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28 June-4 July, 2014

DOPAMINE

In memoriam of
Professor Umberto Scapagnini

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Saturday June 28th, 2014

14.00-14.45  Registration

14.45-15.00  Opening remarks
Filippo Drago (Catania)

15.00-16.00  Opening lecture (introduced by Filippo Drago)
Dopamine and psychosis
Susan George (Canada)

Dopamine in CNS disorders: genetics and epigenetics
Introducted and moderated by Franco Rossi (Italy)

16.00-17.00  Genetics of dopamine receptors and drug addiction
Nicolas Ramoz (France)

17.00-18.00  Dopaminergic system and addiction: role of epigenetics
Robert Cristopher Pierce (USA)

18.00-18.30  Discussion
Sunday June 29th, 2014

**Dopamine receptors**  
*Introduced and moderated by Filippo Caraci (Italy)*

10.00-11.00 *The neurobiology of dopamine receptors: evolution from the dual concept to heterodimer complexes*  
*Cristina Missale (Italy)*

11.00-12.00 *Homology modeling and molecular dynamics of dopamine receptors: novel tools for drug discovery*  
*Lei Shi (USA)*

12.00-12.30 Discussion

12.30-13.30 Sponsored lecture

**Dopaminergic system: from neurobiology to drug development**  
*Introduced and moderated by Salvatore Salomone (Italy)*

16.00-17.00 *Accumbens shell dopamine: multiple roles in drug and food reinforcement*  
*Gaetano Di Chiara (Italy)*

17.00-18.00 *Functional brain imaging of dopaminergic system*  
*Alain Dagher (Canada)*

18.00-18.30 Discussion

18.30-19.30 *Functionally selective signaling at the D2 Dopamine Receptor: implications for drug development*  
*John A. Allen (USA)*

19.30-19.40 Questionnaire
Monday June 30th, 2014

**Dopaminergic system in addiction**  
*Introduced and moderated by Giancarlo Pepeu (Italy)*

10.00-11.00 Molecular and cellular mechanisms of dopamine-mediated behavioral plasticity in the striatum  
*Riccardo Brambilla (Italy)*

11.00-12.00 Role of dopamine in learning and addiction - findings from single cells and neuroimaging  
*Philipp N. Tobler (Switzerland)*

12.00-13.00 Serotonin-dopamine interaction in drug addiction  
*Umberto Spampinato (France)*

12.00-12.30 Discussion

**Dopamine and addiction: from neurobiology to drug development**  
*Introduced and moderated by Gaetano Di Chiara (Italy)*

16.00-17.00 Transition to cocaine addiction: in search for relevant psychobiological correlates  
*Veronique Deroche-Gamonet (France)*

17.00-18.00 Translational strategies for therapeutic development in nicotine addiction: Rethinking the conventional bench to bedside approach  
*Bernard Le Foll (Canada)*

18.00-18.30 Discussion

18.30-19.30 Evidence-based pharmacological treatment of substance use disorders  
*Fabrizio Schifano (United Kingdom)*

19.30-19.40 Questionnaire
Tuesday July 1st, 2014

**Dopamine in Schizophrenia: from endophenotypes to new animal models**  
*Introduced and moderated by Donatella Marazziti (Italy)*

10.00-11.00  Drug discovery in schizophrenia: realistic expectations of prepulse inhibition in translational models  
*Neil Dawson (United Kingdom)*

11.00-12.00  Mouse models of genetic effects on cognition: role of dopamine pathways  
*Francesco Papaleo (Italy)*

12.00-12.30  Discussion

12.30-13.30  Sponsored lecture

**Dopaminergic system in Schizophrenia: pharmacological perspectives**  
*Introduced and moderated by Giorgio Racagni (Italy)*

16.00-17.00  Cognitive effects of second-generation antipsychotics: current insights into neurochemical mechanisms  
*Marco Riva (Italy)*

17.00-18.00  Serotonin-glutamate and serotonin-dopamine reciprocal interactions as putative molecular targets for novel antipsychotic treatments  
*Andrea De Bartolomeis (Italy)*

18.00-18.30  Discussion

18.30-19.30  Role of Dopamine D3 receptor as a new pharmacological target for the treatment of schizophrenia  
*Pierre Sokoloff (France)*

19.30-19.40  Questionnaire
Dopaminergic system in ocular pharmacology: implications for drug discovery
*Introduced and moderated by Claudio Bucolo (Italy)*

10.00-11.00  Dopamine and intraocular pressure: implications for optic neuropathy  
*Jeff Kiel (USA)*

11.00-12.00  Effects of dopamine on retinal blood flow  
*Leopold Schmetterer (Austria)*

12.00-12.30  Discussion

12.30-13.30  Sponsored lecture

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Dopamine and Parkinson’s disease
*Introduced and moderated by Mario Zappia (Italy)*

16.00-17.00  Dopaminergic system in PD: evidence from animal models  
*Fabio Blandini (Italy)*

17.00-18.00  Targeting inflammatory pathways to protect DA neurons in PD  
*Malù G. Tansey (USA)*

18.00-18.30  Discussion

18.30-19.30  Neuroprotective therapies in PD: bad or good news?  
*M. Angela Cenci-Nilsson (Sweden)*

19.30-19.40  Questionnaire
Thursday July 3rd, 2014

Dopamine and the neuroendocrine system
Introduced and moderated by Maria Angela Sortino (Italy)

10.00-11.00  Hormonal modulation of central dopaminergic transmission: the role of prolactin
Filippo Drago (Italy)

11.00-12.00  Role of the dopaminergic system in the physiological and pathological regulation of the HPA axis
Annamaria Colao (Italy)

12.00-12.30  Discussion

12.30-13.30  Sponsored lecture

Poster session for PhD students in Neuroscience
Introduced by Claudio Bucolo, Filippo Caraci, Salvatore Salomone and Umberto Spampinato

16.00-19.00

Friday July 4th, 2014

Dopamine and neuropsychiatric disorders
Introduced and moderated by Eugenio Aguglia (Italy)

10.00-11.00  The dopaminergic system in ADHD: current options and new avenues
Alessandro Zuddas (Italy)

11.00-12.00  Dopamine system and the treatment of bipolar disorder: role of antipsychotics
Andrea Fagiolini (Italy)

12.00-1300  Dopamine and incentive salience: novel treatment strategies for major depression
George I. Papakostas (USA)

12.00-12.15  Discussion

13.15-13.30  Closing remarks
Filippo Drago (Catania)

13.30-14.00  Questionnaire