ISGIDAR sponsored a satellite session of the annual meeting of the Committee on Problems of Drug Dependence. The session was held on June 3, 1984. Approximately 32 people attended and the following papers were presented.

The Effects of Haloperidol and Sodium Pentobarbital on Intravenous Self-Administration of Cocaine in Rats. Y. Wada, T. I. Cai and T. Yasagita, Central Institute for Experimental Animals, Japan.

Drugs as Reinforcers: Neurobiological Approaches. J.E. Smith, N.E. Goeders and S.I. Dworkin, Louisiana State University, USA.

Investigations of Specific Brain Regions and Neurotransmitter Systems Involved in Behavioral Drug Effects. S.I. Dworkin and N.E. Goeders, Louisiana State University, USA.

Behavioral Studies with Direct Dopamine Receptor Agonists and Antagonists. W.L. Woolverton, The University of Chicago, USA.

Aversive Effects of Intravenous Drugs in Rhesus Monkeys: Escape Responding from Histamine. K. Takeo, University of Michigan, USA.

Reinforcing Properties of Benzodiazepines in Rhesus Monkeys. C.E. Johnson, The University of Chicago, USA.

Self-Administration of Nicotine Gum. J.R. Hughes, R.W. Pickens and W. Spring. The University of Minnesota, USA.

Preference for Alcohol in Normal Volunteers. H. deWit, E.H. Uhlenhuth and C.E. Johnson, The University of Chicago, USA.

Behavioral Pharmacogenetics: The Mouse as a Tool in Studies of Drug Self-Administration. F.R. George and R.A. Meisch, University of Minnesota, USA.

Reduction in Phencyclidine Self-Administration by Concurrent Availability of an Alternative Reinforcer. N.E. Carroll, University of Minnesota, USA.
A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

I would like to thank the speakers for excellent presentations at this year's meeting. The meeting was well-attended, many good questions were asked, and I received many compliments on the quality of the papers. Our first ISGIDAR Research Award for New Investigators was given this year. The winner was Dr. Kohji Takeda who is currently an M.H. Severs International Fellow in Pharmacology, studying with Dr. James H. Woods at the University of Michigan. ISGIDAR members voted to continue the award another year, and I would encourage those who are eligible to plan on applying. The award provides not only the immediate gratification of a $500 travel budget, but the recurring benefit of having something to list under the "Honors" sections of numerous applications for grants, jobs, promotions, etc. that will be filled out for the rest of one's academic life. Next year the ISGIDAR-CPDD meeting will be in Baltimore to celebrate the opening of the ARC and we hope that it will be possible to arrange tours of the new facility. Finally, I'd like to thank Larry Chait for his substantial graphic enhancement of the ISGIDAR Newsletter.
ISGIDAR Research Award for New Investigators

Award

Up to $500 in reasonable and documented travel costs will be paid to the winner to attend the annual meeting of the Committee on Problems of Drug Dependence, 1985, and to attend and present a paper at the ISGIDAR satellite session. Payment will be made upon submission of travel receipts to the ISGIDAR Treasurer. Those who did not receive the award, but who did receive good reviews will be encouraged to present their papers at the ISGIDAR meeting.

Eligibility

Applicants must be enrolled in a graduate program and be working toward a doctorate or have received their doctorate within the last five years (after June 1, 1980).

If they are not ISGIDAR members applicants must be sponsored by an ISGIDAR member.

The research to be reported at ISGIDAR must not already be published.

Manuscript Requirements

Please submit 4 copies double spaced, not more than 10 pages excluding figures and references.

The length and scope of the paper should be consistent with a 20-25 minute slide presentation.

Please include paper title, name, address, phone number and author's signature on the cover page of the manuscript.

The signature and typed name of the author's sponsor should also appear on the cover page after a statement indicating that the applicant made a significant scientific contribution to the research.

Review

Each manuscript will be independently reviewed by the ISGIDAR officers, for originality, scientific contribution, sound methodology and clarity of the manuscript.

Blind review is possible upon request.

Reviewer's will not participate in the review of papers from their own institution.

Deadline

Manuscripts should comply with the requirements specified above and they must be submitted by March 1, 1985. Those postmarked after March 1st will not be considered. Applicants will be notified by April 15, 1985.

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