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## DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY & BEHAVIORAL NEUROSCIENCE

### NEWSLETTER

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## CHAIR'S MESSAGE...

### Welcome!

This is the first of three seasonal (Fall, Winter, and Spring) newsletters for AY 2008-09 that our Department will be publishing this year. These newsletters are designed to inform faculty, trainees, and staff of current news in the Department and to let others outside the Department know about us and our activities. Our Department is dedicated to its three missions: Education, Clinical Service, and Research and is structured accordingly. Currently, we are developing a strategic roadmap so that we will be more robust in each of these areas in the coming years. Most important in this regard is the recruitment of outstanding faculty and the mentorship of these faculty be they primarily research or education in focus.



**Emil F. Coccaro, M.D.**

**E.C. Manning Professor & Chair**

**Department of Psychiatry &**

**Behavioral Neuroscience**

## “TOP STORY”

### ACADEMIC AFFILIATION BETWEEN U OF C & EVANSTON HEALTH CARE

On July 1st, 2008, The Pritzker School of Medicine and the Evanston Health Care (EHC) system began a new educational affiliation. EHC had been affiliated with Northwestern for many years but diverging interests led to EHC and Northwestern to separate. To be clear, this educational affiliation is not a merger. In this case our medical school and/or residency/fellowship programs are partnering with EHC to provide an educational experience of greater breadth and depth than neither provides on its own. EHC is a three-hospital system in Chicago's northern suburbs and is ranked in the top 5% of all institutions receiving funds from the NIH. It has a total of 675 beds and 513 employed physicians.

Over the first 120 days of this new educational affiliation our Department will be working with the Department of Psychiatry at EHC to work out the best way to operationalize this educational affiliation for the two departments. This work is spearheaded by Deborah Spitz, M.D., Director of Education, with critical assistance from Dan Yohanna, M.D., Sharon Hirsch, M.D., Steven Dinwiddie, M.D., Marie Tobin, M.D., and Michael Marcangelo, M.D. At present we are exploring the possibility of increasing the size of our General Psychiatry Residency by one slot per year and adding fellowship slots in C-L, and in C & A Psychiatry.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS:

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- Scholar's Day — Ida Noyes Hall (10/27)
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- Grand Rounds: L168 (12-1:30 PM)
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## NEW FACULTY ADULT PSYCHIATRY



**Danielle Anderson, M.D.** Dr. Danielle Anderson has now joined the Faculty as an Assistant Professor as a Teaching Attending on our Teaching Service at Mercy and in our Geropsychiatry Clinics here at U of C. Dr. Anderson received her B.S. in Chemistry, her M.D., and completed her Psychiatry Residency at the U of C (in 2006). She then went on to complete a Geropsychiatry Fellowship at the Johns Hopkins Medical Center in Baltimore, Maryland. Dr. Anderson comes to us after one year on the faculty at MCW in Milwaukee. Welcome back, Danielle!



**Michael Marcangelo, M.D.** Dr. Michael Marcangelo has now joined the Faculty as Assistant Professor. Dr. Marcangelo is now the Director of Medical Student Education and is a C-L Attending on the C-L Service here at the Mitchell Hospital also focusing on the Psychiatric Aspects of Transplant Medicine. Dr. Marcangelo received his B.A. in Psychology with Honors from the U of C and his M.D. at UIC. He then completed his Psychiatry Residency at U of C in 2006 after which he trained, under the internationally renowned Dr. Thomas Wise, in Psychosomatic (C-L) Psychiatry at Fairfax Hospital/George Washington University Medical Center. Dr. Marcangelo comes back to us after one year on the faculty at MCW in Milwaukee. Welcome back, Michael!

