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Ask Anything Session

AAS01: Stepping Into Your Power: Redefining Careers, Breaking Down Barriers, and Taking Risks

Location: SDCC Rm 4

Time: Monday, November 17, 2025, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Description: Join a dynamic fireside chat with neuroscientists who've blazed career trails across industries. Hear how they took risks, broke barriers, and embraced diverse passions to succeed. Leave inspired to redefine your own neuroscience journey and step into your power!

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Ask Anything Session

AAS02: Career Development Opportunities for Neuroscientists

Location: SDCC Rm 4

Time: Monday, November 17, 2025, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Description: This panel will focus on career development opportunities for early career neuroscientists at NIH and Department of Veterans Affairs, Office of Research and Development. This diverse panel is comprised of program officers from neuroscience-focused research portfolios and will answer questions on topics ranging from intramural and extramural career development awards, to peer review, to transitioning to independent research careers.

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Ask Anything Session

AAS03: Navigating Stem Cell Resources: Models, Tools, and Expert Guidance

Location: SDCC Rm 4

Time: Monday, November 17, 2025, 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM

Description: The Jackson Laboratory, The New York Stem Cell Foundation, the Allen Institute, and the Simons Foundation are proud to jointly present an overview of their stem cell resources designed to advance scientific research. This program features a brief introduction to each repository, highlighting key models and tools. Participants will have the opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback to help shape future resources that best meet their research needs.

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Ask Anything Session

AAS04: Publishing and Reviewing as Early Career Researchers: Challenges and Opportunities

Location: SDCC Rm 4

Time: Monday, November 17, 2025, 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM

Description: A series of initiatives recently introduced in *JNeurosci* are aiming to support Early Career Researchers (ECRs, e.g., graduate students, postdocs, early independent researchers) in scientific publishing. The ECR Advisory Board and the editor-in-chief of *JNeurosci* invite attendees to ask anything about these opportunities that are intended to address unique challenges faced by ECRs and what happens “behind the scenes” during the scientific publishing process.

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Ask Anything Session

AAS05: Navigating the Publication Landscape: Insights From *eNeuro* and *eLife*

Location: SDCC Rm 4

Time: Tuesday, November 18, 2025, 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Description: Explore the diverse landscape of scientific publishing, from differences between for-profit and nonprofit publishers to innovative approaches adopted by *eNeuro* and *eLife*. Curious about publisher types and their impact, editorial boards, open peer review, open access models, or trends like negative results, registered reports, post-publication peer review, public manuscript assessments, and use of common vocabularies? The speakers will discuss why they matter, who benefits, and how to use them effectively.

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Ask Anything Session

AAS06: Open Science at the Allen Institute

Location: SDCC Rm 4

Time: Tuesday, November 18, 2025, 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

Description: Since its founding in 2003, the Allen Institute has been a champion of open science, creating and sharing large datasets for others to use freely around the world. In addition to sharing datasets, the Institute also freely provides protocols, software, hardware design files, tools, and more. For this panel, Allen Institute representatives involved in different steps along the data curation-to-data sharing pipeline are here to answer questions about the Institute's open science process.

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