.
- Military Families
  --Pamela Woll, M.A., CADP
- Domestic Violence
  --Larry W. Bennett, Ph.D.
- Women and Children
  --Lisa M. Najavits, Ph.D.
- Adolescents
  --Michael L. Dennis, Ph.D.

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...AIDS and other infectious diseases such as hepatitis C are national disease challenges that are increasingly prevalent in substance abusers...
Meeting Highlights – The 2010 Distinguished Service Award

The Distinguished Service Award is initiated by the Executive Committee or the CPDD Board and is given to an individual in recognition of exceptional service to the College.

2010 Awardee:
Jack E. Henningfield, Ph.D.

Jack Henningfield is Professor, Adjunct, Behavioral Biology, The Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, and Vice President, Research and Health Policy, Pinney Associates, and a Charter Fellow of CPDD. He has published nearly 400 articles, many reports of the Surgeon General, Institute of Medicine, Royal College of UK, and World Health Organization. His most recent book is Art and Addiction. While serving as head of the NIDA Abuse Potential Assessment Section and the Clinical Pharmacology Laboratory until 1996, he worked to increase excellence in science through greater participation of Under-Represented Populations. He has testified before the US Congress numerous times on tobacco addiction, and treatment and regulatory issues. He contributed to the development of the International Tobacco Treaty, and the Tobacco Control Act authorizing FDA regulation of tobacco and he serves on scientific advisory committees to WHO and FDA. These regulatory frameworks put abuse liability of tobacco and nicotine products on par with importance of harmfulness, and patterns of initiation, dependence and cessation in the population as vital for surveillance. His passion is working in science at the service of public health policy.

Introduction by Sharon Walsh, Ph.D.

It is my great pleasure to present this CPDD Distinguished Service Award to Dr. Jack Henningfield. Jack has long been a key figure in our field and is known globally for his expertise and contributions to science-based policy and public health advocacy for prevention of tobacco-related harms. From the broadest view, Jack has personified a key mission of the College—that is, to employ scientific findings to inform public policy related to drug dependence. Jack was a key scientific advisor on the Surgeon General’s report on Nicotine Addiction that served as the basis for FDA regulation of tobacco products and more recently has worked with the World Health Organization Tobacco Regulatory efforts to enact and implement a comprehensive tobacco treaty.

While it would require hours to describe all of his contributions in this area, today, we want to recognize Jack’s other specific contributions to the College on Problems of Drug Dependence. Jack has been a member of CPDD for many years and served on the Board of Directors from 1990-1994. In 2002, Jack, along with others, participated in organizing one of the first special conferences sponsored under the aegis of the College entitled Conference on Abuse Liability Assessment of CNS Drugs. Jack worked closely with CPDD to develop the framework and rules under which such special meetings could be organized and sponsored by CPDD in a collaborative fashion bringing together key players from the academic, industry and government communities to focus on a specific contemporary topic.

Since that time, Jack has been involved in two additional conferences employing this same model. He served as an expert panelist and program committee member for a meeting in 2005 entitled “Impact of Drug Formulation on Abuse Liability, Safety and Regulation of Medications.” Most recently, Jack served as a Chair and key organizer in a meeting on Risk Management and Post Marketing Surveillance of CNS Drugs held in 2007. These meetings have been tremendously successful. Scientifically, they bring

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Obituaries

Stephen G. Holtzman, Ph.D. (1943-2011)

At the time of his death, Dr. Holtzman was professor emeritus of pharmacology at Emory University, the academic institution where he spent his entire academic career. His research output included 235 scientific papers and chapters. Steve was a wonderful teacher, and he provided an exceptional training environment for graduate students, postdoctoral fellows and young faculty. Over his career he was the major advisor for 18 graduate students and 20 postdoctoral fellows, many of whom have become well-established scientists in the drug abuse research field. In addition to Steve’s multiple, influential research contributions and inspiring mentorship, he was an extraordinary leader within CPDD where he served as President, Treasurer, Board member, and member or chair of just about every committee within the College. His professional commitment extended beyond CPDD, including the Society for Neuroscience, the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology and the American Society of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics. He also served on several editorial boards, including those of the Journal of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics and Neuropsychopharmacology. The family has asked that contributions in Steve’s memory be made to CPDD for the Holtzman Memorial Fund.

