Plenary Program
and
CPDD 2015 Awardees

Sunday, June 14, 2015 at 9:00 AM
Arizona Biltmore Hotel
AZ Biltmore Ballroom
Phoenix, Arizona
Plenary Program

9:00  Welcome  
CPDD President Eric Strain

9:10  Presentation of the Stephen G. Holtzman Travel 
Award for Preclinical Investigation to Chloe Jordan  
Introduction by Yung Fong Sung

9:25  Presentation of the CPDD/NIDA Media Award to 
Jeff Foote, Nicole Kosanke and Carrie Wilkens  
Introduction by Bertha Madras

9:40  Presentation of the Martin and Toby Adler  
Distinguished Service Award to 
Cora Lee Wetherington  
Introduction by Loretta Finnegan

9:50  Presentation of the Joseph Cochin Young Investigator 
Award to Adam Leventhal  
Introduction by Jennifer Tidey

10:00  Presentation of the Mentorship Award to 
Michael Nader  
Introduction by Joshua Lile

10:10  Presentation of the Nathan B. Eddy Award to 
Roland Griffiths  
Introduction by Eric Strain

10:25  Nathan B. Eddy Award Lecture: My fascination with 
mood-altering drugs: Hypnotics, caffeine and psilocybin  
Roland Griffiths, Johns Hopkins University, 
Baltimore, MD

JOSEPH COCHIN YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARD

1987  Michael Bozarth  2001  S. Barak Caine
1988  Frank Porreca  2002  Laura Sim-Selley
1989  Errol B. De Souza  2003  Andrew Coop
1990  Thomas Kosten  2004  Sandra D. Comer
1993  Stephen Higgins  2007  Nancy Petry
1994  Richard W. Foltin  2008  Hendree Jones
1995  Warren K. Bickel  2009  Laura Bohn
1996  Toni Shippenberg  2010  David Jentsch
1997  Lisa H. Gold  2011  Thomas E. Prisinzano
1998  S. Stevens Negus  2012  Joshua A. Lile
1999  Sari Izenwasser  2013  William Stoops
2000  Leslie Amass  2014  C. Debra Furr-Holden
Sharon Walsh

J. MICHAEL MORRISON AWARD

1986  Edward C. Tocus  1990  Katie McCabe
1988  Marvin Snyder  1992  James Burke
1990  Arthur E. Jacobson  1998  Riester Robb
1992  Hans Halbach  2000  Sean Clarkin
1993  Beny Primm  2001  Carlos Davila Rinaldi
1995  Jack D. Blaine  2002  David T. Courtwright
1997  Rao Rapaka  2003  Addiction Studies
1999  Roy W. Pickens  Program for Journalists
2001  Roger Brown  2003  Addiction Studies
2003  Richard L. Hawks  Program for Journalists
2004  Ronald Brady  2006  Harvey Weiss
2006  Joseph Frascella  2007  John Hoffman, Susan Froemke,
2008  Rita Liu  Sheila Nevins
Betty Tai
2010  Cora Lee Wetherington  2008  William Cope Moyers
2011  Steven W. Gust  2009  Nancy D. Campbell
2013  Redonna Chandler  2010  Allan Brandt
2011  Justin Hunt  2012  Dirk Hanson
2013  David Sheff  2014  Charles Evans
Jeff Foote is Co-Founder of the Center for Motivation and Change (CMC) in Manhattan, a private practice of psychologists who specialize in the treatment of substance use/compulsive behavior disorders and trauma using a variety of evidence-based treatments, as well as CMC:Berkshires, an inpatient substance abuse treatment center in western Massachusetts. Dr. Foote is a nationally recognized clinical research scientist who has received federal grant funding for his work on motivational treatment approaches and substance abuse treatment research, focused on the implementation of evidence-based treatments. Dr. Foote was also Psychologist for the NY Mets for 11 years and continues in sports psychology as an independent performance consultant to professional athletes. Before co-founding CMC in 2003, Dr. Foote was the Deputy Director of the Division of Alcohol Treatment and Research at Mt. Sinai Medical Center in NYC, as well as Senior Research Associate at The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse at Columbia University (CASA) in NYC. Dr. Foote also served as Chief of the Smithers Addiction Treatment and Research Center as well as Director of Evaluation and Research between 1994 and 2001. He is co-author of the award-winning book Beyond Addiction: How Science and Kindness Help People Change, a practical guide for families dealing with addiction and substance problems in a loved one, based on principles of Community Reinforcement and Family Training (CRAFT). He is also co-author of two workbooks combining strategies from CRAFT and Motivational Interviewing: The Parent's 20 Minute Guide and The Partner's 20 Minute Guide, which offer specific tools and practice in evidence-based strategies for helping a loved one change.
Nicole Kosanke is a Clinical Psychologist and Director of Family Services at the Center for Motivation and Change’s outpatient division in NYC, where she specializes in working with family members of people abusing substances and in the assessment process for families and individuals. Dr. Kosanke has been working in the research and clinical practice of treating substance use disorders for many years and utilizes the principles of CRAFT (Community Reinforcement and Family Training), MI (Motivational Interviewing), and CBT (cognitive behavior therapy) in different therapeutic modalities and resources: group, individual, family, video training, and written materials. She recently co-authored the award-winning book, Beyond Addiction: How Science and Kindness Help People Change, which is a compassionate and science-based family guide for navigating the addiction treatment world, understanding motivation, and using CRAFT skills. She also co-wrote The 20 Minute Guide: A Guide for Parents about How to Help their Child Change their Substance Use. She has been interviewed on radio programs about substance abuse issues and her writing on these topics has also been featured most recently in Huffington Post, The Observer, and Counselor Magazine.

