

Call for Symposium Proposals

28th Annual Genes, Brain and Behavior Meeting

Valencia Botanical Gardens, Valencia, Spain

May 24-27, 2027

The 28th Annual Meeting of the International Behavioural and Neural Genetics Society (IBANGS) will be held in person at the Botanical Gardens of Valencia, Valencia, Spain, May 24-27, 2027.

For more information about IBANGS and to see programs from previous meetings, please refer to <https://www.ibangs.org/past-meetings>. The meeting will include a mix of lectures, broadly-themed symposia, and selected short talks and poster sessions.

The Program Committee invites IBANGS members and non-members to submit proposals. **Symposium proposals are due November 20th, 2026.** Symposium topics can cover any area of neuroscience, genetics, epigenetics, genomics and related -omics fields, molecular biology and behavior, and themes showcasing a range of organisms are particularly welcome.

Symposia will be chosen based on scientific quality, broad appeal to meeting participants, and consideration of speaker diversity (gender, sexuality, race, ethnicity, nationality, and professional seniority etc).

Symposia emphasizing cross-cutting concepts and approaches that generalize to multiple species are most desirable. Symposia are generally 2 hours in length and include 4 speakers. Proposal submissions should include an abstract (~500 words) that describes the rationale and a list of the speakers with a brief description of each talk in addition to assurances that all speakers have agreed to participate. [View Examples](#)

Early career trainees are encouraged to submit symposium proposals together with senior investigators, to gain experience in organizing and co-chairing sessions as well as presenting their work alongside senior researchers in their field; a suggested format would be to include three (3) PIs and one (1) trainee.

All symposium participants must register. However, the registration fee will be reduced. Travel expenses are not included. Speakers from accepted symposia will each be asked to submit a complete abstract. Speakers from symposia that were not selected are invited to resubmit their abstract for oral or poster presentation.

Please submit proposals electronically by completing the [Symposia Proposal Submission Form](#) directly here or via the [Meeting Page](#) of the IBANGS website.

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