

Resource Summary Report

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NEST Simulator

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Resource Information

URL: <http://www.nest-simulator.org/>

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Description: Software tool as simulator for spiking neural network models that focuses on dynamics, size and structure of neural systems rather than on exact morphology of individual neurons. Used for any size spiking neurons networks including models of information processing, models of network activity dynamics, models of learning and plasticity.

Abbreviations: NEST

Synonyms: Neural Simulation Tool, NEural Simulation Tool, nest, nest-simulator

Resource Type: simulation software, software resource, software application

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Keywords: simulation, neuron, spiking, neural network, model, neural system, bio.tools

Availability: Free, Available for download, Freely available

Resource Name: NEST Simulator

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Alternate IDs: nif-0000-00162, biotools:nest

Alternate URLs: <https://github.com/nest/nest-simulator>, <https://bio.tools/nest>

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Ratings and Alerts

No rating or validation information has been found for NEST Simulator.

No alerts have been found for NEST Simulator.

Data and Source Information

Source: [SciCrunch Registry](#)

Usage and Citation Metrics

We found 175 mentions in open access literature.

Listed below are recent publications. The full list is available at [ASWG](#) .

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