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### Hormones and Behavior

The current issue of Hormones and Behavior is now available.

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### SBN Announcements

#### Announcement of Retirement

Dr. Diane Witt has served the SBN community for almost 12 years while at the National Science Foundation. Dr. Witt was the Cluster Leader at the Neural Systems Cluster in the Division of Integrative Organismal Systems in the Division of Biological Sciences at NSF. She was also the Program Director for the Modulation area of the Neuroscience portfolio. Diane presented at nearly every SBN meetings on topics ranging from funding basics to life/work quality issues. Her program consistently funded the Young Investigators and Student Travel Awards portions of the SBN program. In 2009 she was awarded the first SBN Scientific Advocacy Award for her tireless work on our behalf at NSF. Prior to her career at NSF Dr. Witt did trailblazing work on the role of oxytocin in prairie vole social behaviors. We are sad for ourselves, but happy for her that she will be retiring in a few months to pursue her many interests, and spend time with her husband and family, including five grandsons and two dogs.



#### National Science Foundation Announcement

NSF is initiating a national search for the National Science Foundation's Assistant Director for Biological Sciences (BIO). The Assistant Director, BIO, manages a Directorate comprising the Division of Molecular and Cellular Biosciences (MCB), the Division of Biological Infrastructure (DBI), and the Emerging Frontiers Office (EF). The employment may be on a temporary or permanent basis in the Federal Service or by temporary assignment under provisions of the Intergovernmental Personnel Act. For more details about the NSF announcement, the Directorate's activities and the responsibilities of the position, and the criteria that will be used in

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the search, please see [NSF Dear Colleague Letter](#). Please send your recommendations, including any supporting information which may be able to provide, to the AD/BIO Screening Committee via e-mail ([biosrch@nsf.gov](mailto:biosrch@nsf.gov)) or at the following address: National Science Foundation, Office of the Director, Suite 1205, 4201 Wilson Boulevard, Arlington, VA 22230. The recommendation should be received by February 15, 2014.

## Meeting Information

The 2014 ICN/SBN meeting in Sydney, Australia

The joint Society for Behavioral Neuroendocrinology/International Congress of Neuroendocrinology meeting will be held on August 17-20, 2014, in Sydney, Australia. Abstract submission deadline is April 4, 2014. Early Bird registration is open through May 23, 2014. Visit <http://www.neuroendocrinology2014.org/> for more information.

International Conference on Hormones, Brain and Behavior (ICHBB)

This conference will be held in conjunction with the celebration of Dr. Jacques Balthazart's official retirement. The conference will be held on June 25-27, 2014, in Liege, Belgium. Detailed information about the conference can be found at <http://www2.ulg.ac.be/bioneuro>. Registration is open now.

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