

Rockefeller Professor Cori Bargmann Discusses the Genetic Basis of Behavior at Annual Luncheon

Women & Science Initiative Raises \$1.1 Million for Research

Nearly five hundred women from New York's business and philanthropic communities gathered at The Rockefeller University for the ninth annual *Women & Science* Lecture and Luncheon on Thursday, May 18, for a presentation by internationally-renowned neuroscientist, Cori Bargmann, Ph.D., and to raise support for the Seed Fund for Neuroscience Research and for women scientists.

Dr. Bargmann, who joined the faculty of The Rockefeller University in 2004, discussed "Simple Creatures, Complex Lives: Understanding the Genetic Basis of Behavior." Dr. Bargmann is noted for her discoveries about how the brain's neural circuitry develops and how it influences behavior. The University's first Torsten N. Wiesel Professor and a distinguished member of the Shelby White and Leon Levy Center for Mind, Brain and Behavior, Dr. Bargmann delivered a riveting talk that illuminated not only her own investigations but the purpose and value of all basic biomedical research.

In connection with the luncheon, *Women & Science* contributors raised an outstanding \$1.1 million in support of the initiative's programs this academic year, including a Seed Fund for Neuroscience Research. This fund will create new fellowships for young scientists working at the frontiers of research on the mind, brain and behavior. In addition, funds raised by *Women & Science* will support seven postdoctoral fellowships and seven graduate fellowships for women scientists at Rockefeller—more positions than ever before, as well as young women in the University's summer research programs for high school and college students.

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left: Dr. Cori Bargmann and RU trustee Sandra Horbach.
below left: W&S Founding Chair and RU trustee Nancy Kissinger.

below: RU trustees and W&S Chairs Robin Neustein, Lulu Wang, Sydney Shuman and Judy Berkowitz.



left: W&S Chair Samantha Boardman Rosen and Jackie Sackler.
below: RU Council member Daisy Soros and Beverly Sills Greenough.



left: Kate Betts, Gigi Mortimer, Marcia Mishaan, Fiona Howe Rudin and Princess Alexandra of Greece.
below right: Daniella Lipper Coules, Julie Wilcox and RU trustee Evelyn Lipper.



right: W&S Founding Chair Isabel Furland (right) and friend.

below: RU Council member Becky de Kertanguy, Pasty Warner and Margaret Mejia.



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