Law, Behavior & the Brain
Squaw Valley Conference
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PlumpJack Squaw Valley Inn, Olympic Valley, California
Organizing Principles for 2007 Squaw Valley Meeting:
In response to comments from prior years, we have preserved a block of time each afternoon for hiking and informal exchange of ideas. We also want to make it broadly possible for our participants to make presentations based on their work in progress and have continued last year’s model of scheduling breakfast presentations to provide such a forum. The after-breakfast conference sessions are organized around more cohesive substantive themes.

SUNDAY, May 20th (Arrival Day)

6:30  Opening Reception and Dinner

MONDAY, May 21st

Morning:  Monika Gruter Cheney, Chair

8:45 - 9:10  Introduction, Welcome, Group Introductions
Monika Gruter Cheney, Oliver Goodenough, Morris Hoffman

9:10 – 12:30  Session One: “State of Play: Law, Behavioral Biology and Neuroscience”

9:10 - 9:50  Owen Jones: “Biology, Neuroscience and Law”

9:50 - 10:30  Bobbi Low: “Perspectives from Behavioral Biology”

10:30 – 10:40  Break

10:40 – 11:20  Abigail Baird: “Perspectives from Neuroscience”

11:20 – 12:00  Michael Stryker: “Issues in Memory and Planning of Action”

12:00 – 12:30  Comment: Walter Sinnott-Armstrong, Jeffrey Stake

12:30 – 1:30  Lunch

Afternoon:  Morris Hoffman, Chair

1:30 – 4:40  Session Two: Rationality, Emotions and Moral Judgment in Humans and Other Species

1:30 – 2:45  Law and Emotion: A Panel Discussion
Susan Bandes, Urs Gasser, Terry Maroney, Bill Casebeer, Larry Frolik

2:45 – 3:00  Break

3:00 – 4:00  Paul Robinson and Rob Kurzban: “Intuitions of Justice”

4:00 – 4:15  Comment: Michael McGuire - Lessons from Primates and Other Comparisons

4:15 – 4:40  Comment and Questions: Sara Beale

Evening:

6:30  Dinner
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**TUESDAY, May 22nd**

**Morning:**  
Larry Frolik, Chair

**8:00 – 9:00**  
**Breakfast Forum**
Bruce Hay: “Neurojustice: Some Thoughts on Law’s Mind-Body Problem”  
Claire Hill: “Self and Other”  
Julie Seaman: “The Peahen’s Tale – or Dressing our Parts at Work”  
Barrett Walker: “Market Mechanisms for Maintaining Essential Ecosystem Services”

**9:00 – 12:00**  
**Session Three: Institutions, Values and Cooperation**

9:00 – 9:15  
Paul Zak: Report on Gruter Program on Values and Free Enterprise

9:15 – 10:45  
**Advances in Theory and Modeling (20 minutes each /10 minute discussion at end)**
Carl Bergstrom: “Maps and networks”  
Martin Rosvall: “Opinion Formation and Dynamic Social Structures”  
Oliver Goodenough: “Values, Mechanism Design and Fairness”  
Carl Simon: “A Complex Systems Approach to Reliance on Markets: To shake or not to shake an invisible hand”

10:45 – 11:00  
Break

11:00 – 12:00  
**Panel I: Applications in Law and Policy – Firms, Contracts, and Regulation**
Lynn Stout, Erin O’Hara, Michael Jensen

**12:00 – 1:00**  
Lunch

**Afternoon:**  
Dorothy Glancy, Chair

**1:00 – 3:10**  
**Session Four: Institutions (Continued)**

1:00 – 1:30  
Urs Gasser: “Applying Social Signaling Theory in Cyberspace: Promises and Limitations”

1:30 – 2:10  
**Panel II: Applications in Law and Policy – Digital Institutions; Environment**
John Clippinger, Tracy Bach  
Barrett Walker: “Climate Stabilization Via Green Taxes”

2:10 – 2:40  

2:40 – 3:10  
Michael McGuire & Lionel Tiger: “Believe It or Not Religion Is An Egalitarian Way of Avoiding The Irritations of Tax Authorities, Grant Officers & Other Well-Meaning & Useful Jerks”

3:10 – 3:20  
Break

**3:20 – 4:20**  
**Session Five: Reports on Experimental Results**

3:20 – 3:50  
Abigail Baird: “If your friends jumped off the Brooklyn Bridge....The evolutionary necessity of peer pressure”

