Breakthroughs in autism and related disorders

New findings from lifecourse, genetic, and environmental research

APRIL 26, 2013

Alumni Auditorium, Black Building
650 West 168th Street

8:30 – 9:00  BREAKFAST AND INFORMAL GREETINGS

9:00 – 9:20  WELCOMING REMARKS
Sandro Galea, MD, DrPH
Andy Shih, PhD

9:20 – 9:30  SYMPOSIUM OVERVIEW
Ezra Susser, MD, DrPH

9:30 – 10:00  AUTISM IN THE TWENTY-FIRST CENTURY: INTERNATIONAL CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES
Helen Tager-Flusberg, PhD

10:00 – 10:40  KEYNOTE: OVERVIEW AND BRAIN DEVELOPMENT
Brad Peterson, MD

10:40 – 10:55  BREAK

10:55 – 11:35  KEYNOTE: BREAKTHROUGHS IN GENETIC CAUSES
Peter Szatmari, MD, MSc, FRCPC

11:35 – 11:55  GENERAL DISCUSSION

11:55 – 12:55  BREAKTHROUGHS ON GENETICS OF RELATED DISORDERS
Ruth Ottman, PhD: Epilepsy
Maria Karayiorgou, MD: Autism and schizophrenia

12:55 – 1:30  LUNCH

1:30 – 1:50  GENERAL DISCUSSION

1:50 – 3:20  BREAKTHROUGHS ON THE EPIDEMIOLOGY OF AUTISM
Craig Newschaffer, PhD: Environment
Camilla Stoltenberg, MD, PhD: Nutrition
Ian Lipkin, MD, PhD: Infection and immunology

3:20 – 3:35  BREAK

3:35 – 4:30  GENERAL DISCUSSION

4:30 – 5:00  CLOSING REMARKS
Ezra Susser, MD, DrPH