President's Blog

Marina E. Wolf, Ph.D.

I'm using my first blog post to update you on the responses to February’s survey about changing the name of our College and our Journal.

Click here to learn more about the survey results.

Our 58th Annual Meeting is Full of Change

Sarah Timm, CAE, CMP-HC, ACNP Executive Director

"Great things never came from comfort zones."

The staff in the Executive Office has been busy making plans for the 58th Annual Meeting in December.

Click here for more.

Interview with Susan Sesack, Ph.D., Membership Committee Chair

Karen Szumlinski, Ph.D., Membership Advisory Task Force Member

Membership Advisory Task Force Member, Karen Szumlinski, interviewed Susan Sesack, Membership Committee chair. Click here to read this full interview.

Liaison Committee Chair Attends Capitol Hill Day with SfN

Wade Berrettini, M.D., Ph.D., Liaison Committee chair, joined forces with SfN members
during the 13th Annual Capitol Hill Day on Thursday, March 7th to help deliver the message about the importance of brain science research to policy makers in Washington, D.C. To read more about Capitol Hill Day, click here.

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**ACNP-AMP BRAD Fellow**

Katherine M. Serafine, Ph.D., named the 2019/2020 ACNP-AMP BRAD Fellow

Animal Research Committee member, David Jentsch, Ph.D., interviewed Katherine Serafine, ACNP-AMP BRAD Fellow, on her plans for this fellowship. Click here to read this full interview.

Please view the press release for the announcement.

As a reminder, please complete the survey concerning ACNP member perspectives and experiences interacting with the public about biomedical research involving animals. This survey was created by 2018/2019 ACNP-AMP BRAD Fellow, Stephanie Maddox, Ph.D., to help reveal insights into the common barriers that scientists within our community commonly experience when broaching conversations with the general public regarding their research involving animals.

To complete this survey, if you have not already done so, please use the following link: https://survey.zohopublic.com/zs/b8BUOr

To learn more about Biomedical Research Awareness Day (BRAD), please click here.

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**Editor's Corner**

William Carlezon, Ph.D., Editor-In-Chief, Neuropsychopharmacology (on behalf of the NPP Senior Editor team)

NPP is constantly updating its leadership team of Senior Editors (SEs) and Editorial Board Members (EBMs). These appointments are based primarily on a long history of service to the journal, as well as our need to ensure that there are no major gaps in our expertise.

Over the past year, the following individual has been appointed as a SE:

K. Luan Phan, M.D.

Over the past year, the following individuals have been appointed as EBMs:

Erin Calipari, Ph.D.
Laramie Duncan, Ph.D.
Matt Hill, Ph.D.
The critical importance of basic animal research for neuropsychiatric disorders

NPP publishes content that complements outstanding science, including article types that are intended to stimulate discussion and, when necessary, issue calls to action. Please see the article we recently published on the importance of research in laboratory animals. The article covers a lively discussion from a Study Group that attracted more than 300 audience members at the 2018 ACNP annual meeting. As a result of the discussion, NPP will be modifying our instructions for authors later in the year, to provide refined guidelines for the use of language and terminologies when describing work performed in laboratory animals. The changes are intended to enhance precision and to prevent data over-interpretation and propagation of misconceptions.

We have made the Study Group article free to all, and it is available here: https://www.nature.com/articles/s41386-019-0405-9.pdf

Bill Carlezon, Ph.D. (on behalf of the NPP Senior Editor team)

Now Collecting Hot Topics for Inclusion in 2020 Neuropsychopharmacology Reviews
Kathryn A. Cunningham, Ph.D., 2020 Hot Topics Editor

The ACNP will publish its annual compendium Neuropsychopharmacology Reviews (NPPR) as the 1st issue of Neuropsychopharmacology (NPP) in 2020, under the guidance of Editor-in-Chief Bill Carlezon and NPP Deputy Editor John Neumaier. Organized by Volume Editors, Luis de Lecea and John Winkelman, the focus of the 2020 issue is Sleep and Neuropsychiatric Illness (please see Table of Contents).

Each NPPR volume is accompanied by 10-12 individual, 500-word Hot Topics articles. The NPPR editorial team is currently collecting ideas for inclusion in the Hot Topics section of the 2020 volume. These suggestions should be focused on "hot" cutting edge topics and emerging concepts across the breadth of the ACNP scope, representing recent scientific, technological or conceptual findings in neuropsychopharmacology. These ideas do not need to correspond to the content of the
Please send your ideas for Hot Topics articles to Terri Bowen, journal@ACNP.org, before May 17, 2019.

