1998 ISGIDAR SCIENTIFIC MEETING -- SCOTTSDALE, ARIZONA

The 1998 annual ISGIDAR Scientific Meeting will be held Saturday 13 June 1998 at the Scottsdale Princess resort in Scottsdale, AZ. As usual, the meeting will be held as a satellite session immediately preceding the annual scientific meeting of the College on Problems of Drug Dependence. ISGIDAR registration will begin at 8:30 am. The registration fee is $25. Paper presentations will be scheduled between 9 am and 5 pm, and the business meeting will be held from 5 to 5:30 pm. We are especially pleased to announce that Dr. Charles R. Schuster, currently Professor of Psychiatry at Wayne State University School of Medicine, and former Director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, will be an invited speaker. In addition, several senior members of ISGIDAR have requested a discussion regarding measurement of the
efficacy of reinforcing stimuli (with emphasis upon drug reinforcers) at the meeting. This is a particularly
timely issue considering the resources being devoted to the development of "anti-addiction" medications.
Stimulating this discussion will be presentations by Drs. J. Woods, R. Meisch, W. Woolverton, and W.
Bickel and their associates.

If you wish, you may also advance register ($25 which does not include lunch) by sending a check to Marilyn Carroll at the address
below. Receipts for meal costs (and registration) will be provided at the meeting. Submit advanced registration payable to
ISGIDAR to: Dr. Marilyn Carroll, Psychiatry Department, Box 392 UMHC, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455

To present a paper at the ISGIDAR meeting, please send an abstract by May 20, 1998 to Patrick Beardsley
at the address listed above. Abstracts should conform to the general format used for abstract submissions to
the CPDD Meetings although length and other formatting details need not be adhered to. Please note that
papers submitted to ISGIDAR should not also be presented at CPDD. The amount of time available for each
talk will depend on the number of papers submitted but will not be less than 20 minutes.

Student Travel Award

ISGIDAR will again sponsor a Student Paper Competition Award for a new investigator to present a paper
on drug self-administration research. Up to $500 in reasonable and documented travel costs will be paid to
the winner to present a paper at ISGIDAR. Payment will be made upon submission of travel receipts to the
ISGIDAR Treasurer. Those who do not receive the award, but who 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, 1993).
• Applicants who are not ISGIDAR members must be sponsored by an ISGIDAR member.
• The research to be reported at ISGIDAR must not already be published.

MANUSCRIPT REQUIREMENTS:

• Papers should not be 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. Submit four copies, double-spaced.

REVIEW:

Each manuscript will be independently reviewed by the ISGIDAR officers for originality, scientific
contribution, methodology and clarity. Blind review is possible upon request. Reviewers will not participate
in the review of papers from their own institution.

Submit manuscripts to:

Patrick M. Beardsley, Ph.D.
Medical College of Virginia
Dept. of Pharmacology and Toxicology
Luncheon Information

Our President (not Clinton but Beardsley) has been in discussion with the Scottsdale Princess via the Sailair folks trying to negotiate an affordable luncheon during the ISGIDAR meeting. Previously, those choosing to attend the ISGIDAR luncheon paid about $15. This year the Scottsdale Princess initially quoted a price of $36 a person for a basic buffet lunch which is in excess of most of our per diems. Negotiations are ongoing and there is some hope that a satisfying lunch can still be provided at the Princess for $15. Regardless of the outcome of these negotiations, we will have an ISGIDAR luncheon. If the Princess remains prohibitively expensive, off-site restaurants have already been identified as potential luncheon sites. Luncheon information, including costs and content, along with sign-up sheets will be available at the ISGIDAR registration desk. ISGIDAR’s luncheon has always been a great chance to meet colleagues, discuss science (baseball, music, politics and other reinforcers or punishers) and to find out who is looking for students or looking to place students.

Members: Recent Publications

Papers for 1997-1998

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Woolverton, W.L. and Rowlett, J.K.: Choice maintained by cocaine or food in rhesus monkeys: Effects of varying probability of reinforcement. Psychopharmacology, in press.


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**POSITIONS AVAILABLE**

**MEDICAL COLLEGE OF VIRGINIA, DEPARTMENT OF PHARMACOLOGY & TOXICOLOGY**

Postdoctoral research positions are available in laboratory animal behavioral pharmacology. Positions are possible utilizing almost any behavioral pharmacological approach to the study of the behavioral and/or neurochemical mechanisms mediating the activity of the drugs of abuse. Ongoing studies utilize mice, rats, squirrel monkeys, and rhesus monkeys in discrimination, self-administration, and other operant and respondent procedures involving all routes of systemic and central drug administration. Of particular current emphasis are studies involving the:

- pharmacology of dopamine D3 receptor ligands
- pharmacology of excitatory amino acid agents
- development of medications for the treatment of drug-dependency disorders
- pharmacology of behaviorally-active inhalation agents
- development of drug i.v. rat self-administration relapse procedures

Many opportunities exist for collaborating with other researchers in the department who have major research foci upon the stimulants and hallucinogens, cannabinoids, nicotine, and the opiates. Send vita, letter of interest, and names and telephone numbers of 2 references to: Patrick M. Beardsley, Ph.D. or Robert L. Balster, Ph.D.; Medical College of Virginia, Department of Pharmacology, P.O. Box 980613, Richmond, VA 23298-0613. (804) 828-5185.

**POST-DOCTORAL POSITION IN NICOTINE/SMOKING RESEARCH**

A post-doctoral position is available in nicotine/smoking research with Dr. Kenneth A. Perkins at the University of Pittsburgh. This research centers on the behavioral pharmacology of nicotine in humans. NIDA-supported projects include nicotine discrimination and the relationship of nicotine tolerance to tobacco dependence and self-administration. Other studies examine sex differences in nicotine effects and interactions between nicotine and other drugs. Collaboration with other faculty conducting similar research with non-human animals is possible. Applicants also interested in clinical research may become involved in smoking cessation studies.

Interested candidates should send a C.V. and letter of interest to:
POSTDOCTORAL POSITION AT UNIV OF VERMONT TO ASSIST IN STUDIES OF REDUCED SMOKING AND CIGARETTE SUBSTITUTES:

The Human Behavioral Pharmacology Laboratory at UVM has a NIDA-funded training grant which has an opening for a postdoctoral fellow to work with John R. Hughes, M.D. on NIH and pharmaceutical company sponsored studies of the effects of reduced smoking and cigarette substitutes (e.g. Eclipse) in smokers not interested in quitting smoking. The fellowship is to begin between 7/1 and 9/15 and lasts for 2-3 yrs. The stipend is $24,000/yr or more depending on experience plus $1700 in travel/book funds plus medical coverage. Applicants must be US citizens and have their terminal degree. Applicants with a knowledge of behavior analysis and psychopharmacology are preferred.

For further information call Dr. Hughes at (802) 656-9610 or email at john.hughes@uvm.edu. Applications should include vita, description of research interests and career plans and names of references. Applications should be sent to John R. Hughes, M.D., Dept of Psychiatry, Univ of VT, 38 Fletcher Pl, Burlington VT 05401-1419.

POSTDOCTORAL POSITION AT LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Postdoctoral Fellow Position in neuropharmacology available 1 April 1998 to study the relationships between activation of the hypothalamo-pituitary-adrenal axis and cocaine self-administration in rats. Applicants should have a Ph.D. and background in neuropharmacology, neuroendocrinology, behavioral pharmacology or neuroscience. Send curriculum vitae, description of research interests, reprints and the names of three references to R.N. Pechnick, Ph.D., Department of Pharmacology, LSU Medical Center, 1100 Florida Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70119-2799. AA/ADA/EOE.