

MPA 2026

Molecular Psychiatry Meeting

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MARCH 29 - APRIL 01, 2026

MPA *Molecular Psychiatry Association*

Lihue, Hawaii

2026 Molecular Psychiatry Meeting

Open Call for Symposia Proposals

EXTENDED Submission Deadline: Friday, August 29, 2025

MPA is now accepting symposium proposals for the 10th Biennial Molecular Psychiatry Meeting, which will take place March 29 – April 1, 2026 in Lihue, Hawaii on the island of Kauai.

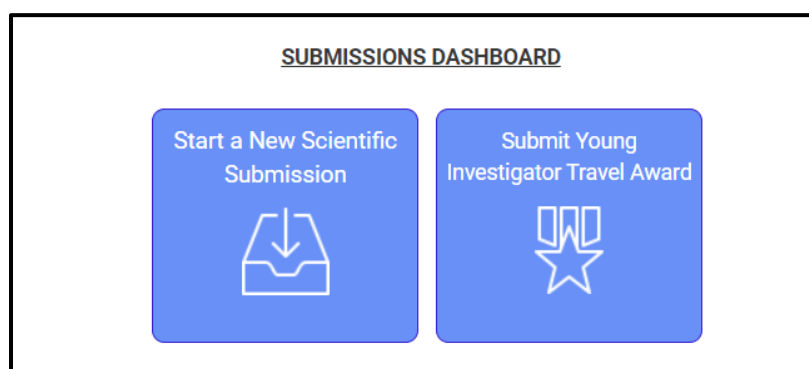
GUIDELINES

- Symposia are 1 hour & 45 minutes in length. Each symposium must have a chair and a co-chair who may participate as speakers, but it is not required. There is no minimum or maximum number of speakers, although each symposium typically has 4 speakers. Chairs may include a panel discussion or other component to promote audience interaction.
- Symposia proposals are encouraged to have a molecular focus, but rigorous mechanism-focused proposals on other topics will also be considered. Symposia with speakers from different disciplines, who use different approaches, and/or have different perspectives (including clinical/translational perspectives) are highly encouraged.
- Proposals will be assessed for the topic (relevance and interest to the molecular psychiatry field), caliber and diversity of speakers (institution, career stage, demographics), and originality (e.g., presentation of new data, novel symposium topic, speakers have not presented together at previous conferences).
- Symposia presentations should be at a level that can be understood by people with different backgrounds to facilitate cross-fertilization of ideas. Chairs will be responsible for ensuring sufficient time for audience questions and fostering discussion among the symposia speakers and audience.

STEPS TO SUBMIT:

- Visit the MPA Abstract Submission Portal: <https://mpa.societyconference.com>
- If you are a current or previous member of MPA, your account is stored within our system. You will log in with your email and your password. If you have forgotten your password, please select “Forgot Password”, and it will be emailed to you.
- If you are a new submitter or your email address is not recognized by the system, please create a new account.

Once logged into the portal, select the large blue square “Start a New Scientific Submission”.



Step 1: General – Submission Type

Task 1: Select Submission Type – Symposia

Task 2: Enter the symposium proposal title (please use title case).

Once all tasks are completed, the numbers of the left side will turn green. Select the “Add Participants” button at the top to continue.

Step 2: Participants

Enter chair, co-chair, and speaker names. If more than 5 speakers, please send additional speaker names and presentation titles to info@molecularpsychiatry.net.

Each participant will be required to submit their presentation title before you will be able to submit the overall submission.

When adding presenters, please first use the search fields to identify presenter(s) who have an existing account. Unless a presenter is new to MPA (has never attended a meeting), they will likely have an account. Searches should be completed using full name (first and last). If your search results do not display the name of the person you are looking

for, the 'Add a new participant' option should then be used. This function is only used when creating new accounts. *If the existing account has an incorrect or old email address that is no longer active, please go ahead and add the account as a participant, and then email info@molecularpsychiatry.org with the new email address to have the account email address updated.*

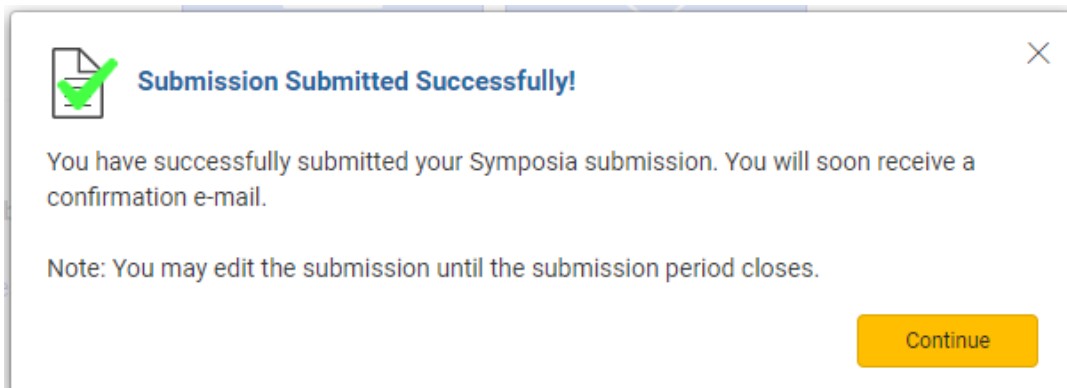
Step 3: Symposium Details

Provide a brief (up to 250 word) description of the symposium including the relevance of each speaker's presentation to the topic.

**After entering your overall abstract, Save your submission. Speakers will receive a system-generated email with instructions for submitting their presentation title. Speaker abstracts are not required. As chair, you will receive an email notification when each speaker submits their title.*

As chair, you will not be able to finalize and submit the overall proposal until each participant has submitted their title. After all presenters have submitted their talk titles, you will be notified via email once the proposal is ready to submit. You will log back into the system and click into the title of your symposium to Finalize and Submit.

Once the "Submit" button is selected, the notification below will appear on your screen.



Submitted symposia proposals can be edited until the submission period closes.

After the submission period closes, all submissions will be reviewed by the Program Committee. All participants will receive notification of acceptance/rejection by email.

Please email info@molecularpsychiatry.net with any questions.

See you in Kauai!