



***9th
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SOCIETY***

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PROGRAM

Recent Advances in Drug Addiction

*April 29 – May 3, 2024
Grand Hyatt Rio de Janeiro
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Conference Organizers:

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Emmanuel Onaivi, Alex Dopico, Antonio Noronha, and George Koob**

**Executive Secretary:
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Sunday, April 28, 2024

REGISTRATION AND WELCOME

3:00 – 6:00 PM

Monday, April 29, 2024

8:00 – 2:00 PM Registration Desk Open

8:00 – 8:10 AM Welcome & Opening Remarks in Conference Room
Nick Gilpin and George Koob

8:10 – 9:00 AM Plenary Lecture I
Closing the Treatment Gap, and Alcohol Use Disorder Perspective
George Koob, Director, NIAAA, Baltimore, Maryland, USA

Moderator: **Nick Gilpin, LSU, New Orleans, Louisiana, USA**

SESSION I: DRUG AND ALCOHOL EFFECTS ACROSS THE LIFESPAN

Moderators: **Tiffany Willis (USA)**

9:00 – 9:20 AM Epigenome-wide association study (EWAS) of cocaine users.
Rodrigo Grassi-Oliveira, University of Aarhus, DENMARK

9:20 – 9:40 AM Binge-drinking during mature adulthood induces behavioral and biochemical indices of cognitive decline in C57BL/6J mice.
Karen Szumlinski, University of California, Santa Barbara, California, USA

9:40 – 10:00 AM Early life adversity effects on reward-related behavior and drug intake in developing rats.
Millie Rincon-Cortes, University of Texas at Dallas, Texas, USA

10:00 – 10:20 AM Prenatal alcohol effects on amygdala function and maladaptive behaviors.
Marvin Diaz, SUNY Binghamton University, New York, USA

10:20 – 10:40 AM COFFEE/TEA BREAK

SESSION II: TRANSCRIPTIONAL AND EPIGENETIC EFFECTS OF ALCOHOL ON END ORGANS

Moderators: **Antonio Noronha (USA) and Mohammed Akbar (USA)**

10:40 – 11:00: **Role of Chromatin Modifier Developmental Pluripotency Associated Factor 4 in Mediation of Fetal Alcohol Effects on Neuroendocrine System.**
Dipak Sarkar, Rutgers University, USA

11:00 – 11:20: **RNA-seq analysis reveals mechanisms underlying binge ethanol-induced differential spleen atrophy in adolescent rats.**
Sulie Chang, Seton Hall University, USA

11:20 – 11:40: Adolescent binge drinking disrupts fMRI neuronal networks and cognition through epigenetic priming of neuroimmune signaling and silencing of cholinergic neurons.
Fulton Crews, University of North Carolina, USA.

11:40 – 12:00: Deciphering brain epitranscriptome: A new mechanism of adult psychopathology after adolescent alcohol exposure.
Subhash Pandey, University of Illinois-Chicago, USA.

12:00 – 1:30 PM LUNCH

SESSION III: SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND EARLY DEVELOPMENT

Moderators: Anna Bukiya (USA) and Fernando Valenzuela (USA)

1:30 – 1:50 PM Fetal cerebral artery mitochondria as a target of maternal alcohol intoxication.
Anna Bukiya, University of Tennessee HSC, USA.

1:50 – 2:10 PM Acute exposure to THC alters discrete components of neuromuscular junction transmission in larval zebrafish.
Declan Ali, University of Alberta, CANADA.

2:10 – 2:30 PM Effects of prenatal alcohol exposure on behavior in mice with dopamine and microglia cell specific deletion of CB2R.
Ana Canseco-Alba, National Institute of Neurology and Neurosurgery, MEXICO.

2:30 – 2:50 PM Effects of developmental alcohol and cannabis exposure on cortical sensory processing.
Alex Medina, University of Maryland, USA.

2:50 - 3:10 PM COFFEE/TEA BREAK

SESSION IV: FLASH TALKS- STUDENT & POST-DOC

Moderator: Barbara Juarez, University of Maryland, USA

3:10 – 3:19 PM Opioid-induced dysbiosis of maternal gut microbiota during gestation alters offspring gut microbiota and pain sensitivity.
Yaa Abu, University of Miami, USA

3:19 – 3:27 PM Cortical brain areas involved in contextual tolerance to fentanyl in male C57BL/6 mice.
Rosa Serrano, Yale University, USA

3:27 – 3:36 PM Central Amygdala Neuronal Populations Control Opioid-Related Behavior: The Role of Glucocorticoids.
Lucas Tortorelli, NIH, USA.

