Donders Discussions 2024: Sessions explained

Abstract submission deadline: September 18th 2024

1) Individual talks in parallel sessions (Oct 17)

If you submit an abstract for an individual talk, you get 12 minutes for your talk, 5 minutes for questions.

2) Layman's language presentations in parallel sessions (Oct 17)

Session 2.1: pitch your study

If you submit an abstract for this session, you will introduce your work to the audience with layman's language. You have 3 minutes to inform people about your study with **only one slide**. After the pitch, you will have 5 minutes to answer questions from the audience. Need some inspiration? See this video for an example.

Session 2.2: pitch a method

You are using a very powerful or inventive method and want to share it to your peers!? In this session, you can **introduce a method that you use in your study** in layman's language. For example, you use MEG to collect signal from the human brain, how does that work? What can I tell about the human brain by using it? You have 5 minutes to tell the audience about this method, and 3 minutes to answer questions.

Session 2.3: what am I?

Do you have an interesting and mysterious figure in your study that you want to share with people!? In this session, you can **show one figure from your study**, and ask the **audience to guess what it is** about. You will formulate two or three questions (as hints) that the audience has to answer (e.g.: which technique has been used? What is represented by the green staining?). The audience will have 5 minutes to ask 'yes or no' questions, until someone finds the correct answer. In the end, you will unveil the mystery and explain what the picture is about exactly within 3 minutes.

3) Poster session sponsored by ProefschriftMaken (Oct 18)

If you submit an abstract for the poster session, you have to prepare a poster (**portrait** orientation), **as well as a 1 minute-pitch** of your poster. The parallel poster sessions will start with a short plenary session, where every presenter can pitch their poster to the audience in 1 minute (optional: prepare 1 slide to support your pitch). The plenary session is followed by a regular poster session. The pitches will allow everyone to make a well-informed choice which poster to visit.