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# **NEWSLETTER**

#### **MEETINGS**

### The Carter-Jenkins Center

On May 22nd from 7:00 to 9:00 PM the Carter-Jenkins Center will present Adolescencia: Diagnostico, Pronostico y Desarrollo (Carta de Anna Freud con comentarios sobre este articulo incluída) por el Dr. Humberto Nágera, Profesor Eméritos de Psiguiatría de la Universidad de Michigan y la Universidad del Sur de la Florida, Director El Carter-Jenkins Centro. Psicoanalista de Niños, Adolescentes v Adultos.

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#### Thursday 05/22/14 RESIDENT LECTURES

8:00 AM CHILD Autism-Daniel Fallon, MD

10:00 AM Interpersonal Psychotherapy: Interpersonal Skills-

**Dr. Saundra Stock** 

PGY-1, PGY-2, PGY-3, PGY-4 Residents:

Please see weekly didactic notice email from the Education Office for scheduled topics and presenters.

Friday 05/23/14 THIRD YEAR MEDICAL STUDENT LECTURES

8:00 AM Psychopharmacology-Glenn Catalano, MD

10:00 AM Mood/Substance Abuse Case Discussion-Dr. Jennifer

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#### IN THE KNOW

Happy Birthday to Dr. Daniel Fallon/May 22 and Ms. Melanie Engberg/May 25!

Defense of a Doctoral Dissertation "Implication of HUCBCs: An Immunotherapeutic Strategy for Alzheimer's Disease" by Donna Darlington for the PhD Degree in Medical Science

Thursday, May 22 at 9:00 AM, ALZ 101. The public is invited. She has been a graduate student, working for Jun Tan, PhD, MD

Douglas Walker, PhD, the outside Chair of Donna Darlington's Examination Committee, from Banner Sun Health Research Institute, Sun City, AZ, will give a special seminar, entitled "Can you learn about neuroinflammation in Alzheimer's disease and Parkinson's disease from human brain studies?"

Thursday, May 22 at 3:00 PM, ALZ 101

#### **UPCOMING GROUNDS**

May 22, 2014 The Connection Between Hearing Loss and Dementia: Myth or Reality-Theresa Chisolm, PhD

**NEW LOCATION!** Grand Rounds will be held from 12:00 till 1:00 PM in USF Psychiatry Building, 2nd Floor Conference Room #232

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#### **RESEARCH HAPPENINGS!**

#### Still Enrolling - Bipolar

A 9-month outpatient study of Ramelteon sub-lingual as an adjunctive treatment to prevent relapse of manic/mixed/depressive symptoms in patients 18-75 years who have experienced a manic/mixed/depressed episode within the last 9 months. Patients will continue on current mood stabilizers, antidepressants, or antipsychotic medications throughout the trial.

Principal Investigator: Carlos Santana, MD

#### Still Enrolling - Bipolar I Disorder with Depressive Symptoms

An 8-week outpatient study assessing Ramelteon sub-lingual as an adjunctive treatment for patients 18-75 years who are currently experiencing depressive symptoms associated with Bipolar I Disorder.

Principal Investigator: Carlos Santana, MD

#### Now Enrolling - bvFTD

A 12-Month Safety and Efficacy Trial of study drug in Subjects with Behavioral Variant Frontotemporal Dementia (bvFTD). Patients must be under 80 years of age and in general good health. A person with whom patient has regular contact must accompany them to study visits. MRIs, study visits including physical and neuro exams and safety and efficacy testing are provided at no cost. Subjects on stable dose of AChEI, memantine, or both may be enrolled. Subjects are randomly assigned either study drug or placebo at a 1:1 ratio. Please call Kathy at (813)974-7006 to make a referral.

Principal Investigator: Jean Fils, MD

#### Enrolling soon – Mild Alzheimer's disease

This is a double-blind, placebo-controlled study to test the safety and effectiveness of an anti-amyloid antibody administered subcutaneously as a disease-modifying treatment in patients age 50 - 90 with mild AD. Stable dose of approved medications for AD will be permitted at study entry. Patients will undergo brain MRI exams for monitoring safety and response to study treatment. They will also undergo safety and cognitive testing. Patients must have a person with whom they are regular contact, who can accompany them to study visits. Please call Kathy at (813)974-7006 to make a referral.

