

Neuro(Minorities)Science



Short Name

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Formal Name

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<https://blog.zooniverse.org/2025/06/18/neurodiversity-call-2025/>
<https://apreleva.com/neuro-minorities-science>

Social Media

Coming Soon



Together we will create and publish accessibility guidelines to empower neurodivergent people to comfortably participate in citizen science projects online.



Summary

According to the 2024 large-scale Zooniverse Neurodiversity Survey, neurodivergent people often find it easier to contribute to citizen science online rather than in person. However, most or all citizen science projects were developed without regard for neurominorities' needs.

Neuro(Minorities)Science is here to fill this gap.

A working group, led by Oxford-based Zooniverse researcher Alisa Apreleva, will brainstorm, create and publish accessibility guidelines to empower people with all kinds of brains to participate more comfortably in citizen science online.

This is the first lived experience crowdsourced project to focus on accessibility features in digital citizen science for neurominorities with or without disabilities. This includes autistic people and people with various mental health and neurological conditions – for example, anxiety, depression, bipolar disorder, dyslexia, ADHD, posttraumatic stress disorder, Parkinson's disease, ALS or chronic fatigue syndrome.

Neurodivergent citizen scientists and allies aged 18 years and older, from any country, are invited to participate in our online (writing) working group.