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Recent News

[Parkinson's patients' lawsuit Ok'd; Class action claims drugs turned some into gambling addicts](#)

February 17, 2010. National Post.

[Virtual slot machines provide clues about addiction](#)

February 17, 2010. CBC News.

[Only in Vegas: The magic carpets designed to keep you awake and gambling](#)

February 15, 2010. Daily Mail.

[Online casino refuses to protect self excluded addicted gambling](#)

February 12, 2010. Casino News .

[Slot-machine gamblers are hard to pin down; Why are gamblers such a difficult subject for academic study?](#)

February 16, 2010. The Guardian.

[New laws to protect problem gamblers](#)

February 15, 2010. My Sunshine Coast.com.

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Featured Research

[Cue reactivity in active pathological, abstinent pathological, and regular gamblers.](#)

Sodano, R., & Edelgard, W. (2009).

In this study twenty-one treatment-seeking pathological gamblers, 21 pathological gamblers in recovery, and 21 recreational gamblers watched two video-taped exciting gambling scenarios and an exciting roller-coaster control scenario while their arousal (heart rate and subjective excitement) and urge to gamble were being measured. Findings revealed that active pathological gamblers experience urges to gamble in response to exciting situations, whether or not they are gambling

related, whereas abstinent and social gamblers only report urges to an exciting gambling-related cue. This suggests that for pathological gamblers excitement itself, irrespective of its source, may become a conditioned stimulus capable of triggering gambling behavior. Implications for treatment and future research are discussed.

Call for Papers, Grant Proposals, RFPs, and Nominations

[2009 Durand Jacobs Award: Call for Papers](#)

The International Centre for Youth Gambling Problems and High-Risk Behaviors at McGill University invites submissions to the 2009 Durand Jacobs Award competition, to be awarded to the best graduate student paper related to the psychology of addictive behaviors. This annual award is dedicated to Dr. Durand Jacobs' lifelong efforts to help mentor students. Published and/or publishable papers will be considered by the selection committee, comprised of an international panel of experts in the field. The recipient will receive an award plaque and their work will be featured in the Youth Gambling International newsletter. Graduate students from all related disciplines are encouraged to submit.

Deadline for submissions is February 26th, 2010.

[Call for Abstracts and Papers: 8th European Conference on Gambling Studies and Policy Issues](#)

Authors wishing to present a paper during the course of the Conference must submit in advance, as a requirement for acceptance, a summary or abstract of the proposed content with a maximum extension of 250 words, setting out the general interest of the paper for the participants at the Conference and describing the contents of the presentation.

Deadline for submissions is July 1st, 2010.

Upcoming Events

[2010 International Gambling Conference](#)

February 24-26, 2010 - Auckland City, New Zealand

[The Canadian Institute's Gaming in Canada Conference](#)

March 04-05, 2010 - Toronto, Ontario, Canada

[12th Annual Statewide Compulsive Gambling Awareness Conference](#)

March 18-19, 2010 - Sheboygan, Wisconsin, USA

[Alberta Gaming Research Institute's 9th Annual Conference](#)

April 9-10, 2010 - Banff, Alberta, Canada

[Responsible Gambling Council's Discovery 2010 Conference](#)

April 13-16, 2010 - Toronto, Ontario, Canada

[Minnesota Institute of Public Health 7th Annual Minnesota Problem Gambling Conference](#)

May 4, 2010 - Brooklyn Center, Minnesota, USA

[National Council on Problem Gambling 24th Annual Conference](#)

June 9-12, 2010 - Portland, Oregon, USA

[8th European Conference on Gambling Studies and Policy Issues](#)

September 14-17, 2010 - Vienna, Austria

Hope you've enjoyed this edition of Newscan. We'll see you again next week!

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