

Department of Psychiatry and Neurosciences

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Newsletter

Meetings

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| Thursday | 05/05/11 | 8:00 a.m. | Call Center Meeting |
| | | | <u>Resident Lectures:</u> |
| | | 8:00 a.m. | PGY-1 - "Introduction to Psychopharmacology"
Thea Moore, Pharm.D. |
| | | | PGY-2, PGY-3, PGY-4, CHILD - "Dialectical Behavioral
Therapy" Nancy Gordon, LCSW |
| | | 9:00 a.m. | PGY-2, PGY-3, PGY-4, CHILD - "Dialectical Behavioral
Therapy" Nancy Gordon, LCSW |
| | | 9:30 a.m. | PGY-1 - "Doctor Patient Relationship" Dr. John Zak |
| | | 10:00 a.m. | PGY-2, PGY-3, PGY-4, CHILD - "Dialectical Behavioral
Therapy" Nancy Gordon, LCSW |
| | | 10:30 a.m. | PGY-1, PGY-2, PGY-3, PGY-4, CHILD -
Meeting with Pedro Ruiz, M.D. |
| | | 12:00 noon | GRAND ROUNDS - "HIV-Related Mood Disorders"
Pedro Ruiz, M.D., Professor and Executive Vice Chair
Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences
University of Miami, Miller School of Medicine |
| | | 1:00 p.m. | GERI - "Psychosis in the Elderly" Dr. Jean Fils |
| Friday | 05/06/11 | | <u>Medical Student Lectures</u> |
| | | 8:00 a.m. | "Alcohol Dependence and Substance Abuse"
Dr. Barbara Lubrano |
| | | 9:00 a.m. | "Thought Disorders" Dr. Glenn Catalano |
| | | 11:00 a.m. | "Psychiatric Emergencies" Dr. Sandra Stock |
| | | 1:00 p.m. | "Dementia" Dr. Jean Fils |
| | | 3:00 p.m. | "Mood Disorders" Dr. Tariq Halim |
| | | 4:00 p.m. | "Neuro-Ophthalmology" |

In The Know

Congratulations to Dr. Gabriel de Erausquin for being the recipient of a USF New Researcher Grant. Funds were granted for the creation of a trailer/proposal for a documentary film on a groundbreaking research project. The film is designed as a true adventure: an international collaboration involving transfer of imaging technology, advanced genetics, and transcultural psychiatry to address the urgent need to find a pathway to the treatment and prevention of schizophrenia. The film chronicles the journey of a dedicated team of modern scientists as they travel on horseback to a remote village in northern Argentina. It is "*The Longest Housecall*" as the researchers seek answers to the riddle of schizophrenia from the descendants of the ancient Incas. The study of this indigenous population is truly unique and the drama, emotion and exciting discoveries underscore the fact that an ancient civilization is reaching across the ages to provide clues that will have global impact. The venues for this film are numerous: public television, DVD dissemination for educational purposes and curriculum needs for universities, public libraries, etc. Documentary films of this nature are exhibited at film festivals and also on various commercial television channels. Publishing opportunities would include a study guide to accompany the film, a mass-market book for non-fiction readers, and other published materials for schizophrenia support groups and affiliated national organizations.

On Friday, May 13, 2011, The University of South Florida Memory Disorders Clinic will host a presentation on the Silver Alert Program at the USF Health Byrd Alzheimer's Institute, 4001 E. Fletcher Avenue, Tampa, FL. Session 1 will be from 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. and Session 2 will be from 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. "Silver Alert" means a person with Alzheimer's disease is lost and driving a car. 60% of those with dementia will wander by foot or vehicle and you can help find them. This event is open to the public, senior service providers and local law enforcement. Refreshments and finger foods will be provided. Space is limited. RSVP by calling 813-974-8900.

Mark your calendars for resident graduation on Friday, June 17, 2011. Details to follow.

Research Happenings!

Current Open Studies - Call [813-974-2832](tel:813-974-2832) or [813-974-1404](tel:813-974-1404) for more information on any study or to refer a patient.

Abilify IM Depot Study

ENROLLMENT ENDING SOON

Participants in this study can now continue to receive open-label Aripiprazole IM Depot until it is FDA approved up to a maximum of 8 years. Our site can enroll up to 6 additional subjects in this study through January, 2011. Participants are started on oral Abilify - once tolerability is determined, the participant is switched to Aripiprazole IM Depot. Aripiprazole IM Depot is administered monthly. All study related medications, labs, ECGs and study visits are at no charge to participants throughout the duration of the extension study (remember up to 8 years or until drug is FDA approved). Principal Investigator - Carlos Santana, M.D.

Bipolar I Disorder with Depressive Symptoms

The Department is participating in a nationwide clinical research study evaluating the efficacy and safety of an investigational medication used as adjunctive therapy in patients with major depression associated with Bipolar I Disorder. This is a 15-week outpatient study. Patients must be 18-65 years of age and currently experiencing depressive symptoms. Patients must be on Lithium, Depakote, Lamictal, Abilify, Zyprexa, Risperdal, CONSTA, or Geodon. Assistance in obtaining Lithium and Depakote is available during the course of the study. Principal Investigator - Carlos Santana, M.D.

NEW AUTISM STUDY

We are happy to announce USF Psychiatry's participation in a Phase 4, Safety and Efficacy study of Aripiprazole in the long-term maintenance treatment of children and adolescents 6-17 years of age with irritability associated with Autistic Disorder. The study is divided into three phases - a 7-42 day screening period, a 13-26 week single-blind phase, and a 16-week double-blind, placebo-controlled phase. Kids ages 6-17 with autism are eligible to screen for this study. Call 813-974-2832 for more information. Principal Investigator - Mike Bengtson, MD.

Schizophrenia PRIDE Study - Jail Recidivism

A 15- month open label study comparing oral antipsychotic treatment to paliperidone palmitate injections in delaying arrest recidivism in adults with Schizophrenia. Subjects must have been incarcerated at least twice in the last 24 months with the last release from jail occurring within 90 days prior to screening. Subjects receive antipsychotic medications at no charge. Principal Investigator - Jean Fils, M.D.

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