



Comprehensive Neuroscience Center

Latest Stories

A promotional graphic for the 2024 CNC Retreat. The background is a dark blue space with glowing orange and yellow neural network structures. The text is in a bold, yellow, sans-serif font. At the top, it says "Save The Date" followed by "2024 CNC RETREAT" in a larger font. Below this, it says "September 5-6, 2024" and "Lake Guntersville State Park and Lodge". The main headline is "We Need Your Input!". Below that, it says "Share your nominations for Keynote Speakers through the brief survey!". There is a yellow button with the text "Click Here". At the bottom, it features the UAB logo and the text "COMPREHENSIVE NEUROSCIENCE CENTER" and "The University of Alabama at Birmingham".

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Brain Health Symposium | Optimizing Brain Health: Primary Prevention and Preservation

This event is co-presented by: UAB School of Nursing and UAB Evelyn F. McKnight Brain Institute.

TOMORROW- Friday, February 2 from 1-4:30 p.m.- Virtual -
[Register Now](#)

The speakers will cover the continuum of brain health across the entire lifespan, from the newborn to the older adult, from normal cognition to frank dementia, and from assessment to intervention.

UAB Aging Symposium

The UAB Integrative Center for Aging Research, the UAB Nathan Shock Center of Excellence in the Basic Biology of Aging, and the UAB Alzheimer's Disease Center look forward to hosting this 2-day event highlighting basic, translational, and clinical aging research. [Read More](#)

The 2024 UAB Aging Research Symposium will be held on **March 11-12, 2024** at the UAB Alumni House! **Register by March 6, 2024-** [Register Now](#)

[Submit your abstract](#) for poster presentation by **February 12, 2024**. Trainee abstracts submitted by this date will also be considered for an elevator pitch on Day 1 (Nathan Shock Center of Excellence in the Basic Biology of Aging Symposium) or flash talk on Day 2 (Integrative Center for Aging Research Symposium).

NeuroGateways Conference

The symposium, hosted by The Consortium for Neuroengineering and Brain-Computer Interfaces will bring together UAB and external experts, including academic scientists, clinicians, and industry, to discuss the latest discoveries, clinical applications, and business opportunities in neuroengineering and neurotechnology. The symposium has 3 central themes: Neurorehabilitation, Neuromodulation and Neurodata. [Read More](#)

The symposium will be **Thursday, April 11-Friday, April 12** at Regions Field Ballroom. **Register by March 18, 2024-** [Register Now](#)

[Abstract Submissions](#) will be accepted for poster presentations. Some poster applicants may be invited to present talks.

Students and Trainees can apply for travel support [here](#). Award announcements will be made in February 2024.

Abstract submissions and Travel Award Applications close **February 29, 2024!**

Psychiatry Annual Report

The UAB Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurobiology is excited to share our 2023 Annual Report. As you explore this annual report, you will gain insights into our continuous efforts to address the challenges of mental health head-on, prioritizing early intervention in our clinical endeavors, collaborating with esteemed organizations both locally and nationwide, and committing to advance public education and research in our field.

Thank you deeply for your support and dedication to our shared mission --to build a brighter future for mental health care and make a lasting difference in the lives of countless individuals.

[Access the 2023 Annual Report here.](#)

Happening This Month

Black History Month
[Browse Upcoming Events](#)

February 1 at 6:00 p.m.
[What I Didn't Say: A Journey Through Parkinson's](#)
Alys Stephens Center, Reynold-Kirschbaum Concert Hall

February 2
[Wear Red Day at UAB](#)

February 2 at 9 a.m.
Neuroscience WIPs- Natalie Davis, C&CD T32 Trainee
SHEL 1015

February 2 at 1 p.m.
[Brain Health Symposium-Optimizing Brain Health: Primary Prevention and Preservation](#)
Zoom

February 6 at 8 a.m.

[Neurology Grand Rounds - Brannon Vines, MD](#)

West Pavilion, Conference Center E

February 6 at 2 p.m.

[SON Scholarship Grand Rounds: David Vance](#)

School of Nursing, 1056

February 8 at 1:30pm

[Neurobiology Seminar Series: Mary Anne Garner PhD](#)

Bevill Biomedical Sciences, 170

February 8 at 3:30 p.m.

[Program in Immunology Seminar: Dr. Ashley Harms](#)

Bevill Biomedical Sciences, 170

February 9 at 9 a.m.

Neuroscience WIPs- Derian Pugh, C&CD T32 Trainee
SHEL 1015

February 13 at 8:00 a.m.

[Neurology Grand Rounds - Annual Watts Lecture](#)

West Pavilion, Conference Center E

February 15 at 3:30 p.m.

[Program in Immunology Seminar: Dr. Katerina Akassoglou](#)

Virtual Event

February 16 at 9 a.m.

Neuroscience WIPs- Destynie Mederios, C&CD T32 Trainee
SHEL 1015

February 20 at 8:00 a.m.

[Neurology Grand Rounds - Senior Neurology Resident Presentation](#)

West Pavilion, Conference Center E

February 22 at 1:30 p.m.

[Neurobiology Seminar Series: Alexxai Kravitz, PhD, Washington University School of Medicine in St. Louis](#)

Bevill Biomedical Sciences, 170

February 23 at 9 a.m.

Neuroscience WIPs- Dalton Fitzgerald, C&CD T32 Trainee
SHEL 1015

February 23 at 12:00 Noon

[O'Neal Research Seminar: Monje](#)

Virtual Event

February 27 at 8:00 a.m.

[Neurology Grand Rounds - Michelle Gray, PhD](#)

West Pavilion, Conference Center E

February 28 at 4-6 p.m. (RSVP to [Kelly Moore](#) by Monday, Feb. 12)

Heersink New Faculty Meet and Greet

Wallace Tumor Institute (WTI) Lobby

February 29 at 1:30 p.m.

[Neurobiology Seminar Series: Caroline Dias, MD, PhD, Children's Hospital at The University of Colorado](#)

Bevill Biomedical Sciences, 170

Official titles of Seminars will be included in Weekly Updates!

Have an event to share?

Tag the CNC on the UAB Calendar Event or email cnc@uab.edu

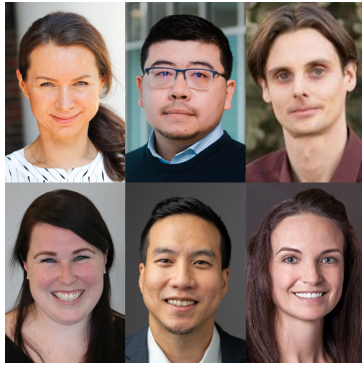
[View more department events](#) →

UAB News



[Lahti, Lee recipients of 2024 National Institute of Mental Health grant](#)

Adrienne Lahti, M.D., Heman E. Drummond Professor and chair of the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Neurobiology, along with Junghee Lee, Ph.D., associate professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Neurobiology and Geropsychiatry Research chair, have been awarded a \$5.3 million National Institute of Mental Health grant titled "Multidimensional aging trajectories in mid to late-life psychosis."



Announcing the 2024 Pittman Scholars

The UAB Marnix E. Heersink School of Medicine is pleased to announce the six new James A. Pittman Jr., M.D., Scholars.



Magi-Galluzzi named chair of Pathology

After a national search, Cristina Magi-Galluzzi, M.D., Ph.D., has been named chair of the Department of Pathology, effective March 4.



Research evaluates how retina could yield early Alzheimer's disease diagnosis

These findings could lead to non-invasive, low-cost tests and the early diagnosis of the disease, which progresses for decades before symptoms of dementia emerge.

SfN News



Call for Nominations

All SfN members can nominate themselves or fellow colleagues for an Officer, Councilor, or Committee position.

Nominations close on February 2, 2024 at midnight EST.



Urge Congress to Reject Spending Cuts in FY 2024

Send a message to your members of Congress letting them know that it is important they complete full-year appropriations for FY 24 and avoid cuts to research funding.



