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### Curriculum Vitae

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### Current Research Topics

- Emotion perception in autism
- Face perception in neurodevelopmental disorders
- Biomarkers for mental health vulnerability
- Pain processing in migraine
- Neuroinflammation
- Methods: behavioral, neuropsychological: behavioral, psychophysics, eye-tracking, neuro-imaging (fMRI, MEG)

### Employment & Degrees

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| 2019 -      | Professor in Experimental Child and Adolescent Psychiatry, Sahlgrenska Academy, Gothenburg University, Sweden                          |
| 2016 -      | Associate Neuroscientist, Massachusetts General Hospital, Boston   |
| 2015 -      | Director, Neurolimbic Research, Martinos Center for Biomedical Imaging, MGH, Boston  |
| 2006 -      | Associate Professor in Radiology, Harvard Medical School, Boston   |
| 2013 - 2019 | Visiting Professor, Gillberg Center, Sahlgrenska Academy, Gothenburg University, Sweden  |
| 2006 – 2012 | Director, Social Cognition Laboratory, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Lausanne   |
| 2006 - 2012 | Professeur Boursier, Brain Mind Institute, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology, Lausanne   |
| 2005 – 2014 | Affiliated Faculty, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge   |
| 2002 – 2005 | Assistant Professor, Radiology, Harvard Medical School, Boston   |
| 1999 – 2002 | Instructor, Radiology, Harvard Medical School, Boston  |
| 1997 – 1999 | Post-doctoral Research Fellow, Radiology, Harvard Medical School, Boston   |
| 1995 – 1996 | Post-doctoral Research Fellow, Laboratory for Brain Research and Position Emission Tomography, Karolinska Institute, Stockholm, Sweden |
| 1993 – 1995 | Research Fellow, Anatomy and Physiology, University of Lausanne, Switzerland   |
| 1993        | Research Fellow, Neuropediatric, Lausanne University Hospital, Switzerland   |
| 2017        | Licensed Physician, Sweden   |
| 2010        | PhD in Neuroscience, Tilburg University, The Netherlands   |
| 1995        | Doctorate in Medicine, University of Lausanne, Switzerland   |
| 1992        | Licensed Physician, University of Lausanne, Switzerland  |

### Honors and Awards

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| 1995 | Fellowship award from Swedish Institute, Stockholm, Sweden |
| 1995 | Fellowship award from Grant, Swiss National Foundation     |

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| 1995 | Fellowship award from, Société Académique Vaudoise, Switzerland |
| 2002 | RO1, NINDS  |
| 2005 | Swiss National Foundation Professeur Boursier Grant             |
| 2008 | Velux Foundation Grant  |
| 2008 | Stoicescu Fellowship Grant                                      |
| 2010 | Leenaards Prize   |
| 2012 | Chaire d'Excellence Pierre de Fermat, Toulouse, France          |
| 2014 | MGH Scientific Advisory Committee Poster of Distinction award   |
| 2014 | F1000 prime   |
| 2016 | LifeWatch Award   |

### Editorial activities

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| 2002-   | Ad-Hoc Member, NINDS, National Institutes of Health; ZRG1 BBBP-6, NIH; VISB, NIH; NINDS, NIH; ZRG1 IFCN-E, NIH; NIDDK, NIH; Ad-Hoc Member, ZRG1 BBB-L, NIH; ARRA BBB-P, NIH; CP BBBP-IRG, NIH; NINDS Headache CDEs; DBD, NIH; ZRG1 CFS-N, NIH; ZRG F02B, NIH.   |
| 2000-   | Ad-Hoc Reviewer, Medical Research Council (MRC)UK; Agence d'évaluation de la recherche et de l'enseignement supérieur (AERES) France; Agence nationale de la recherche (ANR) France; The Netherlands Organisation for Health Research and Development (ZonMw); European Research Council (ERC); European Science Foundation (ESF); German-Israeli Foundation for Scientific Research and Development (GIF); Lundbeck Foundation; Swiss National Science Foundation (SNF); Harvard Catalyst Data Ideation Challenge  |
| 2000-   | Ad-Hoc reviewer: Acta Paediatrica; American Journal of Psychiatry; Annals of Neurology; Archives of General Psychiatry; Autism; Autism Research; Biological Psychiatry; Brain; Brain Research; Brain Topography; Cephalgia; Cerebral Cortex; Cognitive Computation; Consciousness and Cognition; Cortex; Current Biology; Development and Psychopathology; ECPN; Emotion; European Journal of Neuroscience; European Review of Applied Psychology; Headache; Human Brain Mapping; Journal of Autism and Developmental Disorders; Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience; Journal of Child Psychology and Psychiatry; Journal of Experimental Psychology; Journal of Nervous and Mental Disease; Journal of Neurodevelopmental Disorders; Journal of Neurophysiology; Journal of Neuroscience; Journal of Neuroradiology; Journal of Physiology; Journal of the International Neuropsychological Society; The Lancet Neurology; Magnetic Resonance in Medicine; Nature Clinical Practice Neurology ; Nature Neuroscience ; Neural Plasticity ; NeurolImage ; NeurolImage Clinical ; Neurology Neuropsychological Neuropsychopharmacology; Neuroscience & Biobehavioral Reviews; Pain; Proceedings of the National Academy of Science, USA; The Proceeding B of the Royal Society; PLoS ONE; Psychiatry and Clinical Neurosciences; Psychiatry Research; Psychopharmacology; Research in Autism Spectrum Disorders; Scientific Reports; Social Cognitive Affective Neuroscience; Stroke; Trends in Cognitive Sciences; Trends in Neurosciences; Vision Research; Visual Neuroscience |
| 2022-   | Member of the FWO Review College, Fonds Wetenschappelijk Onderzoek Vlaanderen   |
| 2013-   | Academic Editor, PLoS ONE   |
| 2019-24 | Editorial Board Member, The Journal of Headache and Pain  |
| 2022-   | Editorial Board Member, Neurodiversity  |