## FACULTY PROMOTIONS



**Maureen Lacy, Ph.D. promoted to Associate Professor** of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neuroscience. Dr. Lacy received her Ph.D. in Clinical Psychology at Illinois Institute of Technology. She completed her Post-Doctoral Training in Clinical Neuropsychology at the U of Michigan Medical Center. She began her career at UCMC in 1996. She is currently

the Clinical Psychology Internship Training Director and a recipient of one of 18 Graduate Psychology Education Training grants focused on promoting multidisciplinary training. She also Co-Directs the Clinical, Research and Educational Training Program in Neuropsychology at U of C. Dr. Lacy is committed to improving the educational process for future clinicians and thus has previously held the position of President of the Association of Internship in Training Clinical Neuropsychology (AITCN) and is an ongoing member of the Education Committee of the American Psychology Association (APA). She also assists APA in lobbying local senators for increased educational funding at a federal level. Regionally, she is Co-Director of the Association of Internship and Academic Training Directors and hosts annual meetings at UC. Clinically, Dr. Lacy provides neuropsychological assessment and psychotherapy to adults with compromised cognition secondary to neurologic disorders (e.g., stroke, metastatic tumors, degenerative dementias). Her main research interest lies in the cognitive impact of hydrocephalus through out the life span and in creating efficacious treatment interventions.

## NEW FACULTY C & A PSYCHIATRY



**Karam Radwan, M.D.** Karam Radwan, M.D., joined the faculty this fall as an assistant professor and the Associate Training Director of the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Residency training program. Dr. Radwan is Board Certified in both General Psychiatry and Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and is also a certified Child and Adolescent Psychiatrist in the United Kingdom. Dr. Radwan received his M.D. degree from the University of Damascus, the oldest university in Syria, and then moved to the United Kingdom, where he completed his internship at the University of Birmingham and the University of London. He has earned the honor of being a consultant in the National Health Service in the UK. Dr. Radwan subsequently left the UK to train in the United States at the University of Missouri, followed by his Child and Adolescent Psychiatry training at Northwestern University and the University of Michigan. Before joining the University of Chicago, Dr. Radwan was in private practice in Ohio for 4 years. During that time, he was involved in clinical research, as part of the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Trial Network CAPTN. Dr. Radwan was a primary investigator and worked closely with Duke University and Dr. John March on a trial examining the efficacy and safety of antidepressants in children and adolescents. Bringing a depth of experience from international experiences, cultural sensitivity and fluency in three languages, Dr. Radwan is able to appreciate childhood mental health from different perspectives. Welcome Karam!

## DEPARTMENTAL ADMIN / STAFF NEWS

### Staff News



**Christianne Montgomery**, Director of the Department's Pre-/Post Awards Office, has just received her second Master's Degree. This is an M.B.A. from St. Xavier University. Congratulations!

### NEW STAFF



**Christopher Martinez**. Mr. Martinez has joined the Child & Adolescent Section as its Secretary (V) and he will partner with faculty and staff in regards to overall administrative needs for that Section. Mr. Martinez is a native of Chicago, currently a student at DuPaul, and resides here in Chicago with his wife Lorena, and sons, Evan and Nathan.



**Eric Stachon**. Mr. Stachon has joined the Department as a Project Assistant II. Mr. Stachon will partner with Human Resources and the Department to provide overall operational support. He is pursuing a degree in Computer Networking Systems at ITT in Burr Ridge. He currently resides in Chicago.

## **CLINICAL MISSION: ADULT PSYCHIATRY**



**Daniel Yohanna, M.D., Director of Clinical Affairs & Section Chief of Adult Psychiatry.** Since the spring, all of our resident-run clinics (and there are a total of 21 clinics) changed residents in July affecting literally hundreds of patients. Two clinics even changed the days that they meet and

one even changed the faculty member leading it. Given all this change, it is a wonder that not one patient called to complain about the continuity of their care, their new doctor or new setting. It is actually remarkable that "not much happened" since the spring when in fact, so much change occurred. I wondered why that is.

