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# Pain Community

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## PRESIDENT'S UPDATE

IASP kicked off April with the release of a new 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary timeline covering [1980-1989](#). Be sure to check out IASP's key milestones from the 80s and other [50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary](#) content on the IASP website. Be sure to follow IASP on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and [LinkedIn](#) to celebrate with IASP members around the world.



I am pleased to announce that IASP has released three new fact sheets for the [2023 Global Year for Integrative Pain Care](#). These fact sheets address defining integrative pain care, developing an integrative health plan, and integrative approaches to pain management. The 2023 Global Year aims to raise awareness about integrative pain care and illustrates the knowns and unknowns of this important topic via different initiatives. [Download the new fact sheets](#).

The [International Symposium on Pediatric Pain 2023 \(ISPP 2023\)](#), 1-4 October, in Halifax, Nova Scotia, is closing [poster abstract](#) and [financial aid](#) submissions on 15 April. Now is the time to submit your poster abstract to present at the premier interdisciplinary conference on pain in infants, children, and adolescents. [Register by 2 June to receive the early bird discount](#).

The [NeuPSIG 2023 International Congress on Neuropathic Pain \(NeuPSIG 2023\)](#), 7-9 September, in Lisbon, Portugal, is now accepting late breaking [poster abstracts](#). Submit your research by 8 May to present and connect with key stakeholders in the field of neuropathic pain. Be sure to [register by 5 May to receive the early bird discount](#).

Have a Great Month,  
M. Catherine Bushnell, PhD  
IASP President

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## IASP UPDATE

### Enter to Win a \$250 Amazon Gift Card: Take Part in My Letter to Pain



The first 200 people to [take part in the My Letter to Pain Campaign](#) by 14 April will be entered to win one of the following prizes:

- 4 \$250 USD Amazon Gift Cards
- 20 \$100 USD Amazon Gift Cards
- A-year subscription to *PAIN Reports*
- One-year IASP membership and access to all member benefits
- One 2024 World Congress on Pain full registration



### Now Available: Global Year 2023 Factsheets



Earlier this year, IASP launched the 2023 Global Year for Integrative Pain Care. The 2023 Global Year theme aims to increase the awareness of clinicians, scientists, and the public about using an integrative pain care approach, which emphasizes non-drug, self-management care.

Available 2023 Global Year Factsheets:

- [Developing an Integrative Pain Care Plan](#)
- [Generation and Appraisal of Evidence for Integrative Approaches to Pain Management](#)
- [What Do We Mean By Integrative Pain Care?](#)





## 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary: Explore IASP Milestones from 1980-1989

Did you know that John Bonica dedicated a plaque to James Simpson, the inventor of anesthesia, in Edinburgh during the 1981 World Congress on Pain? [Explore key milestones from the 80s](#) in the latest installment of IASP history is now available as part of IASP's 50th Anniversary.



## IASP at USASP 2023 Annual Scientific Conference

IASP is attending and exhibiting at the [U.S. Association for the Study of Pain's 2023 Annual Scientific Conference](#), 11-14 April, Durham, North Carolina. IASP is proud to sponsor the U.S. Chapter's Annual Conference and is excited to have the chance to meet with members from the U.S. Stop by the IASP booth and say hello.



## UPCOMING WEBINARS

### Register for the 20 April Webinar

The MESISIG webinar, [Quality, Bias, and Integrity in Pain Research: Creating the Next Generation of Pain Science](#), will discuss the growing awareness regarding the importance of research integrity and of challenges that impact the trustworthiness of clinical evidence. Featuring presentations by:

- Michael Ferraro, PhD Candidate, Centre for Pain IMPACT at NeuRA, Sydney, Australia
- Emma Fisher, PhD, University of Bath, UK
- Andrew Moore, DPhil, DSc, CChem FRSC, University of Oxford, UK

- Neil O'Connell, PhD, Brunel University, UK
- Sebastian Straube, BM BCh, MA (Oxon), DPhil, University of Alberta, Canada
- Amanda Williams, PhD, CPsychol, University College London, UK (facilitator)



## Register for the 27 April Webinar

The SocSIG webinar, [Demographic and Sociological Approaches to Population Pain: Trends, Disparities, and the Role of Upstream Factors](#), will examine demographic and sociological aspects of chronic pain - with a special focus on pain trends and disparities in the U.S. and worldwide - and on the role of upstream macro-level factors in shaping these pain outcomes. Featuring presentations by:

