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Conference Organizers:
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REGISTRATION AND WELCOME

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3:00 – 6:00 PM
Tuesday, September 3, 2019

8:00 - 2:00PM  Registration: Forum 2/3 Conference Area

Conference: Forum 2/3 - Meeting Hall

9:00 - 9:30AM  Opening of the Meeting
Welcome/Travel Award Presentations
George Koob/Syed Ali

9:30 – 10:30AM  Plenary Lecture I
Alcohol and Drug Addiction: The Gain in the Brain is in the Pain
George Koob, NIAAA, Baltimore, Maryland, USA

Moderator:  Abdelouahhab Tazi, Casablanca, Morocco

10:30 -10:50AM  COFFEE/TEA BREAK

SESSION I:  CORTICAL REGULATION OF REWARD, COMPULSIVITY AND ALCOHOL DRINKING

Moderators:  George Koob (USA) and Nick Gilpin (USA)

10:50 - 11:10AM  Cortical-Amygdala circuitry in reward learning and pursuit
Kate M. Wassum  Department of Psychology, University of California Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California USA

11:10 - 11:30AM  Prefrontal regulation of punished ethanol self-administration.
Andrew Holmes, Laboratory of Behavioral and Genomic Neuroscience, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, NIH, Bethesda, Maryland, USA

Nathan Marchant, Department of Anatomy & Neurosciences, Amsterdam University Medical Center, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, National Institute on Drug Abuse, Baltimore, Maryland, USA

11:50 - 12:10PM  Anterior insular cortex regulates renewal of alcohol-seeking after punishment imposed abstinence
Andrew Lawrence, The Florey Institute of Neuroscience and Mental Health, Parkville, Victoria 3052, Australia

12:10 - 12:30PM  Exercise reduces escalated drinking in alcohol dependent mice via elevated BDNF in prefrontal cortex
Howard Becker, Medical University of South Carolina, Charleston, South Carolina, USA.

12:30 - 12:50PM  Adolescent rat alcohol exposure alters adult brain mimicking human AUD
Fulton T. Crews, Bowles Center for Alcohol Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel, North Carolina, USA.
SESSION II: POSTER SESSION: 12:50 – 2:00 PM
Moderators: Ashraf Virmani (The Netherlands) and Syed Ali (USA)

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SESSION III: EXTENDED AMYGDALA REGULATION OF ADDICTION

Moderators: Antonio Noronha (USA) and Roberto Ciccocioppo (Italy)

2:00 – 2:20 PM Reward and aversion biases in projector populations of the amygdala and insular cortex.
Anna Beyeler, Neurocentre Magendie, INSERM 1215, University of Bordeaux, Bordeaux, France

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Roberto Ciccocioppo, School of Pharmacy, Pharmacology Unit, University of Camerino, Italy

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D.R. Sparta, Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology, University of Maryland School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland, USA.

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Subhash Pandey, Center for Alcohol Research in Epigenetics, Department of Psychiatry, University of Illinois at Chicago, Chicago, Illinois, USA.

3:40 - 4:00 PM COFFEE/TEA BREAK

SESSION IV: BRAIN OPIOIDS SIGNALING IN PAIN AND ADDICTION

Moderators: Eliot Gardner (USA) and Leandro Vendruscolo (USA)

4:00 – 4:20 PM Heroin addiction engages glucocorticoid-dependent brain stress systems.
Leandro Vendruscolo, NIDA-IRP, Baltimore, Maryland, USA.

4:20 – 4:40 PM Involvement of endogenous ghrelin in oxycodone self-administration and brain stimulation reward.
Eliot Gardner, National Institute on Drug Abuse, National Institutes of Health, Baltimore, Maryland USA
4:40 – 5:00 PM Functional upregulation of kappa opioid receptors in chronic pain states.  
**Catherine Cahill**, University of California Los Angeles, Los Angeles, California USA

5:00 – 5:20 PM Opioid use disorder in humans.  
**Sandra Comer**, Columbia University, New York, NY, USA

5:20 - 5:30 PM TRANSITION

**SESSION V: TRAVEL AWARD WINNER PRESENTATIONS**

**Moderators:** Barbara Mason (USA) and Eliot Gardner (USA)

5:30 – 5:45 PM A multi-species neurogenomics approach to identify pathways & medications for alcohol use disorder  
**Sean Farris***, Waggoner Center for Alcohol and Addiction Research, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas, USA  
(* George Koob Travel Awardee)

5:45 – 6:00 PM Manipulation of central amygdala neuropeptide Y neurons alters the consumption of alcohol.  
**Zoe McElligott****, Bowles Center for Alcohol Studies, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, USA  
(** Michael Kuhar Travel Awardee)

6:00 – 6:15 PM Cocaine self-administration induces transcriptional adaptation in the ventral pallidum  
**Michel Engeln***, Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology, University of Maryland School of Medicine, Baltimore, Maryland, USA  
(***Eliot Gardner Travel Awardee)

6:15 – 6:30 PM Prescription opioids, synaptic alterations and neurodevelopment: a systems biology approach.  
**Gurudutt Pendyala****, Department of Anesthesiology, University of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, Nebraska, USA  
(**** Institute of Neuromolecular Pharmacology, Seton Hall University Travel Awardee)
Wednesday, September 4, 2019

8:00 - 11:00 AM  Registration: Forum Meeting area
Breakfast: Forum Meeting Area

9:00 - 10:00 AM  Plenary Lecture II
Ventral tegmental area neuronal diversity and motivated behavior

Moderator: Michael Kuhar (USA)

