

Psych-e News

DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY AND BEHAVIORAL NEUROSCIENCES



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Upcoming Events

DPBN Chairman's Grand Rounds

March 15th

Cynthia Arfken, PhD
"Telepsychiatry"

March 22nd

Leslie Lundahl, PhD
"Dazed and Confused:
Treating Adolescent Substance
Use Disorders"

March 29th

Kamalika Roy, M.D.
"Catatonia in Medically Ill:
Trends and Novel
Approaches"

April 5th

Steven Ondersma, Ph.D.
"TBA"

April 12th

Samad Hassan, M.D.
"TBA"

I. Greetings from the Chair

Congratulations to Arash Javanbakht, MD on his Stress and Resilience in Syrian and Iraqi refugee project being featured not only across WSU, Detroit and metro Detroit, but also reaching the CNN audience. Dr. Javanbakht was interviewed by CNN anchor Victor Blackwell and his team. Given the political climate, CNN was very interested in the project and how it can help current and future refugees. CNN also visited the ACC, who without their partnership this project could not be done. For the full broadcast, please see the link below. Congratulations Dr. Javanbakht and your entire team!



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jbXn-WDCpoA>

II. News from the Faculty

- **Deane Aikins, PhD and Shane Perrine, PhD**, were published in the journal *Neuroscience Letters*, *Differences in hippocampal serotonergic activity in a mouse single prolonged stress paradigm impact discriminant fear acquisition and retention*.
- **Cynthia Arfken, PhD and Mark Greenwald PhD**, recently had their paper accepted in the *Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment*, *Characterizing fentanyl use in methadone-maintained clients*. Drs. Arfken and Greenwald collaborated with Jessica Suchanek, a 2nd year WSU medical student, who worked last summer on this project.

- **Drs. Deane Aikins, Mark Greenwald and Manuel Tancer**, co-investigators on a newly funded R61 award led by PI Christine Rabinak, PhD. "Effects of THC on Retention of Memory for Fear Extinction Learning in PTSD".
- **Arash Javanbakht, MD** had his paper published in the journal Behavioral Sciences, "Sex-Specific Effects of Childhood Poverty on Neurocircuitry of Processing of Emotional Cues: A Neuroimaging Study."

III. Research Activities

- **Vaibhav Diwadkar, PhD** and medical student **Mathura Ravishankar** received 2nd place award for Clinical Science Oral Presentations and **Mark Greenwald, PhD** and medical student, **Tabitha Moses** received Honorable Mention in the 2017 Research Symposium which took place in January.

IV. Office of Education and Training

- Congratulations to our Chief Resident, **Dr. Rami Abukamil** on his appointment to Cross-Cultural Issues Committee of the American Academy of Psychiatry and the Law.
- Congratulations to **Dr. Anita Chang** (PGY-4 resident) whose manuscript, "Factors influencing psychiatry residency application selection for interview" was accepted into the journal Academic Psychiatry.
- Congratulations to **Drs. Khushminder Chahal and Gabriel Tobia**, PGY-3, on their publication, Surveys of Sexual Behavior and Sexual Disorders, in The Textbook of Clinical Sexual Medicine.
- Congratulations to **Dr. Khushminder Chahal** (PGY-3) on his multiple manuscripts recently accepted for publication. Dr. Chahal's works includes, 1) Integrity vs Despair as Illustrated in the film "Youth" accepted into The American Journal of Psychiatry Residents' Journal, 2) How your body language affects patient care accepted into Current Psychiatry Residents' Voices, 3) The Importance of Evaluating Sexual History in the Elderly accepted into The American Journal of Psychiatry Residents' Journal, and 4) The Utility of Assessing Nonverbal Communication in the Psychiatric Evaluation was accepted into The American Journal of Psychiatry Residents' Journal.
- Congratulations to **Gabriel Tobia**, PGY-3, on his recent publication, "Chapter 15 - Emerging Issues: Compulsive Online Sexual Behaviors", in the textbook Practical Guide to Paraphilias and Paraphilic Disorders.

V. Going Above and Beyond

Congratulations to all the people who volunteered their time to participate in Brain Day in Detroit at the Science center on this past Saturday. Events like this are possible because of the amazing people who take their time to volunteer and make it a

success. **Thank you Michael Lisieski and Nicholas Meshkin, both in the TNP program;**

Tatianna Gore, Klevis Karavidha, and Rafael Garibyan are undergraduates in Dr. Shane Perrine's lab;

Arman Harutyunyan and Akhil Sharma, from Pharmaceutical Sciences;

Usha Rajan, Rebecca Neill, Joel Williams, Patricia Thomas and Caroline Zajac-Benitez of the Brain Imaging Division



"Your greatest danger is letting the urgent things crowd out the important."

— Charles E. Hummel, Tyranny of the Urgent