2021 ISBRA Congress and RSA Scientific Meeting
June 19-23, 2021, San Antonio, Texas

<<< GENERAL MEETING INFORMATION<<<

http://www.xcdsystem.com/rsoa/index.cfm?id=5LxjLrk

COVID-19 Notice: Due to the uncertainty of the coronavirus pandemic and should an in-person meeting not be in everyone’s best interest, we will provide offerings that reflect a hybrid-meeting format or a fully virtual meeting format.

CALL FOR PROGRAM PROPOSALS AND ABSTRACTS
and other Meeting related Information

The primary goal of this joint meeting of RSA and ISBRA (“Meeting”) is to provide a forum for alcohol researchers – from all disciplines – to present their latest findings and to learn about new research developments in an environment that will provide interaction at both the professional and personal level.

The Meeting begins with an Opening Reception (meet and greet style) on Saturday evening and ends with the Closing Ceremony (sit-down dinner with presentations) on Wednesday evening. The Sunday through Wednesday program includes plenary lectures, symposia, workshops, roundtable discussions, award symposia, and poster sessions.

The Program Committee is made up of RSA and ISBRA members who represent a wide range of scientific specialties. Their goal is to develop a well-balanced program that adequately reflects the broad range of interests of the RSA and/or ISBRA memberships and non-member alcohol researchers. It is important to note that topics covered and the balance achieved in the overall meeting program primarily rests upon proposals submitted.

Important Dates -- http://www.rsoa.org/important-dates

2021 Program Committee – http://www.rsoa.org/program-committee

Code of Conduct -- http://www.rsoa.org/CodeofConduct
Beneficial Submission Feature – DRAFT MODE! This feature provides the ability to begin a submission, make payment (poster abstracts only) and save it without needing to fill each field. This is a great way to begin the process, which allows you to go back in at any time and add to your submission as the abstract is being formulated. Once you hit submit, meaning your proposal/abstract is complete, you will be able to edit up until the deadline. Submissions that remain in ‘Draft’ mode after the deadline will not be accepted.

>>>PROGRAM PROPOSALS<<<

December 1st 6:00PM CST (UTC/GMT -6 hours) deadline

Program proposals are solicited within three general themes; biological/preclinical, psychosocial/medical/clinical and translational research and organized as symposia, workshops or roundtables. In recent years, proposal acceptance has become highly competitive due to an increase in number of submissions and limited available slots. Organizers are encouraged to use an integrative approach and to include participants from different institutions; providing relevance to a broad audience and diverse viewpoints. Speaker abstracts are required for Symposia and Workshops, but are optional for Roundtables. Speaker abstracts should provide adequate detail, not an overview, and follow the required format. Submission is open to RSA and ISBRA members and non-members alike. Speaker abstracts for non-members; however, must be endorsed by an RSA or ISBRA member. Our goal is to make the presentations relevant to a rather broad audience of alcohol researchers.

>>>SPEAKER ABSTRACTS<<<

December 1st 6:00PM CST (UTC/GMT -6 hours) deadline

For individuals who have been invited to give a talk in a proposed session.

NOTE: Must be submitted by PROPOSED speaker through their RSA profile. If you are not an RSA member you will need to create a profile (not just for RSA members). When you are submitting a talk instructions will pop up to include your profile information.

>>>SATELLITE MEETING PROPOSALS<<<

December 1st 6:00PM CST (UTC/GMT -6 hours) deadline

The Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Study Group and satellite meetings will be held on Saturday and ending before the Opening Reception. Individuals or organizations interested in organizing a satellite meeting must submit a Satellite Meeting proposal form.

>>>POSTER ABSTRACTS<<<

January 11th 6:00PM CST (UTC/GMT -6 hours) deadline

The Meeting includes four (4) Poster Sessions which provide an opportunity for researchers of all levels to present their work in an informal setting; allowing for questions and discussion. There is a non-refundable $38 payment required for each submitted abstract. Poster Abstract submission is open to
ISBRA/RSA members and non-members alike. Abstracts for non-members; however, must be endorsed by an ISBRA/RSA member. Poster Abstract Categories

>>>ANCILLARY MEETING PROPOSALS<<<

March 15th 6:00PM CENTRAL deadline

Individuals or organizations interested in reserving a meeting room for organizing board meetings, workshops and luncheons must submit an Ancillary Meeting proposal form.

