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12:00 noon

Blue Bird Auditorium, NB-137, Neurosensory Center

Systems-level neural repair: the case of vision

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Objectives:

At the end of this presentation, participants should be able to:

- Explain in broad terms what we need to understand and control in order to be able to achieve neuronal circuit repair.
- Describe in broad terms what perceptual deficits are induced by permanent lesions to different parts of the adult visual system.
- Describe up-to-date evidence for the effects of visual perceptual retraining following visual cortical injury.

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Target Audience, Needs, Educational Methods, Activity Evaluation:

Physicians, residents, fellows, and other healthcare professionals need to be updated about new advances in the clinical and research areas for the diagnosis, treatment, and management of patients with neurological disorders. Educational methods will include lectures, case presentations, audio/video presentations, and questions & answer sessions. Participants will be asked to complete an activity evaluation.

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