

The FASEB Summer Research Conference: “**Translational Neuroimmunology: From Mechanisms to Therapeutics**” was held from July 24-29, 2016 in Big Sky, Montana, USA. The meeting drew a total of 91 attendees, which included 12% international and 33% trainees (predoctoral and postdoctoral). ISN’s critical support was acknowledged as only one of two Platinum supporters of the conference in the program booklet, on slides displayed before each session, and when announcing specific ISN-supported speakers.

Funds generously provided by ISN were used to provide travel awards for a pre-doctoral trainee and several international speakers. Travel award recipients were selected based on evidence of scholarly activity by attendance at previous international/national meetings and the quality of their first author abstract.

Jane Lindborg, Case Western Reserve University (\$1,290 stipend)  
Diane Su, University of California, Irvine  
Chandra Menendez, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center  
Catriona Wagner, University of Washington

Each travel award recipient was rewarded with a 15 minute presentation during the main meeting and support from ISN was acknowledged prior to the talk.

A pre-meeting course on neuroimmunology was held on Sunday, July 24 prior to the start of the main meeting later that evening. A total of 31 individuals attended the pre-meeting course, which equated to 34% of attendees for the main meeting. This turnout was outstanding and feedback from trainees attending the course was uniformly positive.

ISN funds were essential in supporting the travel of four invited international scientists. Indeed, without ISN funds, we would not have been able to invite these following top tier speakers:

Dr. Harald Neumann, University of Bonn, Germany (\$1,725 stipend)  
Dr. Marina Lynch, Trinity College Dublin, Ireland (\$1,725 stipend)  
Dr. Steve Lacroix, Laval University, Canada (\$870 stipend; brought to \$1,100 with other funds)  
Dr. Marie-Eve Trembley, Laval University, Quebec, Canada (\$1,100 stipend)

Remaining funds were used to support the Keynote Speaker and Nobel Laureate, Dr. Mario Capecchi, internationally recognized for his expertise in molecular biology and neuroscience, as well as partially offsetting the travel fees of other invited speakers (distributed equally) as detailed below.

Dr. Mario Capecchi, University of Utah Health Sciences Center (\$2,595.54 stipend)  
Dr. Dan Carr, University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center (\$1,100 stipend)  
Dr. Bonnie Dittel, Blood Center of Wisconsin (\$1,100 stipend)  
Dr. Dorian McGavern, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke (\$1,100 stipend)  
Dr. Rhonda Voskuhl, University of California, Los Angeles (\$1,100 stipend)  
Dr. Aileen Anderson, U. California, Irvine (\$210.54 ISN stipend; brought to \$1,100 with other funds)  
Dr. Jeffery Bennett, University of Colorado (\$1,000 ISN stipend; brought to \$1,100 with other funds)  
Dr. Colin Combs, U. North Dakota Medical School (\$350 ISN stipend; brought to \$1,100 with other funds)

Copies of the 2016 Special Issue on Neuroimmunology that was Guest Edited by Dr. Tammy Kielian for the *Journal of Neurochemistry* were provided on site at the meeting and were a popular read by attendees, since the pile of reprints had to be replaced daily (pictures attached).

We sincerely appreciate the support provided by ISN for our meeting. This was invaluable for trainee support and as noted by our statistics, a significant number of participants in our meeting were trainees (33%).

Respectfully submitted,

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Chair, 2016 FASEB Neuroimmunology conference

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