Roland R. Griffiths received a B.S. in Psychology from Occidental College and a Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota in Psychopharmacology (Psychology and Pharmacology) under the mentorship of Travis Thompson. In 1972 he joined the faculty of Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine where he is presently Professor in the Departments of Psychiatry and Neuroscience. With George Bigelow and Maxine Stitzer, he co-founded the Behavioral Pharmacology Research Unit (BPRU), which has been a productive training site for several generations of prominent drug abuse scientists. His research has been largely supported by grants from the National Institute on Drug Abuse, and he is author of over 350 journal articles and book chapters. His early research, particularly with sedative-hypnotics, established functional similarities between animal and human data on drug reinforcement and discrimination, from which methods for drug abuse liability testing were developed that are now commonly used in regulatory decision-making. Another line of research, which focused on the human behavioral pharmacology of caffeine reinforcement, withdrawal, tolerance and addiction, was seminal in defining several clinical syndromes associated with caffeine use. A more recent focus of research with the 5HT2A agonist psilocybin has shown that psilocybin can occasion unusual, salient experiences resulting in sustained positive changes in attitudes, moods and behavior. Preliminary data suggest that such experiences may have therapeutic efficacy, including in treatment of addictions.
MENTORSHIP AWARD

Michael A. Nader, Ph.D.
Professor of Physiology and Pharmacology
Wake Forest School of Medicine
Winston Salem, NC

Michael Nader is Professor of Physiology & Pharmacology and Radiology at Wake Forest School of Medicine (WFSM). He received his B.S./Honors in Psychology from Wayne State University working in Dr. Alice Young’s laboratory and his Ph.D. in Experimental Psychology at the University of Minnesota under the mentorship of Dr. Travis Thompson. Dr. Nader conducted his post-doctoral research at Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences (USUHS), under the mentorship of Dr. James Barrett. There he learned a great deal about animal models of affective disorders, especially predictive models of anxiolytic drug actions. After leaving USUHS in 1988, Dr. Nader spent 4 years training with Dr. William Woolverton at the University of Chicago using several nonhuman primate models of cocaine abuse. Dr. Nader joined the faculty at WFSM in 1992 and has established the only laboratory in the world studying intravenous drug self-administration in socially housed male and female monkeys. Dr. Nader has led an active research program focusing on the behavioral pharmacology of cocaine, methamphetamine, MDMA, nicotine and THC utilizing nonhuman primate models of drug self-administration, drug discrimination, cognition and PET imaging. In 2005, Dr. Nader received a MERIT award from the National Institute on Drug Abuse in recognition of his novel research. Dr. Nader has held several professional leadership positions including CPDD Board of Directors, Chair of the Division of Behavioral Pharmacology at ASPET, member of NIDA Council, and he is the current President of the Behavioral Pharmacology Society. Dr. Nader has been an advocate for redirecting federal dollars from incarceration to treatment programs and research, as described in his 2013 TEDX talk.

