

*Aggressive Behavior* Guidelines on Proposals for Special Issues and Special Sections

1. The proposal should clearly state the topic, why it is important, how it fits the overall goals of *Aggressive Behavior* and ISRA, and why now is a good time to attempt to put together a special issue/section of *Aggressive Behavior*.
2. It would be useful to include who you propose as the primary special issue/section editor(s).
3. It also would be useful to suggest authors/teams who might submit manuscripts to the topic, especially if you have already discussed the idea with at least a few key potential manuscript authors.
4. The AEs and Editor-in-Chief will review the proposal. If we agree that the potential contribution is sufficiently promising, we will move forward with it. This likely will involve asking for more details, perhaps about the proposal itself, if/how/when a call for submissions is to be announced, appointment of one or more special issue topic editors, and so on.
5. Keep in mind that if the proposal is approved, the Editor-in-Chief will appoint one of the AEs or the EIC as the journal's Oversight representative on the special issue being proposed. This person will have the final say on each manuscript considered for the special issue/section. This may well include additional revisions needed to meet the journal's standards and goals, and of course may include rejection of manuscripts that the Special Issue editors have deemed acceptable. The journal's appointed Oversight editor may work closely with the Special Issue editors early in the review process, or may come into play only at the final stage of the process. That is up to the Oversight editor and the Special Issue editors. Oversight by an experienced member of the journal's regular Editors typically results in better special issues, with articles that meet the journal's general requirements for publication.