

2025 Flux Symposium Submission Guidelines

The Society for Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience

Dublin, Ireland, 04 September - 06 September 2025

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Overview

Symposia offer a unique opportunity to present a compelling and timely topic with an integrated perspective. Symposia can be used to present conclusive evidence of a series of studies to provoke discussion on areas where more work is required. The requirements are high-quality, innovative work within the areas of developmental cognitive neuroscience with integrated human and preferably including animal, postmortem, or computational models proving neural mechanisms. All symposia are selected by the Scientific Program Committee with priority given to symposia that:

- Include topics that address novel or currently debated issues
- Bridge between basic and clinical fields and/or between human, animal, postmortem, or computational modeling work
- Include a diverse room of speakers that bring unique approaches or perspectives to the topic, with diversity including variation in intellectual perspective or approach, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, socioeconomic status, race, ethnicity, age, culture, language, national origin, ability, stage of career, or geographical location
- Encourage in-depth discussion and debate between presenters and the audience

Flux is supportive of diversity in all its forms. In particular, one way of ensuring that the content at Flux reflects our multi-faceted global community we are asking that you provide a statement describing the diversity of speakers in submitted symposia.

The theme of the conference this year is “Back to Basics: Components & Mechanisms of Neurocognitive Development”. Symposia that address this theme will be given special consideration.

For accepted symposia, presenters have the opportunity to submit a paper to the Flux Society’s journal, [Developmental Cognitive Neuroscience](#), as a part of the conference special issue published each year following the Flux Annual Congress.

Symposium Format

Symposia sessions will include presentations by 3 (minimum) or 4 (maximum) individual presenters and a moderator that offer unique perspectives on a specific central theme, followed by a moderated, interactive scientific exchange involving the audience. The symposium session should not exceed 75 minutes and allow for sufficient time for the moderated discussion.

The amount of symposia submissions by an individual is unlimited, but an individual cannot be listed for more than one individual speaking role between accepted presentations. If sessions are selected where a speaker is included more than once, the participant will need to find a suitable replacement to be approved by the program chairs.

Symposium Submission Deadlines

Abstract submission open - Wednesday, 15 January 2025

Abstract submission close - Monday, 03 March 2025

IMPORTANT: Confirmations of accepted symposia will be issued in late March. Any unsuccessful symposia submissions will be able (and are encouraged) to submit their individual abstracts for poster presentation.

Symposium Submission Guidelines

General Information

- Symposia applications will initially be entered by the proposed chair. Each presenter will enter their individual information.
- The chair will enter all participants when creating the symposia submission. Once a presenter’s information has been added to a submission, they will receive an email prompting them to enter their individual talk title and abstract (1500 character including spaces maximum).
- You do not have to be a member of Flux to submit a symposium, but if accepted, you will be required to become a member.

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Symposium Submission Guidelines (continued)

Required Submission Questions

- Chair/Moderator Submission Questions:
 - Prepare a symposium title. (255 characters including spaces maximum)
 - Select a category that most closely aligns with your abstract.
 - In the Symposium Description and Outline Section, please provide a brief description of the topic, and justify why the proposed abstract is novel, contentious, or highly relevant for discussion at Flux. Provide a brief outline of the proposed timing format for a moderated, interactive scientific exchange with the audience, which typically follows on from the individual presentations. Can include potential questions to stimulate discussion. (2000 characters including spaces maximum)
 - In the Symposium Speakers Section, please enter each speaker's name. When adding presenters, please first use the search fields to identify those who already have an existing account. If your search results do not display the name of the person you are looking for, click "Add a new participant".
 - Indicate who will be the moderator/chair. The chair does not have to be the moderator.
 - Provide a statement describing the diversity of speakers in the symposium. (1000 characters including spaces maximum)
 - Enter at least 3 keywords and at most 5 keywords to describe the symposium.
 - You must acknowledge that if accepted, you will be present for the entirety of the Congress and if you are not a member, that you will become one.
- Presenter Submission Questions
 - Prepare an individual presentation title. (255 characters including spaces maximum)
 - Each presenter should provide a brief description of how they will offer a unique approach/perspective to the proposed topic. (1000 characters including spaces maximum)
 - Enter at least 3 keywords and at most 5 keywords to describe your individual symposium.
 - Each presenter should provide their author list.
 - Provide an individual abstract. (1500 characters including spaces maximum per speaker)
 - Any conflicts of interest should be noted.
 - You must acknowledge that if accepted, you will be present for the entirety of the Congress and if you are not a member, that you will become one.

Please note: Flux cannot provide support for registration, travel, or other expenses for Symposia speakers or organizers.

Submission Categories

- Attention
- Brain connectivity
- Brain function
- Brain structure
- Clinical populations
- Education
- Environment (stress, SES)
- Executive functioning
- Language
- Learning
- Mechanisms (hormones, neurotransmitter, physiology)
- Memory
- Networks
- Rewards/Motivation
- Socioemotional processing