

The 10th NINDS Nonprofit Forum is just around the corner on September 13-14, 2016! There is an exciting set of topics and speakers, including panel presentations on natural history databases, biomarker identification, data integration and management, clinical outcome measures, and success stories. The meeting will also offer a casual setting for discussion with NINDS program directors, breakout meetings, and a poster session. Please see the full agenda (attached) and register [here](#).

It's not too late to attend the American Brain Coalition Fall Membership Meeting next week! As a reminder, the Meeting is being held at the conclusion of the NINDS Nonprofit Forum on Wednesday, September 14 from 4:00-5:30pm in Lister Hill/Natcher Conference Center. We are excited to have Dr. Joshua Gordon, NIMH's new Director, as well as Dr. Walter Koroshetz, NINDS Director, attending and providing an update. Please see the attached agenda for more details.

IN THE NEWS

- An exciting [new study](#) reports positive results from a vaccine against key Parkinson's protein alpha-synuclein.
- The [International Bipolar Foundation](#) expressed its gratitude for Secretary Clinton's leadership in promoting a sweeping range of policies designed to improve the lives of millions of Americans living with bipolar disorder and other mental illnesses and addiction.
- The first and only President of National Association for Biomedical Research ([NABR](#)) Frankie Trull announced her retirement effective December 31, 2016. The NABR Board of Directors elected NABR's Executive Vice President, Matthew Bailey, President of NABR effective January 1, 2017.
- September is Dystonia Awareness Month! [Learn](#) about dystonia and you can get involved in dystonia research.
- The American Society for Clinical Psychopharmacology ([ASCP](#)) Steering Committee is seeking applicants for the [New Investigator Award](#) (NIA) Program. The investigators will be recognized at the 2017 ASCP Annual Meeting in Florida in May/June 2017. You can apply online [here](#), and submit abstracts [here](#).
- The [International Bipolar Foundation](#) released a Behavioral Health Quality Of Life Tool - a [questionnaire](#) devised to learn about healthy lifestyle choices to help you manage your physical and mental health.
- The National Institutes of Health has [announced](#) that it will fund six projects to identify biological factors that affect neural regeneration in the retina.
- A NIH-funded study trial [revealed](#) positive results on complementary health approaches for pain relief and aims to assist with pain management.
- The National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke ([NINDS](#)) is seeking exceptional candidates for the position of Deputy Director to assist in providing leadership to one of the preeminent Institutes for neuroscience research. Check out this and other job vacancies [here](#).
- The NIH just made data sharing repositories publically viewable on [HealthData.gov](#). Read more about this endeavor [here](#).
- In other news, the NIH [announced](#) that Dr. Diana Bianchi will assume role of the director of the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development.
- New studies shed light on [how the brain knows](#) that it is time to stop eating, [the role](#) of SIRT1 protein in regulating depressive behaviors and [genes involved](#) in autism, schizophrenia and in bipolar disorder.
- A recent NIH award expands landmark Alzheimer's biomarker study : The Alzheimer's Disease Neuroimaging Initiative ([ADNI](#)) will use cutting-edge technologies in brain imaging as it recruits hundreds of new volunteers to better understand Alzheimer's Disease pathology.

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- The Rockefeller University is hosting a meeting entitled '[Coordinating Global Brain Projects](#)'. You can view the webcast [here](#).
- The [Potomac Institute for Policy Studies](#) invites you to attend a [meeting](#) entitled '*From Data to Knowledge in Neuroscience: Building Toward Individualized Medicine*' on Sept. 12, 2016. You can view the webcast [here](#).

- Check out a [meeting](#) hosted by the [National Academies of Sciences, Engineering and Medicine](#) entitled ‘*Neurotechnology and Society: Strengthening Responsible Innovation in Brain Science*’ to be held on Sept. 15, 2016.
- The [International Bipolar Foundation](#) is hosting a [webinar](#) entitled ‘*Preventing Suicide Among Persons With Bipolar Disorder*’ to be held on Sept. 14, 2016.
- The Institute for Clinical and Economic Review’s ([ICER](#)) is hosting its inaugural ‘*Access to Innovation Forum*’ briefing on Sept. 9, 2016. This meeting will focus on the role of cost benefit analysis and technology assessments in defining value based thresholds for medication access.
- The 141st Annual Meeting of the American Neurological Association ([ANA](#)) will take place October 16-18, in Baltimore, MD. The early bird deadline has passed, but you can still save \$50 off full registration when you use the code: NEUROANA16. Register [here](#).
- The National Science Foundation is beginning the process of updating its Strategic Plan. As part of that process, the Foundation invites feedback on the Vision, Core Values, Strategic Goals and Strategic Objectives described in the current NSF Strategic Plan available [here](#). The Foundation welcomes input from you or your organization. Please provide comments [here](#) and send any questions to strategicplan@nsf.gov.
- [Submit](#) an abstract for the 2017 American Society for Clinical Psychopharmacology [ASCP](#) Annual Meeting to be held in Florida in May/June 2017.
- [Register](#) for a workshop on Transcranial Electrical Stimulation to be held in Sept. 2016 to be hosted by the National Institute for Mental Health ([NIMH](#)) Division of Translational Research.
- The FDA is hosting a webinar on Sept. 14, 2016 for investigators and sponsors of neurological devices on how to move a product to the U.S. marketplace. More information is available [here](#).
- A Congressional briefing on Sports-Related Brain Injuries will be held on Sept. 13, 2016. See attached flyer for more details.
- The American Academy of Neurology, the American Brain Foundation and the National Ataxia Foundation will co-fund a fellowship to support research training in ataxia. Each fellowship will consist of a commitment of \$55,000 per year for two years, plus \$10,000 per year for tuition to support formal education in research methodology at the applicant’s institution or elsewhere. Click [here](#) for more information.
- The Society for Neuroscience ([SfN](#)) 2016 advance registration deadline is approaching quickly. Take advantage of substantial savings by activating your Society for Neuroscience membership and registering for the annual meeting by October 4! Check out the Neuroscience Meeting Planner [here](#).