

Chapter Grant Awards Application

1.) Name of Chapter: Ohio Miami Valley Society for Neuroscience OMV-SfN

2.) Number of Current Chapter Members

Faculty Members: 41

Staff Members: 1

Postdoctoral Trainees: 24

Graduate Students: 73 (grads and undergrads, we do not have separate numbers, but approximately 15 are undergrads)

Undergraduate Students: _____

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Please attach responses to the following questions in 10 point font or larger:

1.) A brief summary of the proposal (no more than 150-200 words).

2.) Specific goals of the proposal and how it relates to the SfN Strategic Plan, Brain Awareness Week activities, or otherwise promotes increased chapter membership and activity (please do not exceed 750 words to 1 page). Please be sure to include an approximate date of the proposed activity or event.

3.) Budget: explanation and justification. Travel may be allowed only for visits to promote chapter membership, if part of a formal program. *Please note: requests for travel funds must be accompanied by a compelling justification.*

4.) Please list any chapter-sponsored events held during the past three years (please include event dates and titles).

5.) Chapter web-page address, if applicable

Important note:

All Chapter awardees are required to submit a final report including detailed budget expenditures within 30 days after the funded event or activity. *Any unused funds must be returned to SfN.*

Materials should be returned to chapters@sfn.org

For SfN Use Only:

Proposal Number: _____

Date Submission Received: _____

Amount Requested: _____

Amount Awarded: _____

1. The Ohio Miami Valley chapter of the Society for Neuroscience (OMV-SfN) is seeking financial support for their annual 'Neuroscience Day', an event that takes place each spring. OMV-SfN, which was organized in 2003, is represented by four institutions: the University of Cincinnati, Wright State University, Miami University, and University of Dayton. The typical schedule for Neuroscience Day includes a one hour talk by a featured speaker, followed by oral graduate student presentations, and a poster session that includes postdocs, graduate and undergraduate students. A luncheon is provided and there is ample time for faculty and students from the four institutions to interact and engage in intellectual activities. Special time is provided for all to interact with the featured speaker. Neuroscience Day 2009 is scheduled for June 5, 2009 at Miami University. Our featured speaker for 2009 is Dr. Carol Barnes, Regents' Professor of Psychology & Neurology and Director, Evelyn F. McKnight Brain Institute at the University of Arizona. We are seeking funds to help with the costs of 'Neuroscience Day', including expenses such as food and beverage, housing, honorarium and travel costs for Dr. Barnes.

2. In this proposal, the Ohio Miami Valley chapter of the Society for Neuroscience (OMV-SfN) is seeking financial support for their annual 'Neuroscience Day', an event that takes place each spring. The typical schedule for Neuroscience Day includes a one hour talk by a featured speaker, followed by oral graduate student presentations, and a poster session that includes postdocs, graduate and undergraduate students. A luncheon is provided and there is ample time for faculty and students from the four institutions to interact and engage in intellectual activities. Special time is provided for all to interact with the featured speaker.

In keeping with SfN's mission to advance the understanding of the brain and nervous system, this meeting is an outstanding opportunity for neuroscientists to present their work to other neuroscientists in the region, an activity that promotes collaboration and sharing of resources. It is an opportunity for neuroscientists, particularly students, to develop personal contacts with other members of the neuroscience community and to interact with internationally recognized research scientists.

The annual 'Neuroscience Day' also fulfills SfN's mission by providing professional development activities for scientists at all stages of their careers. Real life examples of this include the fact that undergraduates from Miami University interact with researchers from medical schools and large research institutions. In turn, researchers from large institutions meet and attract strong undergraduates or master's students into their research laboratories. This has happened several times over the past few years. In addition, we hold an annual winter meeting that is free to all faculty and students. Both female and male faculty present their research to OMV members, including other faculty, post docs, graduate and undergraduate students.

Our chapter in particular promotes representation of women as well as young investigators. A past chapter president was a woman and the current president from Miami University also is a woman. Many of the faculty and student members are women.

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food and beverage, housing, honorarium and travel costs for Dr. Barnes. We have applied for a Grass Traveling Scientist Award to support Dr. Barnes' visit. We also are seeking funds to help fund the rest of the meeting.

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Tentative Budget

Marcum Center Estimate for 100 (includes room rental, lunch, snacks, etc)	\$2,868
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Expenses to host Dr. Barnes (2-3 day visit)

Food, lodging	\$1,200
Travel (airfare, transport, parking, etc.)	\$1,200
Honorarium*	\$1,000

Programs	\$ 150
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Total	\$6,418
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4. Chapter sponsored events:

2006

Winter Meeting - Presentations from 3-4 faculty, Annual business meeting followed;
Miami University; January 2006

Neuroscience Day -Featured speaker, oral presentations from 3-4 graduate students,
poster session; Miami University; May 2006

2007

Winter Meeting - Presentations from 3-4 faculty, Annual business meeting followed;
University of Cincinnati; January 2007

Neuroscience Day - Featured speaker, oral presentations from 3-4 graduate students,
poster session; University of Cincinnati; June 2007

2008

Winter Meeting - Presentations from 3-4 faculty, Annual business meeting followed;
Wright State University; January 2008

Brain Awareness Week - participated at tables in Union Terminal, Cincinnati OH; March
2008

Neuroscience Day - Featured speaker, oral presentations from 3-4 graduate students,
poster session; Wright State University; June 2008

5. http://www.med.wright.edu/cbr/omv_sfn/