58th Annual Meeting  
*December 8-11, 2019*

Registration for the 58th Annual Meeting will begin in June. We are looking forward to welcoming members and their guests to the Hilton Orlando Bonnet Creek and Waldorf Astoria in Orlando, Florida. [Click here](#) for additional information.

Promoting Diversity at the Annual Meeting

Council approved an update to the Diversity Invitation Bank for the 2019 Annual Meeting recommended by the Minority Task Force:

**Diversity Invitation Bank** - The Diversity Invitation Bank allows members to offer an additional invitation to a scientist from an underrepresented minority group. These groups include an individual who identifies as African-American, Hispanic, Native American, Pacific Islander, LGBTQ+ or a scientist with a disability. Members who request the invitation should vouch for the minority status of the scientist they are inviting.

*As a reminder, only members attending the meeting may obtain invitations from this bank.*

Upcoming Deadlines  
Marina E. Wolf, Ph.D., ACNP President

Most of us associate the ACNP with December, but some of the most important things you can do as a Member happen in the Spring! As described in the article, this is when we submit proposals for the annual meeting, nominations for Awards and nominations for membership. [More...](#)

2020 Officer and Council Election Results  
Linda S. Brady, Ph.D.

This election was carried out in accordance with Article VII, Section 3 and Article IX, Section 2 of the ACNP By-Laws, and its results are binding. Terms for the newly-elected officers will begin at the conclusion of the ACNP Annual Business Meeting on Wednesday, December 11, 2019.
President-Elect

Mary L. Phillips, M.D.
Council (Three-Year Term)

Carlos A. Zarate, Jr., M.D.
Council (Three-Year Term)

"Vaccine shows lasting effects against fentanyl addiction in rats"

Read the latest Press Release.

The current altmetric score for the press release article is 62.

ACNP Honorific Awards - Call for Nominations

It's time to honor the scientific and mentorship accomplishments of a select few from a very long list of our distinguished members and colleagues. The Honorific Awards Committee, chaired by Steven Hyman, is requesting nominations for the following ACNP Honorific Awards:

- Julius Axelrod Mentorship Award
- Dolores Shockley Minority Mentoring Award
- Daniel H. Efron Research Award
Joel Elkes Research Award
Paul Hoch Distinguished Service Award
Eva King Killam Research Award
ACNP Media Award
ACNP Public Service Award

Detailed nomination information is available on the ACNP website under the Annual Meeting tab. The nomination deadline is Friday, June 28, 2019. Award recipients will be announced and honored at the Annual Meeting.

The committee urges you to nominate a deserving colleague and encourages the nomination of women and minorities.

**Membership Nominations and Promotions**

Nomination materials for new Member, Associate Member, and Fellow promotion candidates will be available under the Membership tab on the ACNP website in June. The submission site will open with an announcement via email to membership in late July. The deadline for nominations and applications will be September 4, 2019. Should you have questions or need assistance, please contact Erin Shaw at eshaw@acnp.org.

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**Bench to Bedside: Building from Neuroscience Research Discoveries**

January 29, 2019 Congressional Neuroscience Caucus Briefing

On Tuesday, January 29, 2019, the American Brain Coalition, the American College of Neuropsychopharmacology, and the Society for Neuroscience, in cooperation with the Congressional Neuroscience Caucus, held an informational briefing. More...

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**Did you know that ACNP has employment opportunities on the ACNP Website?**

Please visit the ACNP website for a list of employment opportunities.

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**The Klaus Joachim Zulch Award 2020**

The Gertrud Reemtsma Foundation invites the scientific community to nominate qualified scientists from any branch of translational neuroscience. Nominations should be made by universities, non-profit science organizations, neuroscience societies, neuroscience institutes as well as clinical departments. For details regarding the nomination procedure, please visit: https://gertrud-reemtsma-stiftung.sf.mpg.de/nomination/

The nomination deadline is June 15, 2019.

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**Dates to Remember**
Upcoming Meetings

To see a list of upcoming meetings in the field of neuropsychopharmacology, click here.

Staff Spotlight

The Top Ten Things you likely did not know about Erin Shaw, Senior Project Manager

10. She was once an extra in a country music video for Dierks Bentley.

9. The scariest thing she has ever done was go skydiving.

8. She is from the same hometown as Sarah Timm. They went to the same high school!

More...

ACNP Staff Contact List

For a full listing of the ACNP Staff in the Executive Office, click here.

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