

30 AVRIL 2026

14H00 à 15H00 – UNISANTÉ-BIOPÔLE, SALLE MOLÉSON (UNIV 1^{er} étage, salle 304)

SEX, GENDER, AND THE BRAIN: CRITICAL AND INCLUSIVE APPROACHES TO BRAIN RESEARCH

Presentations by the Diverse Brains Project and the NeuroGenderings Network

ABOUT

Sex and gender shape brain structure, function, and susceptibility to neurological and psychiatric conditions, yet these factors have historically been underexamined in neuroscience. The field has relied on narrow samples and binary frameworks, limiting both the science and its relevance to diverse populations. This colloquium brings together two initiatives to discuss critical and inclusive approaches to studying the brain:

- > A presentation of the Diverse Brains Project, a neuroimaging initiative led at the Health and Gender Unit, investigating how intersections of sex/gender, race/ethnicity, and socioeconomic context shape brain health across the lifespan.
- > A presentation of the NeuroGenderings Network, an international network of neurofeminist scholars that critically examines how neuroscientific knowledge about sex and gender is produced.

The colloquium aims to open a space for critical reflection on how to produce more inclusive and representative neuroscience research.

PROGRAMME

14H00 – 14H20 The Diverse Brains Project : Representative neuroimaging research for brain aging and health equity
by Sivaniya Subramaniapillai (Ambizione fellow in the Health and Gender Unit)

14H20 – 14H40 The NeuroGenderings Network : Feminist and critical approaches to neuroscience
by Cynthia Kraus (Senior Lecturer, University of Lausanne) and Anelis Kaiser Trujillo, Prof. Dr. (Psychologist at Psychiatry Baselland and Associated Researcher at the Center for Gender Studies, University of Basel)
By videoconference

14H40 – 15H00 Discussion

*Please note: Since seating in the room is limited, we also invite you to join us on Webex :
<https://chuv.webex.com/chuv/j.php?MTID=m6a78e490502edf09185a9b7832d7d261>