The Center for Translational Social Neuroscience and the Center for Behavioral Neuroscience hosted an exciting workshop entitled “Neurobehavioral Mechanisms of Affiliative Behavior and Cooperation: Prospects for Translational Advances for Psychiatric Disorders” on October 23-24 at Emory University in Atlanta. This workshop included presentations from leaders in the fields of social psychology and social neuroscience from the US and Japan. Topics included the biology of social bonding, affiliation, cooperation, empathy, parental care, and the potential for translating this biology into therapies for psychiatric disorders.

The workshop was a great success with over 175 registrants from all over the country and the world. Participants included 12 Japanese investigators and 8 students, and one participant from Australia. The CTSN provided travel awards to 13 students and post-docs from across the US.

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The Workshop presentations were recorded and will be available online.