



11th Annual NIDA-NIAAA Early Career Investigator Showcase

Date and Location TBD

The National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA) and the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism (NIAAA) are calling for abstracts for the **Early Career Investigator Showcase (ECIS)** symposium. This symposium will take place during the **Annual NIDA-NIAAA Frontiers in Addiction Research Mini-Convention**. The ECIS symposium provides a forum for scientific presentations by premier young and junior investigators working in the fields of alcohol and substance use disorders.

Important Note:

The format for this year's Mini-Convention is currently being finalized. The event will either be held in-person in San Diego on Friday, November 14, 2025, or as a virtual event on November 5–6, 2025. Applicants will be notified of the final format once confirmed.

Mini-Convention Agenda Highlights:

1. 2025 Jacob P. Waletzky Memorial Award Lecture
2. Three Scientific Sessions:
 - *Cutting-edge Multiomic Approaches for Enhanced Drug Repurposing Strategies in Substance Use Disorders*
 - *Interrogation of Large Single Cell Data Sets to Identify New Addiction Targets*
 - *Human iPSC-Derived Organoids and Assembloids for Brain Development, Disorders, and Diseases*
3. Early Career Investigator Showcase (ECIS)

Eligibility:

Applicants must be trainees or junior investigators who qualify as a **NIH New Investigator or Early-Stage Investigator (NI/ESI)** — defined as being within 10 years of completing a terminal research degree or medical residency. For full eligibility criteria, visit: [NIH New Investigator Policy](#).

Application Details:

NIDA and NIAAA will select **four (4) to six (6)** individuals based on the scientific quality and relevance of their research to the missions of NIDA or NIAAA, or to the themes of this year's scientific sessions. ECIS awardees will give a brief oral presentation summarizing their research. Please submit this application by **Friday, August 15, 2025, 5:00 PM (EDT)** to: sfnminiconv@nida.nih.gov

Applicants must designate only **one Institute (NIDA or NIAAA)** in the **Abstract Keywords** section on the application form. Abstracts accepted for the **2025 Society for Neuroscience (SfN) Meeting** may also be submitted for ECIS consideration.

Notification:

Selected applicants will be notified by Friday, August 29, 2025.

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Application for ECIS Participation

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Please enter information for the person who be the primary presenter/speaker/author.

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