Sunday
April 11, 2010

STERN AUDITORIUM
MOUNT SINAI MEDICAL CENTER
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JOSEPH D. BUXBAUM, PhD

PRESENTS

Advances in Autism Conference

NEW INSIGHTS IN THE ETIOLOGY,
DIAGNOSIS, NEUROBIOLOGY, GENETICS,
AND TREATMENT OF AUTISM

DISTINGUISHED SCIENTIFIC SPEAKERS:
Joseph D. Buxbaum, PhD
Sarah J. Spence, MD, PhD
Evdokia Anagnostou, MD
Bryan H. King, MD

SPECIAL GUEST SPEAKER:
Eustacia Cutler
Author of: “Thorn in My Pocket: Temple Grandin’s Mother Tells the Family Story”
SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 11TH, 2010

8:00 AM  Registration

8:30  Opening Remarks
Joseph D. Buxbaum
Hirschell Levine
Eric London

9:15  The Autisms and the Search for Meaningful Subtypes
Sarah Spence

10:00  Genetics of Autism Spectrum Disorders: From Genes to Novel Therapeutics
Joseph D. Buxbaum

10:45  Coffee Break

11:00  Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy and Diffusion Tensor Imaging Studies in Autism
Evdokia Anagnostou

11:45  Power to the Placebo: An Update on Pharmacotherapy in Autism
Bryan King

12:30 PM  Lunch

1:30  Afternoon Introductions
Charles Cartwright
Lee Rambeau
Roberta Leiner

1:45  “Yes, your child is autistic, but who is your child and who are you?”:
Coming to Terms with Autism
Eustacia Cutler
Author of: “Thorn in My Pocket: Temple Grandin’s Mother Tells the Family Story”

2:30  Coffee Break

2:45-4:15  Workshops (A, B, C, D)

WORKSHOP A
Improving Autism Care Through Research and Advocacy
Eric London
Alison Singer

WORKSHOP B
Best Practices in the Education of Children with Autism Panel
Latha Soorya
Katherine Cody
Lauren Hough
Susan Luger
Carol Stein-Schulman

WORKSHOP C
Current Trends in the Pharmacological Treatment of Autism: A Panel of Experts
Alexander Kolevzon
David Grodberg
Charles Cartwright
Peter Della Bella

WORKSHOP D
Transition to Adulthood: Making Connections—A Panel of Specialists in Education, Law, Finance, Family and Community Life
Carla Alvarez-Gould
Dianne Zager
Allison Kleinman
Stuart Flaum
Wendy Sheinberg
Barbara Toback

Register Online at http://cmetracker.net/MSSMCMCE/
Joseph D. Buxbaum, PhD, is the G. Harold and Leila Y. Mathers Professor of Psychiatry, Neuroscience, and Genetic and Genomic Science, the Head of The Laboratory of Molecular Neuropyschiatry at Mount Sinai. Dr. Buxbaum is the Director of the Seaver Autism Center, and his research focuses on using techniques of molecular genetics to identify, and ultimately characterize, genes that contribute to autism susceptibility. His laboratory has identified common and rare genetic variants that underlie autism and autism spectrum disorders and has developed model systems in which novel therapeutics can be tested. In addition, Dr. Buxbaum has taken a lead in several international consortia dedicated to advancing research in autism spectrum disorders.

Bryan H. King, MD, is Professor and Vice Chair of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences and Director of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at the University of Washington and Seattle Children’s Hospital. He is also the Director of the Seattle Children’s Autism Center. Dr. King’s clinical and research interests have been focused on psychiatric aspects of developmental disorders, repetitive movements, and the pathogenesis and treatment of severe behavioral disturbance. He is Director of the NIH-funded UW Autism Center of Excellence and is involved in several clinical trials examining potential medication treatments for significant emotional and behavioral disorders in autism. Dr. King has written extensively in the medical literature relating to this field, and has received lifetime achievement awards from the American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, and from the American Psychiatric Association, for his work in the field of Developmental Disabilities. He has been recognized for his clinical care in several venues, including being honored as an Outstanding Physician by the nursing staff of the UCLA Neuropsychiatric Institute. He also received the Family Choice Award at Seattle Children’s Hospital.

Sarah J. Spence, MD, PhD, is a child neurologist with a PhD in neuropsychology and training in behavioral neurogenetics. She conducts clinical research in the intramural research program at the National Institute of Mental Health in Bethesda, MD. Her research focuses on the intensive investigation of the subtypes of autism and several novel treatment trials. She also serves on the DSM-V Work Group for Neurodevelopmental Disorders. Her other research interests include exploration of related medical aspects of autism spectrum disorders, including the role of epilepsy and EEG abnormalities, sleep disorders, metabolic dysfunction and genetics.

Evdokia Anagnostou, MD, is a child neurologist and a clinician-scientist at Bloorview Research Institute and Assistant Professor in the Department of Pediatrics at the University of Toronto. She is also an Adjunct Assistant Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at Mount Sinai School of Medicine. Dr. Anagnostou’s research focuses on the psychopharmacology and neuroimaging of autism. She has been funded to run the first pediatric clinical trial of oxytocin in autism, as well as studies of memantine, omega-3 fatty acids and pioglitazone. She is also studying the developmental trajectory of abnormalities in the frontostriatal/limbic circuitries in autism, and explores the mechanisms of treatment response and side effect generation using fMRI, MR spectroscopy and DTI techniques.
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WORKSHOP SESSIONS

Please select the desired workshop you wish to attend.

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STATEMENT OF NEED

With an increasing rate of autism diagnoses and a rapidly aging young adult population with autism, there is a need to increase the sophistication of the diagnosis, assessment, and treatment of autism and autism spectrum disorders and share this information with psychiatrists, neurologists, other health care professionals, and consumers/family members.

The expected outcome, as a result of this activity, would be a general update and enhancement of knowledge related to the accurate recognition, diagnosis, and treatment of autism spectrum disorders. With this knowledge, physicians, health care professionals, and teachers can better serve people with autism and ultimately provide optimal services to their patients with autism and autism spectrum disorders. For families who attend, this conference will inform them of the current trends in diagnosis, research, and treatment and provide options/resources they might otherwise not have had access to.

Our conference is a one-day event held at Mount Sinai School of Medicine. It includes a series of lectures and workshops given by accomplished professionals in the field of autism. The purpose of the conference is to advance knowledge of the practicing psychiatrist, neurologist, psychologist, geneticist, other health care professional, educator, family member and social worker as to the accurate recognition, diagnosis, and treatment of autism spectrum disorders.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

At the conclusion of this activity, participants will be able to:

- Assess the current psychological, neurological, functional imaging, and neurotransmitter model systems of autism.
- Recognize how autism may run in families.
- Evaluate current pharmacological, behavioral, educational, and group treatments of autism.
- Integrate the current diagnostic measures and treatment options for autism spectrum disorders into private practice.

Target Audience

This activity is designed for psychiatrists, neurologists, psychologists, pediatricians, geneticists, other health care professionals, educators, family members, and social workers.

Accreditation

Mount Sinai School of Medicine is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Credit Designation

Mount Sinai School of Medicine designates this educational activity for a maximum of 6.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Verification of attendance will be provided to all participants.
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