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Spring Brain Conference

The 17th Annual Spring Brain meeting was held March 15-18 in beautiful Sedona AZ, one of the most desired travel destinations in the US. Great science was presented in a beautiful atmosphere. This meeting is exceptional for its broad brush of the Neurosciences in which top-notch scientists in different fields summarize their work.

This year's Keynote Address was given by Allan Basbaum (UCSF), who spoke on *Pain Mechanisms: from Molecules to Circuits*, and his work on transneuronal tracers for circuit definition. Plenary sessions were on topics ranging from presynaptic facilitation of neurotransmission, plasticity in drug abuse, responses to retinal injury and handedness in chimps (see the website <u>www.springbrain.org</u> for the program), among others. Discussions with those outside of your scientific cubicle can be very valuable. Alan Peters (Boston University) gave a Plenary Address on his work that led to his co-authoring the classic *The Fine Structure of the Nervous System*. At the business meeting, Tom Woolsey (WUStL) presented his work with interns for Outreach to the local Navajo population in Flagstaff—it's fun to see a bunch of young people fascinated by the brain.

The Spring Brain meeting is a great event held yearly in Mid-March. Check out the website and come to a great meeting March 14-17, 2007.

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