



MONTREAL BILINGUAL BRAIN INITIATIVE SYMPOSIUM

MULTIPLE PERSPECTIVES ON BILINGUALISM AND THE BRAIN

May 28 - 29, 2015

Montreal Neurological Institute
3801 University Street, Montreal, Canada
Jeanne Timmins Amphitheatre

Preliminary Program

Thursday, May, 28

8:30 Registration and Continental Breakfast

9:00 - 9:10 Welcome

Morning Session: DEVELOPMENT AND SENSITIVE PERIODS

Chair: Denise Klein, Montreal Neurological Institute

9:15 - 9:45 Brain Development (Title TBA)
Alan Evans, Montreal Neurological Institute

9:45 - 10:15 Modulations of bird song development (Title TBA)
Jon Sakata, McGill University

10:15 - 10:45 Coffee break

10:45 - 11:45 Keynote – Neural bases of language learning and expertise
Narby Golestani, University Medical Center, Switzerland

11:45 - 1:15 Lunch

Afternoon Session: LANGUAGE EXPERIENCE AND THE BRAIN

Chair: Vince Gracco, Centre for Research on Brain, Language and Music, McGill University

1:15 - 1:45 Language and Anatomy (Title TBA)
Michael Petrides, Montreal Neurological Institute

1:45 - 2:15 The effect of language experience on brain organization
Denise Klein, Montreal Neurological Institute

2:15 - 3:15 Keynote – Bilingual Brain (Title TBA)
Jubin Abutalebi, University Via-Salute San Raffaele, Italy

3:15 - 3:45	Coffee break
3:45-4:45	Shari Baum, Debra Titone, Vince Gracco - Panel Discussion Bilingualism as an agent of neuroplastic change over the lifespan Respondees (TBA)
4:45 - 6:15	Cocktail and Poster Session

Friday, May 29

8:30 Arrival/Continental Breakfast

Morning Session: PLASTICITY AND LANGUAGE CHANGE
Chair: Shari Baum, McGill University

9:00 - 9:30	Plasticity in the auditory system (Title TBA) Robert Zatorre, Montreal Neurological Institute
9:30 - 10:00	Sensory experience and brain plasticity (Title TBA) Etienne de Villers-Sidani, Montreal Neurological Institute
10:00 - 10:30	Bilingualism/Neural mechanisms supporting aphasia recovery (Title TBA) Ana-Ines Ansaldo, University of Montreal
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 - 12:00	Keynote – New approaches in stroke recovery and implications for bilingual patients (Title TBA) Jenny Crinion, Institute of Cognitive Neuroscience, University College London, UK
12:00 - 2:00	Lunch and Poster Session

Afternoon Session: BILINGUALISM, AGING AND COGNITIVE CONTROL
Chair: Debra Titone, McGill University

2:00 - 2:30	Neural correlates of memory in aging (Title TBA) Natasha Rajah, Douglas Institute, McGill University
2:30 - 3:00	Bilingualism and Cognitive Control (Title TBA) Natalie Phillips, Concordia University

3:00 - 3:30	Coffee break
3:30- 4:30	Bilingualism as a life experience: Language usage, cognition and neural networks Gigi Luk, Harvard Graduate School of Education, USA
4:30 - 4:45	Closing remarks
7:00 - 9:00	Public Lecture: Perspectives on bilingualism: From birth to aging 7:00-7:10 Denise Klein, Montreal Neurological Institute 7:10-7:50 Fred Genesee, McGill University 7:50-8:30 Howard Chertkow, Lady Davis Institute, McGill University 8:30-9:00 OPEN QUESTIONS

