

PROGRAM



UAB Comprehensive Neuroscience Center

ANNUAL RETREAT

September 14-15, 2022

Lake Guntersville State Park
Lodge and Convention Center

Wednesday, September 14, 2022

9:00am – 10:00am **Arrival and registration**

10:00am **Welcome, announcements, and State of the CNC address**
Camelia Room **Jeremy Day, Ph.D.**

*Director, UAB Comprehensive Neuroscience Center
Michael J. Friedlander Heersink Endowed Professorship
Associate Professor, Department of Neurobiology*

10:30am **New faculty session I (Moderator: Dr. Karen Gamble)**

“Basolateral Amygdala Parvalbumin Interneurons Drive Anxiety-like Behavior Across the Estrous Cycle in Mice”

Beth Lucas, Ph.D. Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry

“Trans-synaptic mechanism of synaptic connectivity and function - lessons learned from the visual system”

Yuchen Wang, Ph.D.

Assistant Professor, Department of Optometry & Vision Science

“Neurophysiological mechanisms of sentence comprehension in language”

Matthew Nelson, Ph.D. Assistant Professor, Department of Neurosurgery

12:00pm **Lunch**
Main Dining Room

1:00pm **Trainee session I (Moderator: Dr. Kristina Visscher)**
Camelia Room

“Impairments in fear extinction memory and basolateral amygdala plasticity in the TgF344-AD rat model of Alzheimer’s disease are distinct from non-pathological aging”

Caesar Hernandez, Ph.D. Postdoctoral Fellow, Dobrunz Lab

“Mild traumatic brain injury induces an atypical response in astrocytes and neurons”

Carmen Muñoz-Ballester, Ph.D. Postdoctoral Fellow, Robel Lab

“Increased astrocytic Neat1 contributes to age- and Alzheimer’s disease-associated memory impairment”

Ashleigh Irwin Graduate Student, Lubin Lab

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Trainee session I

“Dopaminergic Neurons of the Substantia Nigra Exhibit a Cell Intrinsic Clock and Selective Ablation of This Molecular Clock Impacts Electrophysiological Output”

Ananya Swaroop Graduate Student, Gamble Lab

“Racial Differences in Biopsychosocial Factors Related to Current Opioid Treatment”

Asia Wiggins Graduate Student, Goodin & Sorge Labs

“Impact of α -synuclein pathology on corticostriatal synapses in Parkinson’s Disease”

Charlotte Brzozowski Graduate Student, Volpicelli-Daley Lab

3:00pm
Camelia Room

“Recognizing Intellectual Property When You See It”

Karthik Gopalakrishnan, Ph.D.

Director of Licensing and New Ventures

Harbert Institute for Innovation and Entrepreneurship

3:30pm

Afternoon break & room check-in

5:30pm
Goldenrod Room

Poster session

Cash bar

7:00pm
Grandview Room

Banquet dinner

Cash bar

8:30pm
Grandview Room

Evening activity

Thursday, September 15, 2022

- 8:00am
Main Dining Room
- Breakfast**
- 9:00am
Camelia Room
- New faculty session II (Moderator: Dr. Lawrence Sincich)**
- “Methods for Non-Invasive Deep Brain Modulation to Study and Treat Neurologic and Psychiatric Disorders”**
Jamie Tyler, Ph.D. Professor, Department of Biomedical Engineering
- “Memory encoding in GABAergic engrams”**
Kirstie Cummings, Ph.D. Assistant Professor, Department of Neurobiology
- “Mechanisms of neurodegeneration from environmental factors associated with Parkinson’s disease”**
Briana DeMiranda, Ph.D. Assistant Professor, Department of Neurology
- 10:30am
- Trainee session II (Moderator: Dr. Jeremy Day)**
- “Adult-born neurons excel in the computational function of pattern separation”**
Harshad Panikkaveetil Ashraf, Ph.D. Postdoctoral Fellow, Wadiche Lab
- “Changes in White Matter and Neurite Morphology in Response to Neurobehavioral Therapy for Nonepileptic (Functional) Seizures”**
Christina Mueller Graduate Student, Szaflarski Lab
- 11:00am
- Break**
- 11:15am
Camelia Room
- Keynote presentation – “Mechanism of Rapid Antidepressant Action”**
Dr. Lisa Monteggia, Ph.D.
Barlow Family Director of the Vanderbilt Brain Institute
Professor, Department of Pharmacology
Vanderbilt University
- 12:30pm
Main Dining Room
- Lunch**
- 1:30pm
Camelia Room
- Announcement of poster/presentation awards & closing remarks**
- 2:00pm
- Depart**

