AMERICAN COLLEGE OF NEUROPSYCHOPHARMACOLOGY
59th ANNUAL MEETING
Networking Breaks/Roundtable Discussions
DECEMBER 6-9, 2020 │ ALL TIMES CENTRAL

Monday, December 7, 2020

11:30am – 12:00pm

- **Diversity and Inclusion Task Force:** ***Increasing Diversity in the ACNP Pipeline***
  Informal discussion
  Moderators: Armin Raznahan and Juan Gallego

- **Education and Training Committee:** ***Negotiating Positions and Promotions***
  Informal roundtable discussion
  Moderators: Charles Nemeroff and Mariella De Biasi

- **Membership Advisory Task Force:** ***Membership Considerations***
  Informal discussion
  Moderators: Diego Pizzagalli and Michael Stevens

- ***Novel Targets for Drug Discovery – What Biotech and Industry are looking for***
  Moderator: Claes Wahlestedt

1:00pm – 1:30pm

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- **Diversity and Inclusion Task Force:** ***Navigating the ACNP from a Diversity and Inclusion Perspective***
  Informal discussion
  Moderators: Jair Soares and Victoria Arango

- **Education and Training Committee:** ***Grantsmanship***
  Informal roundtable discussion
  Moderators: Subhash Pandey, Rebecca Knickmeyer, Marcelo Wood

- ***NPP Meet the Editors***

- **Women's Task Force:** ***Managing During the Pandemic***
  - One session focused on junior faculty with small children with discussions on "how to get work done while at home with small children or children who are on zoom for virtual schooling".
    Moderators: Kathleen Brady, Heather Brenhouse, Pamela Mahon, Michelle Mazei-Robison
  - One session focused on junior faculty and the issues with labs being shut down and funding being spent to pay salaries, etc.
    Moderators: Deanna Barch and Myrna Weissman

3:30pm – 4:00pm

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- **Diversity and Inclusion Task Force:** ***Take a Break with the Diversity and Inclusion Task Force*** - Meet and chat with the members of the Diversity and Inclusion Task Force who along with the members of the College are committed to, and benefit from the full and equitable participation of a diverse community in its membership, in its activities, and in the audiences that it serves.
  Informal discussion
  Moderators: Carrie Ferrario and Melissa Perrault

- **Education and Training Committee:** ***How to become involved in ACNP***
  Informal roundtable discussion
  Moderators: Robert Swift and Victoria Arango

7:30pm – 8:30pm

- **Diversity and Inclusion Task Force:** ***Unconscious Bias Training***
  Presenter: Dorcas Lind
  Moderators: Marisa Spann, Sade Spencer, Armin Raznahan, Lara Ray

8:30pm – 9:30pm

- **Diversity and Inclusion Task Force:** ***Can we Talk?***
  An open opportunity to discuss multiple topics.
  Moderator: Marisa Spann

Tuesday, December 8, 2020

10:30am – 11:00am

- **Animal Research Committee:** ***Animal Models (e.g. what works well and what does not, etc.)***
  Moderators: J. Dee Higley, Mar Sanchez, Georgia Hodes, Jill Turner, Karen Szumlinski
  Clinical research is often limited in the research questions it can answer. Etiological mechanisms, such as the effects of early experience, neurobiological variation, and even psychopharmacological and other biological treatments must rely on model organisms, typically rodents and frequently nonhuman primates for answers. The model needs to parallel not only the clinical and biological features but also the behavioral and cognitive states of interest, which limits the types of models that can be used and not all species are equivalent in addressing such research questions. While underlying similarities between humans and other animals allow researchers to answer with a high degree of specificity some questions of etiology, as well as the efficacy of some biological treatments, the

degree of generalization that researchers can make, the limitations, and nuances are important when considering the causes and treatments of psychopathological disease and their treatments. For example, most animals will administer opiates, but many species will not self-administer alcohol to the level that they achieve intoxication. Nonhuman primates' hippocampal structure and neuropathways show a high degree of similarity with humans, making the good models of the aging human brain. On the other hand, nonhuman primates have only recently have been utilized in transgenic studies. Even within different genus, brains vary in the degree that they parallel human both in neuroanatomy, neurochemically, and genetic mechanisms. In the Animal Committee's networking session, we will answer questions as to the advantages of using particular species for different forms of psychopathology, their underlying etiological mechanisms, as well as specific neuropsychopharmacological treatments. The advantages as well as the limitation of different animal models, including primate models will be addressed.