Over 60% of our clinic patients are privately funded and though some must use University programs, many do not and could go elsewhere. They stick with us, I think, because there is something unique about being treated in an academic setting. Diagnostic workups are more thorough and special attention is paid when unusual problems arise. It peaks our curiosity and pushes us to try to understand the person and the problem better (it also gives us ample assignments for medical students to do a literature search on the issue). When we decide on a treatment, it is usually evidenced based and something we can and must explain to the patients, residents and students. Our patients keeps coming back because there is a sense that something special is going on here.

I welcome any comments at: [dyohanna@bsd.uchicago.edu](mailto:dyohanna@bsd.uchicago.edu).

## **EDUCATION MISSION**



**Deborah Spitz, M.D., Director of Education.** The academic year has begun with an infusion of young and energetic clinician educators into our faculty: Danielle Anderson MD has begun to revise goals and objectives for residents on the Department's inpatient unit at Mercy Hospital; Michael Marcangelo MD is already shepherding along

our four-week medical student clerkship in psychiatry and is working to integrate psychiatric content on human development, cognition, memory, stress and affective regulation into the newly designed curriculum of the medical school; Paul Jones MD is designing the pediatric consultation service and teaching residents and fellows in child and adolescent psychiatry; and Dr. Karam Radwan is about to take on major education responsibilities in child psychiatry as well. We welcome them all! This is an exciting time for the Hospital and for our Department. The University of Chicago is in the process of developing programs with two major affiliates—Mercy Hospital, as part of the Urban Health Initiative, and Evanston Hospital as our primary educational affiliate. We will maintain our inpatient unit at Mercy as part of our commitment to providing mental health services to the Chicago South Side. In addition, we are working with the Psychiatry Department at Evanston to explore training in inpatient, consultation and outpatient psychiatry at that site, and to plan for educational/clinical experiences at the medical student, resident and fellowship levels.

## **CLINICAL MISSION: C & A PSYCHIATRY**



**Sharon Hirsch, M.D., Section Chief, C & A Psychiatry.**

The Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Section continues to evolve. Dr. Paul Jones has joined our section, and has just completed a thorough needs assessment of Pediatric CL and is now beginning his clinical work as Director

of CL with important assistance from Dr. Drossos. Dr. Karam Radwan has arrived and has started his psychotherapy clinic with the second year child residents. He has also taken charge of his role as Associate Training Director. Our first year child residents Dr. Astrid Herard and Dr. Khalid Afzal are rotating on the inpatient unit at Lakeshore with Dr. Peter Nierman and on CL, respectively. Our second year residents, Drs. Jane Gaffrey and Chris Womack, are busy with their outpatient year on the UofC main campus, with an exciting new rotation in our area schools. Their innovative work in the schools is an extension of the work done by Dr. Icy Cade-Bell and the Pediatric Mobile Unit, and is funded by a grant from The Women's Board.

Others continue to be very active in research. For example, Dr. le Grange and his Eating Disorders team published more than 30 papers last year, and now have 3 new grants including a treatment study for obesity in adolescents. Dr. Keenan continues her work with depression, and Dr. Hunter continues his research collaborations with pediatrics. Finally, Drs. Lahey and Decety are recruiting for an imaging study of Conduct Disorder.

## **RESEARCH MISSION**



**Paul Vezina, Ph.D., Director of Research.**

The Department did very well last year in terms of current research grant activity and in grant submissions. Active Grants accounted for ~\$5.9 Million in Direct Costs, ~\$2.2 Million in Indirect Costs (~\$8.1 Million in Total Costs). Faculty submitted 50 grant applications last year. Dollar-wise, this represented \$31.4 Million

in Direct Costs, and \$14.7 Million in Indirect Costs, over all years of each grant. At of this date 24% (12 of 50) these grants have been funded. This rate is ~ 60% higher than the mean rate for national extra-mural funding (~15%) and, dollar-wise, represents \$7.6 Million in Direct Costs, \$3.3 Million in Indirect Costs, over all years of each grant.