Principal Investigator: Jean Fils, MD

#### **Child and Adolescent with Autistic Disorder Clinical Trial**

A 6-week outpatient study of Lurasidone to evaluate efficacy and safety in patients 6-17 years old that are diagnosed with Autistic disorder with irritability. Trial is a double-blind study with a 1:1:1 ratio. Subjects that complete the study will be eligible to participate in a separate 104-week open-label extension study. Please call Colleen at (813) 974-9104 for more information.

Principal Investigator: Daniel Fallon, MD.

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For information regarding current clinical trials, please go to the following website:

www.health.
usf.edu/
medicine/
psychiatry/

research/

index.htm



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#### **RESEARCH HAPPENINGS!**

#### Now Enrolling - PCIT with Preschool Children with ADHD

An 8-month multiple baseline study to evaluate the effects of Parent-Child Interaction Therapy (PCIT) on ADHD symptoms and behavior problems of male preschool-aged children. Male child patients must have a diagnosis of ADHD, be 3-5 years of age, and must not take medication or receive other forms of psychotherapy. Mothers will also be recruited to complete the therapy with their children and must be at least 18 years of age.

Principal Investigator: Kendall Jeffries DeLoatche, MA

### **Antibiotic Treatment Trial for the PANDAS/PANS Phenotype**

The purpose of this research study is to know if the antibiotic azithromycin improves symptom severity in children with sudden and severe onset obsessive compulsive symptoms known as PANS, Pediatric Acute Onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome, and PANDAS, Pediatric Autoimmune Neuropsychiatric Disorder Associated with Streptococcus. This study seeks to compare the effects of placebo vs. azithromycin on symptom severity as well as to assess immune risk factors in children with PANDAS/ PANS. Your child is being asked to take part in this research study because he/she may meet criteria for PANS/PANDAS and has a current episode of Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder (OCD) symptoms of less than or equal to 6 months that has been associated with an infection. Children ages 4-14 years old who are not currently taking prophylactic antibiotics or undergoing cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) are eligible to participate. Please call (727) 767-8230 for more information.

Principal Investigator: Tanya Murphy, MD

The purpose of this research study is to learn more about the new extended release formula of the drug, guanfacine. This new formula is called *Intuniv*. This study will help us understand how safe and how well this new extended release formula of guanfacine works for children with chronic tics. Your child is being asked to take part in this research study because he/she has been diagnosed with Chronic Motor or Vocal Tic Disorder or Tourette's Disorder. Main symptoms are motor tics such as uncontrolled movements and/or vocal tics such as repeated noises. These tics occur many times a day, nearly every day lasting for at least 1 year. Children ages 6-17 years old are eligible to participate. Please call (727) 767-8230 for more information. Principal Investigator: Tanya Murphy, MD

# Investigational Medication (AZD5213) for Adolescents with Tourette's Disorder

Child & Adolescent Tourette's Disorder Guanfacine Clinical Trial

The purpose of this research study is to assess the safety, tolerability, and effectiveness of an investigational medication (AZD5213) in adolescents with Tourette's disorder (TD). AZD5213 is a novel histamine H3 receptor inverse agonist that shows promise for the potential treatment of a variety of indications, including TD. This is a multicenter, randomized, two-part study of AZD5213 in adolescents (ages 12-17 years) with TD. In Part 1 of the study, following an up to 21-day screening period, eligible subjects will receive a single small dose of AZD5213 in-clinic. In Part 2 of the study, each treatment (AZD5213 or placebo) will be administered in two 3-week periods (six treatment

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For current open studies, please call Kathy at (813) 974-7006 or

(813) 974-9104 for more information on any study or to refer a patient.

