

**Center for Studies in Behavioral Neurobiology (CSBN)**  
**Winter/Spring 2024 Talks**  
 (All talks are in person in room SP 254-01 unless otherwise noted)

<b>Date &amp; Time</b>	<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Title</b>
Friday, Feb. 23 12 noon – 1 PM <b>Hybrid event</b>	<b>Dr. Peter Balsam</b> , Professor Barnard College Columbia University	<i>Scotomas, Necker Cubes, and Contingencies: When dopamine sees the world more clearly than the experimenter.</i>
Friday, March 8 12 noon – 1 PM	<b>Dr. Saïd Kourrich</b> , Professor Université du Québec à Montréal (UQAM)	<i>Cocaine-driven changes in neuronal intrinsic excitability in the nucleus accumbens: Relevance to addiction.</i>
Friday, March 15 12 noon – 1 PM	<b>Dr. Milan D Valyear</b> , Postdoctoral Fellow Jonathan Britt lab McGill University	<i>Leveraging ventral striatal activity to disengage pathological behavior.</i>
Friday, March 22 12 noon – 1 PM <b>CANCELLED</b>	<b>Ruthie Poizner</b> , Master Student Matthew Gardner lab CSBN, Concordia University	<i>Cue mapping in rats: The role of the orbitofrontal cortex in creating a cognitive map of abstract matrices.</i>
Friday, April 5 12 noon – 1 PM	<b>Lauren Buynack</b> , PhD Student Wayne Brake lab CSBN, Concordia University	<i>Membrane progesterone receptor <math>\delta</math> in the female rat brain.</i>
Tuesday, April 9 12:30 – 2 PM <b>Room SP 244-09</b>	<b>Dr. Yavin Shaham</b> , Senior Investigator Behavioral Neuroscience Research National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA)	<i>Animal models of relapse after voluntary abstinence: Behavior and circuits.</i>
Thursday, April 18 <b>4 PM</b> <b>RF</b>	<b>Dr. Randy Gallistel</b> , Distinguished Professor Emeritus, Department of Psychology, Rutgers University	<i>Bringing measured time to associative learning. (Co-sponsored with the Concordia Department of Psychology)</i>
Friday, April 19 12 noon – 1 PM <b>CANCELLED</b>	<b>Dr. Nicolas Cermakian</b> , Professor Douglas Research Centre McGill University	<i>Interaction of genes and environmental factors in circadian clock function and neurodevelopmental disorders.</i>
Friday, April 26 12 noon – 1 PM <b>CANCELLED</b>	<b>Erin Page</b> , Master Student Uri Shalev lab CSBN, Concordia University	<i>The effects of increased heroin availability on punishment-induced abstinence and stress-induced relapse in male rats.</i>
Friday, May 3 12 noon – 1 PM	<b>Amanda Szubinski</b> , PhD Student Shimon Amir lab CSBN, Concordia University	<i>Characterization of circadian rhythms in mice with genetically modified androgen receptors.</i>