# Rat Genetics and Genomics for Psychiatric Disorders and Addiction

# **JUNE 29, 2015**

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SESSION I: RECENT ADVANCES IN THE GENETICS OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE AND ADDICTION

#### **PAUL J. KENNY, PH.D.**

Regulation of nicotinic receptor signaling in the rat habenulo-interpeduncular system

#### **SUBHASH C. PANDEY, PH.D.**

Brain epigenetics in anxiety and alcoholism

#### **MARINA WOLF, PH.D.**

Synaptic mechanisms maintaining persistent cocaine craving

#### **DANIEL MCGEHEE, PH.D.**

Exploring Nicotine-Induced Reward and Aversion with Optogenetic and Genomic Approaches

## T. CELESTE NAPIER, PH.D.

Utility of self-administering HIV-1 transgenic rats to model addiction HIV/AIDS comorbidity

### MARGRET MCCARTHY, PH.D.

Epigenetics of sex differences in rat brain

#### Poster session and lunch

Three winners of best posters in a contest will win \$300 each.

SESSION II: ADVANCES IN RAT GENETICS AND GENOMICS FOR HUMAN DISEASE MODELING

#### **ABRAHAM A. PALMER, PH.D.**

Center for GWAS in outbred rats: current activities and opportunities for future collaborations

#### **AMELIE BAUD, PH.D.**

The genetic basis of social effects

# **THOMAS JHOU, PH.D.**

Heritability of cocaine avoidance behavior in rats, and its implications for transitioning from occasional to heavy patterns of drug use

#### **ARON GEURTS, PH.D.**

Genetic engineering in rat models, progress and challenges for addiction and behavioral research

#### **DAVID GOLDMAN, M.D**

Exome of heritable addiction phenotypes and psychiatric disorders

# J. DAVID JENTSCH, PH.D.

Genetic and genomic basis of impulsivity and drug self-administration in inbred mice

#### MARK S. BRODIE, PH.D.

Epigenetic regulation of sensitivity to GABA in the ventral tegmental area during ethanol withdrawal: Histone deacetylase inhibitors reverse some alcohol-induced brain changes

All are welcome. Free lunch and coffee/snacks will be provided to registered attendees Register at **ratgenes.org/register** Registration is open until **May 15, 2015**, space is limited.



