

**2010-2011  
NEW YORK OBESITY RESEARCH CENTER  
FRIDAY MORNING ENDOCRINE-METABOLIC  
CONFERENCE SCHEDULE**

11:30 am, Sebrell Library, 10th Floor  
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**SEP 17, 2010**

**Harry Kissileff, Ph.D.**

Assoc. Professor, Dept. of Psychiatry  
Columbia University  
Research Associate,  
New York Obesity Research Center  
St. Luke's/Roosevelt Hospital, NYC

*“A sipometer for measuring the rewarding  
value of food in humans.”*

**SEP 24, 2010**

**Tony Goldstone, M.A., M.R.C.P., Ph.D.**

Metabolic & Molecular Imaging Group  
Imperial College  
London, UK

*“Modulation of food reward systems  
by fasting and ghrelin: human functional MRI studies”*

**OCT 1, 2010**

**Joseph R. Vasselli, Ph.D.**

*“Circulating triglycerides and leptin resistance:  
A test of the triglyceride hypothesis”*

**Kathleen Keller, Ph.D.**

*“How do manipulations in fat content of laboratory test meals impact childrens’  
liking and consumption of these foods?”*

Research Associates  
NY Obesity Research Center,  
Department of Medicine  
St. Luke’s-Roosevelt Hospital Center  
New York, NY

**OCT 8, 2010**

**NO CONFERENCE  
Obesity Society Annual Meeting**

**OCT 15, 2010**

**Diana Thomas, Ph.D.**  
Assoc. Professor, Dept. of Mathematical Sciences  
Montclair State University  
Montclair, NJ

*"Determining dietary adherence:  
a mathematical approach"*

**OCT 22, 2010**

**Christoph Buettner, M.D., Ph.D.**  
Assistant Professor of Medicine  
Mount Sinai School of Medicine  
New York, NY

*"Novel aspects of brain regulation of nutrient fluxes:  
A tale of fat and Inflammation"*

**OCT 29, 2010**

**Randy J. Seeley, Ph.D.**  
Donald C. Harrison Endowed Chair in Medicine  
Director, Cincinnati Diabetes and Obesity Center  
Metabolic Diseases Institute  
University of Cincinnati College of Medicine  
Cincinnati, OH

*"How obesity went to our heads: CNS regulation"*

**NOV 5, 2010**

**Gina Marie Leininger, Ph.D.**  
Postdoctoral Fellow in Internal Medicine  
University of Michigan  
Ann Arbor, MI

*"Weighing in on the lateral hypothalamus:  
A novel pathway of leptin action in obesity"*

**NOV 12, 2010**

**Richard Weil, M.Ed. C.D.E.**  
**Betty Kovacs, M.S. R.D.**  
New York Obesity Research Center  
St. Luke's-Roosevelt Hospital  
NY, NY

*"The NY Obesity Research Center Weight Loss Program:  
Unanswered questions"*

**NOV 19, 2010**

**Luke E. Stoeckel, Ph.D.**  
Postdoctoral Fellow in Psychiatry and Neuropsychology  
Harvard Medical School  
Massachusetts General Hospital  
Department of Psychiatry  
Boston, MA

*"Functional neuroimaging of obesity and addiction"*

**NOV 26, 2010**

**No Conference**  
**Thanksgiving Holiday**

**DEC 3, 2010**

**Angelo Del Parigi, M.D.**  
Senior Director,  
Medical Lead in Academic Medicine  
Pfizer Inc.  
New York, NY

*"How we can study the pathophysiology  
of obesity with functional neuroimaging"*

**DEC 10, 2010**

**Lisa Young, Ph.D., R.D.**  
Adjunct Professor  
Dept. of Nutrition, Food Studies, and Public Health  
New York University  
New York, NY

*"Trends in growing portion sizes in the US:  
Issues and implications"*

**DEC 17, 2010**

**Sue Shapses, Ph.D.**

Professor, Dept. of Nutritional Sciences  
Rutgers University  
New Brunswick, NJ

*"Obesity and bones: Why a higher protein intake  
attenuates bone loss during caloric restriction"*

**DEC 24, 2010 – JAN 2, 2010**

**Winter Holidays**