>>>EXHIBITOR’S PROSPECTUS<<<

April 2nd 6:00PM CENTRAL deadline

If you plan to exhibit at RSA click the link above for additional information and the submission form. For-profit Corporations (or foundations of for-profit corporations) are not permitted to sponsor any symposia, workshops or roundtables or networking events - they may rent exhibit space by submitting an Exhibitor’s Prospectus and are encouraged to make a donation to the Society.

>>>GENERAL INFORMATION<<<

Registration Rates -- http://www.rsoa.org/2021RegistrationFeeSchedule

Accommodations and General Information -- http://www.rsoa.org/AccommodationsandGeneralInformation

Student and Post-Doc Networking Opportunities -- http://www.rsoa.org/StudentandPostDocNetworkingOpportunities

Informational (lunchtime) Workshops -- http://www.rsoa.org/InformationallunchtimeWorkshops

Roles & Responsibilities of Session Participants -- http://www.rsoa.org/roles-responsibilities

<<< ISBRA MEETING AWARDS<<<

<<<National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) Partial Travel Support Award for ISBRA Members<<<

January 11, 2021, ISBRA deadline
We are pleased to announce that the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) has provided conference grant funds for the 20th ISBRA Congress to be held in San Antonio, TX, USA from June 19-23, 2021. The ISBRA Congress will be held in conjunction with the 44th Annual RSA Scientific Meeting. Information on the RSA/ISBRA 2020 Joint Scientific Meeting is available here.

Through a competitive process, this conference grant will provide partial travel support for selected ISBRA members to present at the Congress. Priority will be given to junior level alcohol researchers (≤8 years past their doctorate degree) and scientists from underrepresented demographic groups or countries. To be considered for support, the applicant must be an active member of ISBRA and be up-to-date on their dues. Individuals who are not already ISBRA members are encouraged to apply online for membership separately by January 2, 2021 at the ISBRA membership page. Any ISBRA membership questions should be directed to isbra@isbra.com.

The online application for travel support is on the ISBRA website: https://www.isbra.com/awards/travelaward/ and must be completed by January 11, 2021 to receive priority consideration. The applications will be reviewed and applicants will be informed as to whether or not they have been selected to receive any travel assistance. If selected, the amount of travel assistance and allowable expenses for reimbursement will be delineated in the notification email.

All reimbursements for those selected for support from this NIAAA R13 grant will occur after the Congress.

Sincerely,
Edward Riley, Ph.D. and Jennifer Thomas, Ph.D.
Principal Investigators of the NIAAA R13 ISBRA Grant

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<<< ISBRA Early Career Investigator Award <<<

February 1, 2021, ISBRA deadline

2021 Early Career Investigator Award
Presented at the 2021 ISBRA/RSA Conference, June 19-23, 2021, San Antonio, TX, USA
The Award includes a monetary award and memento, which will be presented at the 2021 ISBRA Early Career Investigator Award Symposium during the 2021 ISBRA/RSA Conference, June 19-23, 2021, in San Antonio, Texas, USA. In addition, award recipients will be acknowledged at the ISBRA/RSA Conference Closing Ceremony.

Historically, recipients of the ISBRA Early Career Investigator Award are required to attend the conference due to the in-person presentations. However, we realize the 2021 Conference is unique due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Thus, in light of this reality, we encourage you to apply for the ISBRA Early Career Investigator Award with the awareness that the conference format (a hybrid-meeting format or a fully virtual meeting format) will depend on how the COVID-19 pandemic develops this coming spring. If travel restrictions are in effect at that time and you receive this award you will still receive the ISBRA 2021 Early Career Investigator Award including the monetary award and memento.

Applicants must be an ISBRA member. If you are not currently an ISBRA member, your membership application (https://www.isbra.com/membership/) must be received by January 2, 2021. Awards will be limited to early career investigators (either PhD or MD students or young post-docs/physicians) (see application details below). All awardees will give a brief oral presentation at the ISBRA Early Career Investigator Award Symposium. Award recipients will be notified by March 1, 2021. Please go to the following ISBRA website: https://www.isbra.com/awards/early_career_investigator/

>>>ISBRA Tabakoff Award <<<

The 2021 ISBRA Tabakoff Award recipient was selected previously through the 2020 award process. The award recipient will be announced closer to the 2021 ISBRA Congress/RSA Conference and will present a plenary lecture and formally receive the award during the Closing Ceremony.