### Peer-Reviewed Publications:

- Thorsson M, Galazka MA, Åsberg Johnels J, **Hadjikhani N**. Influence of autistic traits and communication role on eye contact behavior during face-to-face interaction. *Scientific Reports* 2024, accepted.
- Galazka MA, Thorsson M, Kleberg JL, **Hadjikhani N**, Åsberg Johnels J. Pupil contagion variation with gaze, arousal and autistic traits. *Scientific Reports* 2024, accepted
- Christensen RH, Ashina H, Al-Khzali AH, Zhang Y, Tolnai D, Poulsen AH, Cagol A, **Hadjikhani N**, Granziera C, Amin FM, Ashina M. Differences in cortical morphology in people with and without migraine: A Registry for Migraine (REFORM) MRI Study. *Neurology* 2024, accepted

4. Brusaferri L, Alshelh Z, Schnieders JH, Sandström A, Mohammadian M, Morrissey EJ, Kim M, Chane CA, Grmek GC, Murphy JP, Bialobrzewski J, DiPietro A, Klinke J, Zhang Y, Torrado-Carvalj A, Mercaldo N, Akeju O, Wu O, Rosen BR, Napadow V, **Hadjikhani N**, Loggia ML. Neuroimmune activation and increased brain aging in chronic pain patients after the COVID-19 pandemic onset. *Brain Behav Immun* 2023; 116:259-266 PMID 38081435
5. Thorsson M, Galazka M, Johnson M, Åsberg Johnels J, **Hadjikhani N**. Visuomotor tracking strategies in children: associations with neurodevelopmental symptoms. *Experimental Brain Research* 2023, epub ahead of print, PMID 38078961
6. Alarifi H, Aldhalaan H, **Hadjikhani N**, Åsberg Johnels J, Alarifi J, Ascenso G, Alabdulaziz R. Machine learning for distinguishing Saudi children with and without autism via eye-tracking data. *Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Mental Health*, 2023, 17(1):112 PMID 37777792.
7. Galazka M, Wallin L Thorsson M, Gillberg C, Billstedt E, **Hadjikhani N**, Åsberg Johnels J. Self-reported eye contact sensitivity and face processing in chromosome 22q11.2 deletion syndrome. *Journal of Clinical and Experimental Neuropsychology*, 2023, 45(6):570-578 PMID 37732542
8. Söderlund GBW, Torvanger S, **Hadjikhani N**, Åsberg Johnels J. Sentence memory recall in adolescents: Effects of motor enactment, keyboarding, and handwriting during encoding. *Brain and Behavior* 2023;e3226 PMID 37605367
9. **Hadjikhani N**, Åsberg Johnels J. Overwhelmed by the man in the moon? Pareidolic objects provoke increased amygdala activation in autism. *Cortex* 2023, 164 :144-151 PMID 37209610
10. Thorsson M, Galazka M, Hajjari P, Fernald E, Delafield-Butt J, Gillberg C, Johnson M, Åsberg Johnels J, **Hadjikhani N**. A novel tablet-based motor coordination test performs on par with the Beery VMI subtest and offers superior temporal metrics: findings from children with Pediatric Acute-onset Neuropsychiatric Syndrome. *Experimental Brain Research* 2023, 241(5):1421-1436 PMID 37052647
11. Thorsson M, Galazka M, Åsberg Johnels J, **Hadjikhani N**. A novel end-to-end dual camera system for eye gaze synchrony assessment in face-to-face interaction. *Attention, Perception and Psychophysics* 2023, Online ahead of print PMID 37099200.
12. Åsberg Johnels J, Galazka M, Sundqvist M, **Hadjikhani N**. The left visual field bias during face perception aligns with individual differences in reading skills, and is absent in dyslexia. *British Journal of Educational Psychology* 2022, online ahead of print, PMID 36317253
13. **Hadjikhani N**, Galazka M, Kenet T, Joseph RM, Åsberg Johnels J. Discrepancy between high non-verbal intelligence and low accuracy at reading emotional expressions in the eyes reflects the magnitude of social-emotional difficulties in autism. *European Archives of Psychiatry and Clinical Neuroscience* 2022, accepted PMID 35980452
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15. Christensen RH, Gollion C, Amin FM, Moskowitz MA, **Hadjikhani N**, Ashina M. Imaging the inflammatory phenotype in migraine. *The Journal of Headache and Pain*, 2022, 23(1):60 PMID 35650524
16. Brusaferri L, Alshelh Z, Martins D, Kim M, Weerasekera A, Housman H, Morrissey EJ, Knight PC, Castro-Blanco KA, Albrecht D, Tseng C, Zuñzurche NR, Ratai EM, Johnson-Akeju O, Makary M, Mercaldo ND, **Hadjikhani N**, Veronese M, Turkheimer F, Rosen BR, Hooker JM, Loggia M. The Pandemic Brain: neuroinflammation in non-infected individuals during the COVID-19 pandemic. *Brain Behavior and Immunity*, 2022, 102:89-97. PMID 35181440
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 Emission Specimen, Comment avoir une idée géniale, TSR 2012  
 Autisme: Lire les intentions Webdocumentaire 2012  
 Emission 36.9, Migraine: le **base-tête**, TSR 2013  
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 Kobra, Swedish Television – We see faces everywhere 2014  
 Fear: Wherefore, Whence – The Helix Center, 2016  
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 Ministère de l'Education Nationale (France): Enfants autistes: bienvenue à l'école! 2018

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## Narrative

Nouchine Hadjikhani, MD, PhD, is Associate Professor in Radiology at Harvard Medical School, where she directs the Neurolimbic Research Laboratory, and Professor in Experimental Child and Adolescent Psychiatry at the Sahlgrenska Academy, Gothenburg University, Sweden. She is also an Assistant in Radiology at Mass General Hospital in Boston. She is an author of 145 peer-review articles, and of 16 books, book chapters and other publications. She is highly cited, with an h-index of 63 and more than 19000 citations.

In her work, she has employed neuroanatomy, histology, Positron Emission Tomography (PET), functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging (fMRI), Diffusion Tensor Imaging (DTI), electroencephalography (EEG), magnetoencephalography (MEG) as well as behavioral methods, including eye-tracking, to study the normal and the diseased brain.

Early in her career study she discovered and characterized the area of the brain that is responsible for color vision with use of fMRI. She then showed that the aura of migraine was a phenomenon similar to cortical spreading depression and has since studied the long-term effects of migraine on the brain. This was a ground-breaking paper that has been cited more than 1800 times. More recently, she showed that migraine with aura was accompanied by neuroinflammation, and that the meninges and the adjacent bone were participating in the process. In the field of

autism, she demonstrated that "low level" visual processing is normal in individuals with autism, ruling out a bottom-up deficit. She was also the first to provide data disproving a popular theory stating that individuals with autism are lacking the brain area devoted to face identification (the "fusiform face area", or FFA). Anatomical and functional studies conducted by her team have evidenced the presence of abnormalities in the so-called "mirror neuron" areas (which enable us to mimic and mentally simulate the emotions, behavior and movement of others) of young adults with high-functioning autism. She also demonstrated that affective empathy is preserved in individuals with autism. Her current work is dedicated to understanding the neural bases of ASD and other neurodevelopmental disorders, and to develop neural biomarkers that will help to objectify the effect of therapeutic approaches, both behavioral and pharmacological. In her current research she is trying to understand the roots of eye-contact difficulties in autism, and how to improve them.

For her outstanding research in the field of autism she received Niclas Öberg Life Watch Award in 2016 and The Leenaards Award in 2010.