

# Translational Neuroscience



Distinguished Keynote Speaker  
and Alexander D. Kenny Lecturer



Smriti Iyengar, Ph.D.  
Program Director

Preclinical Screening Platform for Pain (PSPP)  
Division of Translational Research | NINDS

## Annual Symposium

Center of Excellence for Translational  
Neuroscience and Therapeutics (CTNT)  
and Garrison Institute on Aging (GIA)

Wednesday, May 10th, 2023  
Academic Event Center

11:30 AM Opening Remarks

**Dr. Lance McMahon**, Senior Vice President for  
Research and Innovation

**Dr. Volker Neugebauer**, Director, Center of  
Excellence for Translational Neuroscience and  
Therapeutics (CTNT)

**Dr. Josee Guindon**, Translational Neuroscience  
and Pharmacology Graduate Concentration  
Advisor

12:00 PM **Keynote Lecture** "Translating Pain  
Therapeutics: Examples from Preclinical and  
Clinical Profiles and Implications"

**Smriti Iyengar, Ph.D.** Program Director,  
Preclinical Screening Platform for Pain  
(PSPP), Division of Translational Research |  
National Institute of Neurological Disorders and  
Stroke NINDS | NIH

1:00 PM Q & A Session with Keynote Speaker

1:30 PM CTNT Collaborative Research Presentations

**Nadezhda German, Ph.D.**, Associate Professor,  
Pharmaceutical Sciences, School of Pharmacy  
"Development of urea-based analogs for the  
treatment of multiple sclerosis"

**Leslie Shen, Ph.D.**, CCRP, Associate Dean for  
Research and Professor of Pathology, School of  
Medicine  
"Bioactive Compounds for Neuropathic Pain: Gut  
Brain Axis"

**Jonathan Singer, Ph.D.**, Assistant Professor,  
Dept. of Psychological Sciences, TTU  
"Prevalence, Diagnosis, and Support for Persons  
with Neurodegenerative Disorders and their  
Family Members in Urban and Rural Texas"

3:00 PM Poster Session

4:30 PM Refreshments

5:00 PM Awards Ceremony