- 3:36 – 3:45 PM** **Neonatal morphine exposure (NME) results in sustained alterations to the gut microbiome contributing to hypersensitivity to thermal pain in adolescence.**
Danielle Antoine, University of Miami, USA
- 3:45 – 3:54 PM** **Opioid antagonism modulates oxytocin-induces anxiolytic-like behavior: Implications for treatment of substance use disorders.**
Khalin E. Nisbett, NIH, USA
- 3:54 – 4:03 PM** **Binge ethanol exposure in mouse equivalent to third trimester human pregnancy: Impact on neuronal function in the subiculum.**
Katalina Lopez, University of New Mexico, USA
- 4:03 – 4:12 PM** **Effect of ketone esters on blood alcohol levels in rats and human.**
Janaina Vendruscolo, NIH, USA
- 4:12 – 4:21 PM** **Psilocybin modulation of a cognitive control nucleus.**
Maxwell Madden, University of Maryland, USA
- 4:21 – 4:30 PM** **Cell-Type-Specific Analysis of Dopaminoceptive Neurons in Ventral Hippocampus in Cocaine Action.**
Veronika Kondey, Mount Sinai University, USA
- 4:30 – 4:39 PM** **Systemic inhibition of mTOR activity does not block the expression of incubated craving for methamphetamine or sucrose.**
Fernando Cano, University of California, Santa Barbara, USA
- 4:39 – 4:48 PM** **CCL2 antagonist RS504393 reverses heroin-induced hyperalgesia and place aversion in adult male and female rats.**
Nadia Said, NIH, USA
- 4:48 – 4:59 PM** **Use of Social Media Platforms Among Cannabis Retailers in the United States.**
Patricia Cavazos-Rehg, Washington University, USA

Tuesday, April 30, 2024

8:00 – 2:00 PM Registration desk open

8:00 – 9:00 AM Plenary Lecture II
Associative and Sensorimotor Basal Ganglia Circuit Roles in Substance Use and Misuse.
David Lovinger, Intramural Scientific Director, NIH/NIAAA, USA

Moderator: **Antonio Noronha (USA)**

SESSION V: RECENT INSIGHTS ON THE NEUROBIOLOGY OF STRESS EFFECTS ON ALCOHOL- AND COCAINE-RELATED BEHAVIORS

Moderator: **Marcus Weera (USA)**

9:00 – 9:20 AM Stress increases voluntary ethanol intake in mice with a history of chronic intermittent ethanol exposure.
Marcelo Lopez, Medical University of South Carolina, USA.

9:20 – 9:40 AM Lateral hypothalamus mediates stress-induced escalation of alcohol drinking.
Marcus Weera, Tufts University, USA.

9:40 – 10:00 AM Adult BNST stimulation promotes sex-specific negative affect-like behavior and parabrachial activation in mice with adolescent alcohol history.
Lucas Albrechet-Souza, LSU Health Sciences Center, USA.

10:00 – 10:20 AM Critical role of microglia in stress-induced neuroadaptations in accumbens core and cocaine seeking.
Constanza Garcia-Keller, Medical College of Wisconsin, USA.

10:20 – 10:40 AM COFFEE/TEA BREAK

SESSION VI: EXPLORING MULTILEVEL VULNERABILITIES IN ADDICTION: INSIGHTS AND INNOVATIONS FROM THE COCAINE BIOBANK

Moderators: **Olivier George (USA) and Lieselot Carrette (USA)**

10:40 – 11:00 AM An autophagy-related protein Becn2 regulates cocaine reward behaviors via the brain dopaminergic system.
Ming Xu, University of Chicago, USA.

11:00 – 11:20 AM Identification of gene variants that predict cocaine addiction-like behaviors in heterogeneous stock rats.
Olivier George, University of California San Diego, USA

11:20 – 11:40 AM Sex-specific differences in deltaFosB expression promotes neuroadaptation and cocaine self-administration in heterogeneous stock rats.

Philip Vieira; CSU Dominguez Hills, USA.

11:40 – 12:00 PM **Role of Peli1 expression and microglia activation in cocaine self-administration in heterogeneous stock rats.**

Ming-Lei Guo, Eastern Virginia Medical School, USA.

