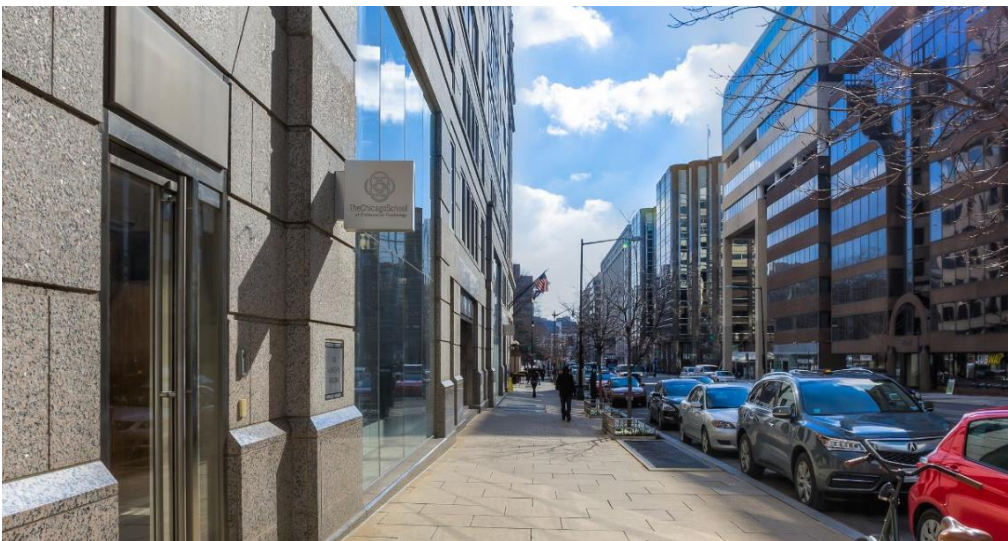


FACTs Translational Neuroscience Symposium

An international symposium for attendees to fill the knowledge gap in translational neuroscience and build strong networks and well-coordinated efforts in developing innovation in the limited funding environment

Date & Time: November 15, 2014, 1:30 PM ~ 5:00 PM

Place: [Chicago School of Professional Psychology DC Campus](#)
901 15th Street NW, Washington, DC 20005



Hosts:

[Dr. Karen Shanor](#), Psychologist, Georgetown University
[Dr. Woody Lin](#), Program Director, National Institute on Drug Abuse/NIH
[Dr. Renyu Liu](#), Anesthesiologist, University of Pennsylvania

Greetings from the President of FACTs for the Symposium

Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear friends:

It gives me tremendous pleasure to meet all of you here at the opening of the Translational Neuroscience Symposium. I would like to extend a heartfelt welcome to all the guests and delegates, on behalf of the Faculty Association of Chinese in Translational neuroScience (FACTs). And warmest congratulations to Drs. Renyu Liu and Woody Lin, who organized this symposium with excellent scientific program in collaboration with Dr. Shanor and Dr. Sheets, the campus dean of the Chicago School of Professional Psychology DC Campus!

In the past years since its birth, FACTs has become an important association in the field of translational neuroscience with growing global influence. FACTs provides a great platform for Chinese neuroscientists to communicate and collaborate with each other. In the last year, FACTs members have gained great success and made considerable progress on research of translational neuroscience as well as their career development. Several FACTs members got tenured or promoted. A number of members received new RO1 grants from the NIH. Not only does FACTs provide resources for its own members, it also promotes international collaborations among neuroscientists and enhances the development of translational neuroscience research all over the world. FACTs members have been playing crucial roles in the successful organization of several top scientific conferences, including the Brain 2013 conference, the 1st to 3rd Pangu Stroke Meeting, and etc. Moreover, more and more FACTs members establish or maintain fruitful collaborations with research institutions in China and received grant supports from the National Natural Science Foundation or the Ministry of Science & Technology of China. All of these will undoubtedly facilitate the communications among neuroscientists in different countries and positively influence the neuroscience research in both China and the United States.

In the coming year and future, we are expecting more achievements for FACTs, with the constant efforts from all members. FACTs members will continue to engage in the organization of international conferences on translational neuroscience research. Several of us are actively preparing for holding of the Brain 2019 conference. In the meantime, FACTs will provide sustained support for young investigators to pursue their career and resources of funding opportunities. In conclusion, I sincerely wish the Translational Neuroscience Symposium great success! And wish all members another productive year!

Thank you!



Jun Chen

President of FACTs

November 15, 2014

Agenda

Session One: Moderator: Renyu Liu, MD, PhD

Meeting host representing [Faculty Association of Chinese in neuroscience \(FACTs\)](#)

Vice President of the [International Chinese Academy of Anesthesiology \(ICAA\)](#)

Editor in Chief (Interim), [Translational Perioperative and Pain Medicine](#)

Co-Director, Penn-China Anesthesia Partnership Program

Founder of [Cetazam Therapeutics](#)

Assistant Professor and Director of Preoperative Medicine

Department of Anesthesiology and Critical Care

University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine, Philadelphia PA

1. 1:30~ 1:35 PM

Welcoming Speeches

- **Heather D. Sheets, PsyD; (2.5 min)**

Campus Dean

The Chicago School of Professional Psychology, Washington, DC

- **John Zhang (Immediate Past President of FACTs, video 2 min)**

2. 1:35~1:40 PM (5 min)

The Faculty Association in Translational Neuroscience

Ling Wei, MD, PhD

Professor and John E. Steinhaus Chair

Director, Stem Cell Research

Department of Anesthesiology, Department of Neurology

Emory University School of Medicine

3. 1:40~ 2:00 PM

A Discussion of Entrepreneurship for Neuroscientists in a Difficult Time of Funding (20 min)

