

Newsletter

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Welcome back to our Newsletter with a blooming second Edition.

As spring unfolds, so does a new edition of our newsletter, bringing key updates from our institute.

This Edition will present some funding opportunities in terms of research projects and PhD positions, as all our calls are currently open for application.

Next, mark your calendar! and **save the date for our annual NeuroMod Meeting, planned on July 8 & 9.**

And finally, a special highlight dedicated to our students and some past events that deserve all of our attention.

Stay connected for more updates, and happy reading!

We are open to suggestions

Any news to share or topics you would like to see in the next newsletter edition? We got you covered! Send an email with your proposal to: chloe.bourgeois@univ-cotedazur.fr

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Call For International Projects 2024: a closer look

The Institute and the University Foundation (IdEx) have awarded €46,000 to two projects selected from our "International Projects Seeding" call for proposals in 2024. The goal of this call is to encourage the emergence of interdisciplinary research consortia capable of developing high-excellence, high-visibility international projects.

NeuroMove (Unraveling the Neural Code of Movement for Restoration and Augmentation), led by François Hug from the Lamhess laboratory: this project explores the neural basis of motor neuron synergies and their plasticity. The NeuroMod grant will support the collection of pilot data essential for the project's development.

Ph.D. Grants available

This year, NeuroMod is launching **two Ph.D. application calls:**

- NeuroMod Grant (fully funded by NeuroMod)
- Joint Grant with the Graduate School for Life and Health Sciences (LIFE)

Research projects must be interdisciplinary and align with the Institute's fields of study. For the LIFE grant, the project must also be relevant to biology.

Application deadline: May 12, 2025 (for both grants).

For more details, visit our [website's News section](#).

SemLex (Lexical constellation through the lens of semantics), led by Fanny Meunier from BCL: this project aims to study how semantic links between lexical representations structure the mental lexicon, both within an individual and across individuals, forming a lexical constellation. It will also explore how this lexical constellation varies across social groups. The ultimate goal is to construct semantic networks that reflect the interconnections between words known by speakers.

The following calls are currently open:

- The Call for international Projects: deadline April 24, 2025
- The permanent call for projects (small interdisciplinary projects): no deadline
- Our PhD call (see information below): deadline May 12, 2025



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Back to our Open Day Event

The institute held its first Open Day on **Saturday March 8**, in a fully hybrid mode, primarily aimed at students interested in joining our master's programs.

In the afternoon, alumni hosted workshops on various topics, including working in a company, pursuing a PhD, interdisciplinary studies, and settling in France. Another part of the event was led by researchers who presented their

interdisciplinary work in fields such as neuroscience, medicine, imaging, mathematics, cognition and language.

We sincerely thank all our speakers for their dedication and outstanding contributions.

Replay available: You can watch all sessions from the event on our [dedicated digital platform](#).



Research Engineer

The institute has opened a position for a Research Engineer to support **interdisciplinary experimentation**.

The role aims to assist researchers in designing and optimizing their interdisciplinary experiments to ensure efficient data collection and analysis.

The next steps include interviewing selected candidates at the end of April, followed by a **call for interest** to identify the community's potential needs for experimental studies.



NeuroMod Meeting

Our annual meeting will be back on July 8 and 9, at our usual location at the **Thalazur Hotel in Antibes**.

The call for contributions and online registrations will be sent out shortly.

This years committee includes:

- Theodore Papadopoulo
- Ingrid Bethus
- Raphaël Fargier
- Paula Pousinha
- Valeria Manera

Support and organizing team:
Maharzia El Mokaadi & Chloé Bourgeois.

Students in Action



Internship season has started!

Our international students are heading off for their internships, scheduled from March to July or August. Some will travel thousands of kilometers to destinations such as **Japan and South Korea!**

The host institutions include:

- Institut du Cerveau (Paris, France)
- KIST (Seoul, South Korea)
- Bocconi University (Milan, Italy)
- Cross Labs (Kyoto, Japan)
- BCL Laboratory (Nice, France)
- Neurologic (Nice, France)
- ISIR (Paris, France)

Cognitive Science Forum in Nice

Bravo to the student association **Cog d'Azur** and all the participating students for their outstanding work on the second edition of this Forum on March 22!

They welcomed over 100 participants and organized various conferences and stands on a range of topics. This year's Forum was also part of the 2025 edition of Brain Awareness Week.

A little help on the way

The NeuroMod Institute awarded **8 excellence scholarships** to its student this year. The Scientific Council also validated the grants for **3 mobility scholarships** to students doing their internships abroad.

Are you following?

The MSc is adapting to the times: we are expanding our social media presence, whether it's on Instagram, Facebook, or LinkedIn. We are everywhere to attract the best (connected) students from around the world! Make sure to follow **@modneurocog**.

