3rd Annual Drug Abuse Research Symposium
“Drug Addiction is a Brain Disease”

Friday, September 7, 2007
8:30 am - 4:00 pm
Charles Drew University of Medicine and Science
Keck Lecture Hall
1731 E. 120th Street, Los Angeles, CA  90059

Co-sponsor: UCLA Integrated Substance Abuse Programs/ Pacific Southwest Addiction Technology Transfer Center

7:30-8:30 am    REGISTRATION/PRE-CONFERENCE EVALUATION AND BREAKFAST

8:30-8:45 am    WELCOME AND BACKGROUND ON MINORITY INSTITUTIONS DRUG ABUSE RESEARCH PROGRAMS (MIDARP) AT DREW

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8:45-9:00 am   “Substance Abuse Research for the betterment of the University

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BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES RESEARCH SUBSTANCE ABUSE

9:00-10:00 am    KEYNOTE SPEECH: “TBA”

Gail E. Wyatt, Ph.D.

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10:00-10:30 am   “TBA"

Martin Iguchi, PhD

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10:30-1045 am   MORNING BREAK

10:45-11:05 am   Marijuana Use Decreases the Prevalence of Diabetes: NHANESIII data

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BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES TOP STUDENT PRESENTATIONS

11:05-11:35 am

11:35-12:00 pm  "Impulsivity in Addiction: Causes and Consequences"

David Jentsch, Ph.D.  
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12:00-12:25 pm  "Prevalence of At-Risk Drinking among a National Sample of Medical Students"

Shahrzad Bazargan-Hejazi, Ph.D  
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12:25-1:20 pm  LUNCH BREAK

BASIC SCIENCE RESEARCH SUBSTANCE ABUSE

1:20-1:45 pm  "The neuronal circuitry activated by cocaine-associated cues in an animal model of cocaine craving: involvement of AMPA glutamate receptors"

Arturo R Zavala, Ph.D.  
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1:45-2:10 pm  "Nicotine self-administration with the tobacco constituent, norharmane"

Monica Arnold, Ph.D.  
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2:10-2:35 pm  "Neuroactive Steroids and Opioid Receptors"

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BASIC SCIENCE STUDENT PRESENTATIONS

2:35-3:05 pm

3:05-3:20 pm  Afternoon BREAK

3:20-3:45 pm  "cocaine CPP"

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3:45-4:10 pm  Endogenous opioid regulation of goal directed and habitual behavior  
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CLOSING REMARKS/POST-CONFERENCE EVALUATIONS

4:10-4:20 pm  Ted Friedman, MD, PhD

4:20 pm  Adjourn