



The British Neuropsychiatry Association

Newsletter

Summer 2009

The BNPA is pleased to announce their 23rd Annual General Meeting - 11/12 February 2010

With a joint meeting, 10 February, with the Section of Neuropsychiatry, RCPsych

“Memory (SoN/BNPA), Encephalopathy and delirium, Head Injury, Neuropsychiatry and the self”

Venue: Institute of Child Health, London.

Registration now open www.bnpa.org.uk



Prof. Adam Zeman,
Chairman

The BNPA's annual meeting in 2010 will open with a symposium on memory held jointly with the Section of Neuropsychiatry of the Royal College of Psychiatrists. Organised by one of the leaders of clinical memory research in the UK, Professor Mike Kopelman, the day will review the breadth of memory disorders, with talks on areas of key clinical importance and major current theoretical debates.

The second day of the meeting will focus on the causes and management of encephalopathy and delirium. Topics will include the assessment of rapidly progressive dementia, infective encephalitis, acute intoxication and the pathogenesis and practical management of confusional states. Professor Angela Vincent will review the role of autoantibodies in neuropsychiatric disorders.

The closing day will address two major themes. The morning session will be devoted to head injury, one of the most common yet persistently neglected causes of neuropsychiatric disorder, with talks on epidemiology, management, executive dysfunction and a legal perspective from Lord Malcolm. The meeting closes traditionally with a thought provoking final session which will take us beyond the confines of clinical practice: a neuropsychiatrist, a brain imager and a philosopher-physician will analyse the neuropsychiatry of the self.

11/12 February - Speakers and Topics to include:

Encephalopathy and delirium

Tom Solomon (UK)

Alasdair MacLulich (UK)

Richard Knight (UK)

Keynote: Angela Vincent (UK)

“Metabolic/drug related causes of Delirium”

“Pathogenesis and Practical Management of Delirium”

“Differential diagnosis of rapidly progressive dementia”

“Antibodies in neuropsychiatric disorders and more”

Head Injury

Sir Graham Teasdale

David Cassidy (CA)

Lord Malcolm Campbell (UK)

Jonathan Evans (UK)

“Head injury – management and disability”

“Epidemiology of mild brain injury”

“How a judge appraises medical evidence”

“Rehabilitation for dysexecutive symptoms”

Neuropsychiatry and the self

Anthony David (UK)

Raymond Tallis (UK)

Steven Laureys (B)

“Self Awareness/Insight in Neuropsychiatric Disorders”

“Personal Identity, Mind and Body”

“Brain imaging studies of self processing”

Membership

Our membership total is fast approaching 500. If you know of any colleagues who may wish to join, please encourage them to do so. Membership application forms can be downloaded from our website www.bnpa.org.uk.

Medico-Legal Register

Members are invited to submit their short CV and contact details for the BNPA medico-legal register to Jackie by email at jashmenall@yahoo.com. The register is sent to solicitors requesting medico-legal experts.

Meetings and Events

Full-Day Workshop - 15th July 2009

Cognitive Behavioural Management of Tic and Body-focused Repetitive Disorders

Kieron O'Connor, University of Montreal, Canada

Learning objectives:

- Identify and distinguish tics and habits from other repetitive behaviours
- Understand the psychological and behavioural dimensions of tic and habit disorders
- Apply effective intervention for simple and complex tics and behaviours

This workshop takes place at the University of Exeter, as part of the British Association of Behavioural and Cognitive Psychotherapies Annual Conference.

Workshop fee – £125 BABCP member, £155 non-member, £100 student member

For a full workshop description, visit http://www.babcpconference.com/programme/full_workshops.htm

Online registration, visit http://www.babcpconference.com/registration/registration_information.htm

NEUROANATOMY FOR PSYCHIATRY

Saturday 18th July 2009

Institute of Child Health, London WC1

Course director: Dr Paul Johns (National Hospital, Queen Square)

- One-day advanced functional neuroanatomy course
- Focuses on the cerebral cortex, basal ganglia and limbic system
- Includes the basal forebrain, substantia innominata and diffuse neurochemical systems
- Emphasises key structures and systems of relevance to clinical psychiatric practice
- Suitable for MRCPsych candidates or as a refresher course for consultant psychiatrists

Website: <http://www.neurocourses.com/>

Meetings and Events Cont./...

WORKSHOP ON BIOLOGY OF SOCIAL COGNITION

9-16 August 2009 Registration will open shortly
Arranged by : David Skuse, University College London, UK
Ralph Adolphs, Caltech

Our Biology of Social Cognition summer school will be held at the Wellcome Trust Conference Centre in Hinxton next August. The course will be on similar lines as in 2008, visit: <http://meetings.cshl.edu/courses/c-learn08.shtml>

The Kobe Conference of the International
Neuropsychiatric Association

<http://ina2009.jp>

September 12 (Sat) ~13 (Sun), 2009

Kobe International Conference Center: 6-9-1 Minatojima-nakamachi, Chuo-ku, Kobe

Topics: "Neuropsychiatric Disorders"

Confirmed Speakers:

Trimble MR (UK), McKeith I (UK), Lyketsos C (US), Rabins P (US), Starkstein SE (Australia), Trzepacz P (US), Papapetropoulos S (US), Brusco L (Argentina), Bunevicius R (Lithuania), Colin-Piana R (Mexico), David A (UK), Kopelman M (UK), Gaviria M (US), Krishnamoorthy ES (India), Mula M (Italy), Sachdev P (Australia), Soldatos C (Greece), Trollor J (Australia), Kosaka K (Japan), Kuroda K (Japan), Maeda K (Japan), Mitsuyama Y (Japan), Morita Y (Japan), Ohigashi Y (Japan), Takeda M (Japan), Miyoshi K (Japan)

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www.sleeping.org.uk

27 September - 1 October 2009 (Robinson College, Cambridge): International Sleep Medicine Course 2009. Highly acclaimed international postgraduate programme, aimed at medical specialists, physiologists and nurses who care for patients with sleep disorders. Full details and **new** registration form now available.



European Delirium Association Annual Scientific Meeting
Leeds, England
8-9th October 2009

This new organisation is open to all health professionals and scientists involved in delirium research and practice. Alasdair MacLulich, Professor of Geriatric Medicine, University of Edinburgh (Secretary, EDA) www.europeandeliriumassociation.com