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Dr. Mohammed Najib Saidi graduated as an engineer in biological engineering (2004) from the National Engineering School of Sfax in Tunisia and obtained Master degree (2007) in Molecular and Cellular Biology. Dr Saidi obtained a PhD in biological science (2011) at the Faculty of Sciences of Sfax. After His PhD, Dr Saidi was recruited as a contract researcher and integrated the Eucalyptus Functional Genomics research team in the Laboratory of Plant Science Research (LRSV) at the University Paul Sabatier in Toulouse, France for 15 months. During his postdoctoral fellowship, Dr Saidi worked on the regulation of cell wall biosynthesis in eucalyptus and Arabidopsis. Dr. Saidi also contributed in the eucalyptus genome sequencing and annotation which was published in Nature Journal in 2014.

Currently (since 2013) Dr. Saidi is a permanent assistant professor in the Laboratory of Biotechnology and Plant Improvement at CBS. He works on the molecular mechanisms of abiotic stress tolerance (mainly salinity and drought) in wheat. He develops a combination of genetic, genomic and bioinformatics approaches to analyze transcription factor signaling pathways in response to abiotic and biotic stress in durum wheat.