Ninth Annual Neuropsychology Research Day
September 16, 2011

9:00-9:05 AM  Opening Remarks
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Session I: 9:05-10:20
Moderator:  Maureen O’Connor, J.D., Ph.D.
Professor of Psychology at John Jay College
Executive Officer, Doctoral Programs in Psychology
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9:05-9:20  The Noise That Rocks the Cradle: An Investigation into Prenatal Auditory Exposure and Fetal Stress.  Elana Ying Mystal (Nomura lab) Queens College


9:35-9:50  Pragmatic Deficits and Social Impairment in Children with ADHD.  Katya Staikova (Halperin lab) Queens College

9:50-10:05  The Cognitive and Metabolic Consequences of Emotion and Cognition Interactions.  Justin Storbeck, Ph.D. (Storbeck lab) Queens College

10:05-10:20  Executive Dysfunction and Treatment Response in Late-Life Depression.  Monique Pimontel (Sneed lab) Queens College

10:20-10:45  Coffee Break

Session II:  10:40-12:00
Moderator:  Justin Storbeck, Ph.D.
Department of Psychology, Queens College, CUNY

10:45-11:00  Qualitative and quantitative methods in the assessment of MRI signal hyperintensities in late-life depression.  Emily Cohen (Sneed lab) Queens College
11:00-11:15  Mate Preferences as a Function of Beauty, Status, and Attachment Security. Alison Baren (Brumbaugh lab) Queens College

11:15-11:30  An Animal Conflict Model of Abstinence and Relapse. Joshua Peck (Ranaldi Lab) Queens College

11:30-11:45  A Social-Neurocognitive Approach to Sex, Drugs, and Risk. Bill Kowalczyk and Louisa Thompson (Golub lab) Hunter College

11:45-12:00 Dopamine and Opioids Modulate Fructose-Conditioned Flavor Preferences in BALB/c and SWR Inbred Mice. Tamar Kraft (Bodnar lab) Queens College

12:00-1:00  Lunch

Session III: Keynote Address
1:00-2:45  Welcome
          Dean Larry Liebovitch
          Dean of Math and Natural Sciences, Queens College, CUNY

          Graduate Research at CUNY and Alumnus Welcome
          Richard Bodnar, Ph.D.
          Dean of Research and Graduate Studies, Queens College, CUNY
          Former Chairman, Psychology Department
          Professor of Psychology, Queens College, CUNY
          and The Graduate Center, CUNY

          Introduction of Keynote Speaker
          Jeffrey Halperin, Ph.D.
          Professor of Psychology, Queens College, CUNY
          and The Graduate Center, CUNY

          Keynote Address: The Social Brain – in Action and at ‘Rest’ – in Autism Spectrum Disorders
          Alex Martin, Ph.D.
          Senior Investigator and Head of the Laboratory of Brain and Cognition at the NIH National Institute of Mental Health

2:45-3:05  Break

Session IV: 3:05-4:30
Moderator: Claudia Brumbaugh, Ph.D.
          Department of Psychology, Queens College, CUNY

3:05-3:20  Normal Neuronal Functioning Depends on the Presence of the Extracellular Matrix. Philip Chu, Faraz Khan, Andrew Cristi, and Reena Abraham (Brumberg lab) Queens College
3:20-3:35 Effect of Vascular Endothelial Growth Factor on Glucose Transport in the Hippocampus after Status Epilepticus. Kerri A. Scorpio, Filza Jamil, Agnieszka Michalik, and Bobby Thomas (Croll lab) Queens College


3:50-4:05 Cognition-Emotion Integration in the Context of Cognitive Control. Nicholas T. Van Dam (Fan lab) Queens College

4:05-4:20 Position Selectivity of Mechanisms Underlying 3D Shape Perception. Carole Filangieri (Li lab) Queens College

4:20-4:35 Utilization Rates of Computerized Test Batteries Among Clinical Neuropsychologists in the U.S. and Canada. Amanda Spadaccini, Kevin Grant, Laura Rabin, Milushka Charcape, and Bill Barr (Rabin lab) Brooklyn College