



Post-doctoral position on Computational Cognitive Neuroscience of Executive Functions

The Neuropsychology Lab at the University of the Balearic Islands (Mallorca, Spain) is hiring a 2-year full-time postdoctoral research fellow to join an ongoing project on Computational Cognitive Neuroscience (CCN) of executive functions.

The project is inspired by the active (Bayesian) inference framework, and aims to quantify contextual information in several (oddball, go/nogo, task-switching) tasks for the assessment of dysexecutive deficits in elderly adults and patients with frontal lobe lesions (e.g., doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2018.01693).

The successful candidate will hold a PhD in Physics, Biology, Psychology, Neuroscience, or related fields. The job entails modelling and analyses of a large dataset of behavioral and EEG recordings from young and elderly healthy controls and brain injured patients, with a special focus on analyses of Bayesian surprise, event-related potentials, oscillatory EEG activity, and/or effective connectivity (e.g., DCM). Access to patients' MRI scans will be available in liaison with Professor John Duncan at Cambridge University. The postdoc will work closely with Dr. Barceló as part of an international research team.

We request:

- * Experience in advanced modelling & analysis of EEG data (i.e., DCM, MPVA);
- * Solid programming skills (e.g., Matlab, Julia, R, or equivalent);
- * Track record of first-author CCN publications: motivation & great writing skills;
- * A theoretical background on executive functions would be a plus.

We offer:

- * Full time dedication to research activities;
- * Outstanding publishing and international networking opportunities;
- * Full access to onsite facilities (computing, EEG/ERP, neuropsych. tools, etc);
- * We support Open Science initiatives (e.g., Neuroscience Gateway; OSF);
- * A gross salary from 30.000 € to 35.000 € /year according with experience;
- * A travel allowance of 1.500€/year for research visits and conferences;
- * Full security coverage (health and accident insurance, paid time off benefits);
- * Supported by the Spanish Research Agency (AEI PID2019-106045GB-I00);
- * The University of the Balearic Islands is an Equal Opportunity Employer.

Suitable candidates should send their CV in pdf format, a letter of motivation, and the names and addresses of two referees to Francisco Barceló (f.barcelo@uib.es). The initial appointment is for 1 year (renewable for a 2nd year), starting October 1st 2021. Selection of candidates and interviews will be ongoing until July 30th, or until the position is filled. Informal inquires from suitable candidates welcomed. More information in: www.mcst.es