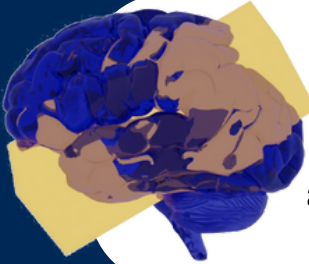


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MAIN TOPIC THIS WEEK...

The Fall semester is in full swing, our symposium was a success, our second years were coated, and we look forward to hearing about everyone's future successes!

THE LINKS

Neuroscience Program

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FACULTY SPEAKER

Xinzhu Yu, PhD

*"Unraveling astrocytic role
in neural circuits and
behavior"*

November 10
11 AM, MSB B605

SAVE THE DATES!

November 7: Last day to submit abstracts for the International Cancer Neuroscience Symposium

November 10: Faculty Talk: Xinzhu Yu, PhD, 11am, MSB B605

November 15-19: Society for Neuroscience, San Diego, CA

Have a great time, attendees! Expand your neural network ;)

December 1 and December 8: Rotation Talks (tentative dates)

December 8 (tentatively): NGP End of Semester Debrief



FALL SYMPOSIUM RECAP



Presentation Winners

Pre-Candidacy First:

Catalina Valdes (Morales)

Post-Candidacy First:

Mya Rodriguez (Stavoe)



Poster Winners

Pre-Candidacy First: Taylor Brinson (Pisaneschi)

Pre-Candidacy Second: Cheng-En (Allen) Shen (Pan)

Post-Candidacy First: Beatriz Rios (Zhang)

Post-Candidacy Second: Vicky Chuong (Do Monte)

SNAPS



Did someone go above and beyond? Did you get an award?

Fill out this form, and we will highlight your snaps, big or small!

Snaps to...

**Second year students** for receiving their lab coats! Congratulations everyone!

Looking sharp!

**Paula Bender** (Advisor: Kristin Eckel-Mahan, PhD) for passing her candidacy exam!

Yay, Paula!

**Cheng-En (Allen) Shen** (Advisor: Yuan Pan, PhD) for passing his candidacy exam! Go,

Allen!

**Alesandra Echeandia** (Advisor: also Yuan Pan, PhD) for passing her candidacy exam!

Great job, Alesandra!

**Paula Bender** (Advisor: Kristin Eckel-Mahan, PhD) for receiving the Dr. John J.

Kopchick Research Award! Congrats, Paula!

**Andy Delgado** (Advisor: Andrew Pickering, PhD) for getting married! Congratulations!**Kiersten Scott** (Advisor: Akihiko Urayama, PhD) also got married! All the best!!