

Centre for Neuroscience (CNS), IISc Bangalore Mid-year Admissions 2025-2026

The following Systems and Cognitive Neuroscience labs in CNS are open to taking new PhD students in the 2025-2026 mid-year admissions cycle. *Please note that research labs working in the area of Cellular and Molecular Neuroscience are **NOT** open to taking any new PhD students in this admissions cycle.*

Open labs:

1. **Prof. Aditya Murthy** (<https://cns.iisc.ac.in/people/aditya-murthy/>)
Research Areas: Cognitive and Computational Neuroscience of Motor Control
2. **Dr. Srikanth Padmala** (<https://cns.iisc.ac.in/people/srikanth-padmala/>)
Research Areas: Interactions between Emotion, Motivation, and Cognition

Students who meet the basic eligibility criteria listed on the main IISc Admissions website (<https://iisc.ac.in/admissions/>) and are interested in the research areas mentioned above are welcome to apply. Primary research techniques in the two open labs involve conducting human behavioral psychophysics experiments, computational modeling, functional MRI (fMRI), electroencephalography (EEG), high-density muscle recordings (EMG), Transcranial Direction Current Stimulation (TDCS) and Transcranial Magnetic Stimulation (TMS).

Unlike the regular August admission cycles, there will be no rotations for students joining in this mid-year admissions cycle, and they will be directly assigned to one of the open labs.