Charles R. Schuster, Ph.D. (1930-2011)

Dr. Schuster was an internationally recognized researcher on the psychopharmacology of drugs of abuse. Dr. Schuster authored or co-authored over 200 scientific journal articles, as well as numerous book chapters and several books. From 1986-1992, Dr. Schuster served as the Director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse. He also served on the Food and Drug Administration Drug Abuse Advisory Committee and was a member of the Expert Advisory Panel on Drug Dependence of the World Health Organization. Dr. Schuster was active in numerous professional organizations and has been the recipient of many national and international awards, including the Nathan B. Eddy and Mentorship Awards from CPDD, and the Peter B. Dews Award from the American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics. In 1990, he was made a member of the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Science.

Bob’s family has suggested that donations be directed to the Friends of NIDA, a non-profit coalition of individuals, scientific and professional societies, patient groups and other organizations committed to the elimination of drug abuse and addiction through education, advocacy, and the promotion of broad public and private support for the research agenda of the National Institute on Drug Abuse. Tax-deductible memorial contributions by credit card may be designated at http://www.thefriendsofnida.org/. If you prefer, donations can be made by a check made out to Friends of NIDA and mailed to:Friends of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, Attn.: William L. Dewey, Ph.D., Dept. of Pharmacology, P.O. Box 980613, Richmond, VA 23298-0613 USA

David Vance Herin Jr., Ph.D. (1976-2011)

Dave was an assistant professor at The University of Minnesota Medical School since 2008. With a solid background in preclinical models of addiction, and an intense interest in translating basic science to improve human health, Dave chose to devote his career to the identification and validation of effective pharmacotherapeutics for stimulant addiction. He successfully competed for a K99/R00 Pathway to Independence Award, and an R01, and authored/coauthored more than 12 publications which spanned both preclinical and clinical research advances. He won numerous awards and was well-respected in his field.

Dave was passionate about his science and the prospects of moving advances toward the clinic. To keep that spirit alive, his family, friends and colleagues have established an endowment in his name - the David Vance Herin, Ph.D., Addiction Pioneer Award. Donations in his honor may be sent to the care of Ms. Katherine Becker, Center for Addiction Research, University of Texas Medical Branch, 301 University Boulevard, Galveston, TX 77555-0615. The award will keep Dave’s memory alive through assisting pre-and

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Full-Day Satellite Session Genetics Tutorial for the CPDD community, tailored for drug abuse and addictions researchers and clinicians.

Agenda

8:00-8:30  Registration and coffee

8:30-10:00  Introduction and Lecture: Dr. Joni Rutter, Acting Director Division of Basic Neurosciences and Behavioral Research NIDA/NIH

10:30-11:30  Dr. Laura Bierut, Professor of Psychiatry Washington University School of Medicine, St Louis MO

11:30-12:15  Roundtable discussions

12:15-1:15pm Lunch (on your own)

1:15-2:15  Dr. Paul Kenny, Associate Professor Laboratory of Behavioral and Molecular Neuroscience Department of Molecular Therapeutics The Scripps Research Institute – Florida

2:45-3:45  Dr. Jerry Stitzel, Associate Professor Institute for Behavioral Genetics University of Colorado, Boulder

3:45-4:45  Dr. Chris Pierce, Associate Professor Center for Neurobiology and Behavior University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine

4:45-5:00 Wrap up and Evaluations

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together experts from the field, provide a state-of-the-art review and yield high quality review papers and a position statement, which have been published in Drug and Alcohol Dependence. Importantly, this is all accomplished under the aegis of the CPDD—helping the College to maintain its internationally recognized leadership role in the field.

Jack is also a bit of Renaissance man who has successfully translated his scientific prowess into the field of the arts. A number of years ago Jack served as an advisor to the American Visionary Art Museum on a planned exhibit--High on Life: Transcending Addiction. He then worked to develop a collaborative art program to convene juried exhibitions with the theme dedicated to Putting a Human Face on Addiction and Recovery that was supported by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation. Since 2005 CPDD has been the beneficiary of Jack’s creative efforts as he brought the gallery of exhibits to consecutive annual CPDD meetings. These exhibits were truly a wonderful enrichment to our annual meetings – some of which are now captured in this beautiful recently published book.

