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## The Eric D. Hadar Lecture

Can We Rescue Stress and Trauma Related  
Pathophysiology in Addiction to  
Improve Treatment Outcomes?

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11:00am – 12:30pm

Auditorium



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*Program*

### WELCOME REMARKS

*Frances R. Levin, MD*

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### SPEAKER

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*Rajita Sinha, PhD*

**Rajita Sinha, PhD** is the Foundations Fund Endowed Professor in Psychiatry, and Professor in Neuroscience and in Child Psychiatry at the Yale University School of Medicine. She is a licensed Clinical Psychologist and Clinical Neuroscientist, Chief of the Psychology Section in Psychiatry and Deputy Chair of Psychiatry for Psychology at the Yale University School of Medicine. She is also the founding director of the Yale Interdisciplinary Stress Center, that has made discoveries in furthering our understanding of the neurobiology of stress, trauma and resiliency versus vulnerable coping mechanisms that promote neuropsychiatric diseases such as alcohol use disorders, substance use disorders, chronic pain, PTSD and other chronic diseases. She has developed novel stress, pain and craving provocation paradigms to understand mechanisms that drive these states and related pathologies. Her lab has also developed and tested novel treatments to address these processes to address stress pathophysiology of addiction and related illnesses to improve addiction treatment outcomes. She has received a number of awards for her work, including the recent Research Society on Alcoholism's Distinguished Researcher Award in 2020, and also the James Tharp Award from the American Society of Addiction Medicine. Her research has been supported by a series of NIH funded research projects continuously for over 25 years.

# About The Eric D. Hadar Distinguished Lecture

The Eric D. Hadar Distinguished Lecture disseminates the latest research findings on substance use disorders, addiction, and treatment. Made possible by a generous gift from the Eric D. Hadar Family Foundation, the annual lecture is in memory of Dr. Herb Kleber, a compassionate clinician and unparalleled leader in the substance use disorder field.