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Professor in Medicine and head of the Laboratory of Molecular Neuroscience at the University of Oslo

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Born 21 April 1971 Kerman, Iran

Occupation: Professor and neuroscientist

Amiry-Moghaddam spent his first few years in the city of [Kerman](#) about 1000 kilometers south-east of [Tehran](#) in Iran. He arrived in Norway as a refugee of minor age, via [Pakistan](#) in 1985.

Amiry-Moghaddam completed his medical studies in 1996 at the [University of Oslo](#), and later obtained a [PhD](#) at the Center for Neuroscience and Molecular Biology ^[1] in that university.

In 2004, he received the King's gold medal for the best medical doctorate at the University of Oslo.

Amiry-Moghaddam has been a collaborator to [Peter Agre](#), who received the [Nobel Prize for Chemistry](#) in 2003.

Amiry-Moghaddam spent one year as a postdoctoral fellow at [Harvard Medical School](#) in 2006.

Amiry-Moghaddam was awarded the [Anders Jahre Awards](#) medicine prize for young scientists in 2008, ^[2]

He is a member of the [Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters](#). ^[3]

In 2013, Amiry-Moghaddam was selected by an independent panel as one of the 10 "brightest minds" in Norway. ^[4] The list was published in the Norwegian newspaper [VG](#).

Amiry-Moghaddam is well known as a defender of human rights.

He received the Norwegian [Amnesty International](#)'s human rights prize in 2007 ^[5] for his work against the human rights violations in Iran.

Today, he works as a **Professor in Medicine and head of the Laboratory of Molecular Neuroscience at the University of Oslo.**

He is also co-founder and spokesperson for the NGO [Iran Human Rights](#)^[6] which monitors the violations of human rights in Iran.

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My title would be:

1. - Parkinson's disease: A possible role of the aquaglyceroporin AQP9 in Parkinson's disease

2. - Pathophysiological consequence of loss of astrocyte polarity: The case of Aquaporin-4

3. - Differential role of the dystrophin associated protein complex in the polarized anchoring of AQP4 and potassium channel Kir4.1 in brain and retina