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SRBR Quarterly Newsletter

Thank You for Joining Us at the Biennial Meeting

We hope you made meaningful connections with colleagues and found the program engaging and informative.

If you have not already done so, please take a few minutes to complete the online evaluation. Your feedback helps SRBR continue to improve the meeting and overall attendee experience.

The deadline to complete the evaluation is **July 1, 2026**. We appreciate your input and hope you will take a moment to make your voice heard.

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NEWS FROM THE PRESIDENT

Joanna Chiu, PhD



Dear SRBR Members, Friends, and Colleagues,

It is an honor to begin my term as President of the Society for Research on Biological Rhythms. I am deeply grateful for the opportunity to serve this remarkable community and to help build on the strong foundation established by our past leadership, including Dr. John Hogenesch, whose dedication and vision have helped guide SRBR over the past two years.

Our recent biennial meeting was a powerful reminder of the strength, creativity, and collaborative spirit of our Society. It was wonderful to see so many members come together to share new discoveries, reconnect with colleagues, support trainees and early-career scientists, and engage in thoughtful discussions about the future of our field. The quality and breadth of the science presented reflected the continued importance of biological rhythms research across health, disease, behavior, and the environment.

I want to extend my sincere thanks to the many individuals who contributed to the success of the meeting, including the Program Chair, Dr. Christine Merlin, the Program Committee, Trainee Day & Junior Faculty Day organizers, Circadian Medicine Day organizers, Fundraising Committee, session chairs, speakers, poster presenters, volunteers, sponsors, and the SRBR Executive Office. Meetings of this scale and quality are only possible because of the time, expertise, and commitment of so many people working together.

As I begin this role, I am especially excited about the opportunities ahead for SRBR. Our Society plays an essential role in advancing rigorous science, supporting the next generation of researchers, and promoting the value of biological rhythms research to broader scientific, clinical, and public communities. I look forward to working with the Board of Directors, committees, and members to continue strengthening SRBR's programs, expanding engagement, and identifying new ways to support our community.

The Journal of Biological Rhythms remains an important cornerstone of our field, and I encourage members to continue supporting the journal by submitting your best work, serving as reviewers, and sharing published research with your networks. The journal reflects the depth and impact of our field and helps ensure that biological rhythms research remains visible and accessible.

Most importantly, I want to thank each of you for your continued commitment to SRBR. Whether you are a longtime member, a trainee just beginning your career, or a colleague newly connected to our Society, your participation strengthens our community. I have already received some great ideas from some of our members with regard to how SRBR can better support our members and the field of biological rhythms. Keep them coming! I am excited for what we will accomplish together in the coming years.

Warm regards,
Joanna C. Chiu, PhD
President, Society for Research on Biological Rhythms
2026–2028

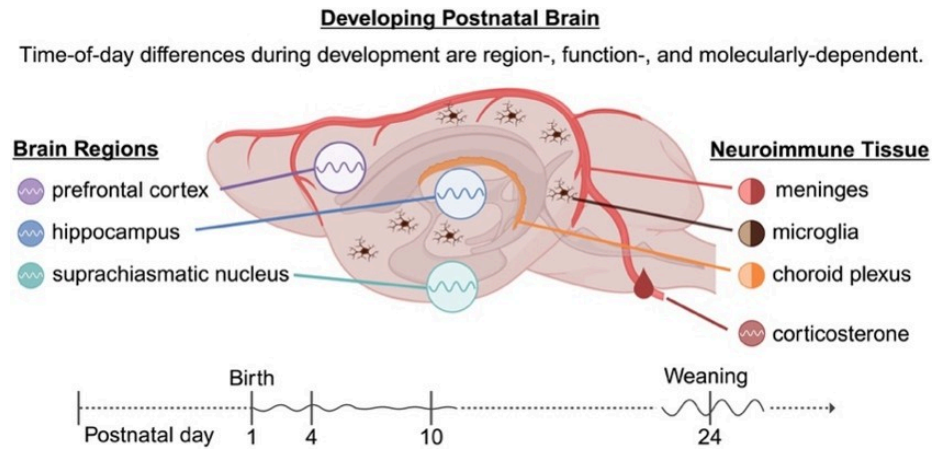
JBR CORNER

Erik Herzog, PhD



JBR, the journal of the Society for Research on Biological Rhythms, has published over 50 articles in the first half of 2026. For example, from the lab of Dr. Laura Fonken, **Bell et al.**

(2026) reports on the development of high amplitude daily rhythms in different cell types across the mouse brain. While microglia lacked circadian gene expression, their phagocytic activity varied with time of day.



3 Truths and a Lie

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Erik Herzog, PhD
JBR Editor-in-Chief

Committee Updates

Education Committee

The SRBR education committee supports ongoing chronobiology schools for trainees and advocates for strong chronobiological principles and methods in research. One takeaway from the SRBR meeting in May was a push for better public facing outreach and better understanding of common terms in chronobiology. This coming year, we will focus on

updating the SRBR education page. As part of this, we will begin compiling a glossary of terms to include on the website. There are some great glossaries available in the literature; we hope to build on these and keep a centralized list on the SRBR website. This resource can help standardize terminology as biological rhythms are increasingly recognized and incorporated into studies in disparate fields.

For trainees: Upcoming chronobiology schools will be held this year in Germany in June, Colorado in August, and potentially Norway in January 2027; contact the education committee for more details if interested!

Education Committee: Matthew Butler (chair), Luoying Zhang, Sheeba Vasu, Jihwan Myung, Abhilash Lakshman, and Antony Dodd.

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