

BIENNIAL MEETING 17-20th September 2025 Almería, Spain



WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

10:00-14:00 **PRE-MEETING WORKSHOP**

From bench to bedside: How to improve the translational aspect of your research. Organized by Merce Correa and Lucía Hipólito (Spain)

Computational techniques to measure behaviour.

Santiago Mora & Anna Stuckert (Spain and UK)

Meet the experts: Improve your skills in translational science

Trevor Robbins (UK), John Salamone (USA) & Paula Banca (Portugal)

12:00-15:00 **★ REGISTRATION OPENS**

13:30-14:30 EBPS Full Committee Meeting, by invitation

15:00-15:10 • WELCOME REMARKS EBPS 2025

Shelly Flagel, EBPS President Margarita Moreno EBPS2025 Local Chair

15:10-16:10 **TRAVEL AWARD DATA BLITZ**

16:10-17:15 **EBPS IDEA PANEL**

Elevating global perspectives in neuroscience: Barriers, opportunities, action. Plenary Speaker Marianne Jöels

Panelists: Tania Romacho (Spain), Stephanie Garnier (France), Ana Deutsch (Canada) and Luis Contreras (Canada)

17:15-17:45 • BREAK and MENTOR-MENTEE MEETING

17:45-19:15 **AWARD CEREMONY**

Early Career Investigator Award lecture - Ida Fredriksson (Sweden)

The role of the ventral subiculum and claustrum in incubation of opioid craving

Distinguished Investigator Award lecture - Theodora Duka (UK)

A life on the borders of drug addiction

19:15-19:30 • WELCOME LOCAL AUTHORITIES

Jose Antonio Sánchez Pérez, Vice-chancellor of Scientific Policy Universidad de Almería (Spain)

Vanesa Lara de la Cruz, Deputy Councillor for Economy, Innovation and Procurement of Almeria City Council (Spain)

19:30-21:30 **★ OPENING RECEPTION**

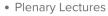


















THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

8:30-9:15 • PLENARY LECTURE 1: Prefrontal regulation of emotion: insights into anhedonia, anxiety and pharmacotherapy. Angela C Roberts (UK)

9:30-11:00 FEATURED SYMPOSIA 1: Global perspectives on neuropsychiatric research: Stress, cognition, and innovative therapeutics.

Chair: Princess Felix (USA)

FS.1.1 - Neurocircuitry and molecular regulation of stress and emotion in mood disorders. Vidita Vaidya (*India*)

FS.1.2 - Novel pharmacological approaches for stress related disorders Oritoke Okeowo (*Nigeria*)

FS.1.3 - Glutamate dysregulation, stress and cognitive dysfunction: novel therapeutic venues. Inna Gaisler-Salomon (*Israel*)

FS.1.4 - Cameroonian medicinal plants: Mechanistic insights on stress-induced cognitive deficits. Gwladys Ngoupaye (*Cameroon*)

11:00-11:30 **COFFEE BREAK**

11:30-13:00 PARALLEL SYMPOSIA

- S.1: Endocannabinoids and sex-dependent behavior: Insights from development to adulthood. Chair: Carmen Sandi (Switzerland)
- S.2: Recent advances in addiction vulnerability in animal models and humans. Chair: Ginevra D'Ottavio (USA).
- S.3: A translational perspective on safety learning and safety behaviours. Chair: Joanna Yau (*Australia*)

13:00-15:00 **POSTERS & LUNCH**

14:00-15:00 **IDEA ROUNDTABLES**

- Work-Life balance for women in science. Leah Mayo (Canada) & Leslie Ramsey (USA)
- Language barriers as an international scientist. Marco Venniro (USA) & Paula Banca (Portugal)

15:00-16:30 PARALLEL SYMPOSIA

- S.4: Innovations and challenges of psychedelics in behavioral health disorders.
 Chair: Harriet de Wit (USA)
- S.5: Using computational & cognitive methods to study substance use over the addiction course. Chair: Justin Strickland (USA)
- S.6: Motivational and cognitive effects of manipulating the dopamine transporter:
 Potential therapeutic actions of atypical DAT inhibitors. Chair: Mercè Correa (Spain)

16:45-18:15 PARALLEL SYMPOSIA

- S.7: From synapse to nucleus: an integrated view of neuronal ensembles.
 Chair: F. Javier Rubio (USA)
- S.8: New insights on individual differences in pain and interoception using dense sampling techniques in humans. Chair: Siri Leknes (Norway)
- S.9: Behavioural and neurobiological mechanisms of choice in rodent models of addiction. Chair: Nathan Marchant (Netherlands)

18:30-19:30 PARALLEL NANOSYMPOSIA

- NS.1: Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis: from the bench to the clinic. Chair: Santiago Mora (UK)
- NS.2: Cannabinoid regulation of behaviour: addiction, cell specificity and development. Chair: Alejandro Higuera-Matas (Spain)
- NS.3: Beyond D1 and D2 dopamine receptor-expressing neurons: Modulating Circuits and Behavior. Chair: Michelle W. Antoine (USA)

