

Special Issue

Dopamine Signaling: From Synapses to Behavior

Message from the Guest Editor

Dopamine (DA) is a catecholamine which is instrumental for learning and motivation. Most recent studies have unraveled new mechanisms about DA signaling such as co-release of neurotransmitters by DA terminals and local control of DA release by receptors located on synaptic terminals independently of dopaminergic neuron firing activity. In addition, the use of genetically-encoded biosensors and subcellular approaches tends toward a re-evaluation of the anatomical organization of DA release sites and suggests a more rapid DA coding than originally described. These new findings profoundly alter our current knowledge of DA functions both in healthy and diseased conditions. The aim of this Special Issue is to present articles that investigate molecular, synaptic, and circuit mechanisms underlying DA signaling in order to better understand how DA sculpts neuronal activity and DA-dependent behaviors.

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