Announcements

The Stanford Program in Neuroethics and the Center for Biomedical Ethics welcomes Vivian Chin, the new program manager for Neuroethics and Associate Editor of the Newsletter. Vivian recently graduated from Columbia University with a Bachelor’s of Science degree in Neuroscience and Behavior. Please email her at Vchin1@stanford.edu for your Newsletter contributions and queries.

AJOB Neuroscience is now accepting manuscripts. To contribute or for more information please contact, Judy Illes, Editor –illes@stanford.edu or visit http://editorial.bioethics.net.

The second issue of the BioSocieties, an interdisciplinary journal for social studies of life sciences, was published in June, 2006. To access its contents, please visit the journal’s website: http://www.journals.cambridge.org/jid_BIO

The new “Neuroethics Society” is an interdisciplinary professional organization committed to the field of neuroethics. Information on its mission, the society’s history, and governance can be found on the society’s website: http://neuroethicssociety.org/. See also “Neuroethics Needed” in Nature 441, 907 (22 June 2006).

Events of Interest


August 2-4, 2006: The Cerebral Subject: Practices and Representations in Contemporary Culture, State University of Rio de Janeiro, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Organizers: Francisco Ortega (Institute for Social Medicine, State University of Rio de Janeiro) and Fernando Vidal (Max Planck Institute for the History of Science, Berlin) www.brainhood.net

The Stanford Neuroethics Newsletter seeks to disseminate the most up-to-date information relating to neuroethics worldwide. We welcome your announcements including relevant news papers, books, talks, awards and conferences. The deadline for submitting material for the next newsletter is Thursday, August 10, 2006. Please email Vchin1@stanford.edu
September 14-16, 2006: The Given Institute of the University of Colorado, located in Aspen, will be the site for the 6th Quandaries in Health Care conference, “Medical and Normative Horizons of Human Bodies.” Contact Mary Lou Wallace at 303.315.5096 for further information.

September 19-22, 2006: Wellcome Trust's annual Biomedical Ethics Summer School, Caius College, Cambridge, UK.  
http://www.wellcome.ac.uk/doc_WTD003178.html

For more information, please visit:  
http://www.sfn.org/am2006/index.cfm?pagename=home

Events of Interest:

**David Kopf Memorial Lecture on Neuroethics:**  
“Neuroethics, Neurochallenges: A Needs-Based Research Agenda”  
*Speaker: Judy Illes, Ph.D.*  
Monday, October 16, 10-11 am.

**Symposium: The International Frontier of Neuroethics**  
*Chaired by: Judy Illes, Ph.D.*  
*Co-chaired by: Rémi Quirion, Ph.D.*

October 20-21, 2006: Double Standards: Towards an Integration of Evolutionary and Neurological Perspectives on Human Morality, Ghent University, Belgium.  
www.themoralbrain.be

October 23-24, 2006: The NIH Conference on 'Understanding and Reducing Health Disparities: Contributions from the Behavioral and Social Sciences' will be held at the Natcher Conference Center (Bldg. 45) in Bethesda, Maryland. Information will be available in the coming weeks.

**Event of Interest:** Second Annual Meeting of the Neuroethics Affinity Group  
Friday, 11:45 am – 1:00 pm

October 28- November 1, 2006: The XIV edition of the World Congress of the International Society of Psychiatric Genetics (ISPG) will be held in Cagliari (Sardinia, Italy). The main aim will be to underline the relationship between psychiatric genetics and neurosciences. Some of the issues that will be discussed are the ethical, legal, psychological, and social implications of psychiatric genetic research and of genetics and brain imaging. For more information, visit http://www.wcpg2006.it/
November 3-4, 2006: The 7th European Molecular Biology Laboratory/EMBO joint conference: Genes, brain/mind and behavior. EMBL Heidelberg, Germany. For more information, please visit: http://www.embl.org/aboutus/sciencesociety/conferences/2006/scope06.html

November 10-11, 2006: Bio X and Stanford’s Program in Regenerative Medicine is holding a “Regenerating Life” Symposium in Fairchild Auditorium, Stanford University. It will begin at 7 pm on November 10. For more information, please visit: http://biox.stanford.edu/news/symposiums.html

April 14-15, 2007: Unite for Sight’s Fourth Annual International Health Conference will be held at Stanford University School of Medicine, California. The theme is “Innovation, Advancement, and Best Practices To Achieve Global Goals.” For more information, see http://www.uniteforsight.org/2007_annual_conference.php

**Books and Special Volumes of Interest**

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**Journal Articles of Interest**


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“There is something deeply intrusive about peering into someone’s brain in search of the truth; some even liken it to mind reading.” –from “Lure of Lie detectors spook ethicists” in Nature News

“The evolution of functional neuroimaging and its possible wide application in the social domain emphasize the need for rethinking researcher responsibility beyond issues of scientific integrity or traditional research ethics”

-from “A picture is worth 1000 words, but which 1000?” in Neuroethics: Defining the issues in Theory, Practice, and Policy.