### **New NIH Research Grant Awards have gone to:**

RO1 NIH Grants went to Emil Coccaro, Andrea King, Daniel le Grange. R21 NIH Grants went to Chungyu Liu and Lisa Sanchez-Johnsen. A new K23 NIH Grant went to Eunice Chen and a new RO3 NIH Grant went to Michael McCloskey.

**Enjoy the bubbly.....!**



## **FACULTY HONORS & MEDIA NOTES**

### **Chair's Awards: 2007-2008**

#### **Most Outstanding Member of Faculty:**

*Andrea King & Scott Hunter*

#### **Best Teaching Among Faculty:**

*Chung-Yu Liu & Maria Tobin*

#### **Best Scholarship Among Faculty:**

*Daniel le Grange & Steven Dinwiddie*

#### **Best Citizenship Among Faculty:**

*Judith Badner & Daniel Yohanna*

### **Residents' Awards for Teaching Faculty : 2007-2008**

Fred Ovsiew (PGY I); Morrie Goldman (PGY II)

Shona Vas (PGY III); Fred Ovsiew (PGY IV)

### **Media Notes:**

**Dr. Daniel le Grange is noted in an article in The Australian, May 27, 2008. See link: at: <http://www.theaustralian.news.com.au/story/0,,23779731-23289,00.html>**

## **RESEARCH PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT**



**Chunyu Liu, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Psychiatry & Behavioral Neuroscience,** received his BS at Wuhan University, MS at Xiamen University, and Ph.D. in Medical Genetics at Hunan Medical University. He joined the faculty of the University of Chicago in 2005. His research focuses on using genetics, genomics and bioinformatics approaches to discover molecular

mechanism of psychiatric diseases, particularly mood disorders and schizophrenia. Current projects examine a) association of DNA variants of candidate genes or in the whole human genome, including copy number variants, in bipolar disorder; b) gene expression regulation mechanism in human brain using genome wide association mapping method; c) biochemical, genomic and behavioral changes in animal models. Dr. Liu's lab also has efforts creating novel bioinformatics tools and databases to support the above research projects. Through these studies, the changes from DNA, through RNA to behavioral phenotypes could be better understood in patients. It will offer new opportunities for diagnosis and drug development.

## **TEACHING FACULTY SPOTLIGHT**



### **Robert Galatzer-Levy, M.D.**

Robert Galatzer-Levy, M.D, a Training and Supervising Analyst at the Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis, is an important figure in the psychotherapy educational program in psychotherapy and a highly valued member of our faculty. After receiving a Masters' Degree in Mathematics at NYU, he trained at Washington University School of Medicine and then did a residency and fellowship in child psychiatry at the University of Chicago. Currently in private practice, he is and author of numerous books and articles in the psychoanalytic literature and an active member of many professional associations and editorial boards. In 1991, he was awarded the Joan Flemming Award for Excellence in Teaching by the Candidates Association, Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis. In addition, Dr. Galatzer-Levy has served as an expert witness and consultant in custody evaluations, termination of parental rights, juvenile and adult criminal, malpractice and personal injury litigation. He has supervised residents in the Department of Psychiatry at The University of Chicago for many years, and currently teaches a course on psychodynamic psychotherapy for our fellows in Child and Adolescent Psychiatry.

