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## Congratulations to

Carrie Lane on her promotion to Associate in Psychology, effective Fall 2011.

Natalie Sachs-Ericsson who has been appointed Associate Editor of the journal, Aging and Mental Health.

**Walter Boot (PI) and Neil Charness (Co-PI)** who were awarded \$207,542 by the Florida Department of Transportation. Funded research will use the FSU Driving Simulator, in combination with eye movement monitoring, to investigate ways to increase the safety of younger and older adult drivers and cyclists.

**Jon Maner** and **Lisa Eckel**, whose National Science Foundation grant "Hormonal and Behavioral Responses to Social Threat" was approved for funding (\$300,000).

**Zuoxin Wang** who gave an invited presentation at The 9th Gottingen meeting of the German Neuroscience Society, Gottingen, Germany.

**Adam Smith** who has been awarded a 2-yr individual NRSA from the NIMH to support his graduate training at FSU. <u>Adam Smith</u> is a graduate student in the Neuroscience Psychology program (major professor: Zuoxin Wang).

**Kimberly Young** who has been selected to give an oral presentation of her research at the Young Investigator Symposium at the 9th World Congress on Neurohypophysial Hormones (WCNH) which will be held in July of 2011 in Boston. <u>Kimberly Young</u> is a graduate student in the Neuroscience Psychology program (major professor: Zuoxin Wang).

**Dave Pittman** who received the highest award at Wofford College for Excellence in the Teaching of Science. The award provides a \$50,000 prize. Dave Pittman is a former graduate of the Neuroscience Psychology program (major professor: Rob Contreras).

## **New Publications (including in press)**

Cougle, J.R., Goetz, A.R., Fitch, K.E., and Hawkins, K.A. (In press). Termination of washing compulsions: A problem of internal reference criteria or 'not just right' experience? Journal of Anxiety Disorders. Kristin Fitch and Kirsten Hawkins are graduate students in the Clinical Psychology program (major professor: Jesse Cougle). Amy Goetz is a recent graduate of Florida State University and incoming student in the Clinical Psychology Doctoral Program at University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

**Liu, Y.,** Young, K. A., Curtis, T.C., Aragona, B., and **Wang, Z.** (2011). Social bonding decreases the rewarding properties of amphetamine through a dopamine D1 receptor mediated mechanism. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 31:7960-7966. Kimberly Young is a graduate student of the neuroscience psychology program (major professor: Zuoxin Wang). T. Curtis is a former postdoc, and B. Aragona is a former PhD student (major professor: Zuoxin Wang).

## In the news

**Jon Maner** and <u>Jonathan Kunstman</u>, whose research on power was featured on National Public Radio's All Things Considered (June 10).

http://www.npr.org/blogs/thetwo-way/2011/06/11/137114342/what-science-tells-about-power-and-infidelity

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