28th Annual
MORTIMER D. SACKLER WINTER CONFERENCE
In Developmental Psychobiology

January 6th-9th, 2013

The Sands at Grace Bay
Providenciales, Turks & Caicos Islands

Organizers
William Fifer, Columbia University & New York State Psychiatric Institute
Gordon Barr, Children’s Hospital of Philadelphia & University of Pennsylvania

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Schedule of Events
Sunday, January 6, 2013

6:30 PM – 8:00 PM
Reception: Informal Opportunity to Greet and Meet

Monday, January 7, 2013

8:30-10:30 AM
“Impact of Stress and Adversity”

Nathan Fox, Organizer
University of Maryland

A Neurogenetic Approach To Understanding The Impact Of Early Adversity: Potential And Pitfalls
Stacy Drury
Tulane University School of Medicine

The Neurobiological Consequences Of Early Human Deprivation
Charles Nelson
Boston Children’s Hospital, Harvard University

Recovery From Severe Deprivation: Social And Emotional Development
Charles Zeanah and Nathan Fox
Tulane University School of Medicine
University of Maryland

4:30-6:30 PM
The Alan Epstein Symposium

Moderators: Gordon Barr and William Fifer
Favorite new research and/or methodologies: Five minute presentations

Meeting Banquet 7:00-10:00
Tuesday, January 8, 2013

8:30-10:30 AM

“Development of Perception and Communication”

Donald Wilson, Organizer
New York University School of Medicine
Nathan Kline Institute

Growing Preference For Sweet And Salt And Rejection Of All That Tastes Bitter
Julie Mennella
Monell Chemical Senses Center

Age-Dependent Influence Of Auditory Experience On Perceptual Skills
Dan Sanes
New York University

A Perceptual-Learning Deficit In Adults With Reading Disorders Interpreted As Evidence Of A Developmental Delay
Beverly Wright
Northwestern University

4:00-6:30 PM

“Is hypersynchronous brain activity merely a biomarker or does it alter outcome after brain injury”

Kevin Staley, Organizer

Neonatal Hypoxic Ischemic Encephalopathy: A Developmental Continuum
Robert Darnall
Geisel School of Medicine at Dartmouth

New EEG Techniques Illuminate Neonatal Hypoxic Ischemic Brain Injury
Edward Dudek
University of Utah, School of Medicine

Brain Activity Patterns During Normal Development & Following Preterm Injury
Patrick McQuillen
University of California, San Francisco

Does Seizure Activity Alter Epilepsy After Brain Injury?
Kevin Staley
Massachusetts General Hospital for Children, Harvard University

Reception 6:45-7:45
Wednesday, January 9, 2013

8:30-11:00 AM

“From Synapses to Circuits”

William Fifer, Organizer

Synapse Organization: From Molecules To Behavior
Thomas Biederer
Yale University

Cortical circuit development and plasticity in neurodevelopmental disorders
Michela Fagiolini
Boston Children’s Hospital, Harvard University

White Matter Development And Regeneration After Neonatal Injury
Vittorio Gallo
Children’s National Medical Center, George Washington University

Automated, Circuit-Based Diagnoses Of Neuropsychiatric Disorders Using Anatomical MR
Bradley Peterson
Columbia University

4:30-6:30 PM

“Plasticity”

Pat Levitt and William Fifer, Organizers
USC, Columbia University

Biological Basis Of Critical Period Plasticity
Takao Hensch
Boston Children’s Hospital, Harvard University

Maturation Of Frontal Cortex In Mice
Linda Wilbrecht
University of California, San Francisco

Mechanisms Underlying Long-Term Memory Formation In Adult And Developing Rats
Cristina Alberini
New York University

Farewell Gathering: 6:45-7:45 PM