Engineering Neuroscience & Health

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Presents:

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March 9, 2009

4:00 p.m.

Refreshments will be served 3-4 pm

"Some new thoughts about stroke recovery"

John Krakauer, PhD, Associate Professor of Neurology Columbia University of Physicians and Surgeons Lab Co-Director

Data will be discussed that suggest that recovery from motor impairment after stroke is predictable in most patients within one week of stroke. This recovery seems to be proportional to the initial degree of impairment. This predictability suggests that current rehabilitation may not have an impact on impairment over and above spontaneous biological recovery. A subset of patients with severe impairment do not show proportional recovery. Functional imaging data will shown that suggests that it may be possible to identify this subset of patients.

BioSketch

Education:

B.A., Trinity College, Cambridge University, England (Natural Sciences) M.D., Columbia University, College of Physicians and Surgeons

Research Interests:

Brain mechanisms responsible for control of limb movements, specifically visuomotor coordination, and motor learning.

- 1. Effects of stroke on visuomotor coordination and motor learning.
- 2. Brain mechanisms for recovery of motor function after stroke.

Clinical Interests:

Stroke, including ischemic cerebrovascular disease, subarachnoid and intracerebral hemorrhage, arteriovenous malformation, cerebral vasculitis, cerebral aneurysm, venous sinus thrombosis.

Locations:

Seminar is simultaneously presented

HSC: CHP 147—LIVE

UPC: HNB 100 - Video Conference

Center for the Health Professional

Hedco Neurosciences Building

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