THE 2017 LYON-VOORHEES MEMORIAL LECTURE
Commemorating the Successful Psychiatric Treatment of One Alcoholic Patient

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The Addicted Brain: Epigenetic Memories and Treatment Implications

Dr. Yasmin Hurd completed her Ph.D. in neuropsychopharmacology at the Karolinska Institute in Stockholm, Sweden in 1989, after which she remained on faculty until 2005 before joining the faculty at Mount Sinai School of Medicine in 2006. She is currently Professor of Psychiatry, Neuroscience and Pharmacological Sciences as well as the Ward Coleman Chair of Translational Neuroscience at the Icahn School of Medicine in New York. Dr. Hurd is a renowned scientist whose translational research examines the neurobiology of drug abuse and related psychiatric disorders. Using multidisciplinary research approaches, her high impact work has provided significant insights about the complex neurobiological mechanisms underlying addictive behavior as well as the molecular neuropathology associated with genetic vulnerability to addiction. Her innovative research explores transcriptional and epigenetic mechanisms that offer novel targets for treatment development associated with heroin addiction and neurodevelopmental effects of prenatal cannabis exposure that may have pervasive and protracted effects into adulthood. Her preclinical research is complemented with clinical laboratory investigations evaluating the therapeutic potential of novel medications in the treatment of opioid abuse such as pioneering studies with cannabidiol. In addition to her research endeavors, Dr. Hurd is the Director for the Center for Addictive Disorders within the Mount Sinai Behavioral Health System which covers one of the largest addiction populations in the USA providing clinical care supported by science-based medicine and advanced state-of-the-art research.

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