

Rosemary Pangborn Sensory Science Symposium and Elsevier Code of Conduct

Welcome to the Rosemary Pangborn Sensory Science Symposium! Our aim is to cultivate a vibrant and collaborative environment where Sensory and Consumer Science thrives. We prioritize mutual respect, diversity, and inclusion to ensure everyone feels safe, respected, and valued. Let's work together to maintain a professional and courteous atmosphere throughout the conference.

A safe environment

Harassment of attendees in *any* form will not be tolerated and we expect all participants to adhere to the following:

- Harassment and sexist, racist, or exclusionary comments or jokes are not appropriate. This includes but is not limited to: disruption of talks or other events, inappropriate physical contact, sexual attention, deliberate intimidation, stalking, and photography or recording of an individual without consent. It also includes offensive comments related to gender, sexual orientation, disability, physical appearance, body size, race, or religion.
- Discourse and discussion are positively encouraged however all communication should be appropriate for a professional audience including people of many different backgrounds. Sexual or sexist language and imagery is not appropriate.
- All communication, oral or otherwise, should be respectful and not insult or put down other participants of the event.
- Should participants witness events of bullying, harassment or aggression, we recommend that they approach the affected person to show support and check how they are. The witness may also wish to suggest that the person report the inappropriate behavior. However, it is up to the affected person alone whether or not they wish to report it.

Any participant asked to stop any inappropriate behavior is expected to comply immediately. Participants violating these rules may be asked to leave the conference, at the sole discretion of the conference chairs and Elsevier staff, without a refund of any charge. Any participant who wishes to report a violation of this policy is asked to speak, in confidence, to the conference organizing team (contacts below) and/or Elsevier staff.

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Intellectual Integrity

Pangborn is committed to maintaining the intellectual integrity of our events. To ensure a professional and respectful environment, we prohibit the use of invited speaking opportunities for commercial solicitation or self-promotion. Presenters are expected to focus on providing valuable, unbiased information rather than promoting products, services, or companies. Additionally, to avoid any last-minute changes that could compromise this standard, we require all speaker substitutions to be pre-approved and strictly prohibit replacing speakers with individuals intending to use the platform for commercial solicitation. This policy ensures that our audience receives high-quality, unbiased information and that Pangborn's mission to advance sensory and consumer science remains uncompromised.