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and  
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October 27<sup>th</sup> -30<sup>th</sup>, 2012**



*Translational Neurosciences  
"Unravelling Mysteries of Brain in  
Health and Disease"*



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**WELCOME MESSAGE**

We, the organizers of the XXX Annual Conference of Indian Academy of Neurosciences (IAN) are extremely delighted to extend you all a very warm welcome to attend the International Symposium on, "Translational Neurosciences: Unravelling Mysteries of Brain in Health and Disease." Neuroscience is one of the most exciting and rapidly advancing fields and the recent literature related to research in neurosciences is explosive. The scientific program of the symposium will address the challenges of understanding the structure and function of the brain in health and disease across different levels of organization based on molecular, cellular, systems, cognitive and computational approaches. With the excellent scientific program of the conference by eminent national and international faculty to share their research experiences, the participants especially the younger group will be immensely benefited from this conference. The sessions proposed under the scientific program are on the latest technological developments in the basic neuroscience as well as the recent advances made in the diagnostics, management and therapeutics of neurological diseases. This platform will also provide an opportunity to highlight the contributions made by neuroscientists in the country in neuroscience education and research and to identify key areas for future research and development in basic and clinical neuroscience. We sincerely hope that you will accept our invitation and make an important contribution to the scientific program by your participation. We will try our best to make the symposium successful and memorable. Hope all will enjoy the scientific feast, a blissful visit to the 'Golden Temple, the Sanctum Sanctorum as well as the traditional hospitality of the State of Punjab and cultural attractions of the Amritsar city.

**INDIAN ACADEMY OF NEUROSCIENCES**

The Indian Academy of Neurosciences (IAN) came to existence in 1982 with the efforts of Late Prof. K.P. Bhargava, Prof. Mahdi Hasan, Prof. S.S. Parmar, Prof. B.N. Dhawan, Prof. P.K. Seth and other eminent neuroscientists. Ever since its inception the Academy has been active in promoting neurosciences. It has been holding meetings regularly at different centres involved in neuroscience research in the country Besides, the Academy has organized and sponsored symposia, workshops and conferences in areas of current interest. To encourage young scientists the Academy has instituted

awards for poster and oral presentations and published work. The academy recognizes eminent Neuroscientists by electing them as Fellows and Honorary Members. The Academy has instituted 'B.K. Bachhawat Life-time Achievement Award in Neuroscience'. This award is given to a scientist for his/her outstanding contributions in neurosciences. The Academy publishes a Newsletter and a Journal - Annals of Neurosciences.

Indian Academy of Neurosciences has good amalgamation of basic and clinical researchers. Started with few neuroscientists in 1982, the Academy has grown into a sizable organization of dedicated members. At present it has around 700 life members from India, Germany, Japan, Poland, Saudi Arabia, Sri Lanka, South Africa, UK and USA. Annual meetings of the Academy are also attended by foreign members and thus provide a unique forum for interaction among the neuroscientists from India and abroad.

**ABOUT AMRITSAR**

In literal terms, Amritsar means "the pool of nectar", the name derived from a pool constructed at the sacred site in the 16th century, gifted by the Mughal Emperor Akbar to Guru Ramdas, the fourth preceptor of the Sikh faith. Amritsar is one of Punjab's principal cities, dating back in history over 400 years. The city is known for the world famous Golden Temple, the Sanctum Sanctorum. Situated on the north-western border of India, the city is also gateway for the travellers on the overland route through Pakistan. The city is also known for the tragic incidents of Jallianwala Bagh Massacre in 1919 under British Rule.

Amritsar is also known as the education hub for the region having premier institutions such as Guru Nanak Dev University, Government Medical and Dental Colleges, SGRD Medical and Dental Colleges, Mental Health Institute, half a dozen Engineering and Polytechnic Colleges besides renowned private sector hospitals.

Tradition traces Amritsar's origin from the prehistoric times as a place having in its womb an Amrit-Kund (Spring of Nectar) in the desolate area covered with wild growth. It was in the lot of Guru Ram Das, the fourth Guru of Sikhs, to discover it and build a big Sarovar (tank) on the site in AD 1564. Simultaneously, the foundation of a town was also laid.

**AWARDS**

Young Investigator awards, Travel awards and Best Oral/Poster Presentation awards are available on competitive basis

## Special Lectures

**Dr. BN Mallick (JNU, India)**  
**Dr. GN Pandey (UIC, USA)**  
**Dr. H Okamoto (RIKEN-BSI, Japan)**  
**Prof. PJ Robinson (CMRI, Australia)**  
**Dr. R Wadhwa (AIST, Japan)**  
**Dr. S Dunlop (NHRMC, Australia)**  
**Dr. S Sinha (NBRC, India)**  
**Dr. VL Ravindranath (CNS-IISc, India)**

## Conference Dates

**October 27<sup>th</sup> to October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2012**

## Deadlines

**Online Registration : August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012**

**Online Abstract Submission : August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2012**

## Registration Fees

Category	Early Bird Registration		On Spot Registration	
	IAN Member	IAN Non-Member	IAN Member	IAN Non-Member
<b>Students</b>	2000 INR	2500 INR	3000 INR	3500 INR
<b>Delegates</b>	3500 INR	4000 INR	4500 INR	5000 INR
<b>Accompanying Persons</b>	2000 INR		3000 INR	
<b>Foreign Delegates</b>	300 USD		450 USD	

Registration can be done online and fees can be directly deposited in the IAN- 2012 AMRITSAR Bank Account. Kindly visit conference website for details.

## Abstract Publication

The abstracts selected for IAN-2012 will be published as a special supplementary volume of the Journal "Annals of Neuroscience".

The organizers are required to send the material to the editorial office of the journal and publishers by first week of September 2012 for its timely publication for the conference in October this year.

Kindly register and submit your abstract online positively by August 31st, 2012 so that your abstract appears in the special issue of academy's journal which will be provided to the delegates during the IAN-2012 conference in place of abstract book. Those delegates who submit the abstract after due date will miss the opportunity to have their abstract published in the journal special issue.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

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