3:50 – 4:20  
Paul Zak: “Sacrifice, Generosity and Trust”

**Evening:**

**6:30**  
Dinner

**7:30**  
**Keynote - Sarah Brosnan: “Pro-social Behavior in Non-Human Primates”**
WEDNESDAY, May 23rd

Morning:  Lionel Tiger, Chair

8:00 – 8:45  Breakfast Forum
June Carbone: “Behavioral Biology, the Rational Actor Model, & the New Feminist Agenda”
Robin Kar: “The Deep Structure of Law and Morality”
Adam Kolber: “Pain Detection and the Privacy of Subjective Experience”

8:45 – 12:15  Session Six: Experimental Economics & New Approaches to Perennial Questions
8:45 – 9:15  Bart Wilson: "Historical Property Rights, Sociality, and the Emergence of Impersonal Exchange in Long-distance Trade"

9:15 – 10:45  A Debate: Will Neuroethics Make Traditional Moral Philosophy Obsolete?
Bill Casebeer, Walter Sinnott-Armstrong
Commentators: Al Alschuler, Terry Maroney, Jed Rakoff, Adam Kolber

10:45 – 11:00  Break

11:00 – 12:15  Michael Jensen and Werner Erhard: “Integrity – A New Paradigm”

12:15 – 1:15  Lunch

Afternoon:  Oliver Goodenough, Chair

1:15 – 2:15  Session Seven: Media Dissemination of Scientific Knowledge

1:15 – 2:15  Dissemination of Scientific Knowledge: A Media and Publishing Panel
Marilia Duffles (Economist / Financial Times); David Pervin (U. Chicago Press); Bill Guttentag (Documentary Films); Michael Shermer (Skeptics Society / Scientific American)

Sample Discussion Topics:
1. Does accurate scientific information adequately reach the wider public? If not, why not?
2. How to improve dissemination of accurate scientific information.

2:15 – 4:15  Session Eight: Property and Economics

2:15 – 2:45  Sarah Brosnan and Owen Jones: “Endowment Effects and Chimpanzees”

2:45 – 3:00  Break

3:00 – 3:30  James Krier: “The Evolution of Property Rights and the Problem of Mechanism”

3:30 – 4:15  Panel: New Insights into Property and Intellectual Property
Dorothy Glancy, Jeffrey Stake
Urs Gasser: "Social economics of collaborative creativity"

Evening:

6:30  Cocktail Reception

7:00  Festive Dinner
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THURSDAY, May 24th

Morning: Morris Hoffman, Chair

8:30 – 9:00 Breakfast Forum
Cheryl Boudreau: “When Do Citizens Trust Others? Combining Behavioral Responses and Brain Data”
Eyal Aharoni: “Measuring punitive motives: A matter of life and death”

9:00 – 12:00 Session Nine: Current Issues Facing the Judiciary

Part 1: What We Would Still Like to Know From Science

Part 2: Science in the Courtroom: Gatekeepers Under Rule 702 and Daubert

Speakers: Carlos Bea, 9th Circuit
Morris Hoffman, Colorado State
John Kane, D. Colo.
Jed Rakoff, S.D.N.Y.
Barbara Rothstein, W.D. Wash.
Jennifer Sargent, New Hampshire State

Response: Al Alschuler
Susan Bloch
Carl Bergstrom
Joe Cecil

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

Afternoon: Erin O’Hara, Chair

1:00 – 2:40 Session Ten: Results in Neuroeconomics & Evolution of Political Theory

1:00 – 1:40 Kevin McCabe: “Neuroeconomics - Results on the relationship between Personal and Impersonal Exchange”

1:40 – 2:20 Oliver Curry: “The Evolution of Political Theory”

2:20 – 2:40 Comment and Questions: Claire Hill, Moderator

2:40 – 3:30 Session Eleven: Gruter Institute Program Updates and Feedback Reports

Susan Bandes, Monika Gruter Cheney, Urs Gasser, Oliver Goodenough, Terry Maroney, Claire Hill

Topics: Free Enterprise/Economic Exchange
Law and Emotion
Property/Intellectual Property
Institutions and Digital Institutions
Dispute Resolution
Sense of Justice/Neurojurisprudence
Self and Other: Cognitive Perspectives on Trust, Empathy and Self

