

Oklahoma Center for Neuroscience

May 21, 2019 Neuro Night Summary

“The Immune Brain”



The event panel (from left to right): Dr. Pat Gaffney, Dr. Hal Scofield, and Dr. Umesh Deshmukh.

Dear OCNS Participants,

Colleagues with joint appointments in the OU Health Sciences Center and at the world-renowned Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation comprised the expert panel for last evening's NEURO NIGHT presentation on The IMMUNE BRAIN. Drs. Umesh Deshmukh, PhD, Patrick Gaffney, MD, and Hal Scofield, MD, spoke on aspects of the immune system related to the brain and nervous system for the Oklahoma Center for Neuroscience. Dr. Deshmukh, Associate Member in Arthritis and Clinical Immunology, talked about the additional “organ” each human carries within their digestive tract: the 3 to 5 pound bacterial microbiome. Dr. Gaffney, Member and Program Chair for Genes and Human Disease Research, addressed the connections between genes and the products of immune processes. Dr. Scofield, Member of Arthritis and Clinical Immunology as well as Associate Chief for Research and Development at the VA Health Care System, covered the connections between traumatic brain injury, post-traumatic stress disorder, and immune diseases and reactions. The audience had many intelligent questions to challenge the panel!

Please join us for the June 18, 2019, Neuro Night entitled The BRAIN and BAD HABITS! It will do you some good!

Sincerely, John Campbell