Nominate a Colleague for the \$100,000 Seeburg Prize

Nominate a colleague for the Peter Seeburg Integrative Neuroscience Prize, a \$100,000 prize to be presented at FENS Forum 2024.

Seeburg Prize nominations will be accepted until Thursday, February 15, 5 p.m. EST.

NIH News



A common marker of neurological diseases may play role in healthy brains

NIH-funded research could change how we think about the causes of disorders like Parkinson's.



Reduced drug use is a meaningful treatment outcome for people with stimulant use disorders

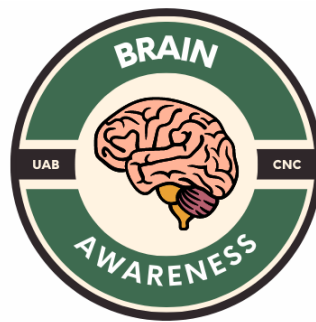
NIH-supported findings suggest the need to expand definitions of addiction treatment success beyond abstinence.



Cognitive behavioral therapy alters brain activity in children with anxiety

NIH researchers found widespread differences in the brains of children with anxiety disorders that improved after treatment.

Get Involved



Are you a student or CNC member looking to excite your community about Neuroscience research?

We have several outreach opportunities for you to get involved!

To join the CNC Brain Awareness (Outreach) Listserv, Click [Here](#). Complete the registration form and select CNC Brain Awareness (Outreach) Listserv at the bottom.

You can also check <https://www.brainawarenessuab.com/brain-awareness/upcoming-events-volunteer-opportunities> for upcoming events and volunteer opportunities!

Join Us for the Spring Neuroscience Cafe!



March 7th at 2 p.m.
Avondale Library (509 40th St. S
Birmingham, Alabama 35222)

Speaker: Linda Wadiche, PhD
Department of Neurobiology
University of Alabama at Birmingham

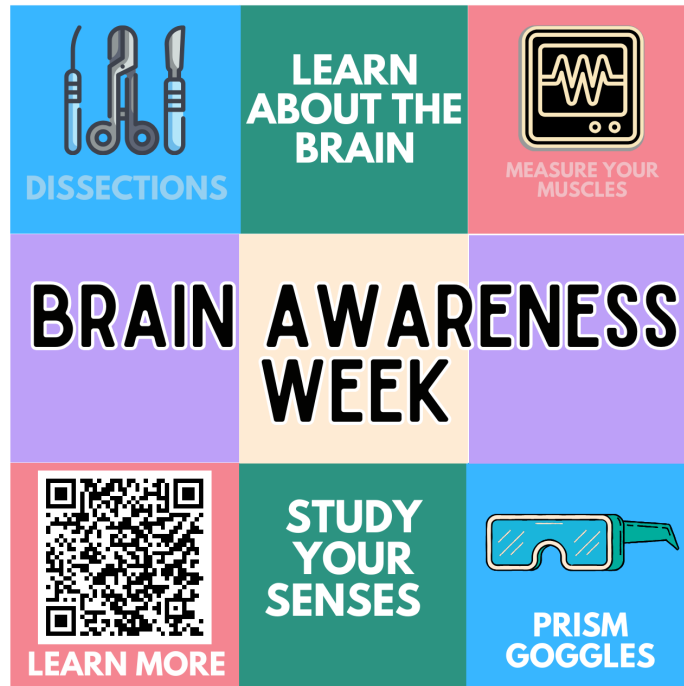
Topic: New Neurons in Old Brains

Brain Awareness Week 2024!



**MARCH
27-30**

**JOIN UAB AT THE MCWANE SCIENCE CENTER TO
LEARN ABOUT THE BRAIN!**



FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY!



If you have an upcoming brain awareness opportunity, please let the CNC the following:

What's the opportunity

When is it (date, time)?

Where is it?

How long do you need volunteers for?

What expertise should volunteers have?

Who should volunteers contact? (email? Phone?)?

Email cnc@uab.edu with event details.

Additional Links

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