## **DEPARTMENTAL EVENTS & ACTIVITIES**

### **Departmental Events:**

Fall Reception at the Home of the Chair (9/26; 6-9 PM)

Scholar's Day: Ida Noyes Hall (10/27 11 AM-5 PM)

Holiday Party at the Home of the Chair (12/14); 4-7 PM)

### **Grand Rounds (12:00—1:30 PM, L168):**

John Csernansky, M.D., Northwestern (9/11): Schizophrenia

Jean Decety, Ph.D., U of C (9/27): Neuroscience of Empathy

Marilyn Kraus, M.D., UIC (10/16): Neuroscience of TBI

Compliance Update (10/23)

Wayne Drevets, M.D., NIMH (11/13): Imaging & Depression

Harry Trosman, U of C (11/20): Psychoanalysis

### **Case Conference (12-00—1:30 PM, L168):**

Theodote Pontikes, M.D. (9/25)

Peter Doyle, M.A. (10/30)

Berdine Chong, M.D. (12/18)

## SPOTLIGHT ON SCHOLARSHIP

Last year, the faculty as a whole accounted for over more than 142 peer-review publications (~4.9 per Faculty), more than 20 book chapters (~0.7 per Faculty), and more than 112 presentations at national/regional meetings (~3.9 per Faculty). *Examples of the peer-review publications include:*

Kendler KS, Jacobson KC, Gardner CO, Gillespie NG, Aggen SA., Prescott CA. Creating a social world: A developmental twin study of peer group deviance. Arch Gen Psych 64, 958-965, 2007.

Epstein AM, Sher TG, Young MA, King AC. Tobacco chippers show robust increases in smoking urge after alcohol consumption. Psychopharmacol 190: 321-329, 2007.

Shi J, Hattori E, Zou H, Badner JA, Christian SL, Gershon ES, Liu C. Association Analysis of 19 Cholinergic Genes with Bipolar Disorder. Am J Med Genet B Neuropsychiatr Genet 144:715-23, 2007.

Holick KA, Lee DC, Hen R, Dulawa SC. Behavioral effects of chronic fluoxetine in BALB/cJ mice do not require adult hippocampal neurogenesis or the serotonin 1A receptor. Neuropsychopharmacology 33:406-17, 2008.

McCloskey M, Lee R, Berman ME, Noblett K, Coccaro EF. The relationship between impulsive verbal aggression and intermittent explosive disorder. Agg Behav 34, 51-60, 2008.

le Grange D, Crosby RD, Lock J. Predictors and moderators of outcome in family-based treatment for adolescent bulimia nervosa. JAACAP 47:464-70, 2008.

## SPOTLIGHT ON TRAINEES



Emily Helder, M.A. is currently a psychology intern in Neuropsychology at UCMC and a doctoral candidate at Wayne State University. She received her BA in psychology from Calvin College and her MA in clinical psychology from Wayne State. Emily's clinical and research interests include pediatric neuropsychology, neuroimaging, and impact of early experiences on cognitive/behavioral outcomes. Emily is currently working in the Pediatric and Adult Neuropsychology clinics for the first half of this year.



Mohan Krishnan, M.A. grew up in Michigan but joins us from the University of Florida. He is excited to be back in the Midwest (until the subzero temperatures arrive!). As a psychology intern, he will train on the adult and child neuropsychology services. He will also see patients for psychotherapy. Mr. Krishnan's primary research interest is the bidirectional relationship between chronic health conditions and depression. He ultimately hopes to practice neuropsychology in a hospital setting. One of his major hobbies is volunteering with kids with chronic illness through Camp Boggy Creek, part of Paul Newman's Hole in the Wall Gang. Stop by any time for entertaining camp stories!

## SPOTLIGHT ON TRAINEES



Chris Womack, M.D. is a native Chicagoan raised on the south-side in the Chatham community. For the 2008/2009 academic year, he will share chief duties with Dr. Jane Gaffrey in the child and adolescent psychiatry department. Dr. Womack completed his medical training at the University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine in 2004 and adult psychiatry training at the University Of Chicago Medical Center in 2007. His professional interests include community psychiatry, school-liaison consultation, and child and adolescent psychiatry with formal training completion in June 2009. Dr. Womack was awarded the AACAP Education Outreach grant in 2007. Now a second-year Child & Adolescent fellow, he plans to enter private practice in Chicago upon graduation in 2009.



