Endocrinology, Diabetes, and Metabolism Didactic Series
November 14, 2023, 3:00-4:00pm
COM Room 5403

SPEAKER: Diego Perez-Tilve, PhD
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TOPIC: “Differential Control of Glucose Metabolism by GPCR Signaling Pathways in Hypothalamic AGRP Neurons.”

Outcome Objectives:

• Hypothalamic Agouti Related Protein (AGRP)-expressing neurons simultaneously, but independently, control feeding behavior and whole-body glucose homeostasis.

• Specific GPCRs (G-protein coupled receptors) signaling pathways determine the control of glucose homeostasis by AGRP neurons.

• Different branches of the Autonomic Nervous System mediate specific effects of AGRP neurons on glycemic control.

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His laboratory investigates the neural circuits involved in the control of energy balance in response to circulating signals such as ghrelin, leptin or GLP-1, and how the effect of those signals can be harnessed to develop therapies to treat Obesity and Diabetes. His research has been supported by intramural funds from the UC-College of Medicine, the National Institutes of Health and by research collaborations with pharmaceutical companies including Novo Nordisk, MBX Biosciences, Cohbar Inc, Calibrium LLC and Hoffmann-La Roche AG.