

## **SfNIRS Facebook group posting rules**

This is the official FB group of the Society of functional Near-Infrared Spectroscopy and is moderated by appointed members, under SfNIRS board oversight. You are requested to abide by the following posting rules when participating.

### **No transgression.**

Any post that might represent a transgression under local or international laws, rules and codes of conducts are explicitly forbidden and will be taken seriously.

### **No political or religious statements allowed.**

No political or religious statements, views or opinions, whether local (e.g., state, national) or international should be included in posts. The posts will be removed without notice by the group administrators.

### **No discrimination or derogatory language or attitudes allowed.**

When posting be respectful of gender, age, cultural and educational differences, etc. Where freedom of speech might conflict with political correctness, the post will be assessed by the group administrators, who will decide on one post at a time.

### **Promotion of products**

Commercial and for-profit organizations in the fNIRS field and/or its representatives are welcome to make a one-off announcement of new instruments, new software products or major updates, and/or other specific developments that are substantial and relevant for the community. For academic and non-profit organization, repetitions may be allowed, but insistence will be strictly controlled and saturation will be forbidden.

### **Promotion of events**

Promotion of events relevant to the group are welcomed but be mindful that insistence will be controlled and saturation will be prohibited. Notwithstanding, you will be given some additional flexibility and room for insistence closer to specific deadlines. Events not deemed relevant to the fNIRS Society will be removed by the administrators and upon second posting those members will be blocked from the group.

### **Content from events**

Posting about contents of events relevant to the group while they occur (e.g. conferences, talks, workshop, etc.) are unlimited, but monitored for commercial or business content.

### **Advertising scientific publications**

Advertising scientific publications of interest is especially encouraged. This is whether the publication belongs to the posting group or individual, or corresponds to a different group. Also note, that the communication committee will check content a few days before the publication of the periodical newsletter to compile the latest works in the field.

### **Advertising jobs opening**

Advertising for open positions in the field is also encouraged. This is whether they are in academia or the private sector. The communication committee will check content a few days before the publication of the periodical newsletter to compile the latest job opening in the field.

### **Use the groups as forum for questioning or debating.**

You are encouraged to use the group as a forum for questioning or debating topics of relevance to the fNIRS community. Although recurrence may be acceptable, especially if new evidence relating to a topic is available, attempts to monopolize conversations, polarize attitudes, or over-represent topics will be moderated.

### **Unrelated and off-topic posting.**

Any post considered to be clearly off-topic will be deleted as soon as detected.

### **Recidivism on bad practice.**

Recidivism on posting behavior and practices against these rules will lead to a member being permanently expelled from the group.