

A Word from ENP Director Patricia Gaspar



At the 11th
Cognitive Science Forum

Dear Colleagues,

Spring being on its way, it is time we gave you some fresh ENP news. Throughout the year, we have been fully engaged to pursue our goal, serving the Neuroscience community of Paris Île-de-France region, attracting talented students to your labs, helping you to organize meetings, publicizing scientific events, and building networks beyond usual disciplinary and institutional boundaries.

Great changes also happened inside ENP. Our offices moved from a dark basement to renovated spacious offices, located in the historical Réfectoire des Cordeliers. Don't hesitate to stop by !

With Sarah, Sabah and Cécile regrettable moving out of Paris, you will get to meet a new Graduate Students Coordinator this summer, Deborah Deslierres managing Communication, and Francis Chabrier at Accounting. Last but not least of our news, we are upgrading our website. It will be easier for you to post and update your (teams') information, making it an interactive "neuromedia". It will be unveiled next September during our ENP DAYS at the gorgeous Abbaye des Vaux de Cernay. Until then, my sincere regards to you all ENP members.



Le Réfectoire des Cordeliers

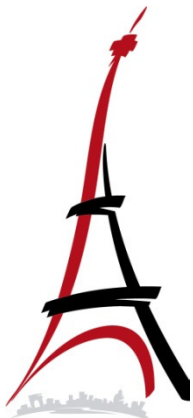
ENP Graduate Program

Auditions for 2012 Graduate Program took place on March 28th and 29th at the Institut du Fer à Moulin.

219 students applied last year to the ENP Neuroscience Graduate Program. A selection of 14 candidates was shortlisted by a jury headed by Laure Bally-Cuif and Matthias Groszer and composed of ENP scientists from all neuroscience research fields. Preselection criterias rely on academic achievements, quality of recommendations and students' motivation. Interviews were organized in Paris at the end of March 2012. Applicants came from around the world and visited various ENP labs (Paris Diderot, Institut de Neurobiologie in Gif-sur-Yvette, ICM, IFM, Jussieu) allowing them to meet researchers and ENP students "in situ" getting an idea of our network richness.

After a series of very high quality presentation from preselected students, there was a very tough and stringent selection of 5 students out of 14. This left many good students behind. However we expect some of them to be able to stay in Paris with other financial resources than ENP fellowships.

We congratulate the following successful applicants and welcome them to the ENP network.



Valérie BERCIER completed her Master's degree in Neuroscience at Université de Montréal, Canada. She will join ENP in autumn for lab rotations.

Marie Louise DONGELMANS, coming from the Netherlands, where she obtained a Master's degree in Neuroscience at the University of Leiden, will join ENP in autumn for lab rotations.

Jaime FUENTEALBA, obtained an engineering degree in Biochemistry and Bioinformatics at the University of Santiago de Chile and will join ENP in autumn for lab rotations.

Andrea TINTERRI, holder of a Master's degree in cognitive neuroscience at University San Raffaele, Milan is actually doing an internship in S. Garel's lab and will join ENP in autumn.

Darinka TRÜBUTSCHEK, BSc in cognitive neuroscience at Washington and Lee University, Virginia will start her Master 2 studies at UPMC in September

These students will start the Program and settle in Paris next September and will attend ENP Days. Be sure to meet them !

ENP Scientific Events

In 2012 ENP supports symposia/colloquia organized in Paris with and for the ENP community.

Events organized by ENP

“Brain Awareness Week” March 14-20th 2012, Cité Universitaire, Paris. Organizers : European Dana Alliance for the Brain, FRC, Société des Neurosciences. ENP speakers: Graduate students Maja Petkovic, Mariana Ramos and Emma Cahill; and L. Mallet, J. Yelnik, K. N'Diaye, M. Morgiève (CRICM, ENP).



“Spring School : Optical Imaging and Electrophysiological Recording in Neuroscience”, April 2012, Université Paris Descartes. An international ENP Spring School in collab. with D. Ogden. 18 students selected to participate to this hands-on scientific event and 25 great speakers and researchers to organize lectures and demonstrations.

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“Computational Neuroscience Days”, Jan. Apr. Dec. 2012. Organizers: B. Gutkin (ENS), A. Destexhe (INAF) , D. DiGregorio / L. Graham (Institut Pasteur).

« Géométrie sans frontières », March 12-17th 2012, Université Paris VII. Organizer : J. Droulez (LPPA - Collège de France).

“Cognitive Sciences Forum”, March 29th 2012, Université Paris Descartes. Organized by Cognivence students.

“Mouse ultrasonic communication workshop”, April 13-17th 2012, Institut Pasteur. Organizers : T. Bourgeron, E. Ey et N. Torquet (Université Paris Diderot / CNRS URA 2182, Institut Pasteur).

“Second Symposium on The Biology of Decision Making”, May 10-11th 2012, ICM, Paris. Organizers : M. Pessiglione (INSERM / CRICM) – T. Boraud (CNRS / Univ. Bordeaux 2), S. Bourgeois-Gironde (Université d'Aix-Marseille / Institut Jean Nicod) ; M. Khamassi (CNRS / UPMC).

“Biomag 2012 : international conference on Biomagnetism”, August 26-30th 2012, Maison de la Chimie, Paris. Organizer : V. Van Wassenhove (CEA.DSV.I2BM. NeuroSpin).

“DCM course Paris 2012 - BIOMAG satellite”, August 30th and 31st 2012, Paris ICM. Organizers : J. Daunizeau (ICM) and J. Mattout (INSERM U821, Lyon).

“IFM Colloquium 2012 : from Neural Dysfunction to Mental Illness”, October 26th, Institut du Fer à Moulin, Paris. Organizers : Dr Diaz, Dr Engmann, Dr Fernandez (INSERM, CNRS, IFM).

ENP Teams' Application

Teams wishing to apply to ENP can do so every year. 2012 evaluation will be held next September by ENP independent Scientific Advisory Board. Application is open **until July 31st on www.paris-neuroscience.fr**.

ENP DAYS 2012

The next ENP DAYS will be held at the superb Abbaye des Vaux de Cernay near Rambouillet on **Thursday and Friday September, 13th and 14th**. Save the date ! Program and registration will be open online as of June 8th.

