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#### Recent News

[Online gambling hits Canada through Loto-Quebec](#)

November 20, 2009. USA Players.

[Problem gambling campaign focuses on VLT, poker players](#)

November 20, 2009. The Star Phoenix.

[Poker is all about skill and self-control](#)

November 16, 2009. Spiked-Online.com.

[Underage and self-exclusion gamblers lead to fines at Iowa casinos](#)

November 13, 2009. Casinogamblingweb.com.

[NCAA looks into student-athlete gambling](#)

November 19, 2009. Daily Iowan.

[LV companies in denial about problem gambling](#)

November 20, 2009. Las Vegas Sun.

[New multi-touch Blackjack table hits the casinos](#)

November 19, 2009. Gaming Supermarket.

[eCOGRA on course with responsible gambling](#)

November 20, 2009. GamblingKingz.com.

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#### Featured Research

[Turning rats into gamblers: Modulating gambling behavior using laboratory animals](#)

The Wager, Vol. 14(9). (November, 2009).

Animal models of human behavior help scientists to understand pathology and

develop new drugs. This week, a study is reviewed that examines an animal model of gambling behavior. Zeeb et al. (2009) sought to determine if rats are capable of “playing the odds” and if altering their brain chemistry (e.g., to mimic the neurochemistry of human gamblers) changes the rats’ decision-making, which according to the authors was a proxy for gambling strategy.

Call for Papers, Grant Proposals, RFPs and Nominations

[Call for Papers: Problem Gambling Foundation of New Zealand 2010 International Gambling Conference](#)

Proposals for presentations and sessions are now being accepted for The Problem Gambling Foundation of New Zealand 2010 International Gambling Conference being held February 24-26, 2010 at The Crowne Plaza Hotel in Auckland, New Zealand. The conference will examine new technologies and their implications for the future of gambling along with the groups of people who may be targeted or impacted by these technologies. Enhancing measures needed to prevent and reduce harms associated with current and emerging forms of gambling will also be examined. Presentations should include new and original work that reflects the conference theme. Workshop presentations may be supported with visual materials, handouts, and activities. Alternatively to both paper and workshop presentations, presentations may be made through an audio or visual format. Individuals whose lives have been impacted by problem gambling and would like the opportunity to tell their story and express their views are also welcome.

Deadline for submissions is November 27th, 2009.

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[Call for Panelist Presentations: Responsible Gambling Council's Discovery 2010 Conference](#)

Proposals for panelist presentations are now being accepted for The Responsible Gambling Council's Discovery 2010 Conference being held April 13-16, 2010 at The Westin Harbour Castle in Toronto, Ontario.

Deadline for submissions is December 1st, 2009.

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[Ontario Problem Gambling Research Centre](#)

The Ontario Problem Gambling Research Centre is pleased to announce that applications for Level III & IV research awards are now being accepted for research into problem gambling. Please visit the website for the guidelines for

submission.

Deadline for letter of intent submissions is November 20th, 2009.

Deadline for proposal submissions is April 15th, 2010.

#### Upcoming Events

[National Association for Gambling Studies 19th Annual Conference](#)

November 18-20, 2009 - Rydges Lakeside, Canberra, Australia

[2010 International Gambling Conference](#)

February 24-26, 2010 - Auckland City, New Zealand

[12th Annual Statewide Compulsive Gambling Awareness Conference](#)

March 18-19, 2010 - Sheyboygan, Wisconsin, USA

[Alberta Gaming Research Institute's 9th Annual Conference](#)

April 9-10, 2010 - Banff, Alberta, Canada

[Responsible Gambling Council's Discovery 2010 Conference](#)

April 13-16, 2010 - Toronto, Ontario, Canada

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Hope you've enjoyed this edition of Newscan. We'll see you again next week!

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