McKnight Brain Institute Neuromedicine Scholars

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Functional and structural neurocognitive consequences of sleep apnea: Lessons from animal models and from children.

Thursday, Feb. 8
5:15 p.m.
Harrell Medical Education Building
South Learning Studio

*Reception will follow in the main lobby

David Gozal, M.D., is the first speaker for the new McKnight Brain Institute Scholars lecture series. He is the Herbert T. Abelson Professor of Pediatrics and Pritzker Scholar at the University of Chicago. Among his notable achievements, Gozal discovered the critical impact of sleep disordered breathing on neurocognitive development in children.

His current research interests include cell/gene regulation by hypoxia and sleep disruption, genomic and proteomic approaches to clinical and epidemiological aspects of sleep apnea, biomarkers to diagnose sleep apnea across the lifespan, and the roles of gut microbiome and circulating exosomes in sleep disorders.

Gozal received his M.D. from the Hebrew University of Jerusalem, completed his pediatric residency at the Haifa Medical Center in Israel, and then spent two years in Cameroon, West Africa, developing rural health care networks, for which he received the title of “Knight of the Order of Merit.” He was a distinguished faculty member at Tulane University, the University of Louisville and the University of Chicago, where he served as chair of department of pediatrics. Gozal was recently recognized with the Lifetime Achievement Award by the National Sleep Foundation, and served as President of the American Thoracic Society.

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