2nd biennial conference on:

Brain Development & Learning: Making Sense of the Science



July 12-15, 2008 Vancouver, BC Canada

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An interdisciplinary conference devoted to improving children's lives by making cutting-edge research in neuroscience, child psychology, & medicine understandable & applicable to those who work with children on a daily basis

Speakers are worldfamous researchers on:

a) Stress (including depression, trauma, anxiety, & resilience)

William Beardslee
Bruce McEwen
Gil Noam
Bruce Perry
Stephen Suomi
plus many more

b) Prefrontal Cortex & ADHD (working memory, cognitive control, & self-regulation)

Amy Arnsten
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Feedback on the inaugural meeting:

"One of the best conferences I've been to in 20 years."

Awesome organization! Awesome program! Helpful friendly people! A wonderful experience!!!"

"Excellent mix of research & functional application."

"For years I have seen people try to bring educators together with health specialists, or either with researchers. I have never seen any effort work as well as what you put together in Vancouver."

"It was wonderful having different groups of professionals from different backgrounds and training come together in a truly collaborative way sharing research, knowledge, and experiences."

Conference Organizers: Dr. Adele Diamond & Dr. Jana Davidson











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Note: The conference dinner and lunches with speakers are subsidized by our sponsors.

(The cost to us for the dinner is \$73 per person + the cost of the speaker. You need pay only \$50. The cost to us for the lunches is \$42 per person + the cost of 2 or 3 speakers. You need pay only \$35.)

OUR DISTINGUISHED FACULTY



Amy Arnsten, PhD, Prof. of Neurobiology; Director of Grad. Studies in Neurobiology, Yale Med Sch: Stress Impairs Prefrontal Cortex Function: Why Stress Can Produce an ADHD-like Profile

William Beardslee, MD, Gardner-Monks Prof. of Child Psychiatry, Harvard Med Sch; Director, Baer Prevention Initiative, Psychiatry Dept, Children's Hospital, Boston: Hope, Meaning and Continuity: Lessons Learned from Developing and Adapting Preventive Interventions for Depression in Families

Kalina Christoff, PhD, Ass't Prof., Psycholgy Dept & Brain Research Centre, UBC: Tutorial in Functional Neuroimaging (fMRI)

Jana Davidson, MD, FRCP(C), Director, Continuing Professional Dev., Child & Adolescent Psychiatry & Consulting Psychiatrist, Child & Adolescent Psychiatric Emergency Unit, BC Children's Hospital: Crystallization in Crisis and the Opportunity for Change

Adele Diamond, PhD, Canada Research Chair Tier 1 Prof. of Dev. Cognitive Neurosci., UBC & BC Children's Hospital: Helping Children Become Masters of their Own Behavior through Improving their Cognitive Control, dependent on Prefrontal Cortex

Elissa Epel, PhD, Director of Research, UCSF Obesity Center; Assistant Prof., Psychiatry Dept, Univ of California-San Francisco: Chronic Stress and Premature Cell Aging: The Case of Caregivers

Kimberly Espy, PhD, Associate Vice Chancellor for Research; Prof. of Psychology; Director, Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience Lab, Univ of Nebraska-Lincoln: **The Development of Executive Control in Preschoolers**

Jay Giedd, MD, Chief, Brain Imaging, Child Psychiatry Branch, NIMH: ADHD: New Views from Brain Imaging

Torkel Klingberg, MD, PhD, Prof. of Cognitive Neuroscience, Stockholm Brain Institute, Karolinska Institute: **Development and Training of Working Memory in Children with ADHD**

Robert Knight, MD, Evan Rauch Prof. of Neuroscience; Director, Helen Wills Neuroscience Institute, Univ of California-Berkeley: Frontal Cortex and Behavior: Insights from Neurological and Neurosurgical Patients

Byran Kolb, PhD, Prof. of Psychology & Neuroscience, Canadian Centre for Behavioural Neuroscience, Univ of Lethbridge: Factors influencing Prefrontal Cortical Development and Behavior

Claudia Krebs, MD, PhD, Dept of Cellular and Physiological Science, UBC: (w/ Joanne Weinberg): Tutorial in Neuroanatomy Sonia Lupien, PhD, Director, Centre for Studies on Human Stress, Douglas Mental Health Institute; Co-director, McGill Center for Studies on Aging; Assoc. Prof., Psychiatry Dept, McGill Univ: Shaping Who We Are: Effects of Stress on Cognitive Development

Linda Mayes, MD, Arnold Gesell Prof. of Child Psychiatry, Pediatrics, & Psychology, Child Study Center, Yale Med Sch: **Attachment and Emerging Stress-Reward Systems**

Steve Marans, PhD, Prof. of Child Psychiatry & Psychiatry; Director, National Center for Children Exposed to Violence, Child Study Center, Yale Med Sch: Fear and Violent Trauma: Listening, Understanding, and Responding