Hall & Info

- Coffee Break
- Registration

Sala 1

- Plenary Lectures
- Symposia
- Nanosymposia

Sala 2

- Symposia
- Nanosymposia
- Symposia

Sala 4

• Nanosymposia

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

8:30-9:15 • PLENARY LECTURE 2: Cerebellar modulation of drug-induced reward: How Cinderella came to the ball. Marta Miquel (Spain)

9:30-11:00 FEATURED SYMPOSIA 2: Advanced technologies and big data in behavioral pharmacology and psychiatry.

Chair: Brenda Curtis (USA)

FS.2.1 - Digital surveillance for substance use trends: Social media and behavioral data Analysis. Brenda Curtis (USA)

FS.2.2 - Smartphone phenotypes of PrEP adherence in substance use.

Peter R. Chai (USA)

FS.2.3 - Neurocognitive dynamics in pre-addiction states using big data and neurotechnology. Ignacio Obeso (Spain)

FS.2.4 - Craving-based digital phenotyping for MOUD pharmacovigilance. Stephanie Carreiro (USA)

11:00-11:30 **COFFEE BREAK**

11:30-13:00 PARALLEL SYMPOSIA

- S.10: Triggered temptations: New findings on how environmental cues fuel addiction and gambling. Chair: Anne-Noel Samaha (Canada)
- S.11: Neurohormonal dysregulations underlying alcohol and opioid use disorders Chair: Brendan Tunstall (USA)
- S.12: Pharmacology and neural mechanisms of comorbid pain and drug use. Chair: Nicholas W. Gilpin (USA)

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14:00-15:00 **IDEA ROUNDTABLES**

- The threat on animal use in research.

 Heidi Lesscher (Netherlands), Amy Milton (United Kingdom), Lucía Hipólito (Spain) & Christelle Baunez (France)
- Imposter syndrome. Connor Haggarty (USA) & Marco Venniro (USA)

15:00-16:30 PARALLEL SYMPOSIA

- S.13: The Stress of the trip: Interactions between psychedelics and the stress response. Chair: Ana Deutsch (Canada)
- S.14: Beyond reward prediction error: translational conceptualizations, findings, and applications that shed a new light on dopamine's function in complex behavior. Chair: Rita Z. Goldstein (USA)
- S.15: Addictive Substances and Their Impact on Brain and Molecular Pathways.

 Chair: Mohamed Kabbaj (USA)

16:45-18:15 PARALLEL SYMPOSIA

- S.16: Oxytocin: A promising old acquaintance.
 Chair: Rossella Ventura (Italy)
- S.17: New insights into neuromodulatory underpinnings of adaptive behaviour. Chair: Philip Jean-Richard-dit-Bressel (Australia)
- S.18: The use of non-human primates in addiction-related research. Chair: Christelle Baunez (France)

18:30-19:15 **EBPS General Assembly Meeting**, All Members

20:30 Social Event at Hotel Barceló Cabo de Gata (Gala Dinner)

23:00 Open Disco at Hotel Barceló Cabo de Gata



SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

9:00-9:45 PLENARY LECTURE 3: Bugs, drugs & behaviour: microbiome as a key regulator of brain function across the lifespan. John Cryan (*Ireland*)

10:00-11:30 PARALLEL SYMPOSIA

- S.19: The role of prefrontal cortical networks in flexible and compulsive reward-related behavior. Chair: Ingo Willuhn (Netherlands)
- S.20: The Dual Impact of Cannabis: Chronic and Acute Effects of Cannabinoids on Human Behaviour. Chair: Sara Kroll (Switzerland)
- S.21: Uncovering the behavioral and biological factors underlying individual differences in risk for alcohol use disorder. Chair: Andrew Holmes (USA)

11:30-12:00 **COFFEE BREAK**

12:00-13:30 PARALLEL SYMPOSIA

- S.22: New therapies for psychostimulant addiction.
 Chair: Malgorzata Filip (Poland) & Christian P. Müller (Germany)
- S.23: Sex differences in the risk, pathophysiology, and treatment of neuropsychiatric. Disorders. Chair: Christina Dalla (*Greece*)
- S.24: Role of microglia in synaptic plasticity associated with substance use disorders. Chair: Daniele Caprioli (*Italy*)

13:30-13:45 **CLOSING REMARKS**

14:00-14:30 **EBPS EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING,** by invitation including new members

Full Program



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TRANSPORT

If you need transportation from Almería city to the conference, there is a special shuttle bus service for EBPS at Rambla Celia Viñas bus stop to the Congress Venue

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RETURN From Venue to Almeria City	22:00	19:45	18:30 23:59	13:45

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