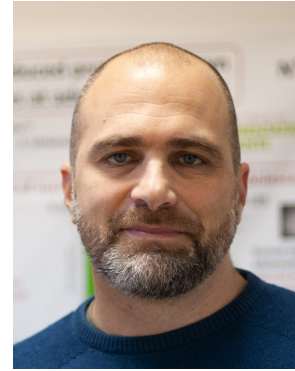


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I have a long-lasting interest for behavioral neuroscience. After a PhD obtained in 2004 during which I examined the role of the 5-HT system in learning abilities, I did my postdoctoral research in New Zealand (University of Canterbury) where I became fascinated by the role of the cognitive thalamus. I secured a researcher position at the CNRS in 2008. Since then, I have been working at the Aquitaine Institute for Cognitive and Integrative Neurosciences (INICIA, Bordeaux, France). I am currently a CNRS research director and my main research interest is the functional contribution of limbic thalamic nuclei to high order cognition. More specifically, I am currently interested in the neurobiology of adaptive behaviors, with a particular emphasis on thalamocortical circuits.

I attended almost every EBBS events since I began my scientific journey, having already contributed a symposium at the 47th event in Bilbao (Spain) and contributing for the upcoming event in Lausanne. Over the past few years, I dedicated a significant part of my time and energy in promoting behavioral neuroscience and collaborative research efforts at an EU level as shown below. Now I would happily serve for my home society to expand this effort at a further level, promoting cooperation, inclusion and collaborative work within the EU space.

Meetings organization

- EBBS 2017 (Bilbao, Spain): Symposium “Thalamocortical bases of adaptive behaviors”
- French-German workshop 2018 (Heidelberg, Germany): “Thalamocortical circuits for adaptive behaviors”, co-organized with Alex Groh (Heidelberg, Germany)
- International workshop 2018 (Bordeaux, France): “Frontiers in medial prefrontal cortex research”, co-organized with E. Coutureau, September 2018
- NeuroFrance 2017 (Bordeaux, France): Symposium “Subcortical determinants of learning & memory: looking beyond the hippocampus”, co-organized with L. Lecourtier (Strasbourg)