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Ashley Novais

Date of Birth: Ago, 19, 1985  
Place of Birth: Oakville  
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Present Resident in Braga  
Marital Status: Married

**Sep 2017 – Present**

## INL, Braga Portugal

Research Fellow

**Project:** Implantable systems for multimodal theranostics.

**Results:** Improve configuration, geometry and bio-compatibility of implantable microelectrodes and sensors for the monitoring of neurologic activity.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

### ICVS, Braga Portugal

**Jan 2014 – Dec 2016**

Post-doc

**Project:** Adaptive and maladaptive response to stress: longitudinal characterization in brain imaging and molecular correlates.

**Results:** Diffusion and functional MRI data correlation with corticosterone levels and behavior scores of rats exposed to chronic stress. Supervised by Nuno Sousa. *One article published in Molecular Psychiatry.*

### INSERM, Paris France

**Fev 2016 – May 2016**

Post-doc

Stress hormone quantification as part of a collaborative international project under the supervision of Thérèse Jay.

### NeuroSpin/CEA, Saclay France

**May 2015 – Aug 2015**

Post-doc

Implementation of the “chronic unpredictable stress” protocol for rats and several rodent behavior tests (Barnes Maze, EPM, FST and NOR). Supervised by Sebastian Meriaux.

### Depart. Pharmacology, U. of Athens Greece

**Out 2012 – Dec 2012**

PhD student

Training in HPLC technique for the quantification of monoamines and aminoacids in mouse brain samples under the supervision of Christina Dalla. *Article accepted in Front. in behavior neuroscience and a second publication forthcoming.*

### ICVS, Braga Portugal

**2010 – 2013**

PhD student

**Project:** Neudesin - characterization of a novel neurotrophic factor.

**Results:** Characterization of a Neudesin KO mouse from postnatal to adult stages revealed to influence adult hippocampal neurogenesis, emotional behavior and developmental gender differences. Supervised by João Carlos Sousa. *One article published and two more forthcoming.*