Astrid Herard, M.D. is a Chicago-area native and is currently a first year C&A Fellow. She earned a B.A. in Psychology from the University of Illinois at Chicago in 2001 and an M.D. from the University of Illinois College of Medicine at Rockford in 2005. She developed a strong interest in C&A Psychiatry during her third year of medical school and looks forward to a career of helping to improve the lives of young people. Dr. Herard's particular interests include Pediatric Consult-Liaison Psychiatry, traumatic stress, and cultural issues in mental health.

## SPOTLIGHT ON ADMINISTRATION



K.C. Goodell, M.S., Senior Executive Administrator, joined the Department in October of 2007 as part of an effort by UCMC to enhance the management and administrative functions in the clinical neuroscience areas. KC came to the University of Chicago in 1999 as the Executive Administrator for Neurology. He has also served as the interim administrator of the Departments of Family Medicine and Ophthalmology and Visual Science.

Prior to joining the University, KC was the Director of Ambulatory Services for Saint Joseph Hospital and Medical Center on Chicago's north side. Academically he received his BA from Washington University in St. Louis where he majored in Sociology and minored in Business Administration. He then received his Master's of Science Degree in Health Systems Management from Rush University, and completed a two year administrative fellowship with Saint Joseph Hospital. KC was born and raised in the Chicago suburb of Downers Grove. He still lives in Downers Grove where he married his high school sweetheart Sue. They have three children Adam 18, Megan 14, and Ben 10. Time away from work is filled with watching and/or coaching various sports the kids are involved in, and enjoying the outdoors as much as possible through running, biking and canoeing.

## CLINICAL PROGRAMS

### Adult Psychiatry Programs:

Mood Disorder Program\*  
Anxiety Disorder Program\*  
Personality Disorder Program\*  
Aggression Disorder Program\*  
Obesity Program  
Psychotic Disorder Program\*

Inpatient Psychiatry  
Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry  
Adult Clinical Neuropsychology

### Child & Adolescent Programs:

Mood & Anxiety Disorder Program\*  
ADHD and Disruptive Disorder Program\*  
Developmental Disorder Program\*  
Eating Disorder Program\*

Inpatient Psychiatry  
Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry  
C&A Clinical Neuropsychology

**\*Call Intake @ (773) 702-3858**

## RESEARCH PROGRAMS

Behavioral and CBT Treatment Studies of Impulsive Aggression (Dr. McCloskey)

Behavioral Genetic Studies of Aggression and Antisocial Behavior (Dr. Jacobson)

Behavioral Neuroscience Research Laboratory (Dr. Vezina)

Biologic & Pharmacologic Treatment Studies of Impulsive Aggression (Dr. Coccaro)

Biological and Treatment Studies of Nicotine and Alcohol Addiction (Dr. King)

Biological Studies of Stress and Personality (Dr. Lee)

Eating Disorder Treatment Studies (Dr. le Grange)

Human Neuropsychopharmacology (Dr. de Wit)

Molecular Genetics of Mood & Psychotic Disorders (Drs. Gershon, Badner, and Liu)

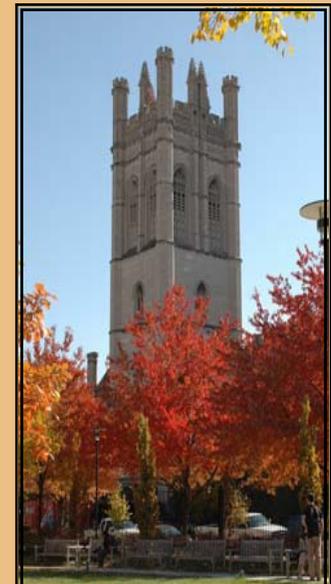
Molecular Psychopharmacology (Dr. Dulawa)

Multi-Cultural Health Research Program (Dr. Sanchez-Johnsen)

Obesity Research Treatment Studies (Dr. Chen)

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