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Congratulations to

- **Brad Schmidt** on receiving a 2-year \$1,600,000 award from the Military Suicide Research Council for his research entitled, "Development and Evaluation of a Brief, Suicide Prevention Intervention Targeting Anxiety and Mood Vulnerabilities." **Brad** also received a 2-year \$100,000 Distinguished Investigator Grant from the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention for his research entitled, "Suicide Risk Prevention among Patients with Anxiety Psychopathology."
- **Chris Schatschneider** on receiving an IES, US Department of Education, Goal 3 grant in the amount of \$3,466,786 for his role as a Co-Investigator on research entitled, "Passport to Literacy: Examining the Effectiveness of the Voyager Passport Intervention for Fourth-Grade Students with or at High Risk for Reading Disabilities."
- **Mike Kashak** who was recently elected as a Fellow of the Association for Psychological Science and was selected for an Outstanding Young Investigator award by the Psychonomic Society.
- **Neil Charness, Walter Boot**, and four other PIs on receiving the Jack A. Kraft Innovator Award by the Human Factors and Ergonomics Society. This award honors significant and effective efforts to extend or diversify the application of human factors principles and methods to new areas of endeavor.
- **Roy Baumeister** who was referenced at the 25th annual convention of the Association for Psychological Science as having the "the most-cited article in APS journal history": "Does high self-esteem cause better performance, interpersonal success, happiness, or healthier lifestyles?"
- **Neil Charness, Ainsley Mitchum**, Michael Champion, Blake Cowing, and **Cary Stothart**, whose research project, "Aging Driver and Pedestrian Safety: Human Factors" was recognized as one of 16 high value research projects by the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials. The project was ranked in the top 4 of 38 in U.S. Region 2. Ainsley Mitchum is a graduate of the Cognitive program and Cary Stothart is a current student in that program; major professor: **Neil Charness**.
- **Jon Bailey, Al Murphy and Amy Polick, Panama City Campus psychology faculty**, for obtaining re-accreditation of the Master's Program in Psychology with a Specialty in Applied Behavior Analysis from the Association for Behavior Analysis International.
- **Dan Capron**, a doctoral student in the Clinical program (major professor: **Brad Schmidt**), on receiving a 2-year \$68,012 National Institute of Mental Health NRSA predoctoral fellowship for his research entitled, "Computerized Intervention for Anxiety Sensitivity Cognitive Concerns."
- **Whitney Guthrie**, a doctoral student in the Clinical program (major professor: **Amy Wetherby**), on receiving a 2-year \$59,000 Weathersone Predoctoral Fellowship from Autism Speaks for her research entitled, "Using Growth Trajectories to Predict Distal Outcomes in Parent-Implemented Intervention for Toddlers."
- **Lyonna Alcantara**, a doctoral student in the Neuroscience program (major professor: **Carlos Bolaños**), on receiving a McKnight Doctoral Fellowship from the Florida Educational Fund.

- **Brandon Warren**, a doctoral student in the Neuroscience program (major professor: **Carlos Bolaños**), on accepting a postdoctoral fellowship at the National Institute on Drug Abuse. **Brandon** also received a Travel Fellowship from the International Behavioral Neuroscience Society to attend its annual meeting in Dublin, Ireland.
- **Eric Parise**, a doctoral student in the Neuroscience program (major professor: **Carlos Bolaños**), on receiving a Summer Fellowship at the Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York.
- **Jenna McHenry**, a graduate student in the Neuroscience program (major professor: **Elaine Hull**), on receiving a postdoctoral fellowship from NIMH to work with Dr. Garret Stuber at the University of North Carolina. **Jenna** also received an NSF Doctoral Dissertation Improvement Grant for her research entitled, "Effects of Mating on Behavioral and Neuronal Stress Response in Male and Female Rats."
- **Chris Hagan**, a doctoral student in the Clinical program (major professor: **Thomas Joiner**), on receiving a Student Travel Award from the International Academy for Suicide Research to present his research at the 2013 World Congress on Suicide.

