

SFN Meeting TRAVEL AWARDS 2024

Objective: The Spanish Society for Neuroscience opens a call for travel award applications to attend the Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience: NEUROSCIENCE 2024, Chicago, Oct 5-9, 2024. (<https://www.sfn.org/meetings/neuroscience-2024/>)

Funding: 10 awards for PhD students and early career Postdoctoral Researchers (1500€).

Eligibility criteria:

- ✓ To be a PhD student or a postdoctoral fellow
- ✓ To be a member of SENC at the time of application (for more information please see <https://www.senc.es/senc-requisitos-para-solicitudes-de-ayudas-y-becas-de-la-senc/>).
- ✓ To be first author of an abstract to be presented at the SfN meeting.
- ✓ For early career postdocs, maximum 4 years from obtaining PhD degree (one year extension for each parental or severe health leave - ≥ 3 months- would apply).

Deadline: The call opens April 18th 2024 and closes April 25th 2024.

How to apply:

Applicants need to access “Private area” → “Becas Asistencia SFN” at the SENC website (<https://www.senc.es/en/senc-grants/>) to fill in and upload the following information:

- ✓ A copy of the poster abstract as it would be submitted to the meeting.
- ✓ **NEW:** Two motivation statements:
 - Why do you think attending this conference is important for your career in science? max 500 characters, ~7 lines.
 - What impact do you think your contribution to the conference might have on other attendees and the research community? max 500 characters, ~7 lines
 - *The applicant should also indicate applications to additional funds for the same purpose from other sources.*
- ✓ For PhD students, a letter from the PhD Supervisor or Head of Department certifying that the applicant is pursuing his/her PhD.
- ✓ For PhD students, state in the web form the number of years in the PhD program.
- ✓ For postdocs, state in the web form the date of PhD dissertation and any extension that may apply. Note: documental proof may be required at a later stage.

Evaluation criteria:

1. Novelty and relevance of the study presented in the abstract (scientific excellence). Clear priority will be given to unpublished studies (at the time of abstract submission) on timely topics that propose innovative ideas.
2. Relevance of the reasons for the application.
3. Preference will be given to applicants who have been SENC members for 2 or more consecutive years at the time of application, as well as those who have never received SENC support in recent years.

Go to [https://www.senc.es/ayudas-de-la-senc/SENC TRAVEL GRANTS PROGRAM](https://www.senc.es/ayudas-de-la-senc/SENC%20TRAVEL%20GRANTS%20PROGRAM) for the general SENC Funding Program rules.

Grants will be announced by **May 2nd 2024** (before SFN abstract submission deadline)

Travel awards will be paid after submission of the following documents to secretaria.tecnica@senc.es:

- ✓ Certificate of attendance.
- ✓ A statement indicating that the awardee has NOT received any other related award.
- ✓ Bank account number.