

Dear Young Neuroscientists,

The **BraYn Association** and the **BraYn Conference** team warmly welcome you to the **4**th **Brainstorming Research Assembly for Young Neuroscientists**, the BraYn conference.

Inspired and organized by researchers under the age of 40 from different scientific backgrounds, the focus of the BraYn conference is to promote brand-new collaborative connections between the potential future leaders of Neuroscience. The conference philosophy is simple: to **meet**, to **connect**, to **collaborate**, and to **share**. We need to encourage cooperation between different research groups in order to broaden our horizons and to improve the quality of our research.

By hosting neuroscientists from all around the world, our goal is to make the BraYn conference a flagship event for **young European researchers**, where novel national and international research networks will be built to improve future research activities. This goal was fully achieved in past BraYn conferences, and we want to continue on this path in the future.

In addition to the traditional sessions on neurodegeneration, neuro-oncology, neuroinflammation, and neurophysiology & neural plasticity, this year we included two **new sessions** in the scientific program: **neuroimaging** and **paediatric neuroscience & epilepsy**. These sessions were added to meet the needs and the interests of researchers working in the clinical field.

Nearly 600 delegates attended the BraYn 2020 online conference. Unfortunately, because of ongoing restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic, it is not yet possible for us to fully and freely accept everyone registering for the BraYn conference. Nevertheless, we will continue to do our best to ensure that everyone who wishes to participate can do so.

We are looking forward to welcoming you at the 4th BraYn conference!