

STUDENT NEUROLOGY SYMPOSIUM – 6th EDITION

Dear Sir or Madam:

This document seeks your financial support to facilitate the sixth edition of our *Student Neurology Symposium*, which will take place on Saturday, April 13th, 2018 at the Faculty of Medicine of Université de Montréal. This event is organized by student interest groups in neurology from all four faculties of medicine in Quebec, as well as University of Ottawa's student interest group in neurology.

Our symposium was created with the goal of reconceptualising neurology for medical students and to stimulate interest in this field. The objective is to organize an inter-faculty and inter-provincial event open to all Canadian medical students with an interest in neurology. Previous editions of the symposium have been organized by McGill University, the Université de Sherbrooke and Université Laval (Quebec City).

The sixth edition of our symposium will comprise of seminars on diverse topics in neurology. Examples of topics addressed last year include new neurosurgical approaches for treating brain tumors, neuro-rehabilitation strategies, advances in epilepsy treatment, and insights into the neuroscience of sleep. Additionally, students will have the opportunity to participate in practical workshops to acquire competencies in a clinical setting. Last year, attendees practiced interpreting EEG and other neuroimaging findings, or worked on perfecting their neurological examination skills in the context of specific clinical cases. A poster presentation session will enable students to showcase their research in neurology and neuroscience, while a friendly inter-faculty competition, the "NeuroBowl", will test students' knowledge of neuro-related trivia.

We would like to ensure that access to our symposium remains free to all that are interested in attending. The ability to welcome students and residents from many different universities, in addition to extending invitations to renowned neurologists, would not be possible without the generous support of our sponsors. We offer many different promotional options for our sponsors such as presenting your logo on our website and Facebook page, or distributing sponsored materials to attendees at the conference. Please find below a more detailed description of promotional ideas for sponsors, as well as a tentative schedule for the upcoming symposium.

On behalf of the organizing committee of the *Student Neurology Symposium 2019*, we thank you in advance for your time and consideration. We believe that we offer a unique event for students across Canada and we hope that you will choose to sponsor our initiative. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions; we would be happy to provide additional details and to answer any questions you may have. Thank you,

Sincerely,

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<http://www.neurologysymposium.com/>

PARTICIPANTS

We offer free access to this symposium for all students. The symposium will take place in the Agora of the Jean Coutu pavilion at Université de Montréal. The symposium is open to students from all medical faculties, as well as students from other programs with an interest in neurology or neuroscience, with an estimated total of 100 to 150 participants, including:

- Medical students and residents from Université de Sherbrooke, McGill University, Université de Montréal, Université Laval, and University of Ottawa
- Undergraduate students interested in neurology or neurosciences
- Graduate students with research interests relevant to neurosciences, neuropsychology or other related domains

TENTATIVE PROGRAM SCHEDULE

The symposium will take place on Saturday, April 13th, 2019.

| Time | Activity |
|---------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|
| 8:45 AM - 9:30 AM | Registration |
| 9:30 AM - 10:15 AM | Plenary and conference opening session |
| 10:30 AM - 11:15 AM | Parallel sessions 1 & 2 |
| 11:30 AM - 12:15 PM | Parallel sessions 3 & 4 |
| 12:15 PM - 1:00 PM | Lunch |
| 1:00 PM - 1:45 PM | Interfaculty <i>NeuroBowl</i> |
| 1:45 PM - 2:30 PM | Practical workshops 1 & 2 |
| 2:45 PM - 3:30PM | Practical workshops 3 & 4 |
| 3:45 PM - 4:30 PM | Panel with program directors of neurology residency programs |
| 4:30 PM - 5:30 PM | Concluding remarks, poster competition & cocktail |

“The Global Burden of Disease study, the ongoing international collaborative project between WHO, the World Bank and the Harvard School of Public Health, has produced evidence that pinpoints neurological disorders as one of the greatest threats to public health.”

- WHO
Neurological Disorders: Public health Challenges

BENEFITS

We offer many promotional options for our sponsors in recognition for their kind support. These include displaying logos on distributed material (e.g. the symposium program, or online on our website and Facebook page). The list provided below is certainly not exhaustive and we would be happy to discuss other promotional ideas you may have.

| | Bronze (100\$) | Silver (200\$) | Gold (300\$) | Platinum (500\$) |
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| Name and logo on our website (http://www.neurologysymposium.com) | ◆ | ◆ | ◆ | ◆ |
| Name and logo on our website, and on the program schedule distributed the day of the symposium | | ◆ | ◆ | ◆ |
| Official thank you during the opening speech of the symposium | | | ◆ | ◆ |
| Distribution of promotional material during the symposium | | | ◆ | ◆ |
| Name and logo on the T-shirts of volunteers | | | | ◆ |
| Poster displayed in a prominent location during the symposium¹ | | | | ◆ |

YOUR SUPPORT IS GREATLY APPRECIATED!

¹ We ask that you supply your own poster.

We greatly appreciate all donations or other forms of support for our initiative. If you would like to sponsor us, payments can be made by cheque to “AÉÉMUM”. You can indicate on the cheque that your financial donation is intended to support the *Student Neurology Symposium*. We would like to emphasize that Université de Montréal’s medical student association (AÉÉMUM) has accepted to relay monetary amounts paid towards the symposium, but that our organization is independent from that of AÉÉMUM. All collected funds will serve to finance the 2018 symposium, and all supplementary funds will be transferred to the organizing committee of the *Student Neurology Symposium 2020* to ensure the continuity of this event.

For more information or if you have any questions regarding sponsorship opportunities, please do not hesitate to contact us:

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We invite you to visit our website to learn more about the student interest groups in neurology and about the symposium. Our website also features information and photos from previous editions of this symposium: <http://www.neurologysymposium.com/>.

Thank you for your consideration and we hope to have the opportunity to collaborate with you during the organization of the 6th edition of the *Student Neurology Symposium* in Quebec!