Keynote speaker



Dr. Lisa Monteggia is the Barlow Family Director of the Vanderbilt Brain Institute and Professor of Pharmacology at Vanderbilt University. Dr. Monteggia completed her undergraduate studies at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, receiving a B.S. in Microbiology and then a M.S. in Biology. Dr. Monteggia then worked for several years in a pharmaceutical company where she was promoted to the level of Scientist. Concurrently, Dr. Monteggia attended the Chicago Medical School receiving a Ph.D. in Neuroscience and working with Dr. Marina Wolf in the area of drug abuse. Dr. Monteggia then moved to Yale University to complete a fellowship under the guidance of Dr. Eric Nestler in the area of molecular psychiatry. Dr. Monteggia joined the faculty at UT Southwestern Medical Center where she held the Ginny and John Eulich Professorship in Autism Spectrum Disorders and was Professor of Neuroscience at UT Southwestern Medical Center before moving to Vanderbilt in 2018. The main focus of the Monteggia laboratory is on the molecular and cellular mechanisms that underlie psychiatric disorders, with a specific focus on neurotrophic factors, epigenetic mechanisms, and synapse function.

Presentation awards

Trainee platform presentations will be selected from the submitted abstracts by a panel of judges. Awards will be given for both platform and poster presentations.

Platform (oral) presentation awards:

- 1st place - \$500
- 2nd place - \$250
- 3rd place - \$100

Poster presentation awards:

- 1st place - \$500
- 2nd place - \$250
- 3rd place - \$100

Location

The 2022 CNC Retreat will be held at the Lake Guntersville State Park Lodge and Convention Center in Guntersville, Alabama.

Lake Guntersville State Park Lodge and Convention Center
1155 Lodge Dr. Guntersville, AL 35976
(256) 505-6621

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Poster session (Wednesday, Sept. 14 5:30pm)

- 1. Experiences of Discrimination Predict Current Substance Usage, Depressive Symptoms and Insomnia Symptoms in People with HIV**
Joanna M. Hobson, BS, Shannon R. Gilstrap, BS, S. Justin Thomas, PhD, Shameka L. Cody, PhD, AGNP-C, Burel R. Goodin, PhD
- 2. Impact of pharmacological manipulation of Kv7 (KCNQ) channels on MSN excitability and cultured striatal neuron activity**
Emily T. Jorgensen, Jeremy J. Day
- 3. Application of Transfer Learning Drug Repurposing for Glioblastoma**
Jennifer L. Fisher, Vishal Oza, PhD, Brittany N. Lasseigne, PhD
- 4. Abnormalities in glycosphingolipid degradation caused by progranulin deficiency**
Nicholas Boyle, Andrew Arrant, Trae Dunn, Erik Roberson
- 5. Neuronal transduction of AAV-Progranulin rescues pro-inflammatory microglial morphology in a mouse model of progranulin deficiency**
Shreya N. Kashyap, Katherine I. Wilson, Andrew E. Arrant, Erik D. Roberson
- 6. Alzheimer's disease risk factor BIN1 in parvalbumin interneurons**
Natalie Davis, Yuliya Voskobiynyk, Robert Phillips, Nick Cochran, Erik Roberson
- 7. Neuropeptide Y Acts on Y1 Receptors in Temporoammonic-CA1 Synapses**
Cortes M.A., Li Q., Bartley A.F., Davis T.R., Cunningham S.E., Perez P.J., Dobrunz L.E.
- 8. Multimerization of TREM2 is impaired by Alzheimer's disease-associated variants**
Hunter B Dean, Rory A Greer, Thomas J Brett, Yuhua Song, Erik D Roberson
- 9. The small-molecule TrkB ligand LM22-A4 improves dendritic spine phenotypes in male and female Rett mice**
D MEDEIROS, K A-BAYLON, HE BETANCOURT, EC MILLER, CA CHAPLEAU, H ROBINSON, T YANG, F LONGO, W LI, LP-MILLER
- 10. The Role of Syntaxin 1 Phosphorylation in The Reverse Transport of Dopamine**
Samuel Mabry, Aparna Shekar, Mary Cheng, Daniele Zanella, Jenny Aguilar, Shalin Patel, Angela Carter, Ivet Bahar, Heiner Matthies, Aurelio Galli
- 11. The role of cell-cell communication in Alzheimer's disease**
Tabea M. Soelter, Vishal H. Oza, T.C. Howton, Brittany N. Lasseigne
- 12. Alpha-synuclein Inclusions in the Amygdala**
Nolwazi Z. Gcwensa, Dreson L. Russell, Kahliah Long, Dr Laura Volpicelli-Daley