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- **Diversity and Inclusion Task Force:** ***Underrepresented Minority Women Networking Event*** - The focus of the event will be challenges and opportunities in navigating a career in academic medicine and how a strong URM women's network can help you achieve your goals. In the past two years, men have also been invited to attend this event.
  Moderators: Carolyn Rodriguez and Sade Spencer

- **Education and Training Committee:** ***Getting your Paper Published***
  Informal roundtable discussion
  Moderators: Anthony Rothschild, Vinay Parikh

- ***NPP Meet the Editors***

2:00pm – 2:30pm

- ***NIH Institute Networking Rooms*** (continued Q&A from NIH Institute Director's Session)

7:00pm – 9:00pm

- **Latin American Task Force:** ***Mixology with a Twist*** – Mixologists from the task force will craft drinks from their home countries.
  Gabrielle Britton, (Panama) Alan Frazer, (US), Katia Gysling (Chile), Carlos Zarate (Argentina)

Wednesday, December 9, 2020

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- **Diversity and Inclusion Task Force:** ***The Role of BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color) Scientists in Neuropsychopharmacology***
  Informal discussion
  Moderators: Marisa Spann, Nii Addy and Cynthia Rogers

- **Education and Training Committee:** ***Career Life Balance in the time of COVID***
  Informal roundtable discussion
  Moderators: Noah Philip, Rachel Marsh, Juan Gallego

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      Moderators: Laura Holsen and Chitra Mandyam
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      Moderators: Stephanie Borgland, Denise Cai, Melissa Perreault

12:30pm – 1:00pm

- **Diversity and Inclusion Task Force:** ***The Study of Sex Differences, Gender Bias and Trans Inclusive Research Practices (JEDI – Justice, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion)***
  Informal discussion
  Moderators: Debra Bangasser, Kale Edmiston, Christoph Anacker, Jordan Marrocco

- **Education and Training Committee:** ***Advice for Becoming a Mentor in the time of COVID***
  Informal roundtable discussion
  Moderators: Mark Niciu, Janet Clark

- **Education and Training Committee:** ***Negotiating Positions and Promotions***
  Informal roundtable discussion
  Moderators: Cassandra Reichardt Gipson, Marilyn Carroll, Charles Gillespie

- **Women's Task Force:** ***Continued discussion on unconscious bias and other topics discussed from the Women's Session*** *"Cultivating Your Voice – How unconscious bias affects STEMM Communications"* held immediately prior to this networking break.
  Session Presenters: Amy Landis and Christine O'Connell
  Moderators: Audrey Tyrka and Kimberly Yonkers

4:30pm – 5:00pm

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- **Diversity and Inclusion Task Force:** ***LGBTQIA2S+*** **Social**
  Moderator: Jared Young
  The ACNP Diversity and Inclusion Task Force welcome all attendees to a social get-together celebrating our LGBTQIA2S+ members and attendees. We have long-been a

part of ACNP meetings and its history but have had little opportunity to meet and network. This social gathering is meant to improve the visibility of our group to each other and the College as a whole, letting members know there is a safe-space to meet and mingle within our community. All are welcome to attend this celebration of our LGBTQIA2S+ attendees on this final day of ACNP – unfortunately, cocktails and mocktails must be self-shaken!

- **Education and Training Committee:** ***How to take the lemons that COVID is giving our research and make lemonade***
  Moderator: C. Neill Epperson
  Audience Engagement

  C. Neill Epperson will present various questions her junior faculty and she asked as we moved into the time of COVID as a good starting point to engage conversation with the audience.

- **NPP:** ***Promoting your Research – Tips from NPP's Social Media Editor***