



Newsletter

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SAVE THE DATE!

We are delighted to announce that the **CCNP 47th Annual Meeting is scheduled for September 15 – 17, 2025 and will be held in Montreal at The Faculty Club.**
More details to follow.



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REVIEW OF THE 46TH ANNUAL MEETING

The 46th Annual Meeting of the Canadian College of Neuropsychopharmacology was held in Calgary, Alberta, at the Alt Hotel - University District from September 25 to 27, 2024. The meeting was well attended and successful. We thank all of our CCNP Awards speakers, as well as our *Next Generation* speakers, for presenting (see below for a listing of the awardees). We also extend our gratitude to Drs. Isabelle Boileau, Jibrán Khokhar and Christian Schütz who joined us as our Keynote Speakers. We also thank the Local Organizing Committee for their hard work in organizing this meeting.

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CCNP 2024 MAJOR AWARDEES

We extend our congratulations to the following individuals who were the recipients of the major awards for 2024!

Dr. Jane Foster, CCNP Medal

Dr. Chad Bousman, Innovations in Neuropsychopharmacology Research Award

Dr. Marco Leyton, Heinz Lehmann Award

Dr. Melissa Perreault, Young Investigator Award

Dr. Jibrán Khokhar, Young Investigator Award

CCNP 2024 NEXT GENERATION SPEAKERS

We extend our congratulations to the following individuals who were chosen from the many abstracts submitted to give an oral presentation at the CCNP 2024 Annual Meeting!

Sara Asgharzadeh, University of Ottawa

Pcdh α C2 gene is required for serotonin-axonal regrowth in fluoxetine-induced recovery from post-stroke depression

Donovan Ashby, University of Calgary

Midline cortical Inputs to medial zona incerta mediate locomotor activity

Cassie Cote, University of Toronto (Unable to attend due to illness)

Investigating neurodevelopmental changes in synaptic density: preliminary data from a longitudinal PET study using [18 F]SynVesT-1 in youth seeking mental health treatment

Samar Elsheikh, University of Toronto

Modelling the interaction between environmental and polygenic risk for late-life depression using structural equation modelling

Erica Kaczmarek, University of Toronto

Changes in symptoms of anhedonia with psilocybin-assisted psychotherapy: a secondary analysis of a randomized clinical trial for treatment-resistant depression

Alban Voppel, McGill University

Taking a look at your speech: schizophrenia detection and symptom assessment using convolutional neural networks

Rayyan Zuberi, University of Calgary

Impact of cannabinoid use on selective serotonin reuptake inhibitor efficacy and tolerability in adolescents

CCNP 2024 W. G. DEWHURST TRAVEL AWARDEES

Congratulations to the following individuals who received a W. G. Dewhurst Travel Award to attend the 2024 CCNP Annual Meeting in Calgary, Alberta!

Sara Ashgharazadeh, University of Ottawa

PcdhαC2 gene is required for serotonin-axonal regrowth in fluoxetine-induced recovery from post-stroke depression

Erica Kaczmarek, University of Toronto

Changes in symptoms of anhedonia with psilocybin-assisted psychotherapy: a secondary analysis of a randomized clinical trial for treatment-resistant depression

Christina Pereira, CAMH

Investigating default mode network connectivity and brain fatty acid amide hydrolase levels in social anxiety disorder

Christin Schiffani, CAMH

Preliminary data indicate positron emission tomography (PET)-derived [¹⁸F]SynVesT-1 binding as a potential marker for neurocognition in autistic youth

Jared VanderZwaag, University of Victoria

Cellular and metabolic alterations underlying cisplatin-induced cognitive impairment and fatigue

Maia Zilberman, CAMH

Synaptic density in youth with a trauma- and stress-related disorder: preliminary findings of a PET [¹⁸F]SynVesT-1 study in the Toronto Adolescent and Youth (TAY) Cohort

CCNP 2024 JOCK CLEGHORN AWARDEES

Congratulations to the following individuals who received a Jock Cleghorn Award for Best Poster Presentation by a Research Trainee!

Charlotte Caswell, McGill University

A three-factor model of commonly comorbid early onset psychiatric disorders: Replication in a large sample with fMRI Data

William Spencer Murch, Concordia University

Developing artificial intelligence systems to detect and prevent online gambling addictions

Qi Wei Xu, Douglas Mental Health University Institute

Social valence dictates sex differences in identity recognition

Jared VanderZwaag, University of Victoria

Cellular and metabolic alterations underlying cisplatin-induced cognitive impairment and Fatigue

CCNP ELECTION RESULTS

An election was held in September, 2024, and we are delighted to introduce you to your CCNP Executive and Councillors:

Daniel Mueller – President
Michael Mak – President Elect
Joshua Rosenblat – Treasurer
Darrell Mousseau – Secretary

Councillors (Basic Science):

- Clare Beasley
- Chad Bousman
- Melissa Perreault

Councillors (Clinical):

- Venkhat Bhat
- Yuliya Knyahnytska
- Rachel Rabin

Junior Councillors:

- Erica Kaczmarek
- Sara Afjeh

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We thank our membership for promoting the CCNP and encouraging their colleagues and trainees to join. We ask for your continued support – and if you are aware of any potential members, please advise them to apply for CCNP membership online at the CCNP website (<http://www.ccnp.ca>).

Membership dues are currently \$150 per year for Fellows, and \$25 per year for both Junior Members and Retired Fellows. Access to the *Journal of Psychiatry and Neuroscience*, the CCNP's official journal, is offered to the CCNP membership free of charge.