The Samueli Center for Integrative Medicine is serving an important role in the 2012 International Research Conference on Integrative Medicine and Health Care that will take place in Portland in May 15-18. Dr. John Longhurst has been co-chair of the basic science research abstract review and will co-chair a scientific session on “Basic Science-Mechanisms of CAM Therapies” on Wednesday, May 16. Several abstracts have been accepted for presentation from faculty in the center including mechanisms underlying the central neural actions of electroacupuncture in its treatment of low blood pressure. Dr. Min Li has been asked to give an oral presentation on her work related to central neural approaches to converting acupuncture non-responders to responders.

This research conference is sponsored by the Consortium of Academic Health Centers for Integrative, an organization of approximately 50 medical schools and academic health centers to which the Samueli Center belongs. It is the third international research conference that seeks to responsibly advance the science of integrative medicine. In addition to individual posters and oral presentations, a number of outstanding key note lectures will be provided, including:

- Healing through emotions
- Neurobiology of stress
- Placebo in therapy
- Acupuncture research
- Physical activity and inactivity
- Diet and health

Special opportunities are provided for trainees and informal interactions among all attendees in the spirit of showcasing outstanding research that can provide the basis for medical practice.

Abstracts submitted by our researchers in the Longhurst Lab:


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