



STATUTE OF TENGIZ ONIANI LABORATORY OF SLEEP-WAKEFULNESS CYCLE STUDIES OF THE INSTITUTE OF ILIA STATE UNIVERSITY

ARTICLE 1 - SCOPE OF STATUTE

1. This Statute determines tasks and objectives, main areas of its activities, its organization, managing authorities and other issues related to the activities of the Institute of the faculty of Natural Sciences and Engineering of Ilia State University called Tengiz Oniani Laboratory of Sleep-Wakefulness Cycle Studies (hereinafter -- 'the Institute').
2. The Statute of the Institute shall be formulated by its head and submitted to the Faculty Board. In the event that the Faculty Board approves the Statute, the Faculty Administration will submit it to the Academic Board and the Board of Representatives for approval.

ARTICLE 2 - STATUS OF TENGIZ ONIANI LABORATORY OF SLEEP-WAKEFULNESS CYCLE STUDIES

1. Tengiz Oniani Laboratory of Sleep-Wakefulness Cycle Studies (hereinafter -- 'the Institute') is the Institute created for educational and research purposes at the Faculty of Natural Sciences and Engineering, which under the control of the faculty (hereinafter -- 'the Faculty') carries out educational, science-research and practical activities;
2. The Institute was created at the decision of the Board of Representatives (09/10/2009 Protocol N12)

ARTICLE 3 - OBJECTIVES OF INSTITUTE

1. Main objectives of the activities of the Institute are as follows:
 - a) study of integration activities of brain in humans and animals;
 - b) study of neurobiological mechanisms of interdependence among separate phases of sleep and wakefulness cycle;
 - c) modelling of different psychological and nervous pathologies in animals through searching for ways to improve disorders and implementing themse ways in medical practice;
 - d) study concerning fundamental neurobiological mechanisms that constitute the basis for sleep an wakefulness cycle and determining its importance in integration activities of brain.

ARTICLE 4 - MAIN AREAS OF ACTIVITIES OF INSTITUTE

1. Main areas of the activities of the Institute are as follows:
 - a) relationship mechanisms of sleep and wakefulness cycle phases and their role in integration activities of brain;
 - b) critical periods of postnatal development of sleep and wakefulness cycle: new area of maturation of sleep homoeostasis mechanisms;
 - c) prevalence of sleep disorders and genetic factors associated to them in Georgian population;
 - d) sleep disorders in Georgian adolescents;
 - e) knowledge-based partnership in Georgia for the purposes of development of sleep medicine research platform and promotion of sleep science;
 - f) neurobiological mechanisms of cause and effect relationships among sleep and wakefulness phases;

- g) role of sleep phases in processing memory in humans and animals;
- h) study of behaviour in humans and animals.

ARTICLE 5 - ORGANISATION OF THE INSTITUTE:

1. The Institute comprises scientists and researchers whose activities are in compliance with the mission, principles, objectives and areas determined by the Statute.

ARTICLE 6 - MANAGING AUTHORITIES OF INSTITUTE AND THEIR FUNCTIONS

1. Managing authorities of Institute are: The Director of the Institute and the Board of the Institute, which is comprised of all its professors and researchers;
2. A candidature of the Director of the Institute shall be reviewed by the Academic Board and approved by the Rector;
3. The Board of the Institute makes decisions if a decision is approved by the sheer majority of those attending a session. The Board shall be authorized if half of the members of the Institute attend the board session;
4. The Board of the Institute:
 - a) discusses and formulates recommendations in relation to scientific and research activity programmes of the Institute presented by the Director;
 - b) agrees upon the Institute budget project drawn up by the Director of the Institute;
 - c) formulates recommendations in relation to new candidates of members of the Institute and requirements they should meet;
 - d) formulates the project for the Statute of the Institute together with the Director of the Institute to be presented at the Academic Board.
5. The Director of the Institute:
 - a) supervises academic activities;
 - b) presents the Institute budget project to the Academic Board for discussion, the scientific and research activity programme and the Statute of the Institute;
 - c) presents suggestions to the University Rector in relation to the candidatures of researchers and professors to be hired;
 - d) presents an annual report of his/her activities to the Academic Board at the end of each year;
6. A director of centres within the Institute shall be appointed and dismissed by the University Rector.

ARTICLE 7 - BOARD SESSION

1. Board Sessions of the Institute shall be convened by the Director or the Board of the Institute;
2. After the board session, the session minute shall be drawn up, which is signed by the board chairperson and a secretary;
3. The Board shall make a decision as "the Decision of the Board."

ARTICLE 8 - PERSONNEL OF THE INSTITUTE

1. The Institute has an academic personnel, researchers and aids;
2. Work-related duties to be performed by the personnel shall be specified by their employment contract;
3. Academic personnel shall be hired by complying with the procedure determined by the Law of Georgia on Higher Education and the Statute of the University.

ARTICLE 9 - PROPERTY AND BUDGET OF THE INSTITUTE

1. The Institute applies the property of the University in accordance with the procedure determined by the University;
2. The sources of funding the Institute are as follows: budget assignments, the Institute revenues, science and/or other grants, contributions, agricultural and other revenues allowed by the law;
3. Disposal of the financial resources of the Institute is governed by Georgian legislation, the Charter of the University, the University Budget Formulation Procedure, and this Statute.

ARTICLE 10 - RESTRUCTURING AND CLOSURE OF THE INSTITUTE

1. The decision on restructuring and closure of the Institute shall be made by the Academic Board and approved by the Board of Representatives.

ARTICLE 11 - PROCEDURE FOR PROPOSING CHANGES AND/OR AMENDMENTS TO STATUTE

1. The project for proposing changes and/or amendments to the Statute shall be drawn up by the Director of the Institute and presented to the Academic Board and the Board of Representatives of the University for approval after it receives a consent from the Faculty Board;
2. The project for proposing changes and/or amendments to the Statute shall be substantiated and shall show the importance of proposing changes and/or amendments.