



President's Letter

Welcome to the Society for Neuroscience's 48th Annual Meeting. I am pleased to be here in San Diego with some of the most enterprising minds from around the world, across the field, and at all stages of their scientific careers.

As neuroscientists, our enthusiasm for the field may have developed from any number of factors. Perhaps it was a natural curiosity about what makes us who we are, sparked by a teacher or mentor, or perhaps our motivation grew from a desire to help a loved one struggling with a neurological or psychiatric condition.

Whatever it is that drives us to understand the brain and the nervous system, it is imperative that we remember the reward of scientific discovery, the value of collaboration, and our capacity to innovate together. As neuroscientists throughout the world increasingly form initiatives to trace neural connections, develop neuroimaging techniques, categorize

brain cell types, and more, we are revolutionizing how we look at, measure, and manipulate brain activity. This accelerates our ability as a field to make scientific progress.

As you explore the vast array of scientific sessions, workshops, and other events at Neuroscience 2018, I encourage you to bring the passion that you have for your work to every interaction that you have at the meeting, from seeking feedback on your research to building your professional network. The connections you make at the meeting will strengthen your research, the field, and the global neuroscience community.

Sincerely,

Richard L. Huganir, PhD
President, Society for Neuroscience



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Welcome to Neuroscience 2018

Plan Your Neuroscience 2018 Experience

Keep the Neuroscience 2018 Program at your fingertips with these tools for navigating the meeting and building your personal itinerary:

- Neuroscience Meeting Planner (NMP), available at the convention center's NMP Viewing Area in the Sails Pavilion or via SfN.org/NMP. Search abstracts, download curated itineraries, and customize your schedule.
- Neuroscience 2018 Mobile App, available from the iTunes or Google Play app stores. Sync your NMP-created itinerary with the mobile app by logging in to both resources with your SfN username and password. Browse sessions, view maps of the convention center and hotels, search exhibitors, take notes, and more!
- Curated Itineraries, available through the NMP or mobile app. Plan your experience around a specific research area, with relevant sessions and events selected by SfN's Program Committee.

Providing electronic alternatives for navigating *Program* content is just one of the ways in which the Society upholds its commitment to fulfill its mission in a socially, economically, and environmentally responsible fashion. Printed copies of the *Exhibit Guide* and this general information *Program* book continue to be available free of charge, and a limited number of daily books are available for purchase on-site. Visit the *Program* and *Exhibit Guide* Pick-Up counter for details.

New for 2018

- Dual Perspectives: Learn about the history, research, and multiple viewpoints surrounding a hot topic in the field at the new Dual Perspectives session (pg. 32). This year's session on gamma oscillations will take place Monday, November 5, from 1 to 2 p.m.
- Telling Stories of Science: Discover how storytelling can transform science communication and promote scientific progress. Hear three powerful personal stories and learn why and how to tell your own stories at this minisymposium (pg. 31) taking place Sunday, November 4, from 1:30 to 4 p.m.
- Expanded Programming: Take advantage of an enhanced variety of subject matter represented at this year's meeting. Expanded sessions — including the popular Meet-the-Expert Series, Meet-the-Clinician-Expert sessions, and Basic-Translational-Clinical Roundtables — will feature even more hot topics and presentations from leaders in the field.

Don't Miss Dynamic Posters

Stop by Halls B–H to check out this year's 135 interactive multimedia poster presentations — use the NMP or mobile app to add these to your schedule.

Stay Up to Date on Social Media

Keep up with the latest at Neuroscience 2018 by liking the Society for Neuroscience on Facebook, following @SfNtweets and @Neurosci2018 on Twitter, and connecting with us on Instagram at @societyforneuroscience. Share your annual meeting experience using our hashtag #SfN18.

Daylight Savings Time Ends Sunday, Nov. 4

San Diego, CA, is in the Pacific Time Zone. The state of California participates in Daylight Savings Time. Daylight Savings Time will end at 2 a.m. PDT on Sunday, November 4th. At this time, you will have to set your clock back one hour. Please plan accordingly.

See You in Chicago!

Mark your calendars for Neuroscience 2019, October 19–23 in Chicago, IL.