12:00 – 12:20 PM **Leptin Protects Against the Development and Expression of Cocaine Addiction-Like Behavior in Heterogeneous Stock Rats.**

Lieselot Carrette, University of California San Diego, USA

12:20 – 1:40 PM **LUNCH BREAK**

SESSION VII: THE INTERSECTION OF PAIN-RELATED BEHAVIORS AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS

Moderators: Jose Moron-Concepcion (USA)

1:40 - 2:00 PM **Genetic and genomic analysis of mechanisms underlying ethanol-induced analgesia.**

Michael Miles, Virginia Commonwealth University, USA

2:00 - 2:20 PM **Oxytocin effect on hyperalgesia during alcohol dependence in rats.**

Brendan Tunstall, University of Tennessee Health Science Center, USA

2:20 - 2:40 PM **Sex-dependent effect of pain on alcohol drinking behavior in rat models of AUD: role of the CeA-NAc dynorphin projection.**

Lucia Hipolito, University of Valencia, SPAIN

2:40 - 2:50 PM **COFFEE/TEA BREAK**

2:50 - 3:10 PM **Dissection of neural circuitry underlying pain-induced aversion leading to abnormal opioid intake.**

Nicolas Massaly, University of California, Los Angeles, USA

3:10 – 3:30 PM **Sex Differences in the Adolescent Alcohol-Induced Hyperalgesia**

Tiffany Wills, LSUHSC, USA

3:30 – 3:50 PM **Elevated dopamine D1/D2 receptor ratio in opioid use disorder recovery.**

Peter Manza, NIH, USA

3:50 – 4:10 PM **Dissection of PAG connectivity during osteoarthritis progression for the investigation of potential networks related to opioid addiction.**

Joyce da Silva, University of Maryland, USA

4:10 – 5:00 PM **IDARS Business Meeting**

Led by Nick Gilpin and Barbara Juarez

Wednesday, May 1, 2024

FREE DAY

CONFERENCE TOUR

**NO SCHEDULED CONFERENCE
ACTIVITIES**

Thursday, May 2, 2024

SESSION VIII: ALCOHOL: FROM GENES TO THE CLINIC

- Moderators:** Adolf Pfefferbaum (USA) and Edith Sullivan (USA)
- 8:20 – 8:40 AM** **Transcriptomic mechanisms of chronic alcohol exposure.**
Sean Farris, University of Pittsburgh, USA
- 8:40 – 9:00 AM** **A role for interleukin-33 in the neuroimmunophysiology of excessive alcohol intake.**
Regina Mangieri, UT-Austin, USA
- 9:00 – 9:20 AM** **BK channels enable differential interactions between alcohol and neurosteroids on cerebral artery function.**
Alex Dopico, University of Tennessee Health Science Center, USA
- 9:20 – 9:40 AM** **AUD and aging exert compounded untoward effects on regional thalamic volumes in people living with HIV infection.**
Adolf Pfefferbaum, SRI, USA
- 9:40 – 10:00 PM** **COFFEE/TEA BREAK**

SESSION IX: TARGETING PEPTIDE RECEPTORS FOR ADDICTION TREATMENT

- Moderators:** Giordano de Guglielmo (USA) and Roberto Cicocioppo (ITALY)
- 10:00 – 10:20 AM** **Stress effects on kappa opioid receptor responses in dopamine neurons projecting to the dorsal medial prefrontal cortex.**
Elyssa Margolis, University of California, San Francisco, USA.
- 10:20 – 10:40 AM** **The role of kappa opioid receptor-expressing cells in social defeat stress-escalated alcohol drinking.**
Rajani Maiya, LSU Health Sciences Center, USA
- 10:40 – 11:00 AM** **The role of N/OFQ signaling in a rat model of opioid use disorder.**
Giordano de Guglielmo, University of California San Diego, USA
- 11:00 – 11:20 AM** **Coactivation of NOP and classical opioid receptor systems in opioid use disorder.**
Roberto Cicocioppo, University of Camerino, ITALY.
- 11:20 – 11:40 AM** **Oxytocin signaling in the central amygdala contributes to its therapeutic potential in reducing alcohol consumption.**
Howard Becker, Medical University of South Carolina, USA.

11:40 – 12:00 PM Hormone control of food versus drug choice behavior.
Tod Kippin, University of California, Santa Barbara, USA.

12:00 – 1:30 PM LUNCH

SESSION X: CANNABINOIDS AND ENDOCANNABINOIDS

Moderators: Emmanuel Onaivi (USA) and Prakash Nagarkatti (USA)

1:30 - 1:50 PM Psychiatric Side Effects of the Cannabinoid CB1 Inverse Agonist SR141716 (Rimonabant) were Likely Predictable from Preclinical Animal Models.
Eliot Gardner, NIH, USA

1:50 - 2:10 PM Cannabinoid CB2 receptor neuro-immune crosstalk in alcohol induced behavioral effects.

