



Yield Newsletter – February 2015

Dear Yield members,

In this Newsletter, we would like to update you on the ongoing and future Yield activities.

As you might have noticed above we now have an official logo for RPA Yield. In the next week it will be uploaded on the website to make it available for all Yield members for their presentations.

News

The multidisciplinary research proposal of Child Development and Developmental Psychology was granted: F.J.A. van Steensel, M. Maric & S. Bögels. *Studying working mechanisms in anxiety treatment of youth* (ZonMW).

Yield-day 2015

On January 29th 2015, the annual Yield-day was held. The main goals of this day were to meet with other Yield members, to share knowledge and to lay the foundation for joint research and grant applications. It was a successful day and it was interesting to hear about ongoing and future Yield multidisciplinary research as well as to be able to discuss and meet with other Yield members.

First, Maartje Raijmakers presented a grant proposal that is submitted (NRO) and Geertjan Overbeek informed us about his experience with a Horizon 2020 submission. Monique Volman, Patrick Snellings, Susan Bögels and Helle Larsen gave short pitches on how the development of several ‘Yield Institutions’ is progressing and what this could mean for Yield members. Also, Annette Dirac talked about Yield relevant funding opportunities and strategies.

In the afternoon, there was room for brainstorming and discussions on future research topics and plans. Since we want to take more time for this, the Yield postdocs will arrange lab meetings where specific research topics and grant applications can be discussed.

Graduate Programme

The Graduate Programme intends to create an excellent educational and research environment for highly talented young researchers. Twelve excellent Research Master students from the institutes of Child Development and Education and from Psychology, have been accepted to participate in the Graduate Programme Course. The course will start in April 2015 with biweekly lectures given by Yield Principal Investigators.

Yield Institutions [Academische Werkplaatsen]

We are currently drawing up an intern inventory about the Yield members interests and ideas regarding the Yield Institutions. In March, there will be meetings with a primary school board and a secondary school board to explore the possibilities of a co-operation with Yield.

Yield activities

An overview of several Yield activities and meetings is listed below.

Kind regards, on behalf of the Yield team, Frans Oort,

Mariëlle de Reuver and Helle Larsen

Yield activities

Rita Vuyk lectures

Speaker: Dr. Frini Karayannidis (University of Newcastle, Australia)

Time: March 10th, 16:00-17:00, in REC B3.03.

Abstract will follow.

Speaker: Dr. Jennifer H. Pfeifer (University of Oregon, US).

Time: March 31st, 16:00-17:00, in M1.02.

Abstract: Towards a Social Neurobiology of Adolescent Development

Dominant biological models of adolescent development emphasize the neural foundations of various trends in teenage behavior that are of significant concern to parents and society. Specifically, these models focus on an imbalance between prefrontal systems for cognitive control and subcortical systems implicated in affect and reward. Although imbalance models have provided a productive framework for advancing discovery in the field, there is a growing initiative to refine them. One important advance is to move towards greater breadth and ecological validity in our assessments of adolescent reactivity, regulation, decision-making, and so on. Another critical next step is to include other key brain regions and systems in these neurobiological models, particularly those supporting social cognition. These two new directions converge in their focus on social processes that play a central role in adolescent development. In this talk, I briefly highlight some themes of my research program, which include i) building our knowledge base about 'social brain' development in adolescence, ii) integrating social elements when testing assumptions of imbalance models, and iii) considering social context effects on more basic affective, motivational, and regulatory processes. The overarching goal is to build improved and more comprehensive neurobiological models of normative and atypical adolescent development that help usher in a new era of basic and translational research.

OOP/ADAPT labmeeting

Tuesday 03/03, 2PM, Diamantbeurs, room 5.01: Joint labmeeting of the OOP group (Susan Bögels) and the ADAPT group (Reinout Wiers). Two researchers (Renée Meppelink and Marija Maric) will present their research in the field of ADHD. For more information, mail to Bram Van Bockstaele (b.d.vanbockstaele@uva.nl).

Others

Nationale Schoolpsychologencongres on March 13th in CASA 400 in Amsterdam. More info: <http://www.schoolpsychologencongres.nl/programma>.

Overview of Yield meetings

Childhood education and family support

Biweekly colloquia are held. Ongoing research is presented and discussed. Contact: Alithe van den Akker (A.L.vandenAkker@uva.nl)

Brain & Cognition

Biweekly colloquia are held (see <http://www.dutcharc.nl/links/labmeetings/>). Contact: Cédric Koolschijn (P.C.M.P.Koolschijn@uva.nl)

Education and Instruction, learning processes and child development

Education organises ‘Educational Science Colloquia’ approximately bimonthly. These meetings consist of presentations of research and occasionally external speakers are invited. Contact: Madelon van den Boer (M.vandenBoer@uva.nl) and Marloes Muijselaar (M.M.L.Muijselaar@uva.nl)

Education and Instruction, learning processes and child development also have combined colloquia which are held monthly. In these meetings, ongoing research is presented and research proposals are discussed. Contact: Madelon van den Boer (M.vandenBoer@uva.nl)

Developmental psychology and Developmental and parenting problems

Combined OOP (Susan Bögels’ lab)/ADAPT (Reinout Wiers’ lab) colloquia are held once a month. Here ongoing research is presented and discussed. Contact: Bram van Bockstaele (B.D.vanBockstaele@uva.nl)

Code – P colloquia are held biweekly (Hilde Huizenga’s lab and Maartje Raijmakers’ lab). In these meetings, research is presented and discussed. Contact: Laura Dekkers (L.M.S.Dekkers@uva.nl)

AMC Pediatrische Psychologie Kennisoverdracht Bijeenkomst

These are monthly research meetings, often with (external) presentations. The meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month from 12:00-13:00. Contact: Marieke de Vries (M.deVries@uva.nl)

Tinbergen Institute

The Tinbergen Institute is the research institute and graduate school of the economist from the UvA, VU and EUR. These are open seminars where Yield researchers are welcome. The topics are rather broad. Contact: Nienke Ruis (N.M.Ruijs@uva.nl)