

## The International Society for Biomedical Research on Alcoholism (ISBRA)

### Promoting Excellence Internationally in Biomedical Research on Alcoholism

# Inviting your membership and involvement

# CRITICAL MISSIONS OF ISBRA:

- to promote biomedical research on alcoholism
- to disseminate research information and resulting theories
- to promote the training and international exchange of scientists and trainees
- to advise national and international agencies on alcohol-related problems and research on biomedical problems
- to promote international cooperation through the organization of international scientific meetings, workshops and clinics
- to assist in the dissemination of important research findings via involvement in peer-reviewed publication and news-worthy reports.

#### MEMBERSHIP ADVANTAGES:

→ Discounted registration fees for excellent congresses held biennially in attractive locations. Symposia proposals and poster presentations are encouraged for all members. Travel awards supported by a grant from the National Institutes of Health, National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) have been made available to young investigators and others to help defray the costs of attendance of these meetings.

Recent (and upcoming) meeting locations:

2018 - Kyoto, Japan

2016 - Berlin, Germany

2014 - Seattle, Washington, USA

2012 – Sapporo, Japan

2010 - Paris, France

2008 - Washington, DC, USA

2006 - Sydney, Australia

2004 - Heidelberg, Germany

→ Plenary presentations by renowned scientists from many countries:

**2016 Congress:** Emanuele Albano, Antonello Bonci, Brigitte Kieffer, George Koob, Karl Mann, Norman Ohler, Rajita Sinha, Wolfgang Sommer, Hans-Ulrich Wittchen

2014 Congress: Cindy Ehlers, Joel Gelernter, Thomas Kash, Karl Mann, Richard Palmiter

**2012 Congress :** Charles O'Brien, Hideyuki Okano, Gunter Schumann, Hidekazu Tsukamoto **2010 Congress :** Susumu Higuchi, Kenneth Kendler, Michel Lejoyeux, Karl Mann, Tamara Phillips, Pier Vincenzo Piazza

**2008 Congress :** Andrew Allen, Kenneth Buetow, Andrey Gorin, Yury Khudyakov, Dan Nicolae, Kwok Tsui

2006 Congress: Sarah Dunlop, Ian Kitchen, Ting-Kai Li, Marc Schuckit, Takeo Yoshikawa

2004 Congress: Christine Godfrey, Adron Harris, Ting-Kai Li

- → The Society sponsors a scientific journal in conjunction with the Research Society on Alcoholism Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research. RSA Membership includes a subscription to the journal. However, if you are not an RSA member, your ISBRA membership entitles you to a discounted subscription rate of \$110. Your subscription provides unlimited access to the electronic journal.
- → Access to scientists around the world, promoting collaboration. ISBRA has 5 affiliated regional societies:
  - European Society for Biomedical Research on Alcoholism ESBRA
  - Japanese Medical Society of Alcohol Addiction Studies JMSAAS
  - Research Society on Alcoholism RSA
  - Asia-Pacific Society for Alcohol and Addiction Research APSAAR
  - Latin American Society for Biomedical Research on Alcoholism LASBRA
- Eligibility for travel awards.
- → Eligibility for distinguished research awards:

#### For example:

**ISBRA President's Young Investigator Award** for contributions by graduate students and post- doctoral fellows to the advancement of knowledge in the alcohol/alcoholism field. Potential recipient abstracts and posters or talks are judged by an ad hoc committee and each recipient receives a cash award and a commemorative plaque. Up to 5 such awards will be given at each meeting.

Jellinek Memorial Fund Award for contributions to the advancement of knowledge on alcohol/alcoholism. Each year, a scientist who has made an outstanding contribution to the advancement of knowledge in the alcohol/alcoholism field is honored with this award. The category of the award each year is specified by the Board of Directors of the Jellinek Memorial Fund. The awardee must serve as a model for others who might be attracted to work in the field to which the award pertains.

# Applying for Membership

You are invited to become a member of ISBRA if you hold a PhD, MS, MD or equivalent degree and are engaged or interested in research in alcoholism or alcohol-related problems including alcohol research administration, are a non-research scientist or physician who has made contributions in the area of alcohol research, alcoholism prevention and treatment, are a postdoctoral fellow engaged in alcoholrelated research or are a student enrolled in undergraduate or graduate programs and engaged in alcohol-related research.

If you are already a member in good standing of one of ISBRA's affiliated regional societies (listed above) you need only complete the online ISBRA Membership Application Form (if you have questions, please contact Ms. Lintz at isbra@isbra.com). Annual dues for these members are \$45. If you are not a member of an affiliated society, you must submit an up-to-date Curriculum Vitae and the Membership Application Form. Annual dues for these members are \$60, and all information can be submitted online.

The Membership Committee reviews applications four (4) times a year. Application deadlines are: January 2, April 1, July 1 and October 1. You will be notified in writing of your formal acceptance into ISBRA.

Join now and enjoy discounted registration costs for the upcoming congress in Kyoto, Japan!