10:00 – 10:20 AM  COFFEE/TEA BREAK

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**SESSION VI:  BINGE DRINKING: NEUROIMMUNE BIOMARKERS**

Moderators: *Sulie Chang (USA) and Dipak Sarkar (USA)*

10:20 - 10:40 AM  Binge exposure to ethanol-mediated neuroinflammation modulating morphine’s anti-nociception in B6 adolescent mice
*Sulie L. Chang*, Institute of Neuroimmune Pharmacology and Department of Biological Sciences, Seton Hall University, South Orange, New Jersey, USA

10:40 - 11:00 AM  Microglia control stress axis function via secreting exosomes
*Dipak Sarkar*, Rutgers Endocrine Research Program, Department of Animal Sciences, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, New Jersey, USA

11:00 – 11:20 PM  Alcohol and Cholesterol interact to control cerebral artery bk current via a PKC-dependent mechanism.
*Anna Bukiya*, University of Tennessee Heath Science Center, Memphis, Tennessee, USA

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*Alex Dopico*, University of Tennessee Heath Science Center, Memphis, Tennessee, USA

11:40 – 12:00 PM  Female gonadal hormone modulates etanol-induced memory déficit in post-pubertal female rats.
*Ratna Sircar*, The City College of New York, New York, New York, USA.

12:00 – 12:20 PM  Involvement of specific nicotine receptors in alcohol, nicotine, Cocaine and methamphetamine intake and attentional performance.
*Amir Rezvani*, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, North Carolina, USA

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Moderators: Barbara Mason (USA) and Edith Sullivan (USA)

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Ming Xu, The University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois USA

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Adolf Pfefferbaum, SRI International, Menlo Park, California USA

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Ed Levine, Duke University Medical Center, Durham, North Carolina, USA

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Michal Toborek, Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology, University of Miami, School of Medicine, Miami, Florida, USA

3:20 - 3:40 PM  COFFEE/TEA BREAK

SESSION IX: HIV-INFECTIONS AND DRUG ABUSE

Moderators: Mohan Sopori (USA) and Shilpa Buch (USA)

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Mohan Sopori, Lovelace Respiratory Research Institute, Albuquerque, New Mexico, USA

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Shilpa Buch, University of Nebraska Medical Center, Omaha, Nebraska USA

4:20 – 5:00 PM  Alcohol-SIV/HIV-ART interactions & risk for comorbidities.  
Patricia Molina, Louisiana State University Health Sciences Center, New Orleans, Louisiana USA

5:00 – 5:20 PM  Activation of GPR55 induces neuroprotection of hippocampal neurogenesis during chronic system inflammation.  
Yuri Persidsky, Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, Temple University Health Science Center, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA

5:20 – 5:40 PM  Morphine tolerance is attenuated in germ-free mice and reversed by probiotics implicating the role of gut microbiome.  
Sabita Roy, Department of Surgery, University of Miami, Miami, Florida, USA.
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Dinner will be Hosted by Mr. Sâadeddine EL OTHMANI

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Friday, September 6, 2019

8:00 - 9:00 AM  Registration: Forum 2/3 Meeting Ballroom
                 Breakfast: Foyer

9:00 – 9:30AM  Plenary Lecture III
                Addictions in Morocco: A Historical Prospective
                Driss Moussaoui, Ibn Rushd University Psychiatric Centre
                Casablanca, Morocco

Moderator:  George Koob (USA)

9:30 – 10:00 AM  COFFEE/TEA BREAK

SESSION XI:  MARIJUANA/CANNABINOIDS I

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

10:00 – 10:20 AM  Alcohol preference and behavioral modifications following deletion of CB2RS
dopamine neurons and microglia.
                Emmanuel Onaivi, William Paterson Universtiy, Wayne, New Jersey, USA

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                Friedbert Weiss, Department of Neuroscience, The Scripps Research Institute, La
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                  Prakash Nagarkatti, University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina USA

11:00 – 11:20 AM  Protective effects of Δ9-tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) against SEB-induced
                  acute lung injury results from alterations in lung dysbiosis.
                  Mitzi Nagarkatti, University of South Carolina, Columbia, South Carolina USA

11:20 - 1:00 PM  LUNCH

SESSION XII:  MARIJUANA/CANNABINOIDS II

Moderators:  Mitzi Nagarkatti (USA) and Declan Ali (Canada)

1:00 – 1:20 PM  Acute exposure to cannabinoids alters early neuronal development in
                Zebrafish.
                Declan Ali, University of Alberta, Edmonton, AB Canada

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                Nissar Darmani, Western University of Health Sciences, Pomona, California USA

1:40 – 2:00 PM  Neuroadaptations of the endocannabinoid system following cocaine or sucrose
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Katia Befort, CNRS, Universite de Strasbourg, Strasbourg, France

2:00 – 2:20 PM  Alcohol preference and depression in cnr2 knockout mice
Hiroki Ishiguro, University of Yamanashi, Chuo, Yamanashi, Japan

Frederico Pereira, Institute of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics, Faculty of Medicine, University of Coimbra, Coimbra, Portugal

2:40 – 3:00 PM  COFFEE/TEA BREAK

SESSION XIV: 3:00 – 5:00 PM
PANEL DISCUSSION, SUMMARY & RECOMMENDATION
George Koob, Abdelouahhab Tazi, Sulie Chang, Shilpa Buch, Emmanuel Onaivi, Prakash Nagarkatti, Barbara Mason, Susan Schenk, Eliot Gardner, and Syed Ali

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