CPDD/NIDA MEDIA AWARD

Carrie Wilkens, Ph.D.
Clinical Director
Center for Motivation and Change New York, NY

Carrie Wilkens is the Co-Founder and Clinical Director of the Center for Motivation and Change in NYC. She, along with her partners Dr. Jeffrey Foote and Will Regan, recently opened a private, inpatient/residential program employing the same evidence-based approaches in the Berkshires. She co-authorized an award-winning book, Beyond Addiction: How Science and Kindness Help People Change with Drs. Foote and Kosanke. Together they also co-wrote a user-friendly workbook for parents: The 20 Minute Guide: A Guide for Parents about How to Help their Child Change their Substance Use. In collaboration with the Partnership for Drug-Free Kids, Dr. Wilkens and the CMC team is developing a national parent training program (the Parent Support Network) to provide parent coaches to families in need of support through a free hotline. Prior to these ventures, Dr. Wilkens was the Project Director on a large federally funded Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) grant examining the effectiveness of motivational interventions in addressing the problems associated with binge drinking among college students. She is regularly sought out by the media to discuss issues related to substance use disorders and has been on the CBS Morning Show, Katie Couric Show, and Fox News as well as a variety of radio shows including frequent NPR segments such as the People’s Pharmacy and The Diane Rehm Show.
Dr. Cora Lee Wetherington joined the National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) in 1987. Since 1995, she has served as NIDA’s Women and Sex/Gender Differences Research Coordinator. In that role, she serves as Chair of NIDA’s Women and Sex/Gender Differences Research Group and as NIDA’s representative to NIH’s Coordinating Committee of the Office of Research on Women’s Health. In those roles, her activities are aimed at infusing and advancing the study of women and sex/gender differences into all areas of drug abuse research, both clinical and preclinical. Prior to joining NIDA, she was a psychology professor at the University of North Carolina at Charlotte where for 12 years she conducted research in the field of animal learning and behavior. Her research was funded in part by grants from NIH and the National Science Foundation. In 2005, Dr. Wetherington was awarded the Meritorious Research Service Commendation from the American Psychological Association Board of Scientific Affairs, and in 2010 she received the J. Michael Morrison Award from CPDD. She serves on the editorial board of Clinical & Experimental Psychopharmacology and also serves on the editorial board of NIDA Notes, a position she has held since 1988. She is coeditor of three books on the topics of vulnerability to drug abuse, the effects of prenatal exposure to abused drugs, and drug addiction and women. Dr. Wetherington is a Fellow of two Divisions of the American Psychological Association—Division 25: Behavior Analysis, and Division 28: Psychopharmacology and Substance Abuse, and is a member of Division 50: Society of Addiction Psychology.

Dr. Adam Leventhal is a clinical psychologist and behavioral scientist with interests in the biobehavioral determinants of substance addiction, mental health, and health behavior. Dr. Leventhal received his Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology at the University of Houston. He completed a NCI predoctoral fellowship in tobacco addiction research at The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center and a NIDA postdoc in addiction research at the Brown University Center for Alcohol and Addiction Studies. Dr. Leventhal has been on the faculty of the University of Southern California Keck School of Medicine since 2009. He is currently an Associate Professor of Preventive Medicine and Psychology and Director of the University of Southern California Health, Emotion, & Addiction Laboratory (USC-HEAL)—a multidisciplinary team of faculty, staff, and students dedicated to advancing science on the intersection between addiction, mental health, and health behavior. He is the Principal Investigator of NIH and ACS grants that total more than $8M that support studies in the following areas: (1) psychiatric comorbidity in addiction; (2) smoking cessation; (3) psychopharmacology and neurogenetics; and (4) health disparities in addiction. He has authored more than 100 peer-reviewed publications and been recognized for his research contributions, having received early career research awards from the American Academy of Health Behavior, Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco, and APA Divisions 12, 28, and 50, prior to being honored by CPDD. In addition to research, he is associate editor for Nicotine & Tobacco Research and Behavioral Medicine and a regular reviewer on NIH study sections.