

CREATIVE BRAYNS CONTEST 2024

2<sup>nd</sup> EDITION



BRAINSTORMING RESEARCH ASSEMBLY th FOR YOUNG NEUROSCIENTISTS

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# THE BEAUTY OF NEUROSCIENCE

The 7th Brainstorming Research Assembly for Young Neuroscientists 2024 (9-11 October 2024) will host the **2nd Creative Brayns contest**, a photography contest for the scientific community to display original images associated with neuroscience.

## Section 1. Attendee Eligibility

Participation in the contest is free and is open only to conference attendees associated with the BraYn Association and are over 18 years of age regardless of age, gender, or nationality.

### Section 2. Theme

Digital images should capture or document any scientific phenomena or microscopic preparation representing the beauty of neuroscience research. Creativity is encouraged in both images and titles, though maintaining the necessary scientific rigor. Images related to both research and clinical practice related to neuroscience are accepted (please consider Section 3 limitations!).

# Section 3. Images eligibility

Entry is limited to original works that have not formerly been released as any printed, web-based, or other medium (including personal media) and for which the entrant holds all applicable rights, including any retouching or other image processing. Works submitted to other contests are not eligible. Images depicting recognizable faces are not eligible.

Image data files created with a device capable of taking still images, comprising smartphones and digital cameras are accepted. Both colour and monochrome images will be accepted, if at least with a **resolution of 300 dpi or more** (JPEG, JPG or TIFF format up to 20 MB of image data per work).

# **Section 4. Image Submissions**

One photograph will be accepted for each attendee. To identify the single contestant, individual submissions must report the name/surname, affiliation, and email address. The image submission must be accompanied by a disclaimer. Entrants are responsible for the resolution of any legal issues arising from their submitted works and agree to pay any costs thereby incurred. Organizers reserve the right to evaluate the material to confirm compliance with these rules. Organizers will not accept works considered out of context, not properly completed, or whose format does not comply with the technical specifications.



Each submission must include a <u>written statement</u> describing the image (title, up to 200 characters), how it was created and its relationship to neuroscience (within 150 words), that must be provided as a text attachment (DOC or PDF files are accepted). All images must be submitted by the author using wetransfer.com or similar tools to the email: <u>info@braynassociation.com</u>.

Provided file nomenclature should be as it follows:

- 1. **Surname\_Name\_image**.jpg or .tiff
- Surname\_Name\_description.doc or.pdf
- 3. **Surname\_Name\_disclamer**.doc or.pdf

**Note:** Winners might be asked to provide higher-resolution images for publication or display purposes related to the contest.

# Section 5. Intellectual Property Rights

Each entrant will retain ownership of all intellectual property rights in the entry. However, by entering the contest, entrants grant to the BraYn Association a non-exclusive, perpetual, worldwide, royalty-free license to exhibit the images; to use the images in its program marketing materials; and to modify the images, but only to the extent required to fit

the format for web pages and marketing materials. A credit line naming the applicant would be included as prominently and close to the image as the display medium allows. The images will not be commercially exploited, and all commercial rights remain with entrants.

## **Section 6. Images Evaluation**

The Executive Board of the Brayn Association will evaluate the applications, and the winners will be acknowledged publically during the last day of the 7th Brainstorming Research Assembly for Young Neuroscientists 2024. The panel will select one winner, a second and a thirdplace winner. The selection will be based on the following criteria: extent to which the photograph captures the essence of the contest theme, creativity, technical quality, and descriptive skills. Selected images will be displayed during the 7th BraYn and social media channels. Winners will be notified during the Award Ceremony at the 7th Brainstorming Research Assembly for Young Neuroscientists 2024. The decision is final.

#### Section 7. Awards

The BraYn Association will award the prices to the winners.

First place winner will be awarded with the free participation to a full microscopy course Focus on the Invisi-



**ble** (Basic and Advanced levels) held by <u>Scuola di Microscopia</u> and a € 100 grant;

Second place winner will be awarded with the free participation to one module of the microscopy course Focus on the Invisible (Basic and Advanced levels) held by Scuola di Microscopia and the free registration to the 8th BraYn Conference 2025;

Third place winner will be awarded with registration to the 8th BraYn Conference 2025.

### **Section 8. Sponsors**

The main sponsor of the contest is **Scuola di Microscopia**, with the online course **Focus on the Invisible**, a project created by Fondazione Golinelli and G-LAB, coordindated by Dr. Spartaco Santi, and realized with the support of Nikon Europe BV, EVIDENT Wurope GmbH and EVIDENT Global Academy, with the patronage of the Department of Medical and Surgical Sciences (DIMEC; University of Bologna).

### Section 9. Deadline

The deadline for submitting images is August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

