Newsletter Date: July 19, 2011

Congratulations to

Lyonna Alcantara who won a travel award to the National Hispanic Science Network (NSHN) annual meeting in Miami, FL. <u>Lyonna Alcantara</u> is a graduate student in the Neuroscience Psychology program (major professor: Carlos Bolanos).

Amanda Dossat who won the Gerald P. Smith Award for best oral presentation given by a graduate student at the Society for the Study of Ingestive Behavior annual meeting this year. Her talk was entitled: Nucleus Accumbens glucagon-like peptide 1 receptor activation suppresses food intake, by A.M. Dossat & D.L. Williams. <u>Amanda Dossat</u> is a graduate student in the Neuroscience Psychology program (major professor: Diana Williams).

Sergio Iniguez who won a travel award to the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology (ACNP) annual meeting in Waikoloa, Hawaii and to the National Hispanic Science Network (NSHN) annual meeting in Miami, FL. <u>Sergio Iniguez</u> is a graduate student in the Neuroscience Psychology program (major professor: Carlos Bolaños).

Adam Smith on receiving the student travel award for attending the 9th World Congress on Neurohypophysial Hormones which will be held in Boston July 27-30 this year. Adam will present his research data on "Social support attenuates the stress response and promotes oxytocin release in female prairie voles". <u>Adam Smith</u> is a graduate student in the Neuroscience Psychology program (major professor: Zuoxin Wang).

New Publications (including in press)

Capron, D.W., Fitch, K.E., Medley, A.N., Blagg, C., Mallott, M.A., & Joiner, T.E. (In press). The role of anxiety sensitivity sub-factors in suicidal ideation and suicide attempt history. Depression and Anxiety. Dan Capron, Amanda Medley, Mike Mallott, Kristin Fitch and Chris Blagg are graduate students in the Clinical Psychology program (Dan Capron, Amanda Medley, Mike Mallott: major professor is Brad Schmidt; Kristin Fitch: major professor is Jesse Cougle; Chris Blagg: major professor is Alan Lang).

Warren, Brandon L., Iñiguez, Sergio D., Alcantara, Lyonna F., Wright, Katherine N., Parise, Eric, Weakley, Sarah K., and Bolaños-Guzmán, Carlos A. (2011). Juvenile Administration of Concomitant Methylphenidate and Fluoxetine Alters Behavioral Reactivity to Reward- and Mood-related Stimuli and Disrupts Ventral Tegmental Area Gene Expression in Adulthood. Journal of Neuroscience, 31: 10347-10358. Brandon Warren, Sergio Iniquez, Lyonna Alcantara and Eric Parise are graduate students of the Neuroscience Psychology program (major professor: Carlos Bolanos).

Williams, D.L., Hyvarinen, N., Lilly, N., Kay, K., Dossat, A., Parise, E., Torregrossa, A.M. (2011). Maintenance on a high-fat diet impairs the anorexic response to glucagon-like-peptide-1 receptor activation. *Physiol Behav.*, 103(5):557-64. Nina Hyvarinen was an undergraduate student in the Williams lab and this project was her honors thesis. Amanda Dossat and Eric Parise are graduate students of the Neuroscience Psychology program (Dossat: major professor, Diana Williams; Parise: major professor, Carlos Bolanos), and Ann-Marie Torregrossa is a post-doctoral fellow in Lisa Eckel's lab.

In the news

Roy Baumeister, whose theory of sexual economics was featured in the Washington Times (June 14).

http://www.washingtontimes.com/news/2011/jun/14/economy-of-sex-its-cheap-these-days/ His research on narcissism was featured in Newsweek.

http://www.newsweek.com/2011/07/17/narcissism-is-on-the-rise-in-america.html

Carlos Bolaños' manuscript in *The Journal of Neuroscience* (Juvenile Administration of Concomitant Methylphenidate and Fluoxetine Alters Behavioral Reactivity to Reward- and Mood-related Stimuli and Disrupts Ventral Tegmental Area Gene Expression in Adulthood) was featured in the *LA Times*.

http://www.latimes.com/health/la-heb-ritalin-prozac--children-20110715,0,531225.story

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