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periods, total). Each treatment will be received in one of Periods 1-3, and again in one of Periods 4-6. Visits will occur weekly during Part 2 of the study. Some visits will be in-clinic; while other visits will be performed by telephone. Please call (727) 767-8230 for more information.

Principal Investigator: Tanya Murphy, MD

#### Investigational Medication (Bitopertin) for Adults with OCD

The purpose of this research study is to evaluate an investigational medication (bitopertin) for adults with OCD, and determine if patients treated with bitopertin and a selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor (SSRI) may experience fewer symptoms compared with those treated with SSRI only, a currently recommended treatment for OCD. To pre-qualify for this study, patients must be between the ages of 18 and 65 years, currently taking medication for OCD, and continue to have symptoms of OCD while on medication. Additional eligibility requirements will be discussed with all potential participants prior to enrollment. Reimbursement for travel may also be provided. Please call (727) 767-8230 for more information.

Principal Investigator: Tanya Murphy, MD

# Pediatric OCD D-Cycloserine & Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT) Research Study

The purpose of this research study is to examine if d-cycloserine enhances cognitive behavioral therapy for pediatric OCD. Participants will be involved in fifteen clinical visits spanning a nine-month period. Each participant will receive ten sessions of cognitive behavioral therapy and seven doses of the study medication or placebo one hour prior to session. Children ages 7-17 years old are eligible to participate. Please call (727) 767-8230 for more information.

Principal Investigator: Eric Storch, PhD

# Cognitive-Behavioral Therapy (CBT) for Anxiety Disorders in Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder Research Study

The purpose of this research study is to examine the efficacy of a manualized cognitive-behavioral therapy to treat anxiety disorders in children with autism spectrum disorders. Therapy sessions last approximately one hour a week for sixteen weeks. In addition, participants will be involved in a number of anxiety and developmental assessments free of charge. Children ages 7-16 years old are eligible to participate. Please call (727) 767-8230 for more information.

Principal Investigator: Eric Storch, PhD

# **Stepped Care Cognitive Behavioral Therapy for Pediatric Obsessive Compulsive Disorder**

The purpose of this research study is to assess the efficacy of a form of Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (CBT), called Stepped Care CBT, that requires fewer therapy visits and utilizes family members as active components in treatment. Children and families who are interested must complete an initial assessment to determine eligibility.

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For information regarding the USF Memory Disorders Clinic, please go to the following website:

www.health.usf .edu/medicine/ psychiatry/ memory disor ders.htm



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Eligible participants must be between 8 and 17 years of age and have a primary diagnosis of Obsessive Compulsive Disorder. Once eligibility is determined, participants will be randomly assigned to receive Stepped Care CBT or standard CBT. Those receiving Stepped Care CBT begin treatment in "Step One" which includes 3 sessions with a therapist over the course of 6 weeks while being coached through a take-home workbook. If after 6 weeks it is determined by the research team that insufficient progress has been made, participants progress to "Step Two" which includes 9 additional therapy sessions over 9 weeks. Those receiving standard CBT will receive weekly therapy sessions for 12 weeks. Please contact Brittney Dane at (727) 767-7427 for more information.

Principal Investigator: Adam B. Lewin, PhD, ABPP

# Habit Reversal Training for Children and Adolescents with Trichotillomania: A Controlled Trial

The purpose of this research study is to further investigate how well Habit Reversal Training (HRT) works to reduce hair-pulling symptoms in children and adolescents with Trichotillomania. Trichotillomania (TTM) is a condition that involves strong urges to pull out one's own hair. Children and families who are interested must complete an initial assessment to determine eligibility. Eligible participants must be between years of age 7 and 17 and be diagnosed with TTM. All children will have the option to receive 8 weekly HRT sessions that are up to 60-minutes each. Half of all children will be chosen at random to receive these sessions immediately and the remaining half will receive the sessions after eight weeks. These sessions will focus on developing skills for managing TTM and decrease hair pulling. For more information please call (727) 767-8230 and ask for Amanda Collier.

Principal Investigators: Adam Lewin, PhD, ABPP and Omar Rahman, PhD

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