

[Neuroscience-2015](#) was held in Chicago in October 2015 and saw more than 30,000 colleagues from more than 80 countries. Federal Judge Jed Rakoff delivered the [Plenary Lecture](#) on the subject 'Law and Neuroscience' which was moderated by SFN President Steve Hyman. Here's more science advocacy news:

SCIENCE ADVOCACY NEWS

- Research!America recently [announced](#) the individuals whose leadership efforts have been notably effective in advancing our nation's commitment to research.

IN THE NEWS

- Two scientists have been [honored](#) for their outstanding achievement in schizophrenia research.
- A [recent study](#) showed that Americans who practice Yoga report better wellness and health behaviors.
- Another [study](#) showed that a brief training might help pediatricians identify and treat young people with potential alcohol, substance use, and mental health problems.
- The [Brain and Behavior Research Foundation](#) has announced the Pardes Humanitarian Prize in Mental Health. [Read more](#) about the award and winners for 2015.
- Scientists have identified a main component of brain repair after stroke. Read about this molecule known as GDF10 [here](#).
- The NIH will [host](#) a symposium to honor Santiago Ramón y Cajal, the Spanish scientist whose drawings have served as foundations for neuroscience.
- A NIH-funded study has [found](#) that health care costs for dementia are greater than for any other disease; whereas another study found a possible [common link](#) between ALS and FTD.
- Read about a [program](#) called 'Recovery After an Initial Schizophrenia Episode (RAISE)' founded by the NIH to help people suffering from mental disorders and schizophrenia.
- In the field of depression, one study showed that brain imaging could [reveal](#) a possible signature for depression in traumatic brain injury, and another [showed](#) that depressive thoughts may interfere with memory.
- Watch David Eagleman, director of the [Initiative on Neuroscience and the Law](#) as he presents a new international series called [The Brain](#).
- The Massachusetts General Hospital Center for Law, Brain & Behavior [hosted](#) a panel of developmental scientists, clinicians, and legal scholars for a panel discussion titled "From Troubled Teens to Tsarnaev: Promises and Perils of Adolescent Neuroscience and Law.
- Fordham University School of Law has recently [launched](#) a Neuroscience and Law Center to explore the ways in which knowledge of the brain and law intersect.

FOR AMERICAN BRAIN COALITION MEMBERS

- To increase women representation in STEM fields, a workshop entitled 'Increasing Women in Neuroscience (IWIn): Candidate Recruitment and Evaluation Toolkit' is being [offered](#) on Thursday, Nov 19th.
- The [Build Hope for HD](#) donation campaign supports the Venezuelan families who made groundbreaking Huntington's disease (HD) research possible. Visit www.BuildHopeforHD.com and click on the campaign icon. For every click before the end of the year, Lundbeck will donate \$15 to the clinic.
- The [World Parkinson Coalition](#) Video Competition [opens](#) soon!
- The FDA in collaboration is [announcing](#) a public workshop entitled 'Clinical Trials—Assessing Safety and Efficacy in Diverse Populations' on Dec 2nd.
- Global Genes is [hosting](#) a webinar to introduce Dr. Petra Kaufmann, the new Director of the Office of Rare Diseases Research on Nov 17th.