# MASTER 2 Fundamental and Clinical Neurosciences Internship proposal 2022-2023

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#### **Host laboratory:**

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## **Project title:**

Functional impact of focal vasoconstriction in the rat brain studied by multimodal neuroimaging

#### **Project summary:**

The vasoconstrictor Endothelin-1 has long been employed to model human cerebrovascular diseases in rodents. The focal, stereotaxic injection enables a versatile use as i) a model of major stroke when injected around the middle cerebral artery (MCA) [1], ii) a model of lacunar stroke when injected in the grey matter (GM) [2], iii) a model of small vessel disease when injected in the white matter (WM) [3].

However the functional correlates in these different scenario remain largely unexplored, and imaging biomarkers are needed to design innovative therapeutic intervention in a preclinical setting with translational endpoints. We propose to characterize the functional impact of Endothelin-1 micro-injections in Middle Cerebral Artery, by combining multimodal MRI (Diffusion and Perfusion-Weighted Imaging) [4] and functional Ultrasound (fUS) [5] in a longitudinal follow-up.

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### 3-5 recent publications:

- [1] S. Nikolova, S. Moyanova, S. Hughes, M. Bellyou-Camilleri, T.-Y. Lee, and R. Bartha, "Endothelin-1 induced MCAO: Dose dependency of cerebral blood flow," *J. Neurosci. Methods*, vol. 179, no. 1, pp. 22–28, Apr. 2009, doi: 10.1016/j.jneumeth.2009.01.009.
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- [3] L. Otero-Ortega *et al.*, "White matter injury restoration after stem cell administration in subcortical ischemic stroke," *Stem Cell Res. Ther.*, vol. 6, no. 1, p. 121, Jun. 2015, doi: 10.1186/s13287-015-0111-4.
- [4] F. Chauveau *et al.*, "Brain-targeting form of docosahexaenoic acid for experimental stroke treatment: MRI evaluation and anti-oxidant impact," *Curr Neurovasc Res*, vol. 8, no. 2, pp. 95–102, May 2011.
- [5] B. Vidal *et al.*, "Functional ultrasound imaging to study brain dynamics: Application of pharmaco-fUS to atomoxetine," *Neuropharmacology*, vol. 179, p. 108273, Nov. 2020, doi: 10.1016/j.neuropharm.2020.108273.