



Dear Winter Brain Enthusiast,

**We are now accepting panel and poster proposals for the 56<sup>th</sup> Winter Conference on Brain Research!** The conference will be held in Breckenridge, CO from Saturday, January 27 through Thursday, February 1, 2024. Winter Brain offers a unique environment in which neuroscientists from many different disciplines interact in a comfortable, relaxed environment. The conference program consists of an opening session with a plenary speaker, scientific panels, poster sessions, career development sessions, short courses, Pioneer sessions that highlight the scientific accomplishments of long-time Winter Brain attendees, and a closing banquet. The program also allows for ample time to network during informal discussions while riding the chair lift, engaging in other outdoor activities, or hanging out at the lodge.

**Everyone is welcome to submit panel/poster proposals, including first time attendees at any academic level!** We especially encourage submissions from junior investigators and trainees. To facilitate the process for creating panel proposals we now have a [Panel Interest Form](#), where you can provide your contact information, topic of interest for a panel presentation, and your desired role (Chair, Co-Chair, Presenter). Note that Chairs and Co-Chairs can also be a Presenter in a panel. Please use the Panel Interest Form to advertise your intent in going to Winter Brain and/or for looking for others to join your panel proposal.

The [Abstract Submission](#) page contains detailed information on how to submit a panel or poster abstract. For panels, **September 1, 2023** is the deadline for chairs to create a panel and add presenters in the submission portal and **September 8, 2023** is the deadline to submit finalized panels (completed title, abstract, and disclosure statements from all proposed presenters). The deadline for poster submissions is **October 13, 2023**. These dates are firm deadlines and late submissions will not be considered.

The [Travel Fellowships](#) page provides information on how to apply for these junior investigator awards. The application deadline is **September 8, 2023** for both Panel and Poster Travel Fellowships. In addition to Travel Fellowships, awards for best posters by junior investigators will be presented at the closing banquet. You can indicate your eligibility for a poster award when submitting your poster abstract.

Winter Brain will continue to offer CME credit to eligible participants at the 2024 Meeting. Details for those interested in CME credit will be available soon on the Winter Brain website.

For more information about Winter Brain 2024, please visit [www.winterbrain.org](http://www.winterbrain.org). We are looking forward to another great conference and hope to see you in Breckenridge in January!

Sincerely,

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Program Chair and Program Chair-Elect  
On Behalf of the Winter Brain Board of Directors

## 2024 Submission Categories

### Primary Submission Categories

*(Basic and Applied Research Areas)*

- Addiction
- Affective and Anxiety Disorders
- Autism
- Basic Sensory/Motor Systems or Disorders
- Brain Machine Interface/Neuroprosthetics
- Cognition and Decision-Making
- Development, Aging, and/or Lifespan Focus
- Inter- and Intra-cellular Signaling
- Neurodegenerative Diseases
- Neuroendocrine Systems
- Neurotrauma/Stroke/Epilepsy
- Other
- Pain/Analgesia
- Schizophrenia
- Additional Neuropsychiatric Diseases and Disorders

### Secondary Submission Categories

*(Levels of Analysis Used Within the Primary Category)*

- Computational
- Genetics
- Molecular
- Cellular
- Systems
- Behavioral
- Cognitive
- Translational
- Clinical Trials
- Multiple Levels of Analysis