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13. **The dorsal peduncular cortex functions as a novel fear-promoting brain region**
Zephyr Desa and Dr. Kirstie A Cummings
14. **Reelin protein marks cocaine-sensitive Drd1+ medium spiny neurons and modulates the behavioral response to cocaine**
Kasey L. Brida, Robert A. Phillips III, M. Natalie Davis, Kelsey Montgomery, Kristen R. Maynard, Keri Martinowich, & Jeremy J. Day
15. **Circadian regulation of dentate gyrus excitability mediated by G-protein signaling**
Gonzalez JC; Lee H; Vincent AM; Hill AL; Goode KL; King GD; Gamble KL; Wadiche JI; Overstreet-Wadiche L
16. **Dementia with Lewy Body amplified α -synuclein seeds drive synuclein related neuropathology in a transgenic mouse model**
Henrique de Oliveira Amaral, Marissa Menard, Laura Volpicelli Daley, Ashley Harms, David G. Standaert, Connor Bargar, and Shu Chen
17. **LRRK2 kinase inhibition protects dopaminergic neurons from Parkinson's disease-associated environmental toxicants**
Neda M. Ilieva, Anantha Korrapati, Ikjoon Shin, Briana de Miranda
18. **Novel Camera Based Tool for Characterization of Drosophila Amphetamine Preference**
David P Saleeby, Yanqi Zhu, Samuel J Mabry, Mark Bolding, Angela M. Carter, Aurelio Galli
19. **Identification and validation of a novel Pdyn enhancer**
Robert A. Phillips III, Brooke Walker, David Reid, Lara Ianov, Jeremy J. Day.
20. **GABAA receptor-mediated inhibition suppresses Long-term Potentiation in adult-born dentate granule cells**
W. M. Kennedy, A. H. Lee, J. I. Wadiche, L. Overstreet-Wadiche
21. **Glutamate "spill-in" mediates afferent convergence to common postsynaptic receptors**
Reagan Pennock
22. **Changes in electrophysiological properties of Nav1.8Cre/YFP trigeminal afferent neurons in mice with oxaliplatin-induced trigeminal neuropathic pain**
Saurav Gupta, Ryan J. Vaden, Akihiro Yamada, Jennifer Ling, Jianguo G. Gu
23. **A network of Phosphatidylinositol-4,5-biphosphate binding sites on the dopamine transporter regulates AMPH-induced behavior in Drosophila melanogaster**
Yanqi Zhu, Jenny Aguilar, Samuel J. Mabry, Heinrich J. G. Matthies, Aurelio Galli

