“Drug Addiction is a Brain Disease”

Friday, July 31, 2009
8:30 am – 4:00 pm
Charles Drew University of Medicine and Science
Keck Lecture Hall
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Agenda

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 CDU
*Theodore Friedman, MD, PhD
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8:45 - 9:05 am  Substance Abuse Research for the Betterment of the University
Keith C. Norris, M.D., FACP
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KEYNOTE SPEAKER
9:05 -10:05 am  New pharmacotherapies for treating stimulant addictions
Frank J. Vocci, Ph.D.
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BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES and POLICY RESEARCH SUBSTANCE ABUSE
10:05 -10:30 am  Estimating the size of marijuana markets: Methods and policy implications
Beau Kilmer, Ph.D.
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10:30 -10:45 am  MORNING BREAK
10:45 -11:10 am  What Treats Drug-Involved Offenders?
Mark Kleiman, PhD
Professor of Public Policy, UCLA
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11:10 -11:35 am  How to Create Culturally Sensitive Programs for Research with Drug Addicted populations
Adey Nyamathi, ANP, Ph.D., FAAN
Professor and Acting Associate Dean for Academic Affairs and Research
Audrienne H. Moseley Endowed Chair in Community Health Research
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11:35 -12:00  The Beer Summit at the White House: What President Obama Needs to Know
Didra BrownTaylor, PhD, MPH
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12:00 -1:05 pm  LUNCH BREAK AND STUDENT POSTER PRESENTATIONS
Posters

Minocycline prevents oxidative stress in new born pups induced by prenatal cocaine exposure.
*Arroyo O, Anyakpor N, Gelfand R.
Charles Drew University of Medicine & Science

Early methylphenidate exposure enhances cocaine self-administration but not cocaine-induced conditioned place preference in young adult rats
Matthew S. Herbert, Leslie R. Horn, Shelley A. Baella, Cristal M. Farley, Rachel H. Campbell, Cynthia A. Crawford-CSUSB

The Role Of Proconvertase/2 In Morphine-Induced Antinociception, Tolerance And Conditioned Place Preference
*D Parikh, P Marquez, A Hamid, Y Liu, K Lutfy, TC Friedman, Western Univ. of Health Sci., and Charles Drew Univ.

Team NVC & NVC Live! Community-Base Participatory Research Projects for Men on Parole
L. Amanda Weber, Jerry Younger, Elizabeth Marlow NP, PhD, Pastor William T. Grajeda RA, and Adey Nyamathi ANP, PhD, FAAN, UCLA

Health Literacy Study for Heart Failure Patients
Ben Kwan, Adey Nyamathi , Dr. O’Connell

BASIC SCIENCE RESEARCH SUBSTANCE ABUSE

1:05 -1:20 pm  Food Intake and Body Weight Following Nicotine: A new weight loss drug?
*Brenda Velis
CSULB Student
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1:20 -1:40 pm  The role of endogenous opioid peptides in cocaine reward
*Kabirullah Lutfy, PhD
1:40 - 2:00 pm  The effects of acetaminophen on the rewarding properties of hydrocodone in rats
Arbi Nazarian, Ph.D.
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2:00 - 2:20 pm  Effects of early methylphenidate exposure on morphine and cocaine mediated behaviors in the adult rat
Cynthia A. Crawford, Ph.D.
Professor of Psychology
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2:20 - 2:35 pm  AFTERNOON BREAK

2:35 - 3:05 pm  Mechanisms of Vulnerability to Tobacco Abuse
Laura E. O'Dell, Ph.D.
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3:05 - 3:25 pm  NMDA receptor blockade increases locomotor behavior in zebrafish larvae
*Kevin Jones, Ph.D.
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3:25 - 3:45 pm  Consequences of prenatal cocaine exposure
*Indrani Sinha-Hikim, PhD
Associate Professor, Division of Endocrinology
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3:45 - 3:55 pm  CLOSING REMARKS

PRESENTATION OF PRIZE FOR TOP STUDENT PRESENTATION and POST-CONFERENCE EVALUATIONS
Theodore Friedman, MD, PhD

4:00 pm  ADJOURN

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