Jack – for all of these contributions and for the ones I didn’t mention- we thank you. The College is a better organization by having you as a member and representative, and I am very pleased to present this Distinguished Service Award in recognition of your service and dedication to the College.

Acceptance Remarks by Dr. Henningfield

I have been enormously fortunate to have had the opportunity to serve as one single member of an extraordinary scientific community — the College on Problems of Drug Dependence. And we are a community in every sense of the word. It is a community that is distinguished by its leadership, by its mentors such as Dr. Charles O’Brien who was awarded today, and by so many others who make the CPDD a wonderfully collegial organization. We work together with common purpose, building on a remarkable foundation of diversity in disciplines and diversity in our represented populations. We are blessed with scientists such as this year’s Marian W. Fischman Award recipient, Dr. Linda Cottler, who remind us of why we do what we do. It is an honor to have the opportunity to serve in such a community. Thank you.

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postdoctoral scientists as they develop their own independent careers in the addiction sciences.

Bruce J. Rounsaville, M.D. (1949-2011)

Bruce joined the Yale School of Medicine faculty in 1978 and was an internationally recognized expert in the areas of depression, substance abuse, and the development and validation of psychotherapies to treat addiction. He was renowned as a researcher, mentor and adviser, who emanated generosity, warmth and a distinct sense of humor.

Bruce contributed numerous advances in the treatment of addiction through more than 350 papers and six books. He also directed the Veterans Affairs Mental Illness Research Education and Clinical Center at the VA Connecticut Healthcare System, and the NIDA supported Psychotherapy Development Research Center and Clinical Scientist Training Program in Substance Abuse. His research garnered him numerous prestigious honors including the Anna-Monika Depression Prize, the Norman Zinberg Prize from Harvard Medical School, the Research Award of the Society for Psychotherapy Research, and the Seymour Lustman Award from Yale. He also served in numerous advisory roles for NIDA and the American

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Contingency Management Working Group

The Contingency Management (CM) Working Group is an evening workshop held annually at CPDD that provides an opportunity to learn more about CM applications for behavior change. CM is a behavioral treatment strategy that has demonstrated consistent success in promoting abstinence from a wide-range of drugs and across many different treatment populations. It is also being used to promote change in behaviors impacting the course of other chronic diseases (e.g., obesity, diabetes). During this year’s 17th annual meeting of the CM Working Group, junior and senior researchers will present preliminary data from ongoing studies involving CM. The goal for this working group is to provide an informal outlet for discussion of ongoing CM research and dissemination, with an emphasis on developing or improving research strategies by seeking audience input and providing opportunities for junior and senior researchers to interact. The agenda for speakers will be posted on the CPDD listserv prior to the conference. The workshop is open to all conference attendees, and anyone who is using CM to promote behavior change, has an interest in learning more about CM or who would like to become acquainted with other researchers conducting CM is particularly encouraged to attend. The CM Working Group will be held on Sunday June 19th from 8:00 – 10:00 in Regency 1. Hope to see you there!

-- Contributed by Kelly Dunn, Ph.D.

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Psychiatric Association including the psychiatric diagnostic manual, DSM-III. He was assistant editor of Addiction, and he served on the editorial board of Drug and Alcohol Dependence and other journals.

David Anthony Zanis, Ph.D. (1964-2011)
Dave was an associate professor at Temple University since 2004. In that position he was also the director of the Nonprofit Evaluation Services and Training Center in the College of Health Professions and Social Work at Temple. Dave was the co-founder, with his wife, Tina, of Clinical Outcomes Group Inc., (COGI) of Pottsville and Northumberland, serving most recently as the board president. COGI operates with the mission of improving the health of communities and it was with this goal in mind that Dave strove tirelessly to help others. Dave was a member of CPDD, the Society for Social Work Research, the Institute for Research, Education and Treatment in Addictions, and the Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco.

Dave was a reviewer for several biomedical journals and served as a reviewer for the National Institute on Drug Abuse, the Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada, and the Administration for Children and Families. He published more than 40 journal articles and book chapters throughout his career and was an investigator for eight competitive grants awarded by the National Institute of Health.