Emmanuel Onaivi, NIDA-NIH & William Paterson University, USA

2:10 - 2:30 PM Role of anandamide in the attenuation of acute respiratory distress syndrome through induction of epigenetic pathways and regulation of dysbiosis.
Mitzi Nagarkatti, University of South Carolina, USA

2:30 - 2:50 PM Intracellular signaling of SR171416A – A CB1R inverse agonist/anagonist evoked emesis in least shrew.

Nissar Darmani, Western University of Health Sciences, USA

2:50 - 3:10 PM Alcohol induced behavioral and immune perturbations are attenuated by activation of CB2 cannabinoid receptors.

Aaliyah Roberts, William Paterson University, USA

3:10 – 3:30 PM Delta-8-tetrahydrocannabinol Attenuates Experimental Multiple Sclerosis Through Modulation of Gut Microbiota
Prakash Nagarkatti, University of South Carolina, USA

3:30 - 3:40 PM COFFEE/TEA BREAK

SESSION XI: CORTICAL CIRCUIT CONTROL OF COGNITION AND ACTION IN ADDICTION

Moderator: Brian Mathur (USA)

3:40 – 4:00 PM Transcranial magnetic stimulation of human PFC effects on behavioral outcomes in AUD patients
Abraham Zangen, Ben Gurion University, ISRAEL

4:00 – 4:20 PM Decoding Neuropeptide S Modulation of OFC-mediated Reward Seeking in an Oral Fentanyl Self Administration Task.
Kasey Girven, University of Washington, USA

- 4:20 – 4:40 PM** **Chronic alcohol drinking effects on PFC circuits in non-human primates.**
Virginia Cuzon-Carlson, Oregon Health & Science University, USA
- 4:40 – 5:00 PM** **Alcohol drinking is governed by anterior cingulate cortex-dependent arousal.**
Rafiq Huda, Rutgers University, USA

Friday, May 3, 2024

SESSION XII: ALCOHOL AND OPIOIDS: OVERDOSE, STRESS, AND TREATMENT

Moderators: Leandro Vendruscolo (USA) and Mohammed Akbar (USA)

8:40 - 9:00 AM **Understanding Fentanyl Lethality: Respiratory Depression and Potential Biomarkers of Addiction-like Behaviors.**
Renata Marchette, NIDA, NIH, USA.

9:00 - 9:20 AM **The role of central amygdala astrocytes in ethanol dependence.**
Judson Chandler, Medical University of South Carolina, USA

9:20 - 9:40 AM **The Stress of Addiction: Dysregulation of Psycho-neuro-endocrine Systems in Alcohol and Opioid Dependence**
Leandro Vendruscolo, NIDA, NIH, USA

9:40 – 10:00 AM **A Proof-of-Concept Human Laboratory Study of a Selective Glucocorticoid Antagonist for Alcohol Use Disorder.**
Barbara Mason, Scripps, USA.

10:00 - 10:20 AM **KNX100: A Novel Clinical-Stage Small Molecule Showing Potential for Treating Opioid and Alcohol Use Disorders.**
Michael Bowen, University of Sydney, AUSTRALIA

10:20 – 10:40 AM COFFEE/TEA BREAK

SESSION XIII: CELLULAR CROSSTALK IN HIV AND DRUG ABUSE-MEDIATED INFLAMMATION

Moderators: Shilpa Buch (USA) and Sabita Roy (USA)

10:40 – 11:00 AM **HIV and opiate-mediated AD and senescence in astrocytes.**
Shilpa Buch, University of Nebraska, USA

11:00 – 11:20 AM **HIV and Drugs of Abuse-Mediated Neuroinflammation: Role of miRNAs and inflammasomes.**
Palsamy Periyasamy, University of Nebraska, USA

11:20 – 11:40 AM **Neuroinflammatory overload in methamphetamine misuse and HIV infection.**
Michael Toborek, University of Miami, USA

11:40 – 12:00 AM **Single cell RNA sequencing of mouse amygdala under opioid dependent and withdrawal states.**
Sabita Roy, University of Miami, USA

12:00 – 12:20 PM Lung and brain injury by alcohol and e-cigarettes: Common mechanisms and role of extracellular vesicles in organ crosstalk.

Yuri Persidsky, Temple University, USA

12:20 – 12:30 PM CLOSING COMMENTS & DISCUSSION

George Koob, IDARS President

12:30 – 2:00 PM LUNCH

**2:00 PM
CONFERENCE DISMISSED**

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