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Vulnerabilities to suicide: 25 years of research

Presenter: Professor Gil Zalsman

Monday 13 February 2023

12.30pm—1.30pm

**Seminar Room 515, Level 5, 207 Bouverie Street,
Carlton
and
Via Zoom**

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Professor Zalsman is Professor and Chair of the Psychiatry Department at Sackler School of Medicine, Tel Aviv; director of the Child and Adolescent Day Unit at the Geha Mental Health Center; and Adjunct Research Scientist to the Division of Molecular Imaging and Neuropathology, Department of Psychiatry, Columbia University and New York State Psychiatric Institute.

He is the past President of the International Academy of Suicide Research (IASR).

His academic research focuses on neurobiology of suicidal behavior and mood disorders, gene-environment interactions using animal model and child and adolescent suicidal behavior.

In this seminar, Professor Zalsman will discuss various vulnerabilities to suicidal behavior he and his colleagues have been investigating for the past 25 years.

He will discuss a broad range of vulnerabilities from demographic, individual and cultural factors; social, covid-related isolation, psychological factors; and biological factors including neurobiological, genetical, and even immunological.

He will demonstrate an integrative approach of gene x environment x timing interaction using animal models.

The seminar will conclude with the discussion of evidence-based suicide prevention methods. Professor Zalsman's seminar will be of interest to both researchers and clinicians.

These seminars are free. Visitors are welcome to attend.
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