We’ll See You at Experimental Biology 2008!

April 5 - April 9, 2008
San Diego, CA

The Erlanger Distinguished Lectureship of the Central Nervous System Section

Eve Marder
Brandeis University

“Variability, Homeostasis, and Compensation in Neuronal Networks”

Tuesday, April 8, 10:30 AM
Come meet your colleagues at the CNS Section Mixer

Monday, April 7
5:30pm - 7:00pm
Mariott Hotel

Participate in Planning Future APS Meetings

♦ Experimental Biology 2009 will be held April 18—22 in New Orleans, LA
♦ Experimental Biology 2010 will be held April 24—28 in Anaheim, CA

Planning is already underway for these meetings. Your help is needed to generate meetings of high interest to CNS Section Members. If you have any suggestions for the Joseph Erlanger Distinguished Lecturer, Symposia, or Featured Topics, contact Ann Schreihofer, Department of Physiology, Medical College of Georgia (email: aschreihofer@mail.mcg.edu).
Symposia

Neuronal Plasticity in Health and Disease
Chairs: Ida J. Llewellyn-Smith & Kaushik P. Patel
Speakers: Peter G. Smith, Linda M. Rinaman, Patrick J. Mueller, Kaushik P. Patel
Tuesday, 4/8, 3:15-5:15pm

The Role of GABA and Glutamate on Adult Neurogenesis
Chair: Stefano Vicini
Speakers: Angelique Bordey, Linda Overstreet Wadiche, Alejandro F. Schinder, Pierre-Marie Lledo, Hongjun Song
Wednesday, 4/9, 8:00-10:00am

Featured Topics

Energy Balance and Circulatory Control: Central Pathways and Mechanisms
Chairs: Gregory D. Fink & JR Haywood
Featured Speakers: William Haynes & Italo Biaggioni
Monday, 4/7, 10:30am-12:30pm

Donald J. Reis Memorial Trainee Symposium
Chairs: Javier Stern & Lara DeRuisseau
Featured Speaker: Costantino Iadecola
Sunday, 4/6, 10:30am-12:30pm

Are you subscribed to the CNS section ListServ?
For timely receipt of important news, make sure you are signed up to the CNS Section Listserve. Go to the APS website (http://www.the-aps.org/) and click the MEMBERS ONLY tab at the top of the page. Once logged in, check that you want to be on the CNS section listserve. It’s a great way to communicate but it only works if people are signed up!!
A Message from the CNS Trainee Representative

Dear Colleagues,
I am Lara DeRuisseau, your trainee representative for the CNS Steering Committee. I would like to alert all APS members of a new mentoring program! Our members are now eligible to participate in MentorNet, an award-winning one-on-one mentoring program. The program lasts for 8 months. It allows trainees to indicate the issues they are most interested in discussing and to select the type of online mentor they would like to interact with on a regular basis. Established APS members can also agree to serve as a mentor through the program. Details are available at our APS trainee website: www.the-aps.org/trainees/index.htm Please check it out! Also included on the website are information about awards, career planning, families and science, funding sources, laboratory management, mentoring, science policy, and of course, the Trainee Newsletter! Please contact me if you have any suggestions for the Trainee Committee.
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!!!WELCOME NEW CNS SECTION MEMBERS!!!
(September, 2007 - March, 2008)

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APS CONFERENCES

The APS Council recently approved the establishment of an APS Conference Committee whose purpose is to facilitate, improve, and energize APS Conferences. To simplify the application process, an online submission site within the APS website is currently being developed. This site should be active by the end the year. It will contain information on APS Conferences, instructions on how to organize a meeting, and the application procedure, which consists of providing an overall meeting abstract and minimal additional details. Application deadlines will be April 1, August 1, and December 1. Anyone who is a member of APS can submit an application for an APS Conference. For more information or to submit an application prior to the activation of the online submission site, please contact: P. Darwin Bell, Chair at BellPD@MUSC.EDU or Linda Allen: APS Representative at: LAllen@The-APS.ORG.

Congratulations to Colleen Hegg (Michigan State Univ.)

Colleen is this year’s recipient of the prestigious Shih-Chun Wang Young Investigator Award. The Shih-Chun Wang Memorial Fund was established in 1998 in memory of Dr. n Wang, who was internationally recognized for his research contributions in the areas of neurophysiology and neuropharmacology with an emphasis on brain stem control mechanisms. The Shih-Chun Wang Young Investigator Award is given annually to an individual demonstrating outstanding promise based on his/her research program in the physiological sciences. This makes 2 years in a row that a CNS section member has won the award as last year’s recipient was Ann Schreihofe.
New Investigator Award:
Sean Stocker (Univ. of Kentucky)

Van Harreveld Award:
Huijing Xia (LSU Health Sciences Center)

Research Recognition Award:
Julye Adams (Univ. of Kentucky)
Valdir Braga (Cornell Univ.)

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PLEASE HELP SUSTAIN THE VAN HARREVELD AWARD
The Van Harreveld Award was established in 1989, from funds donated from the Van Harreveld family. The CNS Section Steering Committee has increased the monetary value of the Award from $300 to $500 (using interest earned on this account) and would like to ensure that this Award can be made for many years to come. In order to accomplish these goals, it is important that we increase the resources in the restricted account set up by the APS Business Office to fund this Award. Contributions to this account are tax-deductible, and monies in this account are used only for the Award. If you are interested in supporting the Van Harreveld Memorial Award, please make a check payable to The American Physiological Society and send to the Chair of the CNS Section Steering Committee (contact info on pg. 7). Please indicate Van Harreveld Award on the check. Your generosity is greatly appreciated by the Steering Committee as well as all future Award winners!
From the APS Liaison With Industry Committee (LWIC)  
(Section representative: Michael Finley)

The APS LWIC is sponsoring a Symposium at EB 08 entitled “IBS and Chronic Constipation: Mechanisms and Novel Treatments” on Monday, April 7 from 3:15 – 5:15 PM in the Convention Center, Room 25A. This symposium will focus on the mechanisms of these two GI disorders that affect ~15-25% of the US population as well as current treatments and their mechanisms of actions and efficacy, as well as novel treatments being developed for these debilitating diseases.

In addition, the APS and LWIC are co-sponsoring a Translational Physiology Symposium entitled “Recent Advances in the Renin-Angiotensin-Aldosterone System for the Investigation and Treatment of Hypertension”. This symposium will display the “bench-to-bedside” scope of translational research by highlighting recent findings from transgenic mice, local renal angiotensin II production and function as well as clinical trial data and the advance and clinical application of a renin inhibitor. Look for the full program on-line at http://www.the-aps.org/meetings/eb08/program.htm.

The LWIC Novel Disease Model Award will be granted to each a graduate student and a postdoctoral fellow who submit the best abstracts at EB ’08 that describe a novel disease model. The model can be in vitro or in vivo but should clearly emphasize the potential utility of the system for future research related to a disease. The award is $500 for the graduate student and $800 for the postdoctoral fellow and is sponsored by the LWIC and the APS.

You’re invited! Come meet and eat with your fellow Physiologists who are working in the corporate sector. The 8th Annual Liaison With Industry Committee Mixer at EB ’08 is on Sunday, April 6th, 7:00 – 9:00 PM in room Torrance Room of the San Diego Marriott Hotel. Free Hors d’oeuvres will be available along with a cash bar – hope to see you there!

Please consider serving on the CNS section steering committee. Individuals can self-nominate by emailing William Martin (wmartin@theravance.com)
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