Our Alumni: Where Are They Now?

The Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai NIDA Training Program has strengthened considerably in recent years. Our trainees have authored or co-authored publications in leading journals, including Science, Neuron, Cell, and Journal of Neuroscience, and have been recruited to academic positions at various institutions.

Many of our former fellows have faculty positions and have obtained investigator initiated awards, including those from NIDA:

- Jennifer Bartz, PhD - Assistant Professor, Department of Psychology, McGill University and Adjunct Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- Marta Filizola, PhD - Associate Professor, Department of Structural and Chemical Biology, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- Danielle Halpern, PsyD - Assistant Clinical Professor, Department of Psychiatry, Seaver Autism Center, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- Michelle M. Jacobs, PhD - Assistant Professor, Department of Neurology, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- Alicia Kaplan, MD - Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry, Drexel University
- Andrew Kolodny, MD - Chief Medical Officer, Phoenix House
- Mary Kay Lobo, PhD - Assistant Professor, Department of Anatomy and Neurobiology, University of Maryland School of Medicine
- Susana Neves, PhD - Assistant Professor, Department of Pharmacology and Systems Therapeutics, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- Dinah Ramos-Ortaloza, PhD - Assistant Professor, Pontifical Catholic University of Puerto Rico
- Jeremy Seto, PhD - Assistant Professor, Department of Biological Sciences, New York City College of Technology, CUNY
- Ting Wang, PhD - Assistant Professor, Departments of Psychiatry and Neuroscience, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai

Many of our previous trainees have gone to leadership positions:

- Eva Chmielnicki, PhD - Academic Research Manager, Academic Relations and Collaborations Group, Roche
- Michael DeVivo, PhD - Director, Translational Medicine in Neuroscience, Pfizer Pharmaceuticals
- Frank Guarnieri, PhD - Founder and CSO, PAKA Pulmonary Pharmaceuticals; Principal Founding Scientist, Locus Pharmaceuticals
- Sallie Jo Hadley, MD - Medical Director, Covance; Director, Pfizer Pharmaceuticals
- **Lidija Ivic, PhD** - Director of Research Administration, Department of Neurology, Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- Peihua Jiang, PhD - Assistant Member, Monell Chemical Senses Center
- Jennifer Johnston, PhD - Senior Scientist, Global Structural Chemistry Department, Merck & Co. Pharmaceuticals
- Amin Mazloom, PhD - Senior Bioinformatics Scientist, Sequenom Inc.
- Michael Michaelides, PhD - Tenure-track Investigator, Behavioral Imaging and Molecular Neuropsychopharmacology Unit Chief, Neuroimaging Research Branch, NIDA
- Stephen Taubenfeld, PhD - Senior Analyst/Portfolio Manager Biotech, Bellevue Asset Management
- Alexander Vinitsky, PhD - President and CSO, Affina Biotechnologies; Principal, ARVYS Proteins Inc.
- Yana Zorina, PhD - Scientist I-Cell Biologist, Acorda Therapeutics Inc.