

2018 INTERNATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM

Friday, October 26, 2018

9:00am–4:30pm

Kaufman Music Center

129 West 67th Street (b/w Broadway & Amsterdam)

New York, NY 10023



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Ending the Criminalization of Mental Illness



Keynote Speaker
Judge Steven Leifman

Judge Steven Leifman is Associate Administrative Judge of the Miami-Dade County Court — Criminal Division. He chairs the Steering Committee on Problem Solving Courts for the Florida Supreme Court and the Mental Health Committee for Florida's Eleventh Judicial Circuit. His activism has yielded significant reductions in arrests and recidivism among people with mental illnesses, having brought nationwide attention to the issue as Special Advisor on Criminal Justice and Mental Health for the Florida Supreme Court and Chair of its Task Force on Substance Abuse and Mental Health Issues.

Using Mental Health Research to Achieve Health Equity



Featured Speaker
Altha Stewart, M.D.

Dr. Altha Stewart is an Associate Professor/Chief of Social and Community Psychiatry and the Director of the Center for Health in Justice-Involved Youth at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis. She currently serves as President of the American Psychiatric Association. She spent a large part of her career serving as a CEO/ Executive Director of large public mental health systems in Pennsylvania, New York, and Michigan where she oversaw the management and development of programs for persons with mental illness and substance use disorders.

Symposium Moderator Robert M.A. Hirschfeld, M.D.

BBRF Founding Scientific Council Member
2002 Distinguished Investigator
2003 Falcone Prizewinner for Outstanding Achievement in Mood Disorders Research

Dr. Robert Hirschfeld is a Professor of Psychiatry and the DeWitt Wallace Senior Scholar in the Department of Psychiatry at Weill Cornell Medical College. He specializes in the treatment of bipolar disorder and depression in adults, particularly in patients whose illness has not responded to treatment. He is known internationally for his research on the diagnosis and treatment of depression, bipolar disorder, and anxiety disorders. He has made major contributions to our understanding of the classification of depression and bipolar disorders, their clinical course, relationship to personality and personality disorders, and treatment with medication and psychotherapy.

Symposium Commentator Ned H. Kalin, M.D.

BBRF Scientific Council Member

Dr. Ned Kalin is Chairman of the Department of Psychiatry at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where he is Director of the HealthEmotions Research Institute and Lane Neuroimaging Laboratory. He has made significant advances in uncovering basic brain and molecular mechanisms that cause children to be vulnerable to develop anxiety and depressive disorders. In addition to his research activities, he treats patients who suffer from anxiety and depression including refractory to standard treatment. He will become editor-in-chief of the *American Journal of Psychiatry* on January 1, 2019.

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Hear the 2018 Outstanding Achievement Prizewinners and select Young Investigators present updates on leading research discoveries across brain and behavior disorders, and a Featured Speaker and Special Keynote Presentation.

Registration

8:30 am

Morning Session

9:00 am–12:10 pm

Outstanding Achievement Prizewinners

Repercussions of Abnormal Dopamine on Brain and Behavior in Schizophrenia

Anissa Abi-Dargham, M.D.

Stony Brook University

Bridging Brain, Mind, and Experience to Understand Psychosis

Guillermo Horga, M.D., Ph.D.

New York State Psychiatric Institute, Columbia University

Schizophrenia and the Brain's Folded Genome

Schahram Akbarian, M.D., Ph.D.

Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

Evaluating Schizophrenia Risk Genes in Human Neurons

Kristen Brennand, Ph.D.

Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

Heart Matters: Bipolar Disorder as a Vascular Disease

Benjamin I. Goldstein, M.D., Ph.D., F.R.C.P.C.

University of Toronto & Sunnybrook Health Sciences Centre

Advancing Translational Research and Clinical Care in Bipolar Disorder

Lakshmi N. Yatham, M.B.B.S., F.R.C.P.C., M.R.C.Psych (UK), MBA (Exec)

University of British Columbia

Imaging the Developing Brain in Autism

Joseph Piven, M.D.

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Break

12:10 pm–1:10 pm

Afternoon Session

1:10 pm–4:30 pm

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Imagining a Better World for Children with Autism

Ami Klin, Ph.D.

Marcus Autism Center, Emory University School of Medicine and Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

Acetylcholine Receptors and Higher Brain Functions

Jean Pierre Changeux, Ph.D.

College de France and Institut Pasteur, France

The Computational CEO of the Brain

Xiao-Jing Wang, Ph.D.

Center for Neural Science, NYU

Young Investigators

Virtual Reality Exposure Therapy for Socially Anxious Youth

Michelle Pelcovitz, Ph.D.

Weill Cornell Medical College

Emerging Wearable Biomarker Sensors for Mental Health Monitoring

Sam Emaminejad, Ph.D.

University of California, Los Angeles

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Order of the presentations is subject to change.

RSVP by Friday, October 12th

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- Other _____

Primary Area(s) of Interest:

- Addiction
- Anxiety
- Attention-Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD)
- Autism
- Bipolar Disorder
- Borderline Personality Disorder
- Depression
- Eating Disorder
- Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder (OCD)
- Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD)
- Schizophrenia
- Suicide Prevention
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