Evening:

6:30 Dinner
2007 Squaw Valley Meeting Participants
Eyal Aharoni, UCSB, Department of Psychology
Professor Albert Alscher, Northwestern University School of Law
Professor Tracy Bach, Vermont Law School
Professor Abigail Baird, Vassar College, Department of Psychology
Professor Susan Bandes, DePaul University College of Law
The Honorable Carlos Bea, United States Court of Appeals, Ninth Circuit
Professor Sara Beale, Duke University School of Law
Professor Carl Bergstrom, University of Washington, Department of Biology
Professor Susan Bloch, Georgetown University Law Center
Dr. Cheryl Boudreau, UC Davis, Department of Political Science
Dr. Sarah Brosnan, Department of Anthropology, Emory University
Professor June Carbone, University of Missouri-Kansas City Law School
Lt. Col. William Casebeer, United States Air Force
Dr. Joe Cecil, The Federal Judicial Center, Division of Research
Ms. Monika Cheney, Executive Director, Gruter Institute for Law & Behavioral Research
Professor John Clippinger, Harvard University, Berkman Center for Internet & Society
Dr. Oliver Curry, London School of Economics, Darwin@LSE
Atty. Gregory Decker, Technology and Website Consultant
Ms. Marilisa Duffles, Economist
Mr. Werner Erhard, Independent
Professor Lawrence Frolik, University of Pittsburgh School of Law
Professor Urs Gasser, University St. Gallen, Research Center for Information Law
Ms. Jeanne Giaccia, Program Coordinator, Gruter Institute for Law & Behavioral Research
Professor Dorothy Glancy, Santa Clara University School of Law
Professor Oliver Goodenough, Vermont Law School
Mr. William Gutentag, Stanford University, Graduate School of Business/ Documentary Filmmaker
Professor Bruce Hay, Harvard Law School
Professor Claire Hill, University of Minnesota Law School
The Honorable Morris Hoffman, District Court Judge, 2nd Judicial District (Denver)
Dr. Anula Jayasuriya, Evolvmce India Life Science Fund; Gruter Institute Board of Directors
Professor Michael Jensen, Harvard Business School
Professor Owen Jones, Vanderbilt University, Professor of Law and Professor of Biological Sciences
The Honorable John Kane, United States District Court, District of Colorado
Professor Robin Kar, Loyola Law School, Center for Interdisciplinary Jurisprudence
Professor Adam Kolber, University of San Diego School of Law
Professor James Krier, University of Michigan Law School
Professor Robert Kurzban, University of Pennsylvania, Department of Psychology
Professor Bobbi Low, University of Michigan, School of Natural Resources & Environment
Professor Terry Maroney, Vanderbilt University Law School
Professor Kevin McCabe, George Mason University, Center for the Study of Neuroeconomics
Professor Michael McGuire, University of California, Los Angeles, Dept. of Psychiatry / Biobehavioral Sciences
Atty. Michele Morhenn, Website Editor and Communications Consultant, Gruter Institute
Professor Erin O'Hara, Vanderbilt University School of Law
Mr. David Pervin, Senior Editor, University of Chicago Press
Dr. Helmut and Mrs. Traudel Poppa, Gruter Institute Board of Directors
The Honorable Jed Rakoff, United States District Court, Southern District of NY
Professor Paul Robinson, University of Pennsylvania Law School
Dr. Martin Rosvall, University of Washington, Department of Biology
The Honorable Barbara Rothstein, United States District Court, Western District of WA; The Federal Judicial Center
The Honorable Jennifer Sargent, New Hampshire State Court; Vermont Law School
Professor Julie Seaman, Emory University, School of Law
Dr. Michael Shermer, Skeptics Society, Scientific American
Professor Carl Simon, University of Michigan, Gerald R. Ford School of Public Policy
Professor Walter Sinnott-Armstrong, Dartmouth College, Department of Philosophy
Professor Jeffrey Stake, Indiana University School of Law
Professor Lynn Stout, UCLA School of Law
Professor Michael Stryker, UCSF Department of Physiology
Professor Lionel Tiger, Rutgers University, Department of Anthropology
Mr. Barrett and Mrs. Peggy Walker, Walker Foundation
Professor Bart Wilson, George Mason University, Interdisciplinary Center for Economic Science
Professor Paul Zak, Claremont Graduate University, School of Politics and Economics