

COMPREHENSIVE NEUROSCIENCE CENTER



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2022 CNC RETREAT



The 2022 Comprehensive Neuroscience Center retreat was held in person on September 14-15, 2022 at Lake Guntersville State Park Lodge and Convention Center. Our two-day retreat agenda included a keynote presentation from Dr. Lisa Monteggia (Director, Vanderbilt Brain Institute), research presentations from UAB faculty and trainees, a poster session, trainee presentation awards, and updates on CNC programs and activities.

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The UAB Comprehensive Neuroscience Center (CNC) is a network of more than 450 UAB Neuroscience research faculty, clinicians, staff, students, and trainees. Our membership is comprised of neuroscience professionals from 32 UAB departments and 9 UAB schools.

Join the CNC

CNC mission

Promoting and supporting interdisciplinary neuroscience research, clinical care, and education at UAB

2022 CNC RETREAT

Thanks to the 130+ registered guests, 40+ poster presenters, and 16 internal speakers that combined to make this event an incredible success! Read more about the annual CNC retreat [here](#).



RETREAT POSTER AND PRESENTATION WINNERS

Presentation Awards:

Ashleigh Irwin (1st place- \$500)
Carmen Munoz-Ballester (2nd place- \$250)
Caesar Hernandez (3rd place- \$100)

Poster Awards:

Reagan Pennock (tie, 1st place- \$500)
Robert Phillips (tie, 1st place- \$500)
Daniele Zanella (3rd place- \$100)

Congratulations to the 2022 CNC Pilot Award Recipients!

Single-PI category \$25,000

Dr. Summer Thyme, PhD
Assistant Professor
Department of Neurobiology



Multi-PI category \$50,000

**Dr. Junghee Lee, PhD &
Dr. Nina Kraguljac, MD**
Department of Psychiatry
& Behavioral Neurobiology



Happening this month

October 18 @ 8 a.m. [Neurology Grand Rounds: Ben Jones, MD](#)

October 20 @ 4 p.m. [Three Bs of Mental Health: Burnout, Balance, and Boundaries](#)

November 1 @ 8 p.m. [Neurology Grand Rounds - CPC](#)

November 8 @ 8 a.m. [Neurology Grand Rounds - Annual Oh Lecture](#)



For more on the latest headlines and events, visit: <https://www.uab.edu/medicine/cnc/news-events> or scan the QR Code above.

CNC in the news

UAB neuroscientist earns new innovator award from NIH

CNC member Summer Thyme, Ph.D., is a recipient of the Director's New Innovator award from the National Institutes of Health. The award is part of the NIH High-Risk, High-Reward Research program, supported by the Common Fund, which has bestowed 103 new research grants to support highly innovative scientists who propose visionary and broadly impactful, meritorious behavioral and biomedical research projects. [Read more](#)



UAB Heersink SOM names Brain Health and Disease a research focus area

With an aging population, overdose epidemic, and high prevalence of factors that contribute to chronic diseases, Alabamians are more vulnerable to neurodevelopmental, neurodegenerative, and neuropsychiatric conditions. As such, treatments that restore quality of life to patients suffering from these conditions are likely to have enormous impact both locally and nationally. The UAB Heersink School of Medicine has recently named Brain Health and Disease Across the Lifespan one of four new priority research focus areas. The strategic task force for this focus area will be led by CNC Director Dr. Jeremy Day. [Read more](#)



Dr. Linda Overstreet-Wadiche appointed to new role as senior editor at Journal of Neuroscience

CNC member Dr. Linda Overstreet-Wadiche, Professor in the Department of Neurobiology, has been appointed as a Senior Editor that the Society for Neuroscience flagship journal, *The Journal of Neuroscience*. Congratulations Linda!

Nearly \$1 million in R01 grants to support UAB psychology research

Two UAB faculty and CNC members in the College of Arts and Sciences' Department of Psychology have received R01 grants from the National Institute for Nursing Research to further their research projects. Professor Burel Goodin, Ph.D., and Associate Professor Robert Sorge, Ph.D., received new funding to examine the neuroscience of pain signaling and perception in the nervous system. [Read more](#)



About the CNC

The overall mission of the CNC is to promote and support interdisciplinary neuroscience research, clinical care and education at UAB. Within that mission the CNC has fostered a University wide pillar structure to facilitate effective cross-disciplinary collaboration among clusters of faculty focused on similar or complementary research.



GET INVOLVED

EVENTS & OUTREACH VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITES

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

If so, we have several outreach opportunities for you to get involved!

Outreach events are listed to the right.

For more information or interest, please contact cnc@uab.edu

CNC Outreach Events

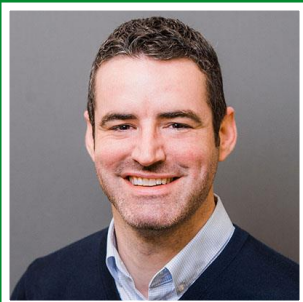
Brain awareness Week (March)

Alabama Brain Bee (March)

[Society for Neuroscience "Hill Day"](#)

[Neuroscience Cafes](#)

CNC Leadership



Jeremy Day, Ph. D.
Director



Karen Gamble, Ph. D.
Associate Director
For Research



Lawrence Sincich, Ph. D.
Associate Director
for Grants in Preparation



Kristina Visscher Ph. D.
Associate Director
for Outreach

ADDITIONAL LINKS

CNC Website: <https://www.uab.edu/medicine/cnc/>

CNC social media: [Twitter](#)

CNC Neuroscience Research Pillars:
<https://www.uab.edu/medicine/cnc/research/pillars>

Join CNC Listserv: <https://www.uab.edu/medicine/cnc/join>

UAB Research News: <https://www.uab.edu/news/research>

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