FY 2024 Annual Report



Unit Name

Biological Nonlinear Dynamics Data Science Unit

Collaborations

Term 2 2023 - Ongoing

Misha Ahrens, Janelia HHMI, Ashburn, Virginia, USA, Zebrafish whole brain EDM George Sugihara, Scripps Institution of Oceanography, UC San Diego, La, Jolla, California, USA, EDM in ecology Sarah Luo, Astar, Singapore, EDM for Aging

Term 2 2025 - Ongoing

Hiroaki Natsukawa, Osaka Seikei University, Japan, Visualization for EDM Weiping Han, Astar, Singapore, EDM for Aging

Term 1 2023 - Ongoing

William Frost, Rosalind Franklin University, North Chicago, Illinois, USA, Tritonia and Aplysia EDM analysis
Jun Wu, UT Southewestern, Dallas, Texas, USA, the early human embryo pluripotency
Yonkeun Paul Park, KAIST, South Korea, reflectin proteins and EDM for quantitative phase microscopy
Stanislav Smirnov, University of Geneva, Switzerland, mathematics of neuroscience
Masahito Ikawa, Osaka University, Japan, mammalian spermatogenesis epigenetics
Terrence Sejnowski, Salk Institute, UC San Diego, La, Jolla, California, USA, low dimensional manifolds and Al
Keichi Takