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# Department of Neuroscience

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# Neurosciences

# Regenerative medicine

# Alzheimer's chicken, Huntington's disease

# Fluorescence microscopy

# EVOS

## Offer

- Measurement of ion concentrations and the extracellular volume and tortuosity *in situ* and *in vivo* using ion-selective microelectrodes
- Measurements of biopotentials in the living tissue
- Fluorescence microscopy of cell cultures and tissue samples
- Image analysis including 3D morphometry

## Know-how & Technologies

- Our research focus is aimed at the changes of the extracellular space diffusion parameters, extrasynaptic (volume) transmission and neuron-glia interaction during physiological and pathological states.
- Furthermore we study stem cells and biomaterials in regenerative medicine.
- We use various animal models of pathological states, e. g. models of global and focal ischemia, Alzheimer's disease, Huntington's disease, tumors, epilepsy, developmental disorders, aging, and brain and spinal cord injury.

## Team Members

- Prof. Nathalie Rouach, CIRB, College de France, DR2 Inserm, Paris, France
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- Prof. Meenou Jhanwar-Uniyal, New York Medical College, New York, USA. Mutual grant from a program Kontakt II LH12024

## Key Research Equipment

The department is equipped with high technically advanced electrophysiological setups allowing measurements of various biopotentials, extracellular ion concentrations and the extracellular space diffusion parameters by a unique real-time iontophoretic method. It posses also several fluorescent microscopes for histological evaluation of samples and image analysis, including a new digital inverted fluorescence microscope EVOS.

## Selected Publications

- Forostyak S, Homola A, Turnovcova K, Svitil P, Jendelova P, Sykova E. (2014) *Intrathecal Delivery of Mesenchymal Stromal Cells Protects the Structure of Altered Perineuronal Nets in SOD1 Rats and Amends the Course of ALS*. Stem Cells. 32(12):3163–72
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## **Klíčová slova**

# Neurovědy

# Regenerativní medicína

# Alzheimerova choroba, Huntingtonova choroba

# Fluorescenční mikroskopie

# EVOS