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24. **Dopamine from Purkinje cells regulates cerebellum-dependent behaviors through Bergmann glial cells**
Chang Li, Natalie B Saliba, Hannah Martin, Nicole A Losurdo, Kian Kolahdouzan, Riyan Siddiqui, Wei Li
25. **The environmental pollutant trichloroethylene induces cellular senescence and neuroinflammation as potential mechanisms of Parkinson's neurodegeneration**
Ashley Adamson, Julia Langman, Briana De Miranda
26. **Bariatric surgery and bile acids modulate central cocaine reward**
Daniele Zanella, Nicholas K. Smith, J. Andrew Hardaway, Anna Marie Buchanan, Angela M. Carter and Aurelio Galli
27. **Connectivity fingerprints as a tool for investigating plasticity changes in central vision loss**
Rachel Chua, Leland Fleming, Kristina Visscher
28. **Social ranking is disrupted in Rett syndrome mice**
Acevedo-Triana, C., Pozzo-Miller, L.
29. **Defining compensation after central vision loss, and relating it to functional connectivity in the visual cortex**
Elam Cutts, Marcello Maniglia, Leland L. Fleming, Kristina Visscher
30. **Exploring Nonsense Suppression as a Treatment for Rett Syndrome**
Xin Xu, Kim M. Keeling, Ming Du, Josh Echols, Bob Bostwick, Corinne Augelli-Szafran, Micah Simmons, Yanhong Yin, Jonathan Merritt, Jeffrey Neul, Qiang Chang, Rita M. Cowell, Mark Suto, David M. Bedwell, Lucas Pozzo-Miller
31. **Brain temperature elevations as biomarker in temporal lobe epilepsy**
Ayushe A. Sharma, Rodolphe Nenert, Adam Goodman, Jerzy P. Szaflarski
32. **Sex differences in socioemotional behavior and changes in ventral hippocampal gene expression across aging**
Nina Baumgartner, Mandy Biraud, Elizabeth Lucas
33. **Heterozygosity of the GBA1 L444P mutation enhances hippocampal alpha-synuclein inclusions and Glucosylsphingosine while reducing cognitive function**
Casey Mahoney-Crane Co Authors: Megha Viswanathan, Dreson Russell, Jennifer Freire, Sai Sumedha Bobba, Rachel A.C. Curtiss, Nathan G. Hatcher, Sean M. Smith, Jacob N. Marcus PhD., and Laura A. Volpicelli-Daley Ph.D

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34. **Characterizing a unique Oprm1 expressing neuronal population in the rat nucleus accumbens**
Emma Andraka, Kasey L. Brida, Robert A. Phillips III, & Jeremy J. Day
35. **Transcription factor 4 coordinates developmental and dopamine-related epigenetic signatures in striatal neurons**
Nathaniel J. Robinson, Jenna E. Hinds, Saige Thompson, Jeremy J. Day
36. **Endogenous neuropeptide Y release attenuates long-term potentiation in the temporoammonic pathway of hippocampus**
Qin Li, Aundrea F. Bartley, Megan R. Hu, Lynn E. Dobrunz
37. **Novel Mouse Models to Define the Role of Sialylation in the Developing and Neoplastic Brain**
Ethan Vallely, Sajina GC, Lucas Rickenbacker, Kaysaw Tuy, Susan Bellis, Anita Hjelmeland
38. **Determining optimal clustering of co-activation patterns in resting-state and task data**
Paul Stewart, Kristina Visscher, Anat Grinfield, Daniel Goldberg-Zimring, Swetha Ravichandran
39. **Sex-dependent effect of NPY overexpression on hippocampus- and prefrontal cortex-dependent behaviors in mice**
Taylor R. Davis, Aundrea F. Bartley, Lynn E. Dobrunz
40. **Examining layer-specific functional connections using high field MRI: applications to studying neural changes after central vision loss**
Pinar Demirayak, Dawn DeCarlo, Gopikrishna Deshpande, Thomas Denney, Kristina M. Visscher
41. **Mechanism for Microbial Regulation of Psychostimulant Abuse**
Mabry SJ*, Cao X*, Patel S, Elam A, Zhu Y, Saleeby DP, Wu H, Galli A, Carter AM
42. **Neural control of disconjugate eye movements in the primate: Effects of electrical microstimulation**
Julie Quinet, Kevin Schultz, Paul J May, Paul D Gamlin
43. **Aging, PAI-1, astrocyte senescence, and Alzheimer's disease**
Chun-sun Jiang, Lee-Way Jin, Tapasi Rana, Hong Wei Qin, Susan A. Farr, John E. Morley, Erik D. Roberson, Rui-Ming Liu