

Annual Meeting Update

Organization of the annual meeting is in hyperdrive. The committees are hard at work laying the foundation for a week of amazing science, training and networking opportunities. Check it out!

Genes, Brain, and Behavior, May 12-17, 2020. Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole, MA. USA.



Highlights of the meeting program at this stage

- Satellite Meeting: Junior Scientists Career Development Day
- Young and Distinguished Investigator Award: Lectures and Ceremony
- Society Fellow Ceremony: Appointment based on scientific excellence and society involvement [Recipients for 2019: Richard E. Brown, Elissa J. Chesler, John C. Crabbe, Jacqueline N. Crawley, Wim E. Crusio, Hans-Peter Lipp, Abraham A. Palmer, Catharine H. Rankin, Hee-sup Shin, Douglas Wahlsten, and Robert W. Williams]
- Special Lecture: Hopi Hoekstra, [Evolution, Genetics, and Neurobiology of Mice and Molecules](#), Harvard University USA
- Presidential Lecture: Jonathan Mill, [Complex Disease Epigenetics](#), University of Exeter, UK

Session Titles

- *Alternate transcript usage and RNA splicing in alcohol and substance use disorders*
- *Sleep regulation and function during early developmental periods*
- *Neonatal opioid withdrawal syndrome in mice and humans*
- *Neurodegenerative and Neuropsychiatric disorders*
- *Emergent systems for genetic studies of behavior*

Download the meeting flyer to share with your colleagues: [Genes, Brain and Behavior 2020 Meeting Flyer](#)

Important Date: Jan 7, 2020 Meeting Registration, Abstract Submission, and Call for Travel Award Applications Open. An email reminder will be sent beforehand.

Satellite Meeting Update

The Behaviour Satellite Meeting at the [FENS Forum of Neuroscience](#) is an excellent opportunity for IBANGS members to make new connections with scientists abroad. As a reminder, IBANGS members are also members of FENS and qualify for all discounts and offers. Shout out to current IBANGS President, Cathy Fernandes and society member, Wim Crusio for spearheading the effort to organize this event.

“Behavioural neuroscience for the next decade: Why behaviour matters to brain science”

[IBANGS](#), [EBBS](#), [EBPS](#), [EMCCS](#)



FENS Forum of Neuroscience. Glasgow, 2020. Saturday 11th July 2020 (08:30-15:00)

Program Overview

- 09:00-09:15 Welcome and introduction
- 09:15-10:00 Progress in complex behavioural analysis
- 10:00-10:45 How pharmacology and neuroscience help us to understand behaviour
- 10:45-11:15 Coffee/tea break
- 11:15-12:00 Molecular and cellular mechanisms of learning and memory
- 12:00-13:00 Lunch
- 13:00-13:45 Connecting genes to behaviour

- 13:45-14:45 Round table discussion “The value of behaviour: The balance between basic science and translational research” Panel Chair: Wim Crusio
14:45-15:00 Concluding statements

Speakers/Round Table Panel Members

Angel Barco (University Miguel Hernández, Spain)
Caroline Brennan (Queen Mary University of London, U.K.)
Wim E. Crusio (CNRS, University of Bordeaux, France)
Shelly Flagel (University of Michigan, U.S.A.)
Iiris Hovatta (University of Helsinki, Finland)
Stoyo Karamihalev (Max Planck Institute of Psychiatry, Germany)
Haneen Kayyal (University of Haifa, Israel)
Ewelina Knapska (Polish Academy of Sciences, Poland)
Isabelle Mansuy (University of Zürich, Switzerland)
Alexander Mathis (Harvard University, U.S.A.)
Amy Milton (University of Cambridge, U.K.)
Susanna Pietropaolo (CNRS, University of Bordeaux, France)
Annette Schenck (Radboud University, The Netherlands)
Marco Venniro (National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), U.S.A.)

Registration is open and travel grants are available

Information here: [Register](#) [Travel Grants](#)

Member's Corner

Welcome New Members!



Maria de la Paz Fernandez, Barnard College, NY. Neurobiology of Aggression, Lab page: <https://www.fernandez-lab.org/>



Sherry Aw, Institute of Molecular and Cell Biology, Singapore. Neurodegeneration, Movement Disorders and Neurogenetics, Lab page: <https://www.sherryawlab.com/>



Paul Meyer, University at Buffalo, NY. Motivation and Addiction, Lab page: <https://meyerlabscience.org/>

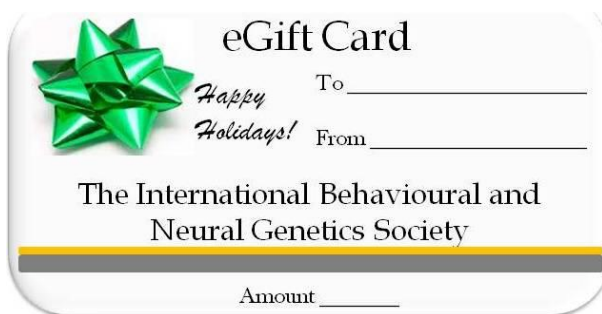
IBANGS Student and Postdoc Membership Award

In the spirit of the holiday season and to provide young researchers with the opportunity to join our outstanding community of scientists, IBANGS is awarding two Student/Postdoc memberships valid for one year. Awardees will be selected based on merit by the IBANGS membership committee. **How it works:** Submit a brief statement in support of a student or postdoc that you think would benefit from an IBANGS membership along with their name and email address. The nominee must not be a member (or former member) of IBANGS.

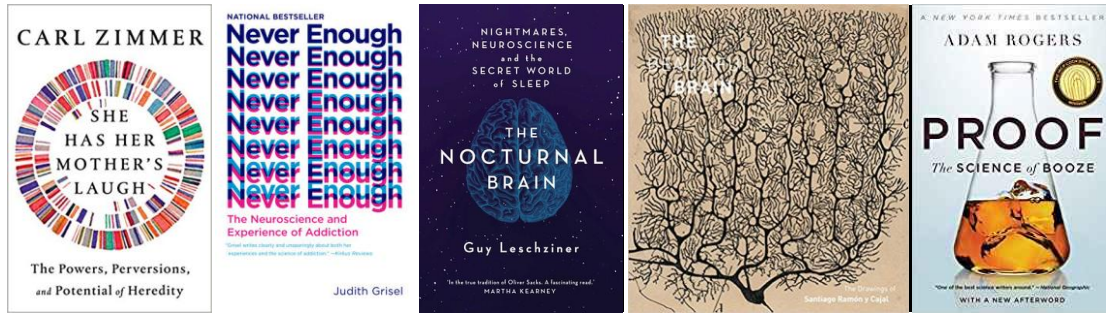
Deadline for nominations: **January 15th, 2020:** [Submit here](#)

IBANGS eGift Cards available

The cost of a Student or Postdoc Annual Society Membership is \$40.00. Contact the IBANGS Admin for eGift Card purchases [administrator@ibangs.org]



Good Reads



A Winter Poem

The Snow Man

BY WALLACE STEVENS

One must have a mind of winter
To regard the frost and the boughs
Of the pine-trees crusted with snow;
And have been cold a long time
To behold the junipers shagged with ice,
The spruces rough in the distant glitter
Of the January sun; and not to think
Of any misery in the sound of the wind,
In the sound of a few leaves,
Which is the sound of the land
Full of the same wind
That is blowing in the same bare place
For the listener, who listens in the snow,
And, nothing himself, beholds
Nothing that is not there and the nothing that is.

Happy Holidays!