Bruce McEwen, PhD, Alfred E. Mirsky Professor; Head, Harold and Margaret Milliken Hatch Lab of Neuroendocrinology, The Rockefeller Univ: Protective and Damaging Effects of Stress Mediators: Central Role of the Brain

Gregory Miller, PhD, Associate Prof., Psychology Dept, UBC; Career Scholar, Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research; New Investigator, Heart & Stroke Foundation: **Stress**, **the Immune System**, **and Disease: Tales for Psychoneuroimmunology**

Steven Miller, MDCM, FRCP(C), Ass't Prof. of Pediatrics in Neurology, UBC; Canadian Institutes of Health Research Clinician Scientist; Michael Smith Foundation for Health Research Scholar: When Injury Happens: Imaging the Newborn Brain

Gil Noam, PhD, EdD, Director, Program in Education, Afterschool & Resilience (PEAR), McLean Hospital; Associate Prof., Harvard Med Sch: Resilience Development: Where Education and Mental Health Meet

Alvaro Pascual-Leone, MD, PhD, Prof. of Neurology, Harvard Med Sch; Director, Berenson-Allen Center for Noninvasive Brain Stimulation, Beth Israel Deaconess Med Center: The Plastic Human Brain: Implications for Translational Neuroscience & Education

James Pennebaker, PhD, B.P. Bush Regents Prof. & Chair, Psychology Dept, Univ of Texas at Austin: Dealing with, and Recovering from, Stress: How Words can Reflect and Change our Mental and Physical Health

Bruce Pennington, PhD, John Evans Prof., Psychology Dept, Univ of Denver: **Using Genetics and Neuropsychology to Understand Comorbidity**

Bruce Perry, MD, PhD, Senior Fellow, The Child Trauma Academy, Houston, TX: Relational Poverty and the Impact of Trauma on Children: A Neurodevelopmental View of Resilience and Vulnerability to Adverse Childhood Experiences

Michael Petrides, PhD, James McGill Research Chair; Director, Cognitive Neuroscience Unit, Montreal Neurological Institute, McGill Univ: Specialized Systems for Working Memory in the Prefrontal Cortex

Stephen W. Porges, PhD, Prof. of Psychiatry; Director, Brain-Body Center, College of Medicine, Univ of Illinois-Chicago: **Central Regulation of Autonomic Reactions to "Stress": A Polyvagal Perspective**

Amir Raz, PhD, ABPH, Canada Research Chair, Cognitive Neuroscience of Attention, McGill Univ & Jewish General Hospital: Suggestion and Attention: Strong Modulators of Cognition, Emotion, Thought, & Action

Stephen Suomi, PhD, Chief, Lab of Comparative Ethology, National Institute of Child Health & Human Development, NIH: Up-tight, Laidback, and Jumpy Monkeys

Rosemary Tannock, PhD, Canada Research Chair in Special Education and Adaptive Technology; Prof. of Special Education, Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, Univ of Toronto (U of T); Prof. of Psychiatry, U of T; Senior Scientist, Neuroscience & Mental Health Program,

The Hospital for Sick Children: ADHD: Beyond Behavior & Curriculum Connections

Joanne Weinberg, PhD, Prof. & Distinguished Univ Scholar, Dept of Cellular & Physiological Sciences, UBC: Prenatal Alcohol Exposure: Fetal Programming, Stress, and Vulnerability over the Lifespan

Paul Whalen, PhD, Assistant Professor, Dept of Psychological & Brain Sciences, Dartmouth College: What Kids' Response to Faces can Reveal About Stress and the Brain



Accommodation & Additional Information

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These rates are in Canadian dollars but do not include taxes.

Arrive early enough to catch the opening plenary address at 1:00 pm on Saturday, don't leave before the closing plenary that ends at 5:45 pm on Tuesday, and don't miss Monday night's evening address and conference dinner! See the conference schedule at:

http://www.interprofessional.ubc.ca/BDL_subpages/schedule.html

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LUNCHES WITH SPEAKERS

One of the special features of this conference is the opportunity to sit and speak with, and ask questions of, world-famous speakers in a small, relaxed setting over a lunch with 2-3 speakers and no more than 30 conference participants.

Sunday Lunches: (a) with Bruce McEwen & Joanne Weinberg; (b) with William Beardslee, Sonia Lupien, & Steve Marans; (c) with Michael Petrides, Amy Arnsten, & Kalina Christoff

Monday Lunches: (d) with Jamie Pennebaker & Paul Whalen; (e) with Rosemary Tannock & Torkel Klingberg; (f) with Bob Knight, Bryan Kolb, & Steve Suomi; (g) with Bruce Pennington & Linda Mayes

Tuesday Lunches: (h) with Bruce Perry, Gil Noam, & Greg Miller; (i) with Jay Giedd & Amir Raz; (j) with Steve Porges, Kim Espy, & Steve Miller





