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Neurotransmitter

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Neurotransmitter Schedule

The next *Neurotransmitter* will be published and mailed electronically on **Monday, January 22, 2024**. All seminar announcements and notices must be submitted to Lucas Grasha via email (CNUP@pitt.edu) **no later than 12:00 noon on Thursday, January 18, 2024**. All times listed under notices are in EDT.

Notices

Wed., 1/10 4 PM *Somatosensory coding gone wrong: The origins of neuropathic pain*

Steven Prescott, PhD, MD
Professor
University of Toronto

1495 Biomedical Science Tower

(Sponsored by the Pittsburgh Center for Pain Research and University of Pittsburgh Brain Institute)

Wed., 1/17 12 PM *Identification and functional characterization of PD-relevant pesticides in iPSC-derived neurons*

Richard Krolewski, MD, PhD
Associate Neurologist
Department of Neurology
Harvard Medical School

6014 Biomedical Science Tower 3

(Sponsored by the Pittsburgh Institute for Neurodegenerative Diseases)

Fri., 1/19 12-1:15 PM

Meet the PI Lecture Series

Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms of Depression and Stress Susceptibility: Sex Matters

Marianne Seney, PhD
Associate Professor
Psychiatry
University of Pittsburgh
School of Medicine

Western Psychiatric Hospital Auditorium

Virtual link:

<https://pitt.zoom.us/j/95896831745>

Passcode: 522108

(Sponsored by the Department of Psychiatry)

Fri., 2/5 12-1:15 PM

Distinguished Scientist Lecture Series

What Can Psychiatry Learn from Precision Medicine?

Jordan Smoller, MD
Professor
Psychiatry & Epidemiology
Harvard University

Via Zoom

Virtual link:

<https://pitt.zoom.us/j/99887641556>

Passcode: 874622

(Sponsored by the Department of Psychiatry)

Fri., 2/9
12-1:15 PM

Meet the PI Lecture Series
How Can We Replicate Findings in Psychiatry?

Meredith Wallace, PhD
Associate Professor
Psychiatry & Biostatistics
University of Pittsburgh
School of Medicine

Western Psychiatric Hospital Auditorium

Virtual link:
<https://pitt.zoom.us/j/99213560251>
Passcode: 327050

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Fri., 2/23
12-1:15 PM

Researchers on the Rise Lecture Series
Neural Circuitry Underlying Emotional Abuse and Depression in Sexual Minority Youth

Kristen Eckstrand, MD, PhD
Assistant Professor
Psychiatry
University of Pittsburgh
School of Medicine

Sensory-Perceptual Disruptions and their Impact on Clinical Outcomes in First-Episode Psychosis

Alfredo Sklar, MD, PhD
Assistant Professor
Psychiatry
University of Pittsburgh
School of Medicine

Western Psychiatric Hospital Auditorium

Virtual link:
<https://pitt.zoom.us/j/92284660997>
Passcode: 999892

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Fri., 3/15
12-1:15 PM

Meet the PI Lecture Series
Neural Mechanisms Underlying Resisting Emotional Interference

Neil Jones, PhD
Assistant Professor
Psychiatry & Psychology
University of Pittsburgh
School of Medicine

Western Psychiatric Hospital Auditorium

Virtual link:
<https://pitt.zoom.us/j/93462347098>
Passcode: 655706

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Fri., 3/22
12-1:15 PM

Distinguished Scientist Lecture Series
Neuroimaging Studies of Brain Bioenergetics in Psychotic Disorders

Dost Öngür, MD, PhD
William P. & Henry B. Test Professor
of Psychiatry
Harvard Medical School

Western Psychiatric Hospital Auditorium

Virtual link:
<https://pitt.zoom.us/j/99092432707>
Passcode: 885597

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Fri. 4/19
12-1:15 PM

Meet the PI Lecture Series
Neuroimaging Markers of Antipsychotic Treatment & Functional Outcomes

Deepak Sarpal, MD
Assistant Professor
Psychiatry
University of Pittsburgh
School of Medicine

Western Psychiatric Hospital Auditorium

Virtual link:
<https://pitt.zoom.us/j/99690039327>
Passcode: 925721

(Sponsored by the Department of Psychiatry)

Fri., 4/26
12-1:15 PM **Distinguished Scientist Lecture Series**
Neural Dynamics, Adolescent Synaptic Pruning, and Cognition

Bruno Averbeck, PhD
Chief, Section on Learning
& Decision Making
National Institute of Mental Health

Western Psychiatric Hospital Auditorium

Virtual link:
<https://pitt.zoom.us/j/98709890853>
Passcode: 412367

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please let us know at the end of each 3-month interval and it will remain live.

Communicating Science outreach group

Led by Drs. Zak Wills and Ross Williamson, this group will give you an opportunity to share your passion for neuroscience with middle and high school students by participating in a CNUP outreach program.

Students will visit schools for approximately 2 hours in the morning, set up 4 stations where groups present neuroscience topics ranging from “The NMJ synapse”, “Optical Illusions”, “Gliolymphatics”, “Critical Periods in Development”, “How We Hear” and many more. These topics are intended to excite and inspire students and are as hands on as possible. Presentations last around 15 minutes with 5 minutes for questions and are repeated for 4 groups of students that cycle through to ensure the class size is small. CNUP Student presenters in the class workshop presentations over the fall semester during a 1-hour weekly class and we usually start school visits in early January and continue throughout the spring.

Please email Zak Wills (zpwills@pitt.edu) if are interested.

Please note about job postings:

Previously, the Neurotransmitter listed jobs and professional opportunities in this section of the newsletter. We will instead move these postings to a page on our website (<https://www.cnup.pitt.edu/job-postings>). Please check there for any existing or upcoming postings! We will host them on the website for 3 months, after which we will take them off the site. If you send us a posting and wish for it to remain up longer than that,