

REVIEW OF EVIDENCE ON ALCOHOL AND HEALTH

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Speaker Biosketches

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Christina Chambers is a perinatal epidemiologist and teratologist and co-directs the Center for Better Beginnings at the School of Medicine at UCSD. Dr. Chambers is the principal investigator of MotherToBaby Pregnancy Studies and founder and director of the UCSD Human Milk Research Biorepository. She received her PhD and MPH in epidemiology from the Joint Doctoral Program in Public Health at the University of California San Diego and San Diego State University.

Farhad Islami, MD, PhD

Farhad Islami is the Senior Scientific Director for Cancer Disparity Research at the American Society. He is also an adjunct associate professor in the Department of Epidemiology at the Rollins School of Public Health at Emory University. Dr. Islami is an editorial board member of Cancer Epidemiology and has participated in 9 peer monographs for the International Agency for Research on Cancer (IARC). Dr. Islami has a MD from Tehran University of Medical Sciences and PhD in Epidemiology from King's College, London.

Marian L. Neuhouser, PhD, RD

Marian Neuhouser is Professor and Program Head in the Cancer Prevention Program, Public Health Sciences Division at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center and affiliate professor at the University of Washington. Dr. Neuhouser leads the Hutch's Cancer Prevention Program, the first such National Cancer Institute-funded program in the U.S. Her research focuses on the role of nutrition and energy balance (obesity) in the prevention and survivorship of breast and prostate cancers and other diet-related chronic diseases, as well as dietary assessment methodology, including the use of nutritional biomarkers as a way to improve upon self-reported diet in research. She served on the 2015 Dietary Guidelines Advisory Committee, as President of the American Society for Nutrition 2016-2017, and is Deputy Editor for Journal of Nutrition. Dr. Neuhouser received her PhD in Nutritional Sciences at the University of Washington.

Sara Jo Nixon, PhD

Sara Jo Nixon is a Distinguished Professor in the Departments of Psychiatry, Neuroscience, and Psychology at the University of Florida. She is also the Director, UF Center for Addiction Research & Education. Dr. Nixon and her team have a long history of investigating the neurobiobehavioral and psychosocial concomitants of substance use and misuse, particularly alcohol, in community and clinical populations. Her service includes past President of Research Society on Alcohol, and she is a member of the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology. She received her Ph.D. in psychology from the University of Oklahoma.

Chandra Sripada, MD, PhD

Chandra Sripada is Theophile Research Professor, the Director of the Weinberg Institute for Cognitive Science, Professor of Psychiatry, and Professor of Philosophy at the University of Michigan. He is currently a co-Principal Investigator for the Michigan site of the Adolescent Brain Cognitive Development (ABCD) Study. His research interests include executive functions, substance use disorders, neuroimaging, machine learning, connectomics, and computational psychiatry. Dr. Sripada has a MD from University of Texas Medical School and PhD in Philosophy, Mind, and Cognitive Science from Rutgers University, New Brunswick.

Tim Stockwell, PhD, FCAHS, MA (Oxon.), MSc.

Tim Stockwell is a Scientist at the Canadian Institute for Substance Use Research (CISUR) and Emeritus Professor (Psychology, University of Victoria). He has led multidisciplinary research teams in the UK, Australia and now Canada to investigate substance use epidemiology and policy questions e.g. whether alcohol in moderation has health benefits, the effectiveness of health warnings on alcohol. He was Director of Australia's National Drug Research Institute from 1996 to 2004 and then Director of the Canadian Institute for Substance Use Research until 2020. He received the international 2013 E.M Jellinek Memorial Award for excellence in alcohol research and is a Fellow of the Royal Society of Canada. He received a PhD at the Institute of Psychiatry at the University of London, UK and an MA (Hons) in Psychology and Philosophy from the University of Oxford, UK.