

CCNP NEWSLETTER

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43rd Annual Meeting (Virtual) November 4, 2021

Dear members, supporters and friends of the Canadian College of Neuropsychopharmacology,

Because of stay-at-home orders, travel restrictions, and social distancing, thousands of scheduled conferences and gatherings in 2020 have been canceled or postponed. Luckily, through the power of the Internet, many of these meetings can be reimagined as virtual gatherings.

It is therefore our pleasure to invite you to the 43rd Annual Meeting of the College to be held virtually on the 4th of November 2021.

The President of the CCNP, Dr. Zafiris Daskalakis (Department of Psychiatry, University of California San Diego School of Medicine), will launch the meeting and will introduce the impressive roster of talks by leading Canadian neuropsychopharmacologists:

Keynote Speaker, Dr. Rémi Quirion, Chief Scientist of Quebec, will discuss the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on science and mental health in Canada.

Dr. Caroline Ménard, CCNP Young Investigator Award recipient – *“Sex-specific vascular alterations and biomarkers underlie stress responses in mice mirrored in human depression”*

Dr. Martin Alda, CCNP Heinz Lehmann Award recipient – *“Personalized long-term treatment of bipolar disorder”*

Dr. Jeffrey Meyer, CCNP Innovations in Neuropsychopharmacology Award recipient – *“Imaging markers of gliosis and monoamine oxidase in major depressive disorder: implications for personalized prevention and treatment”*

As well, the next generation of trainees will have the opportunity to present late-breaking discoveries. Please find attached the Call for Abstracts.

In her closing remarks, the CCNP Vice-President, Dr. Cecilia Flores (Douglas Research Institute, Department of Psychiatry, McGill University) will address the challenges that our College has recently experienced and will outline the future innovations that have been planned to re-energize our scientific community in 2021/2022.

We hope that you will mark your calendar and that you will join us for a day of exciting discoveries in neuropsychopharmacology. Please visit the [CCNP](#) website to register today!

CCNP 2022 ELECTION:

An election will be held in the new year for the following positions:

Vice President (Clinical)
Treasurer
Secretary
3 Councillor (Basic Science)
3 Councillor (Clinical)
2 Junior Councillors
1 Awards Committee (Basic Science)
1 Awards Committee (Clinical)

The deadline for nominations for these positions will be **December 31, 2021**. Please email your nominations to Dr. Francesco Leri, Chair – CCNP Nominating Committee fleri@uoguelph.ca at as well as to the CCNP Secretariat at rachelleanderson16@gmail.com.

2022 CCNP MAJOR AWARDS:

Please find attached information regarding the 2022 Major CCNP Awards notices. Deadline for the initial letter of nomination is **November 30, 2021** with all final documentation to be submitted by **December 31, 2021**. All documentation can be submitted electronically to the **CCNP Secretariat** at rachelleanderson16@gmail.com.



CCNP MEMBERSHIP

We encourage each member of the CCNP to invite at least one other person in the field of neuropsychopharmacology to join our ranks. Please fill in your name as the sponsor and invite a colleague that you feel will be a valuable addition to the CCNP to submit an application for membership. This is very important since the larger the membership of the CCNP, the more representative of the field of neuropsychopharmacology research it will be. Please, therefore, consider asking all of your colleagues who are interested in research to consider joining. Those wishing to apply for CCNP membership can do so on-line at the CCNP website (<http://www.ccnp.ca>).

Membership dues are \$150 per year for Fellows and \$25 per year for both Junior Members as well as Retired Fellows. The *Journal of Psychiatry and Neuroscience* is the CCNP's official journal and is an open-access journal (<https://jpn.ca>).

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