The 2nd National PhD Conference in Neuroscience 22-24 September 2014

Monday 22 September

15:30 Bus departure from Campus Øya, Trondheim

16.00 Bus departure from Værnes Airport, Trondheim

17.00-18.00 Registration and poster mounting + coffee/tea and sandwich

18.00-18.15 Welcome talk: Torbjørn Bækø Ness

18.15-19.15 Keynote speaker: Dr. Jo Røislien – The art of complex communication

19.15-20.30 Group work, moderated by dr. Jo Røislien

20.30-22.00 Dinner

Tuesday 23 September

09.00-10.15 Oral session I: Cellular Neuroscience (5 x 12 min)

Chairs: Torbjørn Bækø Ness and Ingvild Kruge

Gry Fluge Vindedal, UiO: Astrocytes: the star cells of the brain Bente Jacobsen, NTNU: Morphology of Entorhinal Interneurons

Mathias Lysholt Mathiasen, NTNU: *Insular Cortex Projections to the Parahippocampal Region in the Rat.*

Ingrid Åmellem, NTNU: NMDA receptors in dentate granule cells regulate adult neurogenesis and are involved in neurogenesis dependent behavioural tasks
Ingrid Lovise Augestad, NTNU: Combinatory treatment of experimental ischemic stroke using induced pluripotent stem cells and the neuroprotective/anti-inflammatory agent Minocyclin

10.15-10.30 Coffee break

10.30-11.45 Oral session II: Molecular Neuroscience (5 x 12 min)

Chairs: Guro Berge and Gry Fluge Vindedal

Kristian Kinden Lensjø, UiO: Distribution of perineuronal nets in the adult rat brain Yifan Zhou, UiB: Functional properties of NMDA receptors on All amacrine cells Asgeir Kobro-Flatmoen, NTNU: Reelin-Immunoreactive Neurons Selectively Accumulate Intracellular Amyloid-8 During Pre-Plaque Stage in the McGill-R-Thy1-APP Rat Model of Alzheimer's Disease

Abdolrahman Khezri, NMBU: Zebrafish as a model for neurotoxicology studies Anne Marte Sjursen Kvello, UiO: Pharmacodynamic differences between heroin and heroin metabolites after intra-VTA injection in mice

11.45-13.00 Lunch

13.00-13.45 **Blitz presentations** (25 x 60 sec)

13.45-15.00 Poster session

15.00-15.15 Break with coffee and snack

15.15-16.30 Oral session III: Systems and Cognitive Neuroscience (5 x 12 min)

Chairs: Gry Fluge Vindedal and Ingvild Kruge

Maria Mørreaunet, NTNU: Correlations and functional connections in a population of grid cells

Chenglin Miao, NTNU: Dorsoventral gradients in entorhinal-hippocampal inhibitory networks

Kenneth Vilhelmsen, NTNU: An Electroencephalography (EEG) Study of Differences between High Speeds of Simulated Forward Self-Motion from Optic Flow

Ann-Marie de Lange Glasø, UiO: *Effects of cognitive training on resting state functional connectivity in the aging brain.*

Xi Chu, UiT: Sociosexual behaviors during the transition from non-receptivity to receptivity in rats housed in a seminatural environment

16.30-16.45 Break

16.45-17.45 **Keynote speaker**: **Henrik Ehrsson** – *Cognitive neuroscience of body self-perception*

17.45-18.00 Break

18.00-19.00 Guided tour at Stiklestad and visit at the Viking House

19.00-19.30 Break

19.30 Dinner and social program

Wednesday 24 September

09.00-10.15 Oral session IV: Genetic Neuroscience (5 x 12 min)

Chairs: Gernot Ernst and Torbjørn Bækø Ness

Marie Eikemo, UiO: Sweet liking in humans: effects of opioid receptor gene (OPRM1) and pharmacological opioid manipulation

Yu Hong, UiB: Association between TLR9 Gene Polymorphism and Myasthenia gravis Inger Hødnebø Duus, UiB: Changes in global gene expression during long-acting antipsychotic exposure in rat: Searching for genetic and pharmacogenetic predictors in psychotic disorders

Guro Berge, NTNU: Onset of dementia with Lewy bodies is delayed for carriers of the apolipoprotein E epsilon 2 genotype in a Norwegian cohort

Katja Stahl, UiO: A pathophysiological role of aquaporin-9 in Parkinson's disease

10.15-10.30 Coffee break

10.30-11.45 Oral session V: Clinical Neuroscience (5 x 12 min)

Chairs: Ognjen Bojovic and Gernot Ernst

Sudan Prasad Neupane, UiO: High frequency and intensity of drinking may attenuate elevated inflammatory cytokine levels of major depression in alcohol-use disorders. Aliona Nacu, UiB: Early neurological worsening in acute ischaemic stroke patients. Violeta Lozano Botellero, NTNU: Cerebellum, thalamus and cerebral cortex in VLBW adolescents' mental health.

Siren Tønnesen, UiO: Structural brain networks across psychotic disorders – a graph theoretical approach.

Kristina Skåtun, UiO: Reduced frontostriatal functional connectivity in schizophrenia revealed by eigenvector centrality mapping.

11.45-13.00 Lunch and check-out

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13.45-15.00 Poster session

15.00-15.15 Break with coffee and snack

15.15-15.45 Closing remarks and awards: Guro Berge and Violeta Lozano Botellero

16.00 Bus departure