Yan Xu, PhD

Professor of Anesthesiology, Pharmacology & Chemical Biology, and Structural Biology

Vice Chairman for Basic Sciences, Department of Anesthesiology

University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine, Pittsburgh, PA

4. 2:05~ 2: 25 PM

The Challenges in Translational Neuroscience in an Academic Environment: A Complementary Approach From a Business Perspective (20 min)

Xinmin Simon Xie, MD, PhD

President, AfaSci Research Laboratory

Consulting Associate Professor

Stanford University School of Medicine, Redwood City, CA

5. 2:25~ 2:55 PM

NIH Resources for Translational Neuroscience (30 min)

Elena Koustova, PhD, MBA

Director, Office of Translational Initiatives and Program Innovations (OTIPI),

National Institute on Drug Abuse/ NIH, SBIR/STTR Coordinator, NIDA Challenge Manager

6. 3:00~ 3:15 PM

Translational Neuroscience on the Global Stage (15 min)

Emma Grace, PhD,

International Psychology Faculty

The Chicago School of Professional Psychology, Washington DC

Break/Social Event and Discussions (15 min)

Session 2: Moderator:

Hanting (Hunter) Zhang, MD, PhD

FACTs Board Director

Associate Professor

Dept. of Behavioral Medicine & Psychiatry; Physiology & Pharmacology

West Virginia University, Morgantown, WV

7. 3:30~ 3:50 PM

NINDS Office of Translational Research:

New Programs to support Therapy and Device Discovery and Development (20 min)

Hao Wang, PhD

Program Director

Office of Translational Research

National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (NINDS), NIH, Bethesda, MD

8. 3:55~ 4:25 PM

Invention Protection and Translation: Tips from a Tech Transfer Perspective (30 min)

Heather A Steinman, PhD, MBA

Vice President, Business Development &

Executive Director, Technology Transfer

The Wistar Institute

Philadelphia, PA

9. 4:30~4:55 PM

Panel Discussion

An era for Translational Neuroscience: What We Should Do to Prevail

Moderators

Karen Shanor, PhD

Symposium Host

Board Member, the District of Columbia Psychological Association

Georgetown University, Georgetown, DC

Renyu Liu, MD, PhD

Editor in Chief (Interim), Translational Perioperative and Pain Medicine

University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia PA

10. 4:55~ 5:00 PM Closing Remarks (5 min)

Woody Lin, PhD

Symposium Host

Program Director, Division of Clinical Neuroscience & Behavior Research

National Institute on Drug Abuse/ NIH, Bethesda, MD

5:00 PM Dismissal

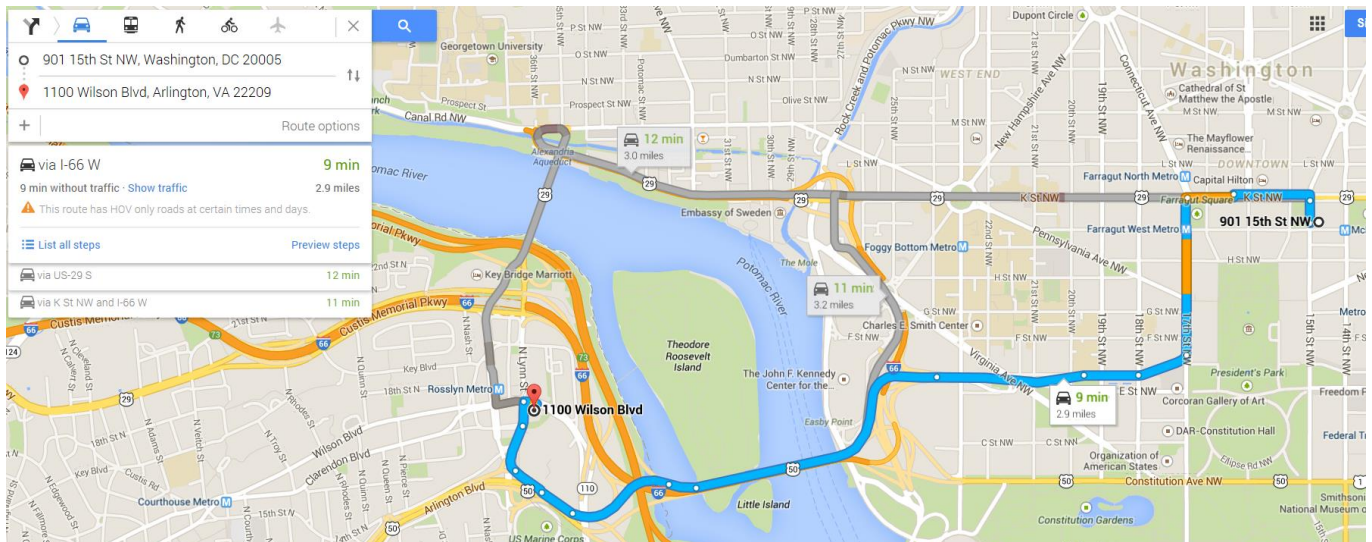
6:00 PM VIP Dinner Party

China Garden (<http://chinagardenva.com/>)

1100 Wilson Blvd Arlington, VA 22209, Tele: 703-525-5317

About 10 min drive from the meeting place to the restaurant

Metro (subway) accessible http://www.wmata.com/pdfs/pocket_guides/english.pdf



Please contact Dr. Lin if you are interested in joining the dinner discussion party (woodylinyu@yahoo.com)

Please contact Dr. Shaohua Yang for sponsorship towards FACTs (Shaohua.Yang@unthsc.edu).

Please contact Dr. Renyu Liu for sponsorship specific for this international symposium (liur@uphs.upenn.edu)

If you wish to join FACTs, please contact Dr. Shaohua Yang (Shaohua.Yang@unthsc.edu)

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