- Hanna Grol-Prokopczyk, PhD, University at Buffalo, SUNY, USA
- Anna Zajacova, PhD, University of Western Ontario, Canada
- Adam Hirsh, PhD, Indiana University, USA (moderator)




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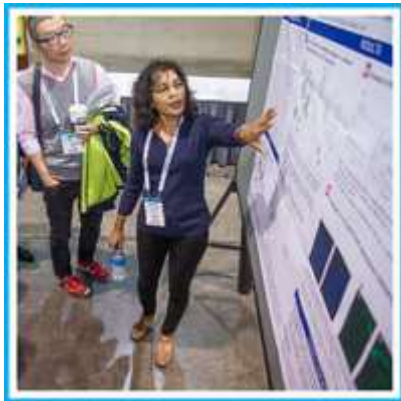
## SIG MEETING UPDATE

### [NeuPSIG 2023 International Congress on Neuropathic Pain \(NeuPSIG 2023\)](#)

7-9 September, Lisbon, Portugal

### **Register by 5 May and Receive the Early Bird Discount**

[Register for NeuPSIG 2023](#), the leading international meeting for the latest research and developments in understanding the mechanisms, assessment, prevention, and treatment of neuropathic pain. Early Bird Deadline: 5 May



## Late Breaking Poster Abstract Submissions are Now Open

[Submit your late-breaking poster abstract](#) for the chance to present your research to key stakeholders in the field of neuropathic pain; abstracts on all areas of neuropathic pain are eligible for consideration. Submission Deadline: 8 May



## [Get to Know NeuPSIG 2023 Plenary Speakers](#)

NeuPSIG 2023 plenary speakers discuss their research and plenary presentations. Watch these plenary speaker interviews and [register to attend](#).



### [Catharina Faber, MD, PhD](#)

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### [Pall Karlsson, PhD](#)

Associate Professor  
Aarhus University, Danish Pain  
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**Scott Lempka, PhD**  
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University of Michigan  
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**Daniela Maria Menichella, MD, PhD**  
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**Srinivasa Raja, MD, PhD**  
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Critical Care Medicine, Director of  
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**Whitney Scott, PhD**  
Senior Lecturer and Clinical  
Psychologist  
King's College London  
United Kingdom

### **International Symposium on Pediatric Pain 2023 (ISPP 2023)**

1-4 October, Halifax, Nova Scotia

### **Submit Your ISPP 2023 Poster Abstract by 15 April**

[Submit your poster abstract](#) and present at ISPP 2023. Plan to present your research to pediatric pain professionals and connect with key



stakeholders in the field. Submission Deadline:  
15 April



## Apply for Financial Aid to Attend ISPP 2023

[Submit your application to receive financial aid](#) to attend ISPP 2023. IASP provides financial aid opportunities to help individuals with limited resources attend is limited to free registration. Application Deadline: 15 April



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### Karel Allegaert, PhD

Professor  
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### Bernie Carter, PhD, BSc (Hons), SRN, RSCN

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**Susmita Kashikar-Zuck, PhD**  
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**Mike Salter, MD, PhD**  
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**Marsha Treadwell, PhD**  
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## MEMBER UPDATE

### Member Spotlight



The April Member Spotlight highlights A.M. Takdir Musba, MD, PhD. Dr. Musba became an IASP member in 2008, initially as a prerequisite for participating in one of the training programs that was supported by IASP– the Clinical Training of Multidisciplinary Pain Management in Bangkok, Thailand. He shares that his experience as an IASP member helped to open his mind about the field of pain management through IASP’s programs, quality information, and the *PAIN* journal, all contributing to his knowledge and understanding of pain as an educator and a practitioner. [Learn More about Dr. Musba’s work in his full-member spotlight.](#)



## PUBLICATIONS



### **PAIN Journal**

The [April issue of PAIN is now available](#) and includes:

Two Editor’s Choice articles:

- [Mirror peripheral neuropathy and unilateral chronic neuropathic pain: insights from asymmetric neurological patterns in leprosy](#)
- [Auditory disturbances in patients with complex regional pain syndrome](#)

Topical Review: [Looking inward to improve pediatric chronic pain outcomes: a call for team science research](#)

