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**Title:** 2nd Iranian IBRO/APRC Associate School of Cognitive Neuroscience for Addiction Prevention and Treatment Development: From Animal Study to Human Brain Mapping

**Type:** Associate School

**Date:** 22-29 September 2023

**Online Application:** May 01-31, 2023

**Place:** National Brain Mapping Lab, Tehran, Iran

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**Host Institutes:** Iranian Neuroscience Society, National Brain Mapping Lab, University of Tehran, Iranian National Center for Addiction Studies, Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences, Tehran University of Medical Sciences, Iran University of Medical Sciences, Shahid Beheshti University, Shohada Tajrish Comprehensive Neurosurgical Center of Excellence, and Institute for Cognitive Science Studies

**Sponsors:** International Brain Research Organization, Iranian Neuroscience Society, National Brain Mapping Lab, Cognitive Sciences and Technologies Council of Iran, National Institute for Medical Research Development, and Iran National Science Foundation

**Themes:** Addiction Neuroscience (i) Cellular and Behavioural Neuroscience (ii) Cognitive Neuroscience (iii) Computational Neuroscience

**Audience:** Junior Faculty (MD/PhD), Postdocs and Senior PhD Students in Related Disciplines

**Expected numbers of international and domestic students:** 24 Students (12 Iranian and 12 International Students)

**Financial Grant:** Fully funded; Covering the round-trip ticket, accommodation and meals

**Age-limit of the Audiences:** ≤35 YO

**Opening Ceremony & Registration:** Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> September, 2023

**Past Experiences:**

1st Iranian IBRO/APRC School of Cognitive Neuroscience on Human Brain Mapping (23 September - 4 October, 2016)

1st IBRO/APRC Iranian Associate School of Cognitive Neuroscience on Functional Human Brain Mapping (May 22-28, 2015)

**- Program**

Registration and Opening Ceremony (Friday; 22 Sep 2023)											
Two-days Symposium (23-24 Sep 2023)											
Time Day	8:30-10:00		10:00-10:30	10:30-12:00		12:00-14:00	14:00-15:30		15:30-16:00	16:00-17:30	
<b>Saturday</b>	Lecture 1	Lecture 2	Break	Lecture 3	Lecture 4	Lunch	Lecture 5	Lecture 6	Break	Lecture 7	Lecture 8
<b>Sunday</b>	Lecture 9	Lecture 10		Lecture 11	Lecture 12		Lecture 13	Lecture 14		Lecture 15	Lecture 16
Techniques Training and Execution Day (25-28 Sep 2023)											
Day	Themes	Cellular & Behavioral Neuroscience			Cognitive Neuroscience			Computational Neuroscience			
<b>Monday</b>		Deep Brain Stimulation and Stereotaxic Surgery			sMRI/fMRI/DTI			BCI			
<b>Tuesday</b>		Local Field Potential (LFP) Recording in freely moving animals			Cognitive Tasks/Interventions			Machine Learning/AI			
<b>Wednesday</b>		Cultural Visits in Tehran									
<b>Thursday</b>		Optogenetics (fNIRS, Laser-based)			TMS/tES/tFUS			Cognitive Modeling			
Proposal Presentation and Closing Ceremony (Friday; 29 Sep 2023)											

\* All lectures would be open to all in-person and virtual participants.

\*\* The hands-on sessions, presentations, and discussions with speakers would be exclusively for the school awardees.

Theme	Techniques	Place	Duration	Suggested Instructors
<b>Cellular &amp; Behavioral Neuroscience</b>	Local Field Potential (LFP) Recording in freely moving animals	- Neuroscience Research Center, Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences - Iranian National Center for Addiction Studies (INCAS)	1 day	Abbas Haghparast, PhD Saeed Semnani, MD PhD
	Deep Brain Stimulation and Stereotaxic surgery	- Neuroscience Research Center, Shahid Beheshti University of Medical Sciences - Laser and Plasma Research Institute	1 day	Abdolrahman Sarihi, PhD Hamid Latifi, PhD Hamed Ekhtiari, MD PhD
	Optogenetics (fNIRS, Laser-based)	Laser and Plasma Research Institute	1 day	Tifei Yuan, PhD
<b>Cognitive Neuroscience</b>	sMRI/fMRI/ DTI	National Brain Mapping Lab	1 day	Seyed Amir Hossein Batouli, PhD Mohammad Ali Oghabian, PhD
	TMS/tES/tFUS	- National Brain Mapping Lab - Iranian National Center for Addiction Studies (INCAS)	1 day	Hamed Ekhtiari, MD, PhD Til Ole Bergmann, PhD Neil G. Muggleton, PhD
	Cognitive Tasks/Interventions	- INCAS Neurocognitive Lab, - Institute for Cognitive Science Studies (ICSS)	1 day	Hamed Ekhtiari, MD, PhD Tara Rezapour, PhD Yonghui Li, PhD Antonio Verdejo-Garcia, PhD
<b>Computational Neuroscience</b>	BCI	Institute for Cognitive and Brain Sciences, Shahid Beheshti University	1 day	Reza Khosrowabadi, PhD Amir Masoud Sodagar, PhD Muhammad Adeel Parvaz, PhD Kai Keng Ang, PhD
	Cognitive Modeling	School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Tehran	1 day	Reza Khosrowabadi, PhD Michael X Cohen, PhD
	Machine Learning/AI	School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, University of Tehran	1 day	Hamid Soltanian-Zadeh, PhD