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ISGIDAR SCIENTIFIC MEETING -- 1994

The 1994 annual ISGIDAR meeting will be held Saturday 18 June 1994 at the Breakers Hotel in Palm Beach. PLEASE NOTE THIS IS SATURDAY NOT SUNDAY. As usual, the meeting will be held as a satellite session immediately preceding the annual scientific meeting of the Committee on Problems of Drug Dependence. ISGIDAR registration will begin at 8:00 am. The registration fee has been increased to \$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.

To present a paper at the ISGIDAR meeting, send a 300-word abstract by May 1, 1993 to John Hughes at the address listed above. 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.

We are again arranging to have lunch catered by the hotel, so that we can eat together and continue discussions from the morning session. The lunch is likely to cost approximately \$16 per person.

Submit abstracts to

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DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: May 1, 1993

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Thank all of you who responded to the recent ISGIDAR survey about meeting and funding issues. The results of this survey gave the majority of support to the following 1) start preregistration 60 minutes before the session, 2) consider only papers received prior to the deadline, 3) reject some papers if necessary, 4) discontinue the outside speaker honorarium, and 5) increase the meeting fees from \$15 to \$25. At the business meeting, we plan to go over these issues to see if the membership still wants to implement these changes. If you have thoughts about these, please Just Spealus Coldun attend the business meeting.

I are pleased to announce that our invited speaker will be Neal Grunberg, Ph.D., who will speak

on the effects of stressor and gender on opioid self-administration in rats.

NOMINATIONS FOR ISGIDAR

Everyone is encouraged to submit nominations for ISGIDAR membership to the president at the address on the front of the newsletter. New members are essential to maintaining ISGIDAR as a vigorous organization. A letter of recommendation and vita are needed to be considered.

1994 TRAVEL AWARD: STUDENT PAPER COMPETITION

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, 1989).

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

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FELLOWSHIPS

POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIP is available beginning June 1 to study problems of drug tolerance and withdrawal. Primary techniques will include drug discrimination and i.v. self-administration in rats; opportunities are also available for studies using *in vivo* voltammetry for quantifying mesolimbic dopamine during drug self-administration as well as for stujdies of genetic influences on i.v. drug self-administration. Contact: M.W. Emmett-Oglesby, Ph.D., Department of Pharmacology, University of North Texas Health Science Center, Fort Worth, Tx. 76107-2699. Phone: 817-735-2987. Fax: 817-735-2091. E-mail: MWEO@JOVE.ACS.UNT.EDU

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