

**AGENDA**  
**ACNP Program Committee Meeting**  
**Saturday, June 22, 2013**  
**Westin Diplomat, Hollywood, Florida**

I. Announcements

- a. Opening Introduction: Randy Blakely, Program Committee Chair
- b. David Lewis, President: opening remarks
  - i. Confidentiality: please remember all committee reviews and discussions are confidential and should not be shared outside of the committee meeting.
- c. Brief member introduction
- d. Hot Topics/Data Blitz/Poster submission deadline is Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>. Abstracts will be available for review by Program Committee on Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup>. Program Committee reviews will be due Wednesday, September 11<sup>th</sup>.
  - i. The data blitz session will take place on Tuesday, December 10 from 11:15 am – 1:30 pm. The session will be moderated by Bill Carlezon. Presentations are based on poster submissions where applicants self-select for a data blitz slot, reviewed by Drs. Blakely and Levitt. Applicants must confirm their eligibility prior to the scheduling their presentation.
  - ii. The hot topics session will take place on Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 pm – 6:30 pm. The session will include one fifteen minute break. Clinical and basic topics will be interdigitated.

II. Review of Charges to the Committee

- Consult with the President to select ad-hoc members for the committee should there be a need for more expertise.  
UPDATE: Ad-hoc members Joseph Callicott, David Grandy, Robert Greene, James Sutcliffe, and Jeremy Veenstra-VanderWeele were added to compensate for members who cannot attend the summer meeting, filling gaps in expertise.
- Council would like the Program Committee to continue to pay special attention and continue to increase the number of women and under-represented minorities on the program at the Annual Meeting in the coming years.  
UPDATE: Randy Blakely will update Council following Panel selections
- Consider modifying the hot topics session to break up the one session, possibly adding a mid-session break.  
UPDATE: A 15 minute break will be scheduled at the middle of the session.

- The Program Committee should investigate how to incorporate ARS (audience response system) into programming for 2013. This may be used for a more interactive Institute Directors' Session.  
UPDATE: To be evaluated following the summer meeting.
- Continue to look for more clinical science to bring into the program.  
UPDATE: Drs. Blakely and Levitt will consider balance with the discretionary slots set aside at the summer meeting.

III. Discussion: *NPPR: Neuropsychopharmacology Reviews: TBD*

IV. 2013 General Annual Meeting Program

a. Preliminary Schedule

b. *President's Plenary Session, Monday morning, December 9<sup>th</sup>:*

**Neuronal Cell Types in Local Circuits: Substrate for Brain Disorders**

“Homeostatic Plasticity: Keeping your Brain in Balance”

*Gina Turrigiano, Ph.D.*

“Genetic Dissection of GABAergic Circuits in Neocortex:  
Chandeliers Light up the Path”

*Z. Josh Huang, Ph.D.*

"Surprise at the Synapse: MHC Class I, Pruning and Plasticity"

*Carla Shatz, Ph.D.*

“Dynamic Modulation of Dorsolateral Prefrontal Cortex Microcircuits:  
Focus of Vulnerability in Mental Disease”

*Amy Arnsten, Ph.D.*

c. *Distinguished Lecture, Monday afternoon, December 9<sup>th</sup>:*

**The Story of Rett Syndrome and the insight it provides into Neuropsychiatric Disorders**

*Huda Y. Zoghbi, MD*

d. *Career Development Session, Wednesday afternoon, December 11<sup>th</sup>: TBD*

V. Proposals (*to be completed by 5 pm*)

- a. If you are in conflict, you should leave the room while that proposal is being discussed. You are in conflict if you:
- are a participant on the proposal (panel or study group)**
  - are a co-author on any abstract within that panel or study group**

iii. **are from the same institution as the proposal chair or co-chair**

1. *Program Committee members who are affiliated with the NIH are only considered to have a conflict if a chair or a presenter is from their institute.*

iv. **have a close personal relationship with any of the presenters (relationship would exclude you from being impartial in your individual judgment)**

- b. The reviewers will be responsible for writing any comments regarding the modification of a proposal. These comments will be included in the modification letters, which will be sent to the chairperson of a panel that is accepted pending revisions. Please include recommendations for changes only if necessary. These modifications will be assigned during the meeting.
- c. Panel Slots Available: Due to the 2:1 ratio for Mini-panels to Panels, Mini-panels will be reviewed before Panels.  
7 sessions x 7 panels = 49 (**2 panels Mini-panels for each Regular Panel**)  
Total Panel Submissions: 70  
Total Mini-Panel Submissions: 16
- d. Study Group Slots Available (**it is not mandatory to fill all slots**)  
1 session x 7 = 7  
Total Study Group Submissions: 7

Notes from the Program Committee Co-Chairs:

1. **Scoring system:** For the 2013 ACNP Program, reviewers utilized the NIH scoring system. The NIH scoring system applies a scale of 1 to 9 with 1 being excellent and 9 being poor. Reviewers focused ratings on scientific merit.

For Panels submissions, average z scores are created for each of the three reviewers based on the following formula: ((raw score of that reviewer for this panel- mean scores of that reviewer for all panels reviewed by him or her)/ standard deviation of that reviewers raw scores).

2. **Success rates:** We want to ensure that the success rates for Mini-panels and Regular panels are comparable. Because 2 Mini-panels are held in the time frame of one regular panel, options are to accept (i) 8/16 Mini-panels (50%) and 45/70 Regular Panels (64%), or (ii) 10/16 Mini-panels (63%) and 44/70 Regular panels (63%),

The Study Groups do not compete for panel slots.

3. **Discussion Order:** Mini-panels will be discussed, followed by study groups, and, finally, panels. The program committee will not convert panels to mini-panels, or vice versa.

4. **Nominations of not discussed panels:** Any member of the Program Committee can nominate a panel deemed in advanced as not to be discussed for further discussion, providing justification (e.g., programmatic balance).
5. **Rating considerations:** All submissions have been rated on scientific merit. We wish you also to consider at this time additional qualities, listed below (in order of importance):
  - a. Scientific Innovation
  - b. RFP linkage
  - c. Topic recently represented at the ACNP meeting\*
  - d. Likely to be well attended
  - e. Member/non-member speaker balance
  - f. Gender/minority balance

\*We recognize that some topics deserve continuing coverage, but the panel should entertain as many new perspectives as possible and be justifiable in terms of the pace of the field.

\*The RFPs are as follows:

- Eating disorders
  - Changes in the Adolescent brain during development and in neuropsychiatric disorders
  - Co-morbidity of neurological disorders and psychiatric disorders
  - Enhancing cognitive performance
  - Cellular consequences and modeling of neuropsychiatric disorders
  - Academia/Government/Industry: new partnerships for drug discovery
6. **Working together:** We realize that this is a lot of work to fit into one day. We will be doing our best to keep discussion fast-paced and focused. There will be particular emphasis on avoiding drawn-out discussion on issues where there is already consensus. For the benefit of the entire group, we will have a low threshold for intervening. Please also keep in mind that these discussions are confidential.
  7. **Comments regarding review website and process**
  8. **Thank you!**

Attachments on USB Drive:

- a. Preliminary Schedule 2013
- b. President's Plenary Session
- c. Distinguished Lecture
- d. Program Committee Roster

- e. Members\_Program Committee Summer Meeting Excel Workbook
  - i. Members – All Submissions
  - ii. Submissions Breakdown
  - iii. Accepted Submissions Breakdown
- f. Abstracts\_Scores\_Comments – a pdf of the individual committee member’s reviews
- g. Submitting Abstracts Charts and Graphs – a visual look at statistics reflecting submitted proposals.
- h. Participant Affiliations
- i. Past Participation