Recent Publications and Presentations

- **Boot, W. R., Simons, D. J., Stothart, C., & Stutts, C.** (2013). The pervasive problem with placebos in psychology: Why active control groups are not sufficient to rule out placebo effects. *Perspectives on Psychological Science*, 8, 445-454. Cary Stothart (major professor: **Neil Charness**) and Cassie Stutts (major professor: **Mike Kaschak**) are doctoral students in the Cognitive program.
- **Gil, M.**, Bhatt, R., Picotte, K.B., & **Hull, E.M.** (in press). Sexual experience increases oxytocin receptor gene expression and protein in the medial preoptic area of the male rat. *Psychoneuroendocrinology*. Mario Gil is a former graduate student in the Neuroscience program (major professor: **Elaine Hull**).
- **Hull, E.M.** (2013). Dopamine, glutamate, and male sexual behavior. Invited talk at Indiana University, April 10th.
- **McHenry, J.**, Vitale, E. A., **Robison, C. L.** & **Hull, E. M.** (June, 2013). Mating-induced anxiolysis and stress buffering: Role of androgen receptors in the MPOA of male rats. Poster presented at the 17th Annual Meeting of the Society for Behavioral Neuroendocrinology, Atlanta, GA. Jenna McHenry and Chris Robison are graduate students in the Neuroscience program (major professor: **Elaine Hull**).
- **Parise, E. M.**, **Alcantara, L. F.**, **Warren, B. L.**, Wright, K. N., Hadad, R., Sial, O. K., Kroeck, K. G., **Iñiguez, S.D.**, & **Bolaños-Guzmán, C.A.** (in press). Repeated ketamine exposure induces an enduring resilient phenotype in adolescent and adult rats. *Biological Psychiatry*. Eric Parise, Lyonna Alcantara, and Brandon Warren are graduate students in the Neuroscience program and Sergio Iñiguez is a graduate of that program (major professor: **Carlos Bolaños**).
- **Robison, C. L.**, **McHenry, J. A.**, & **Hull, E. M.** (June, 2013). The role for carbon monoxide neurotransmission in the MPOA in male rat sexual behavior. Poster presented at the 17th Annual Meeting for the Society for Behavioral Neuroendocrinology, Atlanta, GA. Chris Robison and Jenna McHenry are graduate students in the Neuroscience program (major professor: **Elaine Hull**).
- Winegard, B., **Winegard, B.**, & Geary, D. C. (in press). If you've got it, flaunt it: Humans flaunt attractive partners to enhance their status and desirability. *PLoS ONE*. Bo Winegard is a graduate student in the Social program (major professor: **Roy Baumeister**).

- Wright, T. J., Boot, W. R., & Morgan, C. S. (2013). Pupillary response predicts multiple object tracking load, error rate, and conscientiousness, but not inattentive blindness. *Acta Psychologica*, 144(1), 6-11. Tim Wright is a graduate student in the Cognitive program (major professor: **Wally Boot**).
- Wu, W., Mast, T. G., Ziemko, C., Breza, J. M., & Contreras, R. J. (2013). Statistical analysis and decoding of neural activity in the rodent geniculate ganglion using a metric-based inference system. *PLoS ONE*, 8(5). Joe Breza is a graduate of the Neuroscience program (major professor: **Rob Contreras**).

In the News

- **Anders Ericsson's** research was recently featured in *The New York Times* (Brooks, D., 4/4/13), *The Practical University* http://www.nytimes.com/2013/04/05/opinion/Brooks-The-Practical-University.html?_r=0 and in *Time Magazine* (Gregory, S., 4/15/13), *Practice Makes Perfect? An Amateur's Golf Quest Sheds Light on How We Learn*.
- **Wally Boot's**, **Cary Stothart's**, and **Cassie Stutt's** paper was recently featured in *National Geographic, Phenomena* (Yong, E., 7/9/13), *Nice Results, But What Did You Expect?* <http://phenomena.nationalgeographic.com/2013/07/09/nice-results-but-what-did-you-expect/>

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