Research evaluation

REPORT ON THE RESEARCH UNIT:
Institute of Psychiatry and Neuroscience of Paris (IPNP)

UNDER THE SUPERVISION OF THE FOLLOWING INSTITUTIONS AND RESEARCH BODIES:
Université Paris Descartes
Institut National de la Santé et de la Recherche Médicale – INSERM

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UNIT PRESENTATION

Unit name:	Institute of Psychiatry and Neuroscience of Paris
Unit acronym:	IPNP
Requested label:	
Application type:	Restructuration
Current number:	
Head of the unit (2017-2018):	Mr Thierry GALLI
Project leader (2019-2023):	Mr Thierry GALLI
Number of teams:	10

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chair:	Mr Keith MUIR, University of Glasgow, United Kingdom
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INTRODUCTION

HISTORY AND GEOGRAPHICAL LOCATION OF THE UNIT

The IPNP is located in a new building at the Hôpital St Anne site. The IPNP is a new configuration arising as a result of re-organisation of several historical research teams based at the hospital and/or in the Centre for Neuroscience de Paris. Since 2016, the IPNP has been formed by assembling new research teams on the advice of an International Scientific Advisory Board in conjunction with the director and in consideration of the optimal potential for translational neuroscience. The research unit was reorganised under the current director from late 2015 in order to manage a transition to a new grouping of research teams and to oversee the move into a new building that opened in February 2017. The unit continues the site's experience in clinical psychiatry and neurology research, but has expanded by adding a number of teams. Many of the teams have joined or relocated to the new building within the months preceding the visit.

MANAGEMENT TEAM

Mr Thierry GALLI.

HCERES NOMENCLATURE

SVE4_1 Neurologie.

SCIENTIFIC DOMAIN

The unit is focused on basic, translational and clinical neuroscience.

UNIT WORKFORCE

Unit workforce	Number 30/06/2017	Number 01/01/2019
Permanent staff		
Full professors and similar positions	27	25
Assistant professors and similar positions	13	9
Full time research directors (Directeurs de recherche) and similar positions	27	10
Full time research associates (Chargés de recherche) and similar positions	15	11
Other scientists ("Conservateurs, cadres scientifiques des EPIC, fondations, industries, etc.")	0	0
High school teachers	0	0
Supporting personnel (ITAs, BIATSSs and others, notably of EPICs)	66	51
TOTAL permanent staff	**148**	**106**
Non-permanent staff		

Non-permanent professors and associate professors, including emeritus	28	
Non-permanent full time scientists, including emeritus, post-docs	7	
Non-permanent supporting personnel	15	
PhD Students	96	
TOTAL non-permanent staff	**146**	
TOTAL unit	**294**	

GLOBAL ASSESSMENT OF THE UNIT

The unit is in the process of implementing a new scientific strategy involving organisational and physical reconfiguration. This new strategy will strengthen the unit's excellent potential for translational research, especially in the fields that are clinical strengths of the unit, principally cerebrovascular diseases and psychiatry. The unit has recruited basic and translational research teams of international standing across several fields of research, and the research strategy includes recruitment of junior research teams. The unit additionally includes a number of core facilities to support the range of basic and translational neuroscience activities. There are a number of common research interests across the teams that are already prompting new collaborations and joint grant applications. Research outputs of the unit are very good to excellent, and funding from major national funders supports most teams. The unit provides very good training for PhD students in translational and clinical research. The unit provides a framework for collaborative research, and where appropriate, has very good levels of public and societal engagement and interactions with the wider scientific community. The unit has very good engagement with industry and promotes commercialisation activities, including filing of patents.

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