

**Duke Institute for Brain Sciences (DIBS) announces
the 2008-2009 DIBS Research Incubator Award winners**

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Four interdisciplinary research teams at Duke have been selected to receive the Duke Institute for Brain Sciences (DIBS) Research Incubator Awards. The Research Incubator award is designed to encourage innovative approaches to problems of brain function that transcend the boundaries of traditional disciplines. The award provides seed funding for collaborative research projects that will lead to a better understanding of brain function and translate into innovative solutions for health and society.

The Duke Institute for Brain Sciences (DIBS) is the newest of the seven signature institutes at Duke University described in the University's Strategic Plan. DIBS is a cross-school, campus-wide, interdisciplinary Institute with a commitment to building an interactive community of brain science research and scholarship. For more information, visit the DIBS website at <http://www.dibs.duke.edu/>.

The 2008-2009 awards are:

Decisions under Risk: From Phenotype to Mechanism

R. Alison Adcock (Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences)
Elizabeth Brannon (Psychology & Neuroscience and the Center for Cognitive Neuroscience)
James Bettman (Marketing, Fuqua School of Business)
David Goldstein (Molecular Genetics & Microbiology and the Institute for Genome Science and Policy)
Scott Huettel (Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences, Brain Imaging and Analysis Center and the Center for Cognitive Neuroscience)
Kevin LaBar (Psychology & Neuroscience and the Center for Cognitive Neuroscience)
Mary Frances Luce (Marketing, Fuqua School of Business)
John Payne (Management, Fuqua School of Business)
Michael Platt (Neurobiology and the Center for Cognitive Neuroscience)
Pate Skene (Neurobiology)
Nancy Zucker (Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences)

Dissecting Synaptic and Circuitry Mechanisms of Bipolar Disorder

Allison Ashley-Koch (Medicine and the Center for Human Genetics)
Nicole Calakos (Neurology and Neurobiology)
Guoping Feng (Neurobiology)
William Wetsel (Psychiatry & Behavioral Sciences)

Multi-wall Carbon Nanotubes and MEMS Microrobots for Intracellular Neuronal Recordings

Bruce Donald (Computer Science and Biochemistry)
Gleb Finkelstein (Physics)
Richard Mooney (Neurobiology)

Non-invasive optical measurements of spatially resolved electrical activity in the retina

Vadim Arshovsky (Ophthalmology and Pharmacology)
Joseph Izatt (Biomedical Engineering)