## INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM OF YOUNG NEUROSCIENCE INVESTIGATORS (ISYNI)

THIRD EDITION

### **EVENT REPORT**

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### Introduction

The young neuroscientists in Morocco, including all ISN and IBRO Alumni of African neuroscience schools gathered in 2018 to create the International Symposium of Young Neuroscience Investigators (ISYNI) in the perspective to establish an effective networking and collaborations between young neuroscientists in Morocco. The first meeting took place in 2018 at Sultan Moulay Slimane University, Beni Mellal, Morocco and the second meeting was held in the Private University of Marrakech, Morocco in April 2019. The third edition of this symposium, which was initially scheduled for March 2020, and which was postponed due to COVID19 pandemic lockdown and travel restrictions, was finally held at the faculty of sciences, Mohammed V University of Rabat, Morocco in November 2021 under the theme « Behavior in Health and Disease: from basic to clinical aspects ». This event was held in partnership with the Association of Vulgarization and Promotion of Neuroscience (chaired by Prof. Nouria Lakhdar-Ghazal) and Faculty of Sciences Rabat. The aim of this third edition is to help newly recruited neuroscientists to discuss their research activities planned or carried out in their home institutions. This will permit to reach the goal of creating an effective networking and facilitating collaborations between young neuroscientists in Morocco, before opening the network to young neuroscientists in Africa and worldwide. The symposium was preceded by a virtual IBRO school on Basal Ganglia and Movement disorders organized on the African Center for Advanced Training in Neurosciences (ACATN) of Mohammed V University, Rabat, Morocco. The symposium is addressed to neuroscientists: neurologists, neuropsychiatrics, neuropsychologists, health professionals in neuroscience and related disciplines and whoever is interested to neuroscience.

This edition of the symposium focuses on three aspects of behavioral neuroscience research through the planification of three distinct sessions. Each session included four senior speakers and five young researchers who presented their research. Topics to discuss emphasized on brain plasticity in neurotransmitter systems, behavioral adaptation to the environment: focus on African species, neurochemical aspects of brain toxicity, neuroprotective cellular and molecular mechanisms, brain disorders: pharmacological and therapeutical aspects.

Round tables were scheduled during this meeting to arise discussion about opportunities and difficulties of developing neuroscience research in low- and middle-income universities and find the ways to build an effective Moroccan neuroscience network. Round tables gathered senior scientists and young investigators to debate about career starting difficulties encountered by young investigators and senior's knowledge on opportunities and career's development

possibilities with the perspective of beginning a mentorship initiative and an assured and lasting cross-generational exchange. Hence, the conference stand as a platform for scientific exchange and discussion among participants particularly young researchers and PhD students. They will benefit from the opportunity to understand the structural, behavioral, or physiological mechanisms of brain functioning in health and disease with neurochemical side. We believe that the symposium meets the ISN objectives, since most of the talks targeted neurochemical aspects of behavioral functioning in different models and with different approaches. This will encourage young investigators to develop neurochemistry in their own research and set up neurochemistry platform in our universities.

### **Proceedings**

#### a) Basic information

The symposium took place at Faculty of Sciences, Mohammed V University of Rabat (4, Avenue Ibn Battouta, Rabat, Morocco / www.fsr.ac.ma) from Friday, November 12<sup>th</sup> to Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

The opening ceremony and the opening conference took place at Belmahi Amphitheater (capacity for 500 people) then the other sessions took place at "Salle des Actes" (capacity for 60 person).

#### b) Registration

The registration for the symposium was made through a Google Form link (https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdGkFdqZEURFQ2oTNSeuYpfD6DLlnMYtU XdUCCSi2j8dBu-AQ/viewform?usp=sf\_link) which was widely shared on social media and via professional mailing lists. A total of 104 applications were collected on the form. Registration was also made through the mail address created for the event (isyni20@gmail.com & isyni21@fsr.ac.ma). On-site registration was also possible daily during the symposium via the registration desk.

#### c) Program

The symposium took place over three days; it was initiated by a one-hour opening lecture followed by 4 successive sessions. For each session, a special lecture followed by 4 lectures, 5 oral communications and 10 Poster's presentation were given. A roundtable was also scheduled in the perspective of highlighting the difficulties and opportunities of developing neuroscience research in Morocco and Africa. The detailed program is available at annex 1.

#### d) List of speakers

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| Howard Cooper                  | Lyon, France howard.cooper@inserm.fr |  |  |
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| Philippe De Deurwaerdère       | Bordeaux, France                     | philippe.de-deurwaerdere@u-bordeaux.fr |  |
| Nouria Lakhdar-Ghazal          | Rabat, Morocco                       | nlakhdarghazal@gmail.com               |  |

#### f) The highlight of the meeting

Besides the scientific program, the highlights of the symposium were 1) the roundtable session which gave the opportunity to all participants to express their needs and aspirations for improving their neuroscience research conditions and 2) the election for the next edition's organizer.

#### g) Participants

A total of 59 person participated to the symposium. Participants were professors, medical doctors, psychiatrists, post-docs, PhD candidates, and master's students.

#### h) Material distribution

Each participant received a personal badge and the symposium program. Sheets of paper and pens were also provided to participants.

#### i) Social events

Two social events were organized during the symposium, a welcoming cocktail on the first day and a closing dinner on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> evening. Both events took place at the faculty's main Hall

and were open to all participants. The day before the symposium, foreign speakers were invited to a dinner at Casa José restaurant in Rabat city center.

#### j) Travel awards

Participants (PhD and master's students) were awarded travel and accommodation awards including lunches.

#### k) Travel subsidies for invited speakers

Plenary and invited speakers travel costs and accommodation were taken in charge by the event organizers. For their diner expenses, they received an individual per Diem.

#### I) Sponsorship

The symposium was financially sponsored by ISN and supported by the Faculty of Science of Rabat.

#### m) General budget

The detailed budget is available at annex 2.

#### n) List of participants

| First Name        | Last Name                                       | Affiliation   |
|-------------------|---|---|
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| Younes            | Iderdar   | Hassan Premier University, Settat - Morocco   |
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| Ismail            | Louragli  | Ibn Tofail University, Kénitra - Morocco  |
| Zineb             | Boudjafad                                       | Cadi Ayyad University, Marrakesh - Morocco  |
| Chaimaa           | Kinane  | Université Claude Bernard, Lyon - France &  |
|                   |   | Cadi Ayyad University, Marrakesh - Morocco  |
| Nada Fath         |   | Mohammed V University, Rabat - Morocco  |
| Zakaria Bernoussi |   | Mohammed V University, Rabat - Morocco  |
| Siham             | Boumhaouad                                      | Mohammed V University, Rabat – Morocco & Columbia University of New York, New York, USA |
| Sofia             | Azirar  | Ibn Tofail University, Kénitra - Morocco  |
| Rachid            | Elattary  | Mohammed V University in Rabat & Cadi Ayyad University, Marrakesh - Morocco             |
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| Ayoub             | Rezqaoui  | Ibn Tofail University, Kénitra - Morocco  |
| Khadija           | Boualam   | Mohammed V University, Rabat - Morocco  |
| Abdelghafour      | Elhamzaoui                                      | Ibn Tofail University, Kénitra - Morocco  |
| Samir             | Bikri   | Ibn Tofail University, Kénitra - Morocco  |
| Hanane            | Ennaji  | Hassan II University, Casablanca - Morocco  |
| Zineb             | Bouargane                                       | Cadi Ayyad University, Marrakesh - Morocco  |

| Najat          | Sifeddine      | Hassan II University, Casablanca - Morocco              |
|----------------|----------------|---|
| Mohamed        | Taiebine       | Mohammed V University, Rabat - Morocco                  |
| Asma           | Arfaoui        | Sultan Moulay Slimane University, Béni Mellal - Morocco |
| Fatima Ezzahra | Kacimi         | Sultan Moulay Slimane University, Béni Mellal - Morocco |
| Amina          | Tani           | Université Ibnou Zohr, Agadir - Morocco                 |
| Zouhra         | Doukkali       | Mohammed V University, Rabat - Morocco                  |
| Abdelkrim      | Idrissi Janati | Dhar El Mehraz University, Fez – Morocco                |

o) Confirmation of the used of the provided ISN slides to inform the audience on ISN and on the benefits of an ISN membership

The information about ISN was first provided during the opening ceremony. Prof. Nezha Bouhaddou ended the opening ceremony by thanking ISN for its sponsorship and explained to the audience the history of ISN, its objectives and missions and the benefits of membership to the society. The ISN membership benefits was also discussed during the roundtable during which lecturers advised young research fellows to adhere to the society to help their career.

p) Confirmation of the posting of information on the ISN supported event on the ISN social Media Channels before the event took place.

The symposium poster and registration email address were shared on ISN website newsfeed, on the Faculty website (<a href="http://www.fsr.ac.ma/scholarship/international-symposium-young-neuroscience-investigators">http://www.fsr.ac.ma/scholarship/international-symposium-young-neuroscience-investigators</a>) and on ISN and IBRO Facebook pages. An announcement email was sent by the dean of the faculty to the academic mailing list.

- q) Confirmation of the posting of some concluding statements with pictures on the success of the ISN supported event on the ISN social Media channels after the event took place
- r) Photos



Photo 1: Opening ceremony venue



Photo 2: The dean of the faculty of science welcome talk during the opening ceremony



Photo 5 : Conference of Dr. Omar Mamad (Dublin, Ireland)



Photo 6 : Conference of Prof. Philippe De Deurwaerdère (Bordeaux, France)



Photo 4: Price of best poster presentation



Photo 3: Price of best oral presentation



Photo 7: Talk of Prof. Nouria Lakhdar-Ghazal at the opening ceremony



Photo 8: Group photo at the closing ceremony

- s) Comments of at least three attendants about the meeting
- Hassan AINANI, PhD / Institute of Biological Sciences (ISSB-P) Mohammed VI Polytechnic University, Benguerir - Morocco

#### Dear Nezha, Dear Khalid,

I am writing to you to express my deep joy at having participated in your symposium which I find very successful at all levels and very diversified in terms of themes and problems addressed but especially the high level of the guests who made it possible to have a broad and deep discussion during the symposium. This reflects the effort and investment you put into it to get it right.

As the organizer of the next edition of this symposium, I will follow your footsteps to maintain this high level of the symposium and its continuity thereafter.

Once again, thank you very much for your efforts and kindness during the symposium.

Best regards Hassan Ainani

> Omar MAMAD, PhD / RCSI Physiology and Medical Physics, Royal College of Surgeons, Dublin - Ireland

I had a pleasure to attend the symposium that organized by Nezha and this was in person despite the pandemic. During my time I enjoyed giving a talk and sharing my knowledge with other attendees but also meeting my colleagues and friends. As results from this symposium, I established two new collaborations related to my project. Well done.

Best regards, Omar • Zakaria OUHAZ, PhD – Assistant professor / Institute of Nursing Science and Health Techniques, Marrakesh - Morocco

The International Symposium of Young Neuroscience Investigators 2021 (ISYNI 21) provided an extensive overview of several cutting-edge/hot topics in the fields of adaptative behaviour; with a focus on African and endemic-based animal models, biological rhythms, Brain plasticity, the investigation of cellular and neurochemical changes related to neurodegeneration and mental health. The speakers provided an excellent mix of diversity while incorporating the relevant and timely expertise for the symposium. The speakers represented different stages in career development, both genders and different nationalities.

The ISYN was an excellent opportunity to bring together national, African, and International experts, and is therefore considered as a vivid platform to initiate and foster collaborations, both in research and capacity building.

t) The budget used for each speaker or awarded person (see annex 2)

## Annex 1

### **PROGRAM**

# Day 1: November 12<sup>th</sup>

|              | Opening ceremony  |
|--------------|---|
|              | Chair: Nezha Bouhaddou (Faculty of Sciences, Mohammed V University, Rabat) & Khalid El Allali (Agronomic and Veterinary Institute |
|              | Hassan II, Rabat  |
| 9.00 - 9.30  | Welcome: Professor Mohammed Regragui, Dean of the Faculty of Sciences, Mohammed V University of Rabat                             |
| 9.00 - 9.30  | Talk of Professor Souad El Hajjaji, Vice Dean of the Faculty of Sciences, Mohammed V University of Rabat                          |
|              | Talk of Professor Nouria Lakhdar-Ghazal, ACATN, Mohammed V University of Rabat  |
|              | Talk of Professor Khalid El Allali, Hassan II veterinary and agronomical Institute, Rabat   |
|              | Talk of Professor Nezha Bouhaddou, Faculty of Sciences, Mohammed V University of Rabat  |
| 9.30 - 10.00 | Welcome cocktail  |

| 10.00 - 11.00 | Opening conference | The importance of endemic animal models in building a new knowledge in neurobiology | Prof. Nouria Lakhdar-Ghazal<br>(Rabat, Morocco) |
|---------------|--------------------|---|---|
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|               |               | Sessio                       | n 1: Circ | cadian rhythms, Seasonality, and Adaptive behavi   | or to environment                          |
|---------------|---------------|------------------------------|-----------|--|--|
|               | 11.00 - 11.40 |                              |           | Neurochemistry of the circadian system and behavioral plasticity under desert biotope  | Prof. Khalid El Allali<br>(Rabat, Morocco) |
| 11.00 - 12.40 | 11.40 - 12.20 | Lectures                     | Lecture 2 | Neuronal Growth factor-beta induces ovulation by activating distinct hypothalamic neurons in dromedary camel females ( <i>Camelus dromedarius</i> ). |  |
|               | 12.20 - 12.40 |                              |           | Discussion (20 minutes)  |  |
| 12.40 - 14.00 | Lunch         |                              |           |  |  |
| 14.00 - 18.00 |               | Coffee & tea on self service |           |  |  |

|               |               | Session 1 continuum: Circadian rhythms, Seasonality, and Adaptive behavior to |           |  |  |
|---------------|---------------|---|-----------|--|--|
|               |               |   |           | environment  |  |
| 14.00 16.00   | 14.00 - 14.40 | Lectures  | Lecture 3 | Melatonin rhythm and other outputs of the master circadian clock in the desert goat ( <i>Capra hircus</i> ) are entrained by daily cycles of ambient temperature | Prof. Hicham Farsi<br>(Rabat, Morocco) |
| 14.00 - 16.30 | 14.40 - 15.40 |   | Lecture 4 | Circadian gene regulation in health and temporal drug administration   | Prof. Howard M. Cooper (Lyon, France)  |
|               | 15.40 - 16.00 |   |           | Discussion (20 minutes)  |  |

|               | Poster's session  |
|---------------|---|
|               | 1. Chaimae Kinane (UCA, Marrakech, Morocco)   |
|               | Dopamine desynchronizes the mammalian retinal clock during development  |
|               | 2. Nada Fath (UM5, Rabat, Morocco)  |
|               | Effects of dopaminergic depletions on the circadian rhythm of locomotor activity in 6-OHDA rat model of Parkinson's Disease           |
|               | 3. Zakaria Bernoussi (UM5, Rabat, Morocco)  |
| 16.00 - 17.00 | Rôle du rythme circadien dans l'atténuation de la pharmacorésistance chez les épileptiques  |
| 10.00 17.00   | 4. Siham Boumhaouad (UM5, Rabat, Morocco)   |
|               | Role of the circadian system in cognitive impairment related to manganese exposure in a preclinical model of Parkinson's disease      |
|               | 5. Sofia Azirar (UIT, Kenitra, Morocco)   |
|               | Protective role of melatonin and EDTA chelation against the mercury induced Anxiety-Like, Depression-Like and Memory Deficits in male |
|               | Wistar rats   |
|               | 6. Rachid El Attary (UM5, Rabat, Morocco)   |
|               | Les effets prophylactiques de la mélatonine contre la neurotoxicité induite par le Plomb chez le rat Wistar                           |

| 17.00 - 18.30 | Short oral communications (15 min talk + 5 min discussion) | communications | OC 1   | The Relaxin 3 Innervation of the Supramammillary Nucleus               | Chaimaa Laassili<br>(UCA, Marrakech, Morocco) |
|---------------|--|----------------|--|--|---|
|               |  |                |  | Effect of Cannabidiol on neurodevelopmental behavior of mice offspring | Sara Oufkir<br>(UCA, Marrakesh, Morocco)      |
|               |  |                | The effect of Toniramate micro-inflicion in icolation indliced aggression in mice                  | Ilias Chaibi<br>(UCA, Marrakesh, Morocco)                              |   |
|               |  | OC 4           | Cortical dendritic changes and stress hormones levels alterations in susceptible traumatized mice. | Asmaa Lguansat<br>(UCA, Marrakesh, Morocco)                            |   |

# Day 2: November 13<sup>th</sup>

| 9.00 - 18.00 |                 | Coffee & tea on self service  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------|-----------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|              |                 |   |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9.00 - 10.00 | Special lecture | When spontaneous waves meet angiogenesis: a case study from the neonatal retina | Prof. Evelyne Sernagor (Newcastle, UK) |  |  |  |  |  |

|               | Session 2: Neuroplasticity, brain toxicity and Neuroprotection |                         |           |           |   |   |  |
|---------------|--|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|---|---|--|
|               | 10.00 - 10.40  | Lectures                | Lecture 5 | DOPA      | Prof. Philippe De<br>Deurwaerdère (Bordeaux,<br>France)   |   |  |
|               | 10.40 - 11.20  |                         | Lectures  | Lecture 6 | Crosstalk between the brain and immune system: Neuroimmunology and cognitive-affective behavior   | Dr. Inssaf Berkiks<br>(Cape Town, South Africa) |  |
| 10.00 - 13.00 | 11.20 - 12.00  |                         |           | Lecture 7 | Targeting mitochondrial dysfunction in cocaine and HIV-1 Tat protein-induced neurotoxicity: Possible role for the cannabinoid receptors CB1 |   |  |
|               | 12.00 - 12.40  |                         |           | Lecture 8 | Heavy metals neurotoxicity and pineal hormones protection   | Prof. Nouria Lakhdar-Ghazal<br>(Rabat, Morocco) |  |
|               | 12.40 - 13.00  | Discussion (20 minutes) |           |           |   |   |  |
| 13.00 - 14.00 |  | Lunch                   |           |           |   |   |  |

|               |                                     | Session 2 continuum: Neuroplasticity, brain toxicity and Neuroprotection |   |   |  |
|---------------|-------------------------------------|--|---|---|--|
|               | Short oral                          | OC 5   | Neurobehavioral and toxicological effects of Pistacia lentiscus essential oil in mice and possible mechanisms of action involved. | Chafik Terrafe<br>(UCA, Marrakesh, Morocco) |  |
| 14.00 - 15.30 | communications (15 min talk + 5 min |  | Anxiolytic like effect in mice and possible mechanisms of action of aqueous   | ,   |  |
|               | discussion)                         |  | Behavioral and cognitive impairments in mice following maternal exposure to   |   |  |

|               | OC 8 Central effects of intracerebroventricular microinjection of Buthus lienhardi  |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|---------------|---|---------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|               | (Scorpiones, Buthidae) venom  | (UCA, Marrakesh, Morocco) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|               | Poster's session  |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|               | 7. Laila Ibouzine-dine (UIT, Kenitra, Morocco)  |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|               | The role of nitric oxide in prefrontal cortex and hippocampus after neonatal immune activation in Wistar rats                         |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|               | 8. Ayoub Rezgaoui (UIT, Kenitra, Morocco)   |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|               | Effect of chronic administration of iron sulfate on affective and cognitive disorders in males wistar rats                            |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|               | 9. Khadija Boualam (UM5, Rabat, Morocco)  |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15.30 - 16.30 | Study of anti-inflammatory effect of two sub-saharan plants for their use against epilepsy  |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|               | 10. Abdelghafour El Hamzaoui (UIT, Rabat, Morocco)  |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|               | Évaluation de l'effet dose dépendant d'une exposition chronique au glyphosate, sur les troubles affectifs chez le rat Wistar mâle     |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|               | 11. Samir Bikri (UIT, Rabat, Morocco)   |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|               | Applying extract of date Seeds Combined with Insulin to Prevent Diabetes-induced neurocognitive and behavioral Complications in rats. |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|               | 12. Hanane Naji (UH2, Casablanca, Morocco)  |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|               | Contribution to the development of Spirulina platensis by studying its chemical composition and its antibacteri                       | al activity.              |  |  |  |  |  |  |

|               |     | Roundtabl  | es  |
|---------------|-----|--|---|
| 16.30 - 18.30 | • • | es and difficulties of developing neuroscience research in Africa effective African neuroscience network | Animated by Prof. Nouria Lakhdar-Ghazal, Nezha<br>Bouhaddou & Khalid El Allali (Rabat, Morocco) |

# Day 3: November 14<sup>th</sup>

| 9.00 - 18.00 |                 | Coffee & tea on self service                                |                            |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------------|-----------------|---|----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
|              |                 |   |                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9.00 - 10.00 | Special lecture | Parkinson's diseases: From bench to bedside, to bench       | Prof. Abdelhamid Benazzouz |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7.00 - 10.00 | Брести песните  | 1 arkinson's diseases. I foin benefit to bedside, to belief | (Bordeaux, France)         |  |  |  |  |  |

|               |               | Session 3: Brain disorders and neuropathology |            |   |   |  |  |  |
|---------------|---------------|---|------------|---|---|--|--|--|
|               | 10.00 - 10.40 |   | Lecture 9  | Multiple Sclerosis: Pathophysiology and clinical presentation, still trying to understand                     | Prof. Houyam Tibar<br>(Rabat, Morocco)      |  |  |  |
|               | 10.40 - 11.20 | Lectures                                      | Lecture 10 | The role of thalamic inputs in the postnatal development of the prefrontal cortex: Insights to Schizophrenia. | Dr. Zakaria Ouhaz<br>(Marrakech, Morocco)   |  |  |  |
| 10.00 - 13.00 | 11.20 - 12.00 |   | Lecture 11 | Neurosurgeon's emotional and hemodynamic responses during daily surgical practice                             | Dr. Abad Cherif El Asri<br>(Rabat, Morocco) |  |  |  |
|               | 12.00 - 12.40 |   | Lecture 12 | Etiopathogenesis in psychiatry  | Dr. Hind Nafiaa<br>(Salé, Morocco)          |  |  |  |
|               | 12.40 - 13.00 | Discussion (20 minutes)                       |            |   |   |  |  |  |
| 13.00 - 14.00 |               | Lunch   |            |   |   |  |  |  |

|               |                                  | 009          | The experience of hemodialysis patients in the hemodialysis unit in Hassan I hospital of Tiznit  | (UH1, Settat, Morocco)                       |
|---------------|----------------------------------|--------------|--|--|
| 14.00 - 15.30 | Short oral communications        | <i>OC 10</i> | Périls de l'abus de cannabis durant l'âge de croissance : Effets des cannabinoïdes sur le comportement psycho-addictif de la progéniture chez le rat | (UM5, Rabat, Morocco)                        |
| 14.00 - 13.30 | (15 min talk + 5 min discussion) | <i>OC 11</i> |  | (UIT, Kenitra, Morocco)                      |
|               |                                  | OC 12        | A new approach to study social fear in a collective group and rich environment using a mouse model of social anxiety disorder.                       | Zineb Boudjafad<br>(UCA, Marrakesh, Morocco) |

|               | Poster's session  |
|---------------|---|
| 15.30 - 16.30 | 13. Zineb Bouargane (UCA, Marrakech, Morocco) The effect of maternal separation-induced stress on Relaxin-3 positive neurons in the Nucleus Incertus and its projections to the Medial Septum on male and female mice pups. |
|               | 14. Najat Sifeddine (UHII, Casablanca, Morocco)   |

Identification of the mutation G11778A responsible of LOHN disease in a Moroccan family

#### 15. Mohamed Taiebine (UM5, Rabat, Morocco)

Atypical mixed logopenic and semantic progressive primary aphasia (PPA) with white matter abnormalities

#### 16. Asma Arfaoui (USMS, Beni Mellal, Morocco)

Effet sur le développement et l'anxiété de la progéniture des rats femelles déficientes en micronutriments

#### 17. Fatima Ezzahra Kacimi (USMS, Beni Mellal, Morocco)

Autism spectrum disorder, Link between Vitamin A deficiency and the Dysbiosis of the gut microbiota

#### 18. Amina Tani (UIZ, Agadir, Morocco)

Troubles liés à l'épilepsie

|               |               |          |            | Session 4: Young Projects in Neurosciences   |   |
|---------------|---------------|----------|------------|--|---|
|               | 16.30 – 16.50 |          | Lecture 13 | CDKL3 deficiency disorder  | Dr. Omar Mamad<br>(Dublin, Ireland)     |
| 16.30 - 18.30 | 16.50 – 17.10 | Lectures | Leciure 14 | Les troubles de la coordination au cours du développement chez le modèle animal de la paralysie cérébrale                              | (Beni Mellal, Morocco)                  |
|               | 17.10 – 17.30 |          | Lecture 13 | Behavioral and electrophysiological evaluation of recovery of locomotion and spasticity in rats with spinal cord injury after training | (Casablanca, Morocco)                   |
|               | 17.30 – 17.50 |          |            | Verification of the predictivity criterion to reinforce the validity of the animal model of maternal separation                        | Dr. Zouhra Doukkali<br>(Rabat, Morocco) |
|               | 17.50 – 18.20 |          | •          | Discussion (20 minutes)  |   |

| 18.30 | Election | Site of the next edition of the Symposium | ISYNI candidates |
|-------|----------|---|------------------|
| 19.00 |          | Onsite dinner cocktail                    |                  |

## Annex 2

# Financial report for International Symposium of Young Neuroscience Investigators 2021

| Funds received            |           |         |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|-----------|---------|--|--|--|
| Source USD Equivalent MAD |           |         |  |  |  |
| 80% of ISN CC Funding     | 12 000,00 | 106,975 |  |  |  |

| Elements  | Cost<br>(MAD)      | Total (MAD)      | Total (USD) |
|---|--------------------|------------------|-------------|
| 1. Speakers   |                    |                  |             |
| Foreign speakers  |                    |                  |             |
| Speaker's transport (Flight ticket)   |                    |                  |             |
| * Evelyne Sernagor (Newcastle, UK)  | 6150               |                  |             |
| * Howard Cooper (Lyon, France)  | 2467               |                  |             |
| * Hamid Benazzouz (Bordeaux, France)  | 2072               | 23,182           | 2550.02     |
| * Philippe De Deurwaerdère (Bordeaux, France)                                       | 4117               | 20,102           | 2330.02     |
| * Inssaf Berkiks (Cape Town, Afrique du Sud)  | 7176               |                  |             |
| * Omar Mamad (Dublin, Ireland)  | 1200               |                  |             |
| Speaker's transport (Local transportation / airport - ci                            | ty)                |                  |             |
| * Evelyne Sernagor (Newcastle, UK)  | 100                |                  |             |
| * Howard Cooper (Lyon, France)  | 600                |                  |             |
| * Hamid Benazzouz (Bordeaux, France)  | 600                | 3,100            | 341         |
| * Philippe De Deurwaerdère (Bordeaux, France)                                       | 600                | .,               |             |
| * Inssaf Berkiks (Cape Town, Afrique du Sud)  | 600                |                  |             |
| * Omar Mamad (Dublin, Ireland)  | 600                |                  |             |
| Speakers' accommodation (Bélère Hotel & Majliss Hot                                 |                    | on B&B for 4 nig | ghts)       |
| * Evelyne Sernagor (Newcastle, UK)  | 1140               | -                |             |
| * Howard Cooper (Lyon, France)  | 1140               | _                |             |
| * Hamid Benazzouz (Bordeaux, France)  * Philippe De Deurwaerdère (Bordeaux, France) | 1140<br>1140       | 24,160           | 2657.6      |
| * Inssaf Berkiks (Cape Town, Afrique du Sud)  | 740                | -                |             |
| * Omar Mamad (Dublin, Ireland)  | 740                | -                |             |
| Per Diem speakers   | 7 70               |                  |             |
| * Evelyne Sernagor (Newcastle, UK)  | 750                |                  | I           |
| * Howard Cooper (Lyon, France)  | 750                | 1                | 222         |
| * Hamid Benazzouz (Bordeaux, France)  | 750                | 3,000            | 330         |
| * Philippe De Deurwaerdère (Bordeaux, France)                                       | 750                |                  |             |
| National speakers & participants  |                    |                  |             |
| Transport fees (train - bus)  |                    |                  |             |
| * Hassan Ainani (Ben Guérrir)   | 600                |                  |             |
| * Zakaria Ouhaz (Marrakech)   | 600                | 2.400            | 221         |
| * Hanane Kahlki (Beni Mellal)   | 600                | 2,100            | 231         |
| * Loubna Khalki (Casablanca)  | 300                |                  |             |
| Accommodation fees (Majliss Hotel / Single rooms on                                 | half board for 4 r | nights)          |             |
| * Hassan Ainani (Ben Guérrir)   | 740                | _                |             |
| * Zakaria Ouhaz (Marrakech)   | 740                | 11,840           | 1302.4      |
| * Hanane Kahlki (Beni Mellal)   | 740                | 11,040           | 1302.7      |
| * Loubna Kahlki (Casablanca)  | 740                |                  |             |
| Student's transport (Train or Bus)  |                    |                  |             |
| Youssra Amekran   | 300                |                  | Į           |
| Narjiss Damoun  | 300                | 6,550            | 720.5       |
| Chaimaa Laassili  | 300                |                  | 1 , 20.5    |
| Sara Oufkir   | 300                |                  |             |

| Ilias Chraibi   | 300            |                   |         |
|---|----------------|-------------------|---------|
| Chafik Terrafe  | 300            |                   |         |
| Majda Badaoui   | 300            |                   |         |
| Zineb Boudjafad   | 300            |                   |         |
| Nour-Eddine Kaikai  | 300            |                   | ,       |
| Mehdi Laaradia  | 300            |                   | ,       |
| Youness Iderdar   | 200            | {                 |         |
| Rachid El Attary  | 300            | {                 |         |
| Ismail Louragli   | 50             | {                 | ,       |
| Ayoub Rezqaoui Abdelghafour Elhamzaoui                              | 50<br>50       | {                 |         |
| Lamyaa Ben El Jilali  | 50             | {                 |         |
| Al Mehdi Krami  | 100            | <u> </u>          | ,       |
| Driss Touil   | 50             | ł                 | •       |
| Hasnae Mallouk  | 50             | 1                 |         |
| Hanane Ennaji   | 100            | İ                 | •       |
| Najat Sifeddine   | 100            | ĺ                 | ,       |
| Asma Arfaoui  | 300            | ĺ                 | ·       |
| Fatima Ezzahra Kacimi   | 300            | [                 |         |
| Amina Tani  | 300            | ĺ                 | •       |
| Jihane Balla  | 300            | ] [               | İ       |
| Abdelkarim Janati   | 200            | ] ]               |         |
| Mouloud Lamtai  | 50             | ]                 |         |
| Samir Bikri   | 50             |                   | ,       |
| Chaimaa Kinane  | 300            |                   |         |
| Zineb Bouargane   | 300            |                   | ,       |
| Sofia Azirar  | 300            |                   | ,       |
| Laila Ibouzine-Dine   | 50             |                   |         |
| Students' accommodation (Bouregreg Hotel / Double room              | ns on Half boa | ard for 3 nights) |         |
| Youssra Amekran & Narjiss Damoun (Majliss Hotel)                    | 3060           |                   |         |
| Chaimaa Laassili & Sara Oufkir                                      | 1296           |                   |         |
| Ilias Chraibi & Chafik Terrafe                                      | 1296           |                   |         |
| Majda Badaoui & Zineb Boudjafad                                     | 1296           |                   |         |
| Mnou-Eddine Kaikai & Mehdi Laaradia                                 | 1296           |                   |         |
| Youness Iderdar & Rachid El Attary                                  | 1296           |                   |         |
| Ismail Louragli & Samir Bikri                                       | 1296           |                   |         |
| Chaimaa Kinane & Zineb Bouargane Sofia Azirar & Laila Ibouzine-Dine | 1296           | 22.440            | 2546.20 |
| Ayoub Rezqaoui & Abdelghafour Elhamzaoui                            | 1296<br>1296   | 23,148            | 2546.28 |
| Hanane Ennaji & Najat Sifeddine                                     | 1296           |                   |         |
| Asma Arfaoui & Fatima Ezzahra Kacimi                                | 1296           |                   |         |
| Amina Tani & Jihane Balla   | 1296           |                   |         |
| Abdelkarim Janati & Mouloud Lamtai                                  | 1296           |                   |         |
| Lamyaa Ben El Jilali & Hasnae Mallouk                               | 1296           |                   |         |
| Al Mehdi Krami & Driss Touil  | 1296           |                   |         |
| Triple room for november 14th night                                 | 648            |                   |         |
| sub-total participants  |                | 97,080            | 10,679  |
|   |                |                   |         |
| 2. Restauration   |                |                   |         |
| Welcome cocktail  |                | 3,600             | 396     |
| Coffee-breaks   |                | 4,747             | 522     |
| Lunch breaks  |                | 8,399             | 924     |
| Foreign speaker's diner at Casa José Restaurant                     |                | 725               | 80      |
| Dinning cocktail  |                | 8,400             | 924     |
| Sub-total restauration  |                | 25,871            | 2,846   |
| 3. Printing   |                |                   |         |
| Banner  |                | 720               | 79      |
| Roll-up   |                | 1,440             | 158     |
| Program & certificates  |                | 183               | 20      |
| Badges  |                | 365               | 40      |
|   | <b>T</b> .     |                   | -       |

| Sub-total printing                                      |        | 2,708   | 298    |
|---|--------|---------|--------|
| 4. Decoration   |        |         |        |
| Flowers   | 280    | 280     | 31     |
| Sub-total decoration                                    |        | 280     | 31     |
| 5. Price  |        |         |        |
| Dries for Doct and an elementary communications         | Oral   | 500     | 55     |
| Price for Best oral and poster communications           | Poster | 400     | 44     |
| Sub-total Prices  |        | 900     | 99     |
| 6. Other expenses                                       |        |         |        |
| Car rental for airport transportation                   |        | 1160    | 128    |
| Secretariat transportation fees                         |        | 600     | 66     |
| Secretariat Phone fees                                  |        | 1,219   | 134    |
| Technical assistance (electricity, IT, cleaning agents) |        | 1,000   | 110    |
| Secretariat (Registration desk, paperwork, etc.)        |        | 600     | 66     |
| Sub-total Salaries                                      |        | 4,579   | 504    |
| Total   |        | 131.418 | 14.456 |

| Funds received       |                       |        |  |  |  |
|----------------------|-----------------------|--------|--|--|--|
| Source               | <b>Equivalent MAD</b> | USD    |  |  |  |
| ISN CC Funding (80%) | 106,975               | 12,000 |  |  |  |
| Expenses             | 131,418               | 14,456 |  |  |  |