### **2023 Global Year for Integrative Pain articles:**

- [Patient preferences in the treatment of chronic musculoskeletal pain: a systematic review of discrete choice experiments](#)
- [Healthy dietary indices and noncancer pain: a systematic review of cross-sectional and longitudinal studies](#)
- [Recovery expectations can be assessed with single-item measures: findings of a systematic review and meta-analysis on the role of recovery expectations on return-to-work outcomes after musculoskeletal pain conditions](#)

- [Consistent pattern between physical activity measures and chronic pain levels: the Tromsø Study 2015 to 2016](#)
- [Opioid dose and pain effects of an online pain self-management program to augment usual care in adults with chronic pain: a multisite randomized clinical trial](#)
- [A double-blind phase II randomized controlled trial of an online cognitive bias modification for interpretation program with and without psychoeducation for people with chronic pain](#)

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## PAIN RESEARCH FORUM

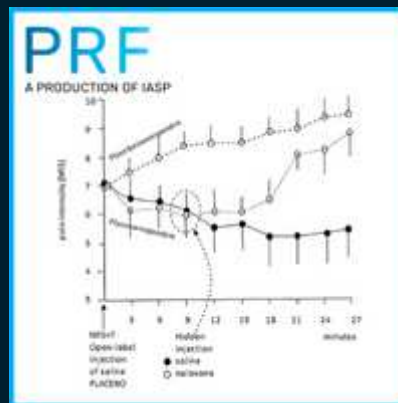
### [Fallen at the First Gate: New Evidence of Inhibitory Filtering in the DRG](#)

New research in rodents shows that GABA exerts an inhibitory effect on noxious inputs in the dorsal root ganglia. Can it now be considered the first sensory gate? [Learn more in PRF.](#)



### [Open-Label Placebo Analgesia Blocked by Naloxone](#)

New data suggest that although open-label placebos provide pain relief, this can be blocked by the opioid antagonist naloxone, like traditional “deceptive” placebos. [Learn more in PRF.](#)




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## SIG, CHAPTER, AND FEDERATION UPDATE



## Apply to Attend the Latin American Pain Camp

The Latin American Pain Camp will take place, 5-8 July, in Guayaquil, Ecuador. The four-day educational Pain Camp program is divided into three sections that will include a theoretical approach featuring master talks with renowned speakers, theoretical practical approaches, and an analysis of clinical cases allowing for global medical education. [Application Deadline: 14 April.](#)



## Complete the Sex, Gender and Racial Differences in Pain SIG Membership Survey

The Sex, Gender, and Racial Differences in Pain SIG invite current and potential SIG members to [complete a brief 2-minute survey](#) providing feedback regarding the SIG. SIG members that complete the survey will be entered to win a \$30 USD gift card.



## Register to Attend the Canadian Pain Society's 2023 Annual Scientific Meeting

[The Canadian Pain Society's 2023 Annual Scientific Meeting](#), 10-12 May will take place at the Banff Springs Conference Centre in Banff, Canada. This dynamic event will host pain experts and aims to enhance interactions, learning, and foster an exchange of evidence-based research on pain mechanisms, assessment, and management.



## Chronic Regional Pain Syndrome SIG's Satellite Symposium at EFIC

Save the date for the CRPS satellite symposium, What Can We Learn from Regional and Widespread Symptoms in CRPS, at EFIC on 19 September 2023. This symposium is especially important since



CRPS is classified in the ICD-11 as primary chronic pain. CRPS invites expressions of interest from members who wish to present informative cases of CRPS, related disorders, or uncertain diagnoses that could inform a discussion over what is regional. For more information, please contact the CRPS co-Chairs, [Janne Giethmuehlen](#) and [Janet Bultitude](#).



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## IASP CAREER CENTER

The [IASP Career Center](#) is the premier source for employers looking to find top talent in the field of pain research, diagnosis, and treatment. The platform offers cost-effective recruiting and employer branding solutions, helping you promote your brand and advertise your job opportunities to both active and passive candidates.

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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Lisbon, Portugal  
7-9 September 2023
- [International Symposium on Pediatric Pain 2023](#)  
Halifax, Nova Scotia  
1-4 October 2023
- [20th World Congress on Pain](#)  
Amsterdam, Netherlands  
5-9 August 2024





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