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SBN Announcements

Present your research at SBN2010!

The 2010 Society of Behavioral Neuroendocrinology Annual Meeting will be held at the Toronto Hilton in Toronto Canada July 18 -21. Below are some important dates to keep in mind.

Abstract submission deadlines:**For SBN Trainee Members: Undergrads, Graduate Students and Post Docs:**

If you would like to enter the poster award competition, or apply for a Travel or Young Investigator Award, the deadline for submitting your **application materials and your abstract will be Friday March 12, 2010 at NOON CST.**

If you are an invited speaker at the meeting, or you would like to present a poster without applying for an award, the deadline for non-award abstract submissions will be Friday April 9, 2010 at NOON CST.

Registration and Housing deadline:

The deadline for early registration and to secure conference rates at the Toronto Hilton will be **Friday April 30, 2010 at NOON CST.**

Stay tuned for details about online submission of award applications and abstracts, registration for the meeting, and how to secure housing at the Toronto Hilton.

Nominations for SBN Treasurer

The Nominating Committee for Treasurer of the SBN consisting of:

Kim Wallen, Chair

Lance Kriegsfeld

Katherine Wynne-Edwards

opens nominations for the position of Treasurer of the Society for Behavioral Neuroendocrinology to serve starting in July of 2010 for a two year term.

Self-nomination is especially encouraged.

Self nominations should ask for at least one additional supporting letter from

a member of SBN to be forwarded to the nominating committee. Those nominating someone other than themselves should ask the nominee to send a letter describing their interest and willingness to serve to the nominating committee.

Nominations will close March 1, 2010.

Please send nominating letters (e-mail is preferred) to Kim Wallen, Nominating Committee Chair at kim@emory.edu. Paper letters may be sent to:

Kim Wallen, Ph.D.
Department of Psychology
Emory University
36 Eagle Row
Atlanta, GA 30322

Duties of the Treasurer

The bylaws describe the duties as follows:

"He/she shall have charge and custody of and be responsible for all funds and securities of the corporation; receive and give receipts for moneys due and payable to the corporation from any source whatsoever, and deposit all such moneys in the name of the corporation in such banks, trust companies or other depositories as shall be selected in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII of these Bylaws and in general perform all the duties incident to the office of Treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him/her by the President or by the Board of Directors."

In addition, the bylaws specify that the board of directors may ask the Treasurer to be bonded, though this has apparently not been the practice.

The Treasurer works with Weiser, the manager of SBN, to conduct the financial transactions of the SBN. Weiser provides much of the routine financial work of the treasurer, such as preparing financial reports, which the Treasurer then approves and signs.

Call for Nominations: Daniel S. Lehrman Lifetime Achievement Award

Nominations are being accepted for the Daniel S. Lehrman Lifetime Achievement Award in Behavioral Neuroendocrinology. The purpose of this award is fourfold. We wish to honor the lifetime achievement of the most distinguished investigators in our field, open an opportunity for the SBN members to show their appreciation and respect, educate the younger members of our field about the life and work of our distinguished foremothers and forefathers and their own academic lineage, and create a public education/public relations opportunity to invite the press to an exciting scientific presentation at our annual meeting.

AWARD CRITERIA: Investigators that have sustained a record of significant original research, distinguished scholarship, and highly effective mentorship in any field of behavioral neuroendocrinology may be

nominated. They may be either retired or still active in research, provided they have been a full professor (or foreign equivalent, if outside the U.S., or industry equivalent, if working outside academia) for more than 10 years and have trained a significant number of students and research associates who have, in turn, made exceptional contributions in behavioral neuroendocrinology.

NOMINATIONS: Submit a letter of nomination, including a detailed description of the nominee's most significant contributions to research, scholarship and mentorship and a copy of the nominee's curriculum vitae. More than one nomination letter or jointly written nomination letters are helpful to the committee. Electronic applications are preferred.

Send materials by March 1, 2010 to

Barney Schlinger, Chair, SBN Awards Committee

schlinge@lifesci.ucla.edu

The award, in the form of an engraved plaque, will be presented at the banquet of the annual Society for Behavioral Neuroendocrinology Meeting. The winner will be invited to submit a special autobiographical review to be published in *Hormones and Behavior*. Daniel Lehrman was one of the most influential scientists in our field. Lehrman was an astute observer of the social interactions between animals in natural environments, and he was largely responsible for making the connection between these behavioral changes and the hypothalamic-pituitary system. Thus, he can be seen as one of the founders of Behavioral Neuroendocrinology. Through his original and creative behavioral experiments, coupled with his ability to incorporate contemporary methodological developments in neuroendocrinology, he made an enormous impact in elucidating the reciprocal relationship between hormones and behavior. Through his scholarship, mentoring and teaching, and most notably his leadership role in the founding of the Institute for Animal Behavior at Rutgers University, he influenced a whole generation of scientists studying animal behavior. Many current members of SBN can trace their academic lineage to Lehrman. Preference will be given to nominees who share many of the best characteristics of Daniel Lehrman.

Attention SBN Trainees: Get recognition for your research! Undergrads, Graduate Students, and Post Docs

SBN recognizes exceptional research by SBN trainees with three types of awards at the SBN meeting: Poster Awards, Travel Awards, and Young Investigator Awards. The eligibility and application requirements for each are described below, and are also available on the SBN website at www.sbn.org. Award applications should be submitted through the SBN website, once the site opens for abstract submissions.

Note that there is an early deadline for award applications and abstracts:
March 12, 2010 Noon CST.

Poster Awards are open to undergraduates, senior graduate students, and post docs. Judges will evaluate posters at the meeting, and awards (non-monetary) will be given at the meeting banquet.

Poster award applications require a brief description of the significance of the work to behavioral neuroendocrinology and the applicant's contribution to it. In addition, applicants must list where the work was conducted (whether it was in an undergraduate, graduate or post doctoral position),

and whether that is the same or different than the position they will have when attending the meeting.

Travel Awards are available to trainees at any level. Trainees must be first author on an abstract presented at the meeting. The Education Committee will review the applications and will consider information provided in the application, along with other factors such as maintaining a balance by awarding trainees at all levels proportionally to their numbers in the application pool. No more than one trainee from each laboratory will be granted a travel award. Travel Awardees are eligible to enter the Poster competition.

Travel award applications require a brief description of the significance of the work to behavioral neuroendocrinology and the applicant's contribution to it. Travel Award applicants must also provide a short justification of the need for financial assistance to attend the meeting, including an explanation of other sources of available funds. Faculty mentors should be asked to prepare a letter of recommendation that will be directly uploaded to the website.

Young Investigator Awards are open to senior graduate students and post docs who have a substantial story to tell about their research program. Individuals receiving Young Investigator Awards will give a talk in the Young Investigator Symposium, and may not present a poster in addition to their talk.

Young Investigator award applications require a statement of research history and goals (one page). Applicants for the Young Investigator Award will be asked to submit a second abstract (we anticipate that the abstract for a Young Investigator's talk would be more broad than one for a poster). Young Investigators will be selected by the end of April, and all applicants will be notified of the type of their presentation. Three letters of recommendation should be requested, one of which is from the applicant's current faculty mentor. These letters will be directly uploaded to the website.

Individuals who won an award in the last two years are not eligible to compete for the same type of award, and all award applications will require a CV.

Membership Renewal- It is time to renew your membership in SBN for 2010! You should have received by mail your membership renewal statement. For your convenience dues can be paid on the SBN website at www.sbn.org. This is also a good time to encourage any friends and colleagues working in the field to join the Society. By encouraging others to join and by renewing your membership you can ensure SBN's vitality and growth into the future.

SBN Newsletter

- Submit announcements, news items and job openings for the SBN Newsletter using the new link on the SBN website homepage at www.sbn.org or email directly to Christine Wagner at cwagner@albany.edu.

SBN is Now a Group on Facebook- Please log on to your account and join our group. Simply search for Society for Behavioral Neuroendocrinology or follow this link:

<http://www.facebook.com/group.php?v=wall&ref=nf&gid=183497986274>.

We hope to encourage communication between members and friends of the society. This includes postings of events that members might be interested in, as well as science news articles relevant to our membership.

General Announcements

NIH Mentored Career Development Awards Request for Applications

Recovery Act Limited Competition: NIH Basic Behavioral and Social Science Opportunity Network (OppNet) Short-term Mentored Career Development Awards in the Basic Behavioral and Social Sciences for Mid-career and Senior Investigators (K18): RFA-OD-10-003

Visit the following link for further details:

<http://grants1.nih.gov/grants/guide/rfa-files/RFA-OD-10-003.html>

The Neurobiology of Stress Workshop 2010, June 15 - 18, Boulder, Colorado

The overall objective of the Workshop is to provide a rigorous scientific meeting that brings together researchers (principal investigators, clinicians and trainees) who study stress-brain interactions and their impact on mental and physical health. Talks will feature new research work, novel ideas, and examination of clinically relevant issues. The Workshop format provides time for discussion among all attendees during each scientific session, shared daily lunches and evening events.

Information concerning the Preliminary Program, Online Registration and additional details can be found at the Workshop's Website:

<http://psych.colorado.edu/~stressworkshop2010/>

We hope that you will consider joining us!

Please direct questions to Bob Spencer (Chair of Local Organizing Committee): Robert.spencer@colorado.edu

Job Postings/Training Opportunities

Associate or Full Professor, Department of Psychology, University at Buffalo

The Department of Psychology at the University at Buffalo, The State University of New York, invites applications for an ASSOCIATE or FULL Professor in BEHAVIORAL NEUROSCIENCE, CLINICAL, COGNITIVE, or SOCIAL (pending final budgetary approval). Applicants are expected to have an active, visible research program that complements and extends the research foci of one of our four areas of concentration, to publish theoretical and empirical research in top-tier journals, and to contribute to both graduate and undergraduate supervision and instruction. A history of obtaining external grant support is essential. A detailed description of the Department can be found at <http://www.psychology.buffalo.edu>. Apply on-line at <https://www.ubjobs.buffalo.edu>. Select "Search Postings." After the jump, select "Psychology" under "Department." You will be required to upload a letter of application, vitae, and selected reprints. Correspond with the Senior Faculty Search Committee, Park 206, Department of Psychology,

University at Buffalo, The State University of New York, Buffalo, NY, 14260-4110. Initial review of applications will begin on November 15, 2009 and will continue until the position is filled. The University at Buffalo is an Equal Opportunity Employer/Recruiter. Women and minorities are encouraged to apply.