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SETTINGS**
May 14-17, 2025
San Diego Marriott Mission Valley

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Help Strengthen CPT Code Coverage

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Get Ready for Prize Drawings!

Join the fun and win great prizes during AAPB's 55th Annual Scientific Meeting!



How to Participate:



Exhibitor Prize Drawing

- Visit each exhibitor's booth and collect a signature on your Exhibitor Drawing Card.
- Complete your contact information.
- Turn in your completed card at Registration by **10:45 am on Saturday, May 17, 2025.**

Poster Presentation Drawing

- Visit each poster presentation.
- **Vote** for your favorite **student** and **non-student** poster — student posters will be marked.
- Complete your contact information and return your card by **10:45 am on Saturday, May 17, 2025**

Prize drawings will be held at the Saturday evening reception on May 17, 2025.

Winners must be present to claim their prizes.

Prizes:

(1) Free one-year AAPB Membership
(1 prize for each drawing)

(1) Free AAPB Webinar of your choice
(1 prize for each drawing)

Please note: Each attendee may enter each drawing only once. No purchase necessary to enter or win. Void where prohibited.



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Warmest Welcome

The Association for Applied Psychophysiology & Biofeedback (AAPB), the pioneering professional society devoted to education and research in this field, welcomes you to our 55th Annual Scientific Meeting in San Diego, California, May 14-17, 2025, at the San Diego Marriott Mission Valley. The goal of this conference is to bring clinicians, physicians, researchers and professionals involved with biofeedback and applied psychophysiology together to exchange information, ideas, scientific data and to share experiences. Biofeedback is a process that enables an individual to learn how to change physiological activity for the purposes of improving health and performance. Precise instruments measure physiological activity such as brainwaves, heart function, breathing, muscle activity and skin temperature. These instruments rapidly and accurately "feed back" information to the user. The presentation of this information—often in conjunction with changes in thinking, emotions and behavior—supports desired physiological changes. Over time, these changes can endure without continued use of an instrument.

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WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

PRECONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

THURSDAY, MAY 15

PRECONFERENCE WORKSHOPS

EXPO HALL OPENS

WELCOME RECEPTION

FRIDAY, MAY 16

KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS

BREAKOUT/SYMPOSIA

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

EXPO HALL OPEN

EXHIBITOR DEMOS

PRESIDENTIAL & POSTER RECEPTION

SATURDAY, MAY 17

KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS

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EXPO HALL OPEN

EXHIBITOR DEMOS

CLOSING RECEPTION

Keynote Presenters



AAPB 2025 Distinguished Scientist

Mara Mather, PhD

Professor of Gerontology, Psychology, and Biomedical Engineering
University of Southern California

Dennis C. Turk, PhD

John and Emma Bonica Endowed Chair in Anesthesiology and Pain Research
and Professor in the Department of Anesthesiology and Pain Medicine
University of Washington



Brad Lichtenstein, ND, BCB, BCB-HRV

Naturopathic physician, author, speaker and former
Professor and clinical faculty at Bastyr University
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Leah Acker, MD, PhD

Asst. Professor of Anesthesiology, Duke Pepper Center
Research Education Core Fellow and practicing anesthesiologist
Duke University School of Medicine/ Duke University Health System



Siegfried Othmer, PhD, BCIAC

Chief Scientist
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Award Winners



2025 AAPB Distinguished Scientist

Mara Mather, PhD

AAPB Distinguished Scientist Award is presented annually in recognition of an outstanding career and scientific contributions to the field of applied psychophysiology and biofeedback. This award recognizes a scientist who has advanced biofeedback through a significant body of research conducted, as judged by publications, awards, and peer review, and has made a major impact upon the field of study, nationally and/or internationally. Nominees must hold a doctoral degree in psychology, biomedical science, medicine or other health-related field. Recipients are selected based on the following evaluation criteria: 1) Scientific importance of research discoveries; 2) Mentorship of students, postdoctoral fellows, and new faculty; 3) Continued impact on the field.

2025 AAPB Lifetime Achievement Award Winner

Christopher D. Gilbert, PhD, BCB



In recognition of a lifetime of sustained, substantial and impactful contributions toward the advancement of applied psychophysiology and biofeedback and to AAPB.

Author Book Signing

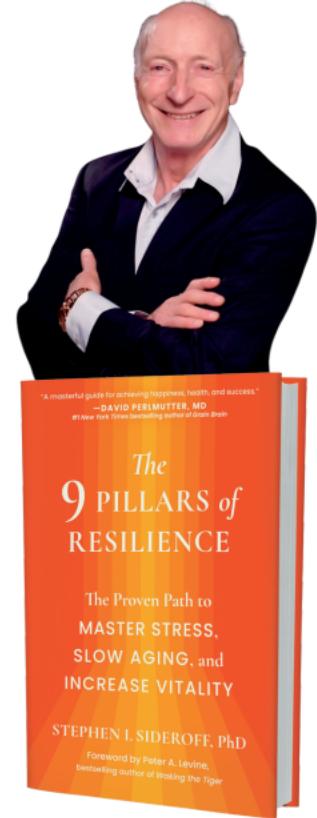
The 9 Pillars of Resilience

by Stephen I. Sideroff, PhD

Happening at the AAPB Book Store

Friday, May 16
12:30 to 1:30 pm

*a limited number of copies will be available for purchase onsite



Drawing on over 40 years of experience, Dr. Stephen I. Sideroff equips you with the techniques needed to adjust the mind and body to the evolutionary mismatch posed by modern forms of stress. Empower yourself to conquer stress, enhance resilience, and improve overall wellness and longevity through an innovative approach that will help you:

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Featuring a 6-page personal guide and assessment to support you on your journey, *The 9 Pillars of Resilience* makes it simple to establish lifelong physical, emotional, and mental patterns for mastering stress, increasing longevity, and living a joyful, balanced life.

10 - Special Event

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GENERAL SESSION LUNCH & LEARN

DEIJ Lecture: Using
Self-Efficacy to Improve
Outcomes for People
with Chronic Pain



presented by

Jarhed Peña, PhD, LPC, CRC

Friday, May 16 - San Diego, CA

12:45 pm to 1:45 pm

**Complimentary Lunch Provided
for the first 50 attendees on
a first-come, first-served basis**

Saturday, May 17
12:30 pm -1:30pm
Room: Cabrillo 2



Women in the Science of Applied Psychophysiology and Biofeedback Discussion Group Luncheon

Moderated by: Sarah Scott, HBSc

AAPB recently created this workgroup to highlight incredible research contributions, clinical achievements of women, and all who identify as such. This forum will offer open discussion on opportunities /challenges unique to women in our field. We will brainstorm ways AAPB can provide meaningful connections and resources for ongoing support. All are welcome! However, **attendance capacity is limited to the first 30 individuals (first-come-first-served basis). Attendance is complimentary and a light lunch will be provided.**

About AAPB

The Association for Applied Psychophysiology and Biofeedback (AAPB) was founded in 1969 as the Biofeedback Research Society. The goals of the association are to promote a new understanding of biofeedback and advance the methods used in this practice. AAPB is a non-profit organization as defined in Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Service Code.

It is the mission of AAPB to promote and represent the science and practice of self-regulation to enhance health and performance. It is the association's vision to integrate self-regulation in everyday life. The Association is hard at work meeting these objectives:

- Encouraging scientific research and expansion of clinical and educational applications of biofeedback and applied psychophysiology.
- Integrating biofeedback with other self-regulatory methods.
- Promoting high standards of professional practice, ethics, and education.
- Increasing member knowledge through events, publications, educational programs, and special interest sections and divisions.
- Making the public aware of biofeedback.

You Belong!



AAPB is a community comprised of professionals who share a passion for integrating the science of self-regulation into everyday life, toward optimal well-being for all. Whether it's an in-person annual scientific conference or a virtual event or even a listserv exchange, nothing replaces personal interaction with other like-minded individuals. The collective membership leverages shared experiences and expertise toward the adoption of best practices and standardization of biofeedback, which leads to increased acceptance and trust among the public and in healthcare. Check out the benefits here:

aapb.org/join

Meeting Highlights

The AAPB Annual Scientific Meeting provides a forum for the sharing of research, clinical strategies, and theoretical formulations across all facets of applied psychophysiology -- biofeedback, heart rate variability, neurofeedback, and evidence-based self-regulation. This international assembly of professionals represents an array of disciplines with an interest in the study of and treatment delivery using this modality. The 55th Annual Meeting of AAPB will showcase recent innovations in how we conceptualize and address a variety of disorders using biofeedback. The meeting will highlight recent innovations that speak to a multifaceted and contextualized understanding of the evidence-based science of self-regulation and its effects; engage a discussion about the state of research and practice; feature contextually focused interventions; and identify key avenues for future research. See old friends and respected colleagues, meet new ones, and develop and strengthen collaborative relationships to move the field of biofeedback forward.

- Preconference hands-on, extended learning Workshops on Wednesday, May 14 and Thursday, May 15 (separate registration required)
- Over 30 Symposia/Breakout Sessions on Friday, May 16 and Saturday, May 17
- Exhibit Hall and Networking Receptions to allow you to meet and collaborate with those who share knowledge and interest in biofeedback
- 33.5 MAXIMUM CE credits, CME credits and ACE Credits available for live participation, for a variety of licensures, including psychologists, social workers, physicians, and more. AAPB does not charge additional fees for CE credits
- This meeting is an in-person-only experience

Continuing Education



Psychologists: The Association for Applied Psychophysiology and Biofeedback is approved by the American Psychological Association to sponsor continuing education for psychologists. The Association for Applied Psychophysiology and Biofeedback maintains responsibility for the program and its content.



Joint Accreditation Statement: In support of improving patient care, this activity has been planned and implemented by Amedco LLC and Association for Applied Psychophysiology & Biofeedback. Amedco LLC is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team. Professions in scope for this activity are listed below.

Amedco Joint Accreditation Provider Number: 4008163

Physicians: Amedco LLC designates this live activity for a maximum of 33.50 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™ for physicians. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.



Social Workers: As a Jointly Accredited Organization, Amedco is approved to offer social work continuing education by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) Approved Continuing Education (ACE) program. Organizations, not individual courses, are approved under this program. State and provincial regulatory boards have the final authority to determine whether an individual course may be accepted for continuing education credit. Amedco maintains responsibility for this course. ASWB Content Level: Beginner. Social workers completing this course receive up to 33.50 continuing education credits.

See page 61 for Continuing Education Reciprocity information.



BCIA Recertification: Hour-for-hour attendance may be used to fulfill the continuing education requirements for recertification, with certificate(s) of attendance. The Biofeedback Certification International Alliance (BCIA) was created with the primary mission to certify individuals who meet education and training standards in biofeedback and progressively recertify those who advance their knowledge through continuing education.

14 - Continuing Education Statements

Conference Tracks



BASIC SCIENCE:

Applied psychophysiology and biofeedback are objective and evidence-based fields. They are grounded in an understanding of several related disciplines, neurophysiology, neuroanatomy, cognitive psychology, neuropsychology, cardiovascular physiology, respiratory physiology, public health and others. These sessions focus on underlying mechanisms and may be experimental, descriptive or literature reviews.



CLINICAL INTERVENTIONS AND OPTIMAL PERFORMANCE:

This track targets licensed clinicians working with patients as well as performance trainers and educators working with clients. These sessions provide evidence for successful biofeedback training options and typically involve patients wanting specific therapeutic treatments and interventions to address clinically diagnosed problems or healthy clients wanting to improve overall functioning and/or seeking techniques and approaches to enhance optimal performance.



HOT TOPICS:

This track features presentations focused on new ideas, technological advances, challenges and new applications of psychophysiological science. Sessions within this track provide a venue for more speculative thinking as well as information on developments from other disciplines that could impact the way we conduct biofeedback.

**Complete session details available at
aapb.org**

Instructional Levels

All instructional LEVELS are categorized as Introductory, Intermediate, and Advanced. Complete information, including session descriptions, learning objectives, presenter bios, associated risks, practice GAP and correction analysis, clinical and/or research focus and subject matter classifications are available online, where possible, at aapb.org, in full compliance with APA and AMA continuing education requirements.

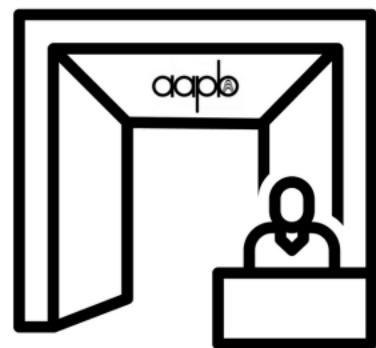
INTRODUCTORY: Content is designed for psychologists who may have little to no background in a specialized skill or content area. Through this level of programming, the learner can become acquainted with the theoretical underpinnings, principles, methods, and perspectives of a content area. An introductory level program also may serve as the foundation for subsequent intermediate and advanced learning. Introductory level programming may also be related to an emerging area of knowledge or practice. Although this content can be used as a foundation for more advanced learning, an introductory level program may simply focus on breadth, enrichment or general knowledge.

INTERMEDIATE: Content builds upon the learner's foundational knowledge, familiarity with the literature and/or experience in a content area. Programming at this level includes more depth than at a beginning level program. It could also serve as a refresher course for individuals who have a background in a content area and are interested in learning more contemporary applications.

ADVANCED: Builds upon established experience, knowledge, and skills in the content area. This may include more diverse applications to specific populations, or a novel application of the skill presented. Advanced level programming tends to be more specialized in nature and allows the learner to integrate and enhance knowledge and skills into their practice or other professional domains.

For those psychologists using the modality of biofeedback and interested in efficacy, science, and latest clinical applications. This conference (1) presents research relevant to psychological practice, education, and science; (2) it is our intention to host a continuing educational offering to help psychologists to keep up with the most current scientific evidence regarding assessment, intervention, and education; and (3) we believe that this program would allow psychologists, or other healthcare and mental healthcare practitioners, to increase competencies in order to improve services to patients/clients. This conference is IN NO WAY a substitute for the basic academic, accredited education and training needed for entry into the field of psychology.

Expo Hall & Registration Hours



Expo Hall Hours

Thursday, May 15

- Exhibitor Set-up: 12pm – 4pm
- Expo Hall Open: 4pm – 9pm
- Welcome Reception: 6:30pm – 9pm

Friday, May 16

- Breakfast: 7am – 8am
- Expo Hall Open: 7am – 9pm
- Refreshment Break: 10:30am – 11:30am
- Refreshment Break: 5:10pm – 5:30pm
- Poster Reception: 7:30pm – 9pm

Saturday, May 17

- Breakfast: 7:15am – 8am
- Expo Hall Open: 7am to 4pm
- Refreshment Break: 10:20am - 10:50am
- Exhibitor Teardown: 4pm to 7pm
- Closing Reception 7:30pm to 9:30pm

Registration Hours

Preconference

- Tuesday, May 13: 5pm – 7pm
- Wednesday, May 14: 7:30am – 6pm
- Thursday, May 15: 7:30am – 6pm

Conference

- Friday, May 16: 7am – 7pm
- Saturday, May 17: 7am – 7pm



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We thank them for their support of AAPB and contributions to advancing the delivery of our intervention - without them our meeting and the current state of practice would not be possible.

EXPO HALL LOCATION: Rio Vista D-H

AAPB Exhibitors

Listed in alphabetical order

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**International Society for
Neuroregulation & Research**

BOOTH #13



The International Society for Neuroregulation & Research is a membership organization that comprises people from many countries and various professional disciplines working on neurotherapy, neurofeedback training and neurofeedback research. ISNR supports education and excellence in the field of neurofeedback.

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BOOTH #10



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Exhibitor Demos

Friday, May 16 - 2pm - 3:30pm

EXH01: FDA cleared Tele EMG Biofeedback with JOGO Health

JOGO-GX is the first FDA cleared EMG Biofeedback system for both in person and telemedicine for the treatments of migraine, cancer pain, chronic lower back pain.

Friday, May 16 - 5:30 pm-6:30 pm

EXH02: Measuring What Matters: Using HRV to Inform and Elevate Clinical Practice and Research with Optimal HRV

In today's data-rich clinical landscape, Heart Rate Variability (HRV) offers a powerful, evidence-based window into client regulation, stress response, and overall well-being. This interactive session introduces practitioners to Optimal HRV, a cutting-edge platform that simplifies HRV tracking, supports HRV-based biofeedback, and integrates mindfulness-informed protocols into clinical care. Participants will explore how the Optimal HRV Professional Dashboard allows providers to monitor client progress over time, set individualized HRV goals, and deliver real-time feedback interventions that foster resilience and self-regulation. Presenters will showcase diverse use cases—from psychotherapy and trauma care to applied research and integrative health programs—demonstrating how HRV metrics can enhance therapeutic insight and clinical outcomes.

Saturday, May 17 - 2:45 pm - 4:15 pm

EXH03: Test your skills with Texas hold 'em, while monitored by Thought Tech's eVu-TPS

Watch poker players test their skills with Texas hold 'em, while the audience observes their physiological responses, monitored by Thought Tech's eVu-TPS and the BioGraph Infiniti Synergy Suite.

Schedule of Events

IMPORTANT!

- The schedule is subject to change.
- All times listed are indicated in US PACIFIC DAYLIGHT TIME (PDT).
- Complete information, including learning objectives by session, presenter biographies, financial disclosures and more, is available at aapb.org.
- 2025 AAPB Annual Scientific Meeting is being held as an “in person only” experience. Virtual participation will not be accommodated this year.
- All AAPB educational offerings are provided free of commercial bias.
- CE credits and self-completion certificates are included in the price of registration. AAPB does not charge additionally for CE credits. You will find the CE report form/certificate in your Welcome bag
- To secure CE credits, you are required to sign into each session on the Sign In Sheets provided outside each CE Credit valid session room.
- Room capacity is limited! If there is something you need to attend, be sure to arrive early to ensure your seat.
- Recording of lectures is STRICTLY prohibited.
- Full session details available at aapb.org

Your carbon/duo CE credit self-tracking form/certificate is provided in your welcome bag. Be sure to complete and leave a copy at registration before you leave the conference! The CME and ACE Learner notification form is also provided with instructions on how to report.

PRECONFERENCE - TUESDAY, MAY 13

5 pm - 7 pm

Early Preconference Registration

LOCATION: Rio Vista Salon D-E Foyer

All attendees need to start at registration.

Pick up your name badge, onsite guide and welcome bag.

PRECONFERENCE - WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

7:30 am - 6 pm

Preconference Registration/Attendee Check-In

LOCATION: Rio Vista Salon D-E Foyer

8 am - 9 pm

Preconference Workshop Attendee Breakfast

LOCATION: Rio Vista Salon D-E Foyer

PRECONFERENCE WORKSHOPS*

**Ticketed events. Pre-registration required/Additional fees apply*

9 am - 6:30 pm

WS01: BCIA Heart Rate Variability Biofeedback Didactic Course - Part 1

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon C

Presented by: Fredric Shaffer, PhD, BCB; Inna Khazan, PhD, BCB; Donald Moss, PhD, BCB, BCB-HRV

CE Credits: 7.5

Track: Basic Science

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Biofeedback/neurofeedback practitioners, psychologists, clinical counselors, clinical social workers, marriage and family therapists, nurses, physicians, and other healthcare professionals and academicians interested in utilizing heart rate variability (HRV) biofeedback in their practice or research.

Content Focus: 50% Clinical/50% Research

PRECONFERENCE - WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

9 am - 6 pm

WS02: Patient Intervention through the Use of Biofeedback Trainings with a Variety of Physiological Peripherals

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon B

Presented by: Frank de Gregorio, DEC

CE Credits: 7

Track: Basic Science

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Health professionals, researchers, and university health professional students

Content Focus: 100% Clinical

9 am - 6 pm

WS03: Biofeedback for Chronic Pain Management

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A

Presented by: Saul Rosenthal, PhD; Anu Kotay, PhD; Katie Fleishman, PhD

CE Credits: 7

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Providers interested in or working with individuals experiencing chronic pain.

Content Focus: 80% Clinical/20% Research

8:30 am - 1 pm

WS04: Cutting Edge Use of Transcranial Photobiomodulation & Bi-Lateral Tactile Stimulation: Mechanisms of Action...

ROOM: Balboa 1

Presented by: Amy Serin, PhD, BCN; Sanjay Manchanda, PhD, LMFT, BCN, QEEG-D

CE Credits: 4

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Psychologists, Psychiatrists, Neurotherapists, Neurofeedback and Biofeedback Practitioners, Performance Enhancement Coaches

Content Focus: 60% Clinical/40% Research

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PRECONFERENCE - WEDNESDAY, MAY 14

8:30 am - 1 pm

WS05: Biofeedback, Virtual Reality and Other Techniques Used to Facilitate the Suppression of Anxiety

ROOM: Sierra 5

Presented by: Robert H. Reiner, PhD; Karen Kaur, PhD

CE Credits: 4

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Mental health professionals and students interested in learning about cutting edge technologies.

Content Focus: 70% Clinical/30% Research

THIS SESSION IS FREE TO ALL ATTENDEES!

1 pm - 2 pm

Lunch On Your Own

2 pm to 6:30 pm

WS06: Intensive Progressive Relaxation: More than You Have Learned in the Past

ROOM: Sierra 6

Presented by: Paul Lehrer, PhD

CE Credits: 4

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Clinicians who use relaxation strategies to help people. Prior experience with other methods of progressive relaxation therapy will be helpful but not required.

Content Focus: 80% Clinical/20% Research

PRECONFERENCE - THURSDAY, MAY 15

7:30 am- 6 pm

Preconference Registration/Attendee Check-In

LOCATION: Rio Vista Salon D-E Foyer

8am-9am

Preconference Workshop Attendee Breakfast

LOCATION: Rio Vista Salon D-E Foyer

PRECONFERENCE WORKSHOPS*

**Ticketed events. Pre-registration required/Additional fees apply*

9 am - 6:30 pm

WS07: BCIA Heart Rate Variability Biofeedback Didactic Course - Part 2: How To Do It, Why it Works, and For What

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon C

Presented by: Paul Lehrer, PhD; Richard Gevirtz, PhD

CE Credits: 7.5

Track: Basic Science

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Biofeedback/neurofeedback practitioners, psychologists, clinical counselors, clinical social workers, marriage and family therapists, nurses, physicians, and other healthcare professionals and academicians interested in utilizing heart rate variability (HRV) biofeedback in their practice or research.

Content Focus: 50% Clinical/50% Research

PRECONFERENCE - THURSDAY, MAY 15

9 am - 6 pm

WS08: Stress: Its Manifestations and Management

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon B

Presented by: Jan B. Newman, MD, MA, FACS, ABIHM

CE Credits: 7

Track: Basic Science

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: The purpose of this session is to introduce the beginner to this material and advance the knowledge of advanced practitioners. It will demonstrate individualized care and how various practitioners can develop integrated systems. For beginners it will introduce the depth of this field. Advanced practitioners will discover greater detail and nuances.

Content Focus: 50% Clinical/50% Research

8:30 am - 1 pm

WS09: Rediscover the Forgotten Approach of Autogenic Training with Biofeedback

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A

Presented by: Erik Peper, PhD, BCB; Richard Harvey, PhD

CE Credits: 4

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: All clinicians

Content Focus: 70% Clinical/30% Research

8:30 am - 1 pm

WS10: The Business of Biofeedback: Strategies to Successfully Partner & Integrate Within a Healthcare Setting

ROOM: Sierra 5

Presented by: Ethan Benore, PhD; Katie Fleischman, PhD; Will Frye, PhD

CE Credits: 4

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Early to mid-career clinicians

Content Focus: 80% Clinical/20% Research

PRECONFERENCE - THURSDAY, MAY 15

8:30 am - 1 pm

WS11: Innovations in Photobiomodulation and Neurofeedback

ROOM: Sierra 6

Presented by: Penijean Gracefire, LMHC, BCN, qEEG-D

CE Credits: 4

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Clinicians, researchers and students interested in both neurofeedback and photobiomodulation

Content Focus: 70% Clinical/30% Research

12 pm - 4 pm

Exhibitor Set-up

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon D-H

1 pm - 2 pm

AAPB Board of Directors

Meeting

ROOM: Private Dining Room

1 pm - 2 pm

Lunch On Your Own

2 pm - 6:30 pm

WS12: Biofeedback/Neurofeedback Only Part of the Solution: Include Posture, Breathing, and Diet

ROOM: Sierra 6

Presented by: Erik Peper, PhD, BCB;

CE Credits: 4

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: All clinicians and educators

Content Focus: 60% Clinical/40% Research

PRECONFERENCE - THURSDAY, MAY 15

2pm - 6:30 pm

WS13: Practical Approaches to Management of Major Chronic Illnesses: A Lifestyle Medicine Perspective

ROOM: Sierra 5

Presented by: Angele McGrady, PhD; Donald Moss, PhD, BCB, BCB-HRV

CE Credits: 4

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: All clinicians

Content Focus: 75% Clinical/25% Research

2 pm - 6:30 pm

WS14: QEEG Based Assessment & Biofeedback, Neurofeedback & Supportive Treatments for ADHD, ASD and Concussions

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A

Presented by: Michael Linden, PhD - Psychologist, BCIA Senior Fellow

CE Credits: 4

Track: Basic Science

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Psychologists, Therapists, Neurofeedback/Biofeedback Therapists,

Physicians, Neurologists

Content Focus: 65% Clinical/35% Research

PRECONFERENCE - THURSDAY, MAY 15

2 pm - 6:30 pm

WS15: The Synergistic Complementarity of Biofeedback and Neurofeedback

ROOM: Balboa 1

Presented by: Siegfried Othmer, PhD; Judy Carlson, EdD, MSN, APRN, BCN Fellow

CE Credits: 4

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Advanced

Target Audience: Self-regulatory competence is foundational to mental and physical health, and neurofeedback has extended our therapeutic reach. Biofeedback modalities and neurofeedback by way of endogenous neuromodulation complement each other organically and should be combined in a unitary approach to functional recovery and optimal functioning. This workshop should interest researchers in applied psychophysiology, but mainly to any practitioner who is open to adopting a multi-modal treatment model.

Content Focus: 80% Clinical/20% Research

4 pm - 9 pm

Expo Hall Open

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon D-H

6:30 pm - 8:30 pm

REC01: INFORMAL WELCOME RECEPTION

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon D-H

CONFERENCE - FRIDAY, MAY 16

7 am - 7 pm

Conference Registration/ Attendee Check-In

LOCATION: Rio Vista Salon D-E Foyer

7 am - 8 am

Attendee Breakfast

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon D-H

8 am - 9 pm

Expo Hall Open

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon D-H

8:10 am - 9:10 am

BOS01: Bees and Brains: Unlocking Neurofeedback Potential

ROOM: Sierra 6

Presented by: Taylor Capozziello, PhD, BCN,
BCB, QEEG-D

CE Credits: 1

Track: Basic Science

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Anyone looking to better
understand brain waves and how the brain operates.

Content Focus: 25% Clinical/75% Research

8:10 am - 9:10 am

BOS02: One With Breathing: “Personal Empowerment from Within”

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Harm van der Lei, PhD, BCB;
Richard Gevirtz, PhD

CE Credits: 1

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal
Performance

Level: Advanced

Target Audience: Biofeedback professionals and
consumers that are interested in information on
applications of HRV and breathing principles to
promote performance, health, and well-being based
on the expertise and experience of 2 practitioners and
educators in the field of biofeedback.

Content Focus: 50% Clinical/50% Research

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8:10 am - 9:10 am

BOS03: Phase Amplitude Coupling in Clinical Practice

ROOM: Sierra 5

Presented by: Nicholas Dogris, PhD, BCN, QEEG-D

CE Credits: 1

Track: Basic Science

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Those with interest in Phase Amplitude Coupling

Content Focus: 75% Clinical/25% Research

8:10 am - 9:10 am

ORAL01: Oral Presentations - Session 1

ROOM: Balboa 1

ORAL01A: Investigating the Use of Biofeedback in Conjunction with Vagal Nerve Stimulators to Mitigate the Symptoms Associated with Parkinson's Disease

Presented by: Vanoosheh Ferdousian, MA

Track: Basic Science; Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Those using Vagal nerve stimulators in their practice, those who have patients with Parkinson's disease.

Content Focus: 80% Clinical/20% Research

ORAL01B: Leveling Up Cognition: Video Games for Aging Adults

Presented by: Linda Bolin, PhD, RN, ANP, BCB, FAHA; Amelia Saul, PhD, CTRS, BCB

Track: Basic Science; Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Individuals interested in learning more about the use of casual video gaming in aging adults to improve cognition.

Content Focus: 40% Clinical/60% Research

ORAL01C: From Research to Practice: The Application of Implementation Science to EEG Neurofeedback and Beyond

Presented by: Whitney Norris, PhD, LPC-S

Track: Hot Topics; Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Primarily researchers who are interested in the broader translational science spectrum. Clinicians who advocate for their preferred interventions will likely also be interested.

Content Focus: 10% Clinical/90% Research

CONFERENCE - FRIDAY, MAY 16

9:20 am - 10:30 am

KEY01: KEYNOTE: Genotyping, Phenotyping, Psychotyping in Chronic Pain: Perspective & Treatments

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Dennis C. Turk, PhD

CE Credits: 1

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Investigators and clinicians involved in research and treatment of individuals with chronic pain

Content Focus: 50% Clinical/50% Research

10:30 am - 11 am

Refreshment Break/ Coffee/Tea

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon D-H

11 am -12:30 pm

BOS04: Psychophysiological Interventions and Optimal Psychotherapy - Panel Discussion

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Donald Moss, PhD; Paul Lehrer, PhD; Inna Khazan, PhD, BCB; Patrick Steffen, PhD

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Basic Science

Level: Advanced

Target Audience: Biofeedback practitioners, psychotherapists, mental health professionals, healthcare professionals, researchers, and students.

Content Focus: 45% Clinical/55% Research

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11 am -12:30 pm

BOS05: Alpha and Friends - The Brain on Screens: EEG Markers of Brain Homeostasis versus Deregulation

ROOM: Sierra 5

Presented by: Mari Swingle, PhD, R. Psych BCIA
Senior Fellow, AAPB Fellow

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Practitioners of neuro & biofeedback

Content Focus: 50% Clinical/50% Research

11 am -12:30 pm

BOS06: The Auditory Cortex and Dichotic Listening

ROOM: Balboa 1

Presented by: Steph Ryall, LPC, NCC, BCN, QEEG-DL

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Neurofeedback and Biofeedback professionals

Content Focus: 90% Clinical/10% Research

11 am -12:30 pm

BOS07: The Impact of Infra-Low Frequency Neurofeedback on Post-Concussive Symptoms

ROOM: Sierra 6

Presented by: Judy Carlson, EdD, MSN, APRN, BCN Fellow

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Neurofeedback Providers or researchers who are interested in treatment of those who experience post-concussive symptoms of headache, sleep and attention issues, quality of life, PTSD, or depression as well as those who are interested in trauma care, care of those non-responders to traditional care, or Veteran Care

Content Focus: 100% Research

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12:30 pm - 2 pm

Lunch On Your Own

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

Author Book Signing - *The 9 Pillars of Resilience* by Stephen I. Sideroff, PhD

LOCATION: AAPB BookStore/Rio Vista Foyer

12:45 pm - 1:45 pm

LL01: DEIJ Lecture: Using Self-Efficacy to Improve Outcomes for People with Chronic Pain

ROOM: Cabrillo 2

Presented by: Jarhed Peña, PhD, LPC, CRC

CE Credits: 1

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Clinicians and providers who work with people experiencing chronic pain and disability.

Content Focus: 100% Clinical

COMPLIMENTARY LUNCH FOR THE FIRST 50 ATTENDEES (first-come/first-served)

12:45 pm - 1:45 pm

JRNL01: Journal Editorial Lunch

ROOM: Balboa 2

PRIVATE EVENT

12:45 pm - 1:45 pm

STNT01: STUDENT LUNCH

ROOM: West Lawn

1 pm - 1:30 pm

BCIA01: BCIA Certification/Recertification FAQs and Answers

ROOM: Sierra 5

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2 pm - 3:30 pm

BOS08: Ethics I: Professional Ethics & Practice Standards in Biofeedback

ROOM: Balboa 2

Presented by: Donald Moss, PhD

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Health professionals and behavioral health professionals engaged in the practice of biofeedback, neurofeedback, and self-regulation-oriented therapies, and students in training for health profession careers.

Content Focus: 80% Clinical/20% Research

2 pm - 3:30 pm

BOS09: Learning through Experience: Case Studies in Biofeedback and Neurofeedback

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Inna Khazan, PhD, BCB; Brendan Parsons, PhD, BCN; Elisa Chapman, MA, MBA, CMPC, BCB

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Anyone interested in advancing their clinical and/or performance practice in biofeedback and neurofeedback.

Content Focus: 80% Clinical/20% Research

2 pm - 3:30 pm

BOS10: Autistic Masking, Neurodiversity, and Psychophysiological Approaches: Insights for Clinical Practice

ROOM: Sierra 5

Presented by: Jessica Eure, LPC, BCN, BCB, QEEG-DL; Jennifer Glacel, LCSW, RPT-S; Neil Hughes

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Introductory

Target Audience:

Content Focus: 100% Clinical

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2 pm to 3:30 pm

BOS11: Crushing the Complexity: A Roadmap to Integrating Neurofeedback into Healthcare

ROOM: Sierra 6

Presented by: Dianne Kosto

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Individuals who are new to the field of neurofeedback or considering integrating it into their healthcare or wellness practices. The target audience includes: Healthcare Providers: Such as mental health therapists, counselors, psychologists, and physicians interested in expanding their services to include neurofeedback.

Content Focus: 80% Clinical/20% Research

2 pm to 3:30 pm

EXH01: EXHIBITOR DEMO: FDA cleared Tele EMG Biofeedback with JOGO Health

ROOM: Balboa 1

3:40 to 5:10 pm

BOS12: Creative Evidence-Informed Applied Intervention for Optimal Performance and Sustainment

ROOM: Sierra 5

Presented by: Tim Herzog, EdD, LCP, CMPC, BCB; Tracy Heller, PhD, CMPC, BCB, CBBA; Christine Sanchez, PhD, CMPC, BCB, CBBA

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Anyone interested in innovative evidence-informed practice, particularly for the sake of performance optimization.

Content Focus: 95% Clinical/5% Research

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3:40 - 5:10 pm

BOS13: Anatomy of Stress: It's Not Just Fight or Flight

ROOM: Balboa 1

Presented by: Jan B Newman, MD, MA, FACS, ABIHM

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Basic Science

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: For beginners it will introduce the depth of this field. Advanced practitioners will discover greater detail and nuances.

Content Focus: 50% Clinical/50% Research

3:40 - 5:10 pm

BOS14: Broadening Horizons on Skin Conductance Biofeedback

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Saul Rosenthal, PhD; Inna Khazan, PhD, BCB; Jarhed Peña, PhD, LPC, CRC; Brendan Parsons, PhD, BCB

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Providers at all experience levels interested in learning more about skin conductance and how it can be used in their biofeedback practice.

Content Focus: 85% Clinical/15% Research

3:40 - 5:10 pm

BOS15: From Data to Decisions: Systematically Extracting Key Insights for More Personalized Interventions

ROOM: Sierra 6

Presented by: Shari Johansson, MA, LPC, BCB, QEEG-DL

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Practitioners utilizing 19-channel EEGs who are keen on developing their analytical skills to interpret EEG data personally, rather than outsourcing it or relying solely on automated systems. This group is driven to gain a deeper understanding of EEG analysis to enhance their precision and confidence in creating and implementing neurofeedback interventions.

Content Focus: 80% Clinical/20% Research

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5:10 pm - 5:30 pm

Refreshment Break/Coffee/Tea

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon D-H

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

BOS16: Photobiomodulation in COVID-19: From Acute Treatment to Long COVID Brain Fog Management

ROOM: Sierra 6

Presented by: Lew Lim, PhD, MBA

CE Credits: 1

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Practitioners researchers and anyone interested in a novel evidence-based method to treat acute COVID and brain fog in long COVID.

Content Focus: 50% Clinical/50% Research

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

BOS17: Biofeedback, Virtual Reality and Other Techniques Used to Facilitate the Suppression of Anxiety

ROOM: Balboa 1

Presented by: Robert H. Reiner, PhD; Karen Kaur, PhD

CE Credits: 1

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Mental health professionals and students interested in learning about cutting edge technologies.

Content Focus: 70% Clinical/30% Research

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

BOS18: Decoding Addiction: Linking Personality Metrics with Neural Activity via EEG

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Rex Cannon, PhD; Carol Mills, MS; David Cook, MS

CE Credits: 1

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Those interested in personality mechanisms, substance use disorders, neurofeedback and EEG current sources. Clinicians as well as researchers will find it educational.

Content Focus: 70% Clinical/30% Research

CONFERENCE - FRIDAY, MAY 16

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

BOS19: All Chronic Pain is not Created Equal: HRV Biofeedback Interventions

ROOM: Sierra 5

Presented by: Richard Gevirtz, PhD

CE Credits: 1

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Any biofeedback practitioner or body work clinician interested in chronic pain.

Content Focus: 50% Clinical/50% Research

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

ORAL02: Oral Presentations - Session 2

ROOM: Balboa 2

ORAL02A: An Evaluation of the Concurrent Validity of PPG and ECG HRV Measurements

Presented by: Fredric Shaffer, PhD, BCB, BCB-HRV

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Professionals who utilize heart rate variability

Content Focus: 25% Clinical/75% Research

ORAL02B: The Braiding Technique Does Not Promote Abdominal Breathing

Presented by: Fredric Shaffer, PhD, BCB, BCB-HRV

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Clinicians who teach breathing techniques

Content Focus: 50% Clinical/50% Research

ORAL02C: How Breathing Exercises Can Help Relieve Menstrual Pain in Students

Presented by: Erik Peper, PhD, BCB; Richard Harvey, PhD; Singing Chen, MA; Nicholas Heinz, BA

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Any clinician and educator who works with women

Content Focus: 60% Clinical/40% Research

CONFERENCE - FRIDAY, MAY 16

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm

EXH02: EXHIBITOR DEMO - Measuring What Matters: Using HRV to Inform and Elevate Clinical Practice and Research with Optimal HRV

ROOM: Cabrillo 2

6:30 pm to 7:40 pm

KEY02: KEYNOTE: Acceptance, Not a Regulation Technique But a Way of Being

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Brad S. Lichtenstein, ND, BCB, BCB - HRV

CE Credits: 1

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: General health practitioners

Content Focus: 100% Clinical

Following Keynote - 7:40 pm

Rec02: Poster & President's Reception

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon D-H

CONFERENCE - SATURDAY, MAY 17

7 am - 7 pm

Conference Registration/ Attendee Check-In

LOCATION: Rio Vista Salon D-E Foyer

7:15 am - 8 am

Attendee Breakfast

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon D-H

8 am - 4 pm

Expo Hall Open

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon D-H

8:00 am - 9:00 am

BOS20: Increasing Prevalence of Mu Rhythm in Post-Pandemic Populations

ROOM: Sierra 5

Presented by: Cory Williams, MS, BCN, qEEG-D

CE Credits: 1

Track: Basic Science

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Clinicians who work with ADHD, pediatric or adult populations, or who are curious about the diagnostic process.

Content Focus: 40% Clinical/60% Research

8:00 am - 9:00 am

BOS21: Concussion Rescue: A Holistic Approach to Brain Injury Rehabilitation

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Jay Gattis, PsyD; Kabran Chapek, ND

CE Credits: 1

Track: Basic Science

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: All with interest in concussion recovery

Content Focus: 50% Clinical/50% Research

CONFERENCE - SATURDAY, MAY 17

8:00 am - 9:00 am

BOS22: Heart Rate Variability and Fragmentation: Results from HRVB Intervention and Field Studies with Law Enforcement Officers

ROOM: Sierra 6

Presented by: Judith Andersen, Associate Professor, University of Toronto; Patrick Fahim, BSc; Sigrún Póra Sveinsdóttir, PhD; Sarah Scott, HBSc

CE Credits: 1

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Researchers, practitioners interested in understanding the implementation of HRVBF in applied police contexts, the effectiveness of novel cardiovascular biomarkers and/or importance of resonance frequency in HRVBF efficacy.

Content Focus: 15% Clinical/85% Research

8:00 am - 9:00 am

ORAL03: Oral Presentations - Session 3

ROOM: Balboa 1

ORAL03A: Mindfulness Neurofeedback: Feasibility for Enhancing Academic Success among Underrepresented Students

Presented by: Amelia Saul, PhD, CTRS, BCB

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Individuals interested in learning more about the use of mindfulness-based neurofeedback to improve academic performance and reduce academic anxiety in college students from historically underrepresented racial and ethnic backgrounds.

Content Focus: 40% Clinical/60% Research

ORAL03B: AI Models with HRV: Reducing Bias in Black Health Stress Measurement and Outcomes

Presented by: Marcia Uddoh, PhD, MPH, MS, MSW, MD (candidate)

CE Credits:

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: This session is ideal for researchers, clinicians, public health professionals, biofeedback practitioners, AI developers, and policymakers interested in leveraging AI and HRV to reduce health disparities and promote culturally competent interventions.

Content Focus: 60% Clinical/40% Research

CONFERENCE - SATURDAY, MAY 17

9:10 am - 10:20 am

KEY03: KEYNOTE: Endogenous Neuromodulation in the Infra-Low Frequency Domain

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Siegfried Othmer, PhD

CE Credits: 1

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Advanced

Target Audience: All Attendees

Content Focus: 70% Clinical/30% Research

10:20 am - 10:50 pm

Refreshment Break/Coffee/Tea

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon D-H

10:50 am - 12:20 pm

BOS23: Ethics II: Professional Ethics and Practice Standards in Neurofeedback and Telehealth

ROOM: Sierra 5

Presented by: Donald Moss, PhD

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Biofeedback practitioners, medical providers, mental healthcare providers, instructors, students.

Content Focus: 75% Clinical/25% Research

10:50 am - 12:20 pm

BOS24: Integrating Biofeedback into Large-Scale Medical Settings

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Anu Kotay, PhD; Elizabeth Parks, PT, BCB, TPS; Susan Fitts, PsyD; Chaya Rivka Mayerson, PsyD

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Early career providers working in large medical settings

Content Focus: 85% Clinical/15% Research

CONFERENCE - SATURDAY, MAY 17

10:50 am - 12:20 pm

BOS25: NFB "Cheat Codes": Master Advanced Notions by a Profound Understanding of the Fundamentals

ROOM: Balboa 1

Presented by: Brendan Parsons, PhD, BCN

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Neurofeedback professionals in active practice, biofeedback professionals looking to add neurofeedback to their clinical tools

Content Focus: 60% Clinical/40% Research

10:50 am - 12:20 pm

BOS26: Crappy Cases 2: Judgment Day

ROOM: Sierra 6

Presented by: Saul Rosenthal, PhD; Richard Gevirtz, PhD;

Mari Swingle, PhD

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Primarily focused on newer practitioners, but will prove useful for anyone who has experienced a treatment failure, regardless of experience

Content Focus: 90% Clinical/10% Research

12:20 pm - 2 pm

Lunch On Your Own

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm

LL02: Women in the Science of

Applied Psychophysiology and

Biofeedback Discussion Group

Luncheon

ROOM: Cabrillo 2

AAPB recently created a Women in the Science of Applied Psychophysiology and Biofeedback workgroup to highlight incredible research contributions, clinical achievements of women, and all who identify as such. This forum will offer open discussion on opportunities /challenges unique to women in our field. We will brainstorm ways AAPB can provide meaningful connections and resources for ongoing support. All are welcome! However, attendance capacity is limited to the first 30 RSVPs (first-come-first-served basis). Attendance is complimentary and a light lunch will be provided.

CONFERENCE - SATURDAY, MAY 17

1:30 pm - 2:35 pm

Key04: KEYNOTE: Targeting the Brain-Heart-Immune Axis to Promote Resilience Recovery after Surgery

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Leah Acker, PhD, MD

CE Credits: 1

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Clinicians, patients with interest in these devices, researchers

Content Focus: 40% Clinical/60% Research

2:45 pm - 4:15 pm

BOS27: Assessment & Treatment Options for Insomnia: A Neurocognitive Approach

ROOM: Balboa 2

Presented by: Christina Lewis, PsyD., LCSW-S, BCB, BCN; Gay Teurman, PsyD., MFT, BCN, QEEG-D; Brigitte Lewis, BS Neuroscience, LPC Associate
CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Any practitioner who works with clients who have sleep issues.

Content Focus: 90% Clinical/10% Research

2:45 pm - 4:15 pm

BOS28: Practical Tips on Integrating Cultural Awareness and Sensitivity into Biofeedback Practices

ROOM: Sierra 6

Presented by: Ethan Benore, PhD; Katie Fleischman, PhD; Will Frye, PhD

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Clinicians at all stages of career

Content Focus: 80% Clinical/20% Research

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2:45 pm - 4:15 pm

BOS29: From Rumination to Compassion with Biofeedback

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Inna Khazan, PhD, BCB; Nate Ewigman, PhD, BCB

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Advanced

Target Audience: Biofeedback providers

Content Focus: 80% Clinical/20% Research

2:45 pm - 4:15 pm

BOS30: Centralized Pain: Clinical and Practical Implications

ROOM: Sierra 5

Presented by: Peter Behel, MA; Jack Ginsberg, PhD; Meghan Varner, PT, DPT, CMTPT

CE Credits: 1.5

Track: Basic Science

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Practitioners interested in chronic pain at all levels.

Content Focus: 50% Clinical/50% Research

2:45 pm - 4:15 pm

EXH03: EXHIBITOR DEMO: Test your skills with Texas hold 'em, while monitored by Thought Tech's eVu-TPS

ROOM: Balboa 1

4pm

Expo Hall Closes

4:15 pm - 4:45 pm

Refreshment Break/Coffee/Tea

LOCATION: Rio Vista Salon D-E Foyer

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Scientist Award,
2025



Primary Discipline:
World-renowned
Neuroscientist
of Years'
Experience: 7 year
focus on Heart
Rate Variability
Biofeedback



ABOUT HER WORK:

Mara Mather is Professor of Gerontology, Psychology and Biomedical Engineering at the University of Southern California. Together with her lab members and research collaborators, she has conducted innovative work on the critical role of the noradrenergic system in cognition and aging, how emotion and emotional arousal affect cognition, and how inducing heart rate oscillatory activity benefits emotional brain networks and the aging brain. Her current research mission is to use physiological interventions to slow brain aging. She has received the Distinguished Scientific Award for Early Career Contribution to Psychology from the American Psychological Association, a National Institutes of Health K02 Career Development award, an Alexander von Humboldt Foundation Research Fellowship and a Max Planck Sabbatical Award. She received her PhD in Cognitive Psychology from Princeton University and completed her undergraduate degree and postdoctoral training at Stanford University.

INSPIRATION:

CURIOSITY!

I'm inspired by the potential of slow paced breathing to slow production of amyloid-beta peptides, an initial building block of the amyloid plaque that is one of the signature features of Alzheimer's disease.

- Mara Mather, PhD

ADVICE TO NEXT GENERATION:

Always ask why and try to test out your hypotheses in well-controlled experiments.

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Mara helped foster our science careers -- her mentorship continued long after we left the lab and embarked upon our own academic careers.

Mara inspires a passion for scientific exploration and provides particularly insightful feedback about 'research, navigating academia, work-life balance, and career strategy!'

We are grateful for her support and training-- during the time she worked with us at USC and beyond.

- Dr. Briania Kennedy and Dr. Michiko Sakaki



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So Many Luminaries Among Us!

It's time for AAPB to shine a spotlight on them and ensure the world is better acquainted with them.

The AAPB Human Library showcases those individuals who have contributed to the science and practice of applied psychophysiology and biofeedback, those who have made significant contributions to the advancement of brain/body/mental health or to AAPB itself.

CONFERENCE - SATURDAY, MAY 17

5 pm - 6 pm

BOS31: EEG Correlates of Panic, Violence, Aggression and Psychosis

ROOM: Sierra 5

Presented by: Tiff Thompson, PhD, QEEGD, REEGT, LMFT, BCN

CE Credits: 1

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: All attendees

Content Focus: 50% Clinical/50% Research

5 pm - 6 pm

BOS32: Photobiomodulation in Traumatic Brain Injury: Pathophysiology, Clinical Evidence, and Implications for Neurofeedback

ROOM: Sierra 6

Presented by: Lew Lim, PhD, MBA

CE Credits: 1

Track: Clinical Interventions and Optimal Performance

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Psychotherapists, neurofeedback practitioners, researchers in brain conditions.

Content Focus: 40% Clinical/60% Research

5 pm - 6 pm

BOS33: How Do You Feel in Your Body? A Deep Dive into Assessing Interoception as Bodily Awareness

ROOM: Balboa 1

Presented by: Janell Mensinger, PhD-

CE Credits: 1

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Intermediate

Target Audience: Clinicians, researchers, and students who are interested in learning more about theories surrounding interoception, or bodily awareness, and how to measure it—especially as it pertains to disordered eating and chronic pain.

Content Focus: 20% Clinical/80% Research

CONFERENCE - SATURDAY, MAY 17

5 pm - 6 pm

ORAL04: Chronic Stress, The Master Hallmark of Aging: How it Speeds Up Aging and a Resilience Model to Reverse This Process

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Stephen Sideroff, PhD

CE Credits: 1

Track: Hot Topics

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: All attendees

6:15 pm - 7:30 pm

Key05: Distinguished Scientist Lecture: Effects of Heart Rate Variability Biofeedback on Emotion Brain Networks and on Blood Biomarkers of Alzheimer's Disease

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon A-C

Presented by: Mara Mather, PhD

CE Credits: 1

Track: Basic Science

Level: Introductory

Target Audience: Those interested in understanding emotional, brain and neurodegenerative disease implications of HRV biofeedback.

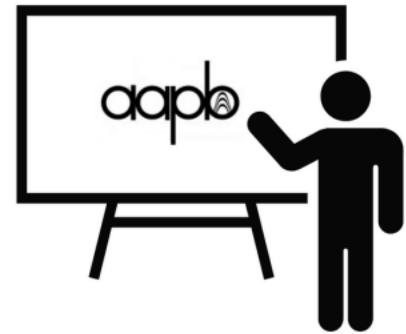
Content Focus: 100% Research

7:30 pm

Rec03: Closing Reception

ROOM: Rio Vista Salon D-H

Poster Presenters



Poster Presentations will be held on Friday, May 16 at the Poster and President's Reception at 7:40 pm

1: Brain Activity Changes Postpartum: A qEEG Study

Authors: Alison Anglen, PhD, Counseling Psychology; Samantha Jacobson, PsyD; Amy Serin, PhD

2: Sex Differences in the Psychophysiology of PTSI Among Police Officers

Authors: Amanda Jani, HBSc; Sarah Scott, HBSc; Judith Andersen, PhD

3: A Biomarker-Based Investigation Of The Mindful Sport Performance Enhancement Protocol Vs Heart Rate Variability Biofeedback To Reduce Anxiety, Improve Attention, Increase Flow State, And Enhance Performance In High-Risk Sport (Big Wave Surfing)

Authors: Andrea Carvalho Dias, MA

4: The Effects of Bilateral Stimulation on Brodmann Area 25

Authors: Andrea Menhennet, LPC; Amy Serin, PhD, BCN; Samantha Blake Jacobson, PsyD

5: Role of Prefrontal Cortex in Verbal Fluency and Confrontation Naming in Persons with Aphasia: Insights from fNIRS Investigation

Authors: Bijoyaa Mohapatra, PhD, CCC-SLP; Biraj Bhattarai, MS

6: Neural Reset Technique: Using Bi-Lateral Tactile Stimulation Can Significantly Reduce Patient Distress

Authors: Caroline Signa, PhD; Amy Serin, PhD; Samantha Jacobson, PsyD; Alison Anglen, PhD; Andrea Menhennet, Gabriella Corsino, BA; Riley Smelkinson, BS; Chanessa Stanley, LMSW

7: Is Level of Self-Reported Health a Predictor of Increased HRV?

Authors: Dantzel Petersen-Hancey; Patrick Steffen, PhD

Poster Presenters



8: Optimizing Biofeedback Outcomes: A Whole-Person and Integrative Approach

Authors: Darlene Lee, ND, MSW, BCB; Arvin Jenab, ND

9: Initial Menstrual Experiences May Moderate Future Menstruations

Authors: Erik Peper, PhD, BCB; Nicholas Heinz, BA; Singing Chen, MA; Lorelei Tavernier, Student; Richard Harvey, PhD

10: Stereoelectroencephalography (sEEG) Data Analysis Methods Review in Epilepsy

Authors: Norah Hill, Student; Francisco Cortez-Thomas, BS; Alyssa Scraper, BS; Ian Mutchnick, MD; Estate Sokhadze, PhD

11: EEG Source Localization in Epilepsy and Importance of Accurate Positioning of EEG Sensors

Authors: Mustafa Almosawi, BS; Arianna Frantz; Ian Mutchnick, MD; Estate Sokhadze, PhD

12: Does Combining Slow-Paced Breathing and Slow-Paced Muscle Contraction Increase HRV?

Authors: Fredric Shaffer, PhD; Isaac Compton, PhD

13: Effects of Heart Rate Variability (HRV) Biofeedback on Brain Regions in Patients with Major Depressive Disorder

Authors: I-Mei Lin, Clinical psychologist; Yi-Hui Lin

14: Precision Analysis of Heart Rate Variability Biofeedback in Patients with Major Depressive disorder

Authors: I-Mei Lin, Clinical psychologist; I-Mei Lin, Clinical psychologist; Chongen Gao

15: Heart Rate Variability Skills Training for Autonomic Rehabilitation (HRV STAR)

Authors: James Burch, MS, PhD; Jennifer Weggen, MS, PhD (Cand.); Ben Ginsberg, MS; Madison Maxwell, MS; Sahil Nath, Meghan Varner, Laura E. Boylan, PhD (Cand); Thomas Chelimsky, MD; Chelimsky, MD; Patricia Kinser, PhD; Bryce D. McLeod, PhD; J.P. Ginsberg, PhD; Raouf Gharbo, DO

16: Examining the Influence of Various Inhalation to Exhalation Ratios on Heart Rate Variability

Authors: Josh Marchant, BA; Faith Leishman, BA; Clara Zinn, BA; Josse Sandres, BA; Patrick Steffen, PhD

17: Integrating Heart Rate Variability Biofeedback into Cardiac Rehabilitation for Secondary Prevention of Cardiovascular Disease

Authors: Margaret Boomgaarden, ND

18: Resonance-Paced Breathing at 0.1 Hz Modulates Arterial Pressure via Baroreflex-Induced Vasodilation

Authors: Mehdi Kushkestani; Amber Sarwani, MS; Anthony Pawlak; Marsha E. Bates, MS

19: Adherence to Paced Breathing: Examining the Effects of Low and Slow vs. Deep Breathing

Authors: Mikel Cressman, Graduate Student; Ruth Jack, Student; Cole Murphy, Student; Natalie Johnson, Student; Ainsley Lumsden; Patrick Steffen, PhD

20: Biofeedback Peak Performance HRV Training Protocol for Enhancing Shooting Accuracy Among College Students

Authors: Muhammad Nubli Abdul Wahab; Huang Donghai

21: Self-Healing Projects in a University Holistic Health Class, Cases of Reducing Hypertension, Hives (Chronic Urticaria) and Diabetes.

Authors: Richard Harvey, PhD; Erik Peper, PhD; Maggie Hellberg, Student; Via Calderon, Student

22: Heart Rate Variability Biofeedback (HRV-B): A Novel Approach to Autonomic Nervous System Regulation and Gastric Motility Improvement

Authors: Sharmista Chintalapalli, BA; Naomi Maxwell, BA; Richard Gevirtz, PhD, BCB

23: Integration of Frontal Gamma Asymmetry as a Forensic Tool for Emotional Valence in a Murder Case

Authors: Thomas Collura, PhD, MSMHC, QEEG-D, BCN, NCC, LPCC; David S. Cantor, PhD, MS; Ronald Bonnstetter, PhD

24: Heart Rate Variability and Suicide Prevention: The Moderating Role of Vagal Tone in the Link Between Somatic Anxiety and Suicidal Ideation

Authors: Alice Fiduccia; Sara Guidotti; Carlo Pruneti

General Info & Policies

Overall Conference Objectives:

- Discuss new psychophysiology and biofeedback methods to realize human potential and achieve results in a clinical setting.
- Determine psychophysiology and biofeedback techniques to improve patients' quality of life.

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MI: No CE requirement for licensed counselors.

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MI:

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