

2018 WCPG Call for Proposals

The 26th World Congress of Psychiatric Genetics (WCPG) will be held October 11 - 15, 2018 in Glasgow, Scotland at the Scottish Exhibition and Conference Center. Glasgow, a Gaelic word meaning "Green Valley", is a remarkable city known for its scenic views. We hope you will set aside time to enjoy what the historic city has to offer in addition to actively participating in the 2018 World Congress of Psychiatric Genetics.

The WCPG is taking place at an exciting time in the field of mental health research when an increasing number of genetic risk factors for psychiatric disorders are being identified, diagnostic boundaries and criteria are being re-evaluated and new ways to integrate the underlying biology with clinical diagnosis are being sought. This congress aims to expand the discipline of psychiatric genetics to encompass all researchers whose work in neuroscience, neurobiology and genetics has future implications for developing new treatments for people with major mental illness. Scientists from all over the world will again come together for this five-day conference to share their expertise, research findings and personal experiences with the goal of improving the quality of life for those living with psychiatric disorders.

For 2018, we encourage submissions related to the broad field of psychiatric genetics and the following topics in particular:

- 1. Animal and cell based models
- 2. Clinical Translation
- 3. Biobanking
- 4. Ethical issues of new technologies
- 5. Functional genomics
- 6. Genetic counseling
- 7. Imaging genetics
- 8. Personalized medicine and pharmacogenomics

SUBMISSION DEADLINES

The following submission types will be accepted:

Symposia Presentation

April 18, 2018 (chairs) and April 25, 2018 (participants) A symposium is a 1¹/₂ hour session with a maximum of 7 participants. Each submission must include: 1 chair, 1 co-chair, 4 speakers, and 1 formal discussant. The discussant may <u>not</u> be a speaker. The chair and co-chair may be a speaker on the panel. An individual can only participate as chair in a maximum of two (2) symposia.

Oral and Poster Presentation

June 11, 2018 When submitting, you may choose if you would like your abstract considered for both oral presentation and poster presentation or one of the two options. Oral presentations are 10 minutes in length followed by 5 minutes of discussion.

Early Career Investigator Award Application

June 11, 2018 Early career investigator is an individual who is an undergraduate student, graduate student, medical student, post-doctoral student, or less than five years out of a doctoral program in a field relevant to psychiatric genetics.

Honorific Award Nominations

June 11, 2018 Nominations are now being accepted for the International Society of Psychiatric Genetics Honorific Awards.

2018 SUBMISSION CATEGORIES

For each submission, you will be asked to select which category your abstract falls under:

- a. ADHD
- **b.** Affective Disorders
- *c*. Animal and cell based models
- *d.* Anxiety Disorder
- e. Autism
- *f.* Biostatistics / Bioinformatics
- *g*. Bipolar Disorder
- *h*. Dementia
- *i*. Depression
- *j*. Eating Disorder
- *k.* ELSI, Counseling and Genetic Testing
- *l*. Endophenotypes
- *m*. Epigenetics
- n. Ethics
- o. Functional Genomics
- *p*. Intellectual Disability
- *q.* Miscellaneous Other Psychiatric Disorders
- *r*. Mood Disorder
- s. Neuroimaging
- *t*. OCD Tourette's Syndrome
- *u*. Other
- v. Other Childhood Psychiatric Disorders

- w. Pharmacogenetics
- x. Schizophrenia
- y. Substance Abuse
- z. Technology Sequencing