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Executive Committee Election Results



Congratulations to the newly elected IBANGS Executive Committee Members: <u>Camron Bryant</u>, IBANGS President-Elect 2021, <u>Clarissa Parker</u>, Secretary, and <u>Gang Chen</u>, Member-at-Large. **Camron** is an Associate Professor of Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics and Psychiatry at Boston University School of Medicine. His research program is concerned with the genetic basis of addiction traits in mice, including psychostimulants, opioids, and binge eating. **Clarissa** is an Assistant Professor of Psychology and Neuroscience at Middlebury College. Her studies are focused on the genetic basis of psychiatric and drug use disorders. **Gang** is Professor and Director of the Interdisciplinary Institute for Personalized Medicine in Brain Disorders at Jinan University. His current research interest is to decipher genetic and systems biological mechanisms underlying individualized Chinese medicine on depression. Needless to say, we're all very excited to have such talent leading our society! Thank you to all of the nominees for participating in the elections and to all of our members for voting. This year was a record breaker!



Special THANK YOU to the outgoing Executive Committee Members who all did a wonderful job: Catharine Rankin, Past-President, Iiris Hovatta, Secretary and Richard Radcliffe, Member-At-Large. And of course to the Elections and Nominations Committee members liris Hovatta (Chair), Wim E. Crusio, and Ryan Logan.

Business As Usual



Each May at the Society's Business Meeting, the Treasurer, Secretary, and Publications Committee reports are presented to annual meeting attendees. This year because of the annual meeting postponement, these reports will be made available online to members. An announcement will be sent to the membership in May when the reports are available. Please note that the changing of Executive Committee members will also take place in May as usual.

Membership Committee on the Move



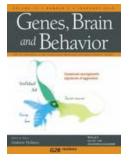
Under the leadership of <u>Megan Mulligan</u>, the Membership Committee is expanding and putting into play exciting campaigns to strengthen ties, increase member benefits, and recruit new members. This year the society will have exhibitor booths at both the FENS Forum, Glasgow, and SFN, Washington. The Society's 25th Anniversary is also this year. The upcoming campaigns are focused on these events. Please contact Megan [mulliganmk@gmail.com] if you

would like to be involved.



A warm WELCOME to the new officers of the Membership Committee <u>David Ashbrook</u>, <u>Fred</u> <u>Wolf</u>, and <u>Amy Dunn</u>. David is an Assistant Professor at UTHSC. His research interests are concerned with understanding how early experience can influence the reaction to later life events. Fred is an Associate Professor at UC Merced studying addiction, and Amy is a postdoc at the Jackson Lab working on neurodegenerative disorders. Check out their lab pages for more detail on their research programs.

Journal News



Genes, Brain and Behavior has recently published exciting back to back special issues of reviews and empirical papers on sex differences in genetics, brain function and behavior.

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SFN-FENS Reciprocity



FENS and SfN have a partnership whereby FENS members can present an abstract and register for the SfN annual meeting under the same conditions as regular members of SfN. To do so, members must

register with FENS and they will receive a unique code which will enable the submission of abstracts. To register, those that have used their code will receive an email form the SfN registration portal with a special link. Note that there is a limited number of codes available, so they will be given out on a first come, first served basis. Codes will be offered around early April 2020, or when SfN makes these available for distribution. See <u>here</u> for a complete list of FENS member benefits. Please contact Anna Delprato [administrator@ibangs.org] if you need assistance.

Student and Postdoc Membership Awardees 2020

Bravo and Welcome to **Kana Hamada** and **Tariq Brown**. Kana and Tariq are each awarded a one year society membership. Kana is a Ph.D. student in the Graduate Program in Neuroscience at the University of Illinois at Chicago and is doing her dissertation project in the laboratory of <u>Amy Lasek</u>. Tariq is a second year PhD student in the Neuroscience Graduate Program at Brown University, and is completing his PhD in <u>Karla Kaun's laboratory</u> at Brown University. This is an annual competition and awardees are selected based on merit by the Membership Committee.

Classifieds

Submitted by Wim E. Crusio: Advances in Experimental Medicine and Biology

Advances in Experimental Medicine and Biology is a book series published by SpringerNature. *AEMB* has a very wide scope, including all of neuroscience and, thus, also behavioral and neural genetics. Both animal and human research is covered. Most books are edited volumes.

Unlike most book series, *AEMB* is indexed, among others, by MEDLINE/PubMed and the Science Citation Index (current impact factor 2.126).

Recently, I have been appointed section editor for Neuroscience. If you have an idea for a book that would fit into this series, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Behavioral and Brain Functions

Behavioral and Brain Functions (BBF) is an open access journal published by BMC (formerly BioMedCentral), an imprint of SpringerNature. The journal covers the whole of behavioral neuroscience, including behavioral and neural genetics and human as well as animal studies. As an open access journal, there are article processing charges (see <u>here</u>, with reduced fees for researchers working at certain institutions, see <u>here</u>).

BBF is indexed in all major databases, including MEDLINE/PubMed and the Science Citation Index Expanded. It currently has an impact factor of 2.457, but our editorial team is working hard to increase that. We are especially interested in suitable review articles, for which a waiver of the article processing charges may be available.

If you are thinking about writing an article or review that may perhaps be beyond the scope of *Genes, Brain and Behavior*, do not hesitate to contact me.

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Submitted by Anna Delprato and Wim E. Crusio:

Some favorite Neuroscience-related film titles



- <u>eXistenZ</u>
- Mozart and the Whale
- <u>Memento</u>
- Inside Out
- The Bourne Trilogy
- Inception
- Eternal Sunshine of the Spotless Mind
- Blade Runner and Blade Runner 2049
- <u>A Beautiful Mind</u>
- Total Recall
- Donovan's Brain
- <u>Lucy</u>

