Department of Psychiatry and Behavioural Neurosciences
24th ANNUAL RESEARCH DAY
Wednesday, May 23rd 2012 - Hamilton Convention Centre

Theme: “Psychiatry at Mac: A Pathway to Innovative Research on Mind, Body and Environment”

Hosts: Dr. Claudio Soares, Professor and Associate Chair, Research
       Dr. Margaret McKinnon, Clinician Scientist, Mood Disorders Program

PROGRAM

8:30 – 8:50
Opening Remarks: Dr. Nick Kates
Welcome from the hosts, agenda overview: Drs. Soares and McKinnon

8:50 – 9:40
Keynote Address:
“Depression Biomarker Network Initiative – Where we are, where we aim to be.”
Dr. Sidney Kennedy
(Professor and Psychiatrist-in-Chief, UHN, University of Toronto)

9:40 – 10:00
Refreshment Break

10:00 – 11:30
Symposium I – “Mind, Body and Environment: The MAVAN Cohort”
Speakers:
Dr. Meir Steiner (McMaster University, Chairperson)
Dr. Marla B. Sokolowski (Canada Research Chair in Genetics and Behavioural Neurology, Univ. of Toronto)
Dr. Alison Shea (University of Toronto)
Miki Peer (McMaster University)

11:30 – 1:00
Poster Session and Luncheon
(Lunch served at 12:00 pm)

1:00 - 2:00
Colloquium – “How and Why I Got Involved in Research?”
Brief testimonies from researchers at different career stages, students, managers and patient advocacy representatives

2:00 – 2:15
Refreshment Break

2:15 – 3:45
Symposium 2 – “Sex Hormones and the Environment on the Brain”
Speakers:
Dr. Claudio Soares (McMaster University, Chairperson)
Dr. Adrianna Mendrek (Centre de recherche Fernand-Seguin Hôpital Louis-H. Lafontaine, Montreal)
Dr. Simone Vigod (Women's College Hospital, Toronto)
Dr. Sandra Witelson (McMaster University, Hamilton)

3:45 - 4:00
Award Presentations: Dr. Karen Saperson

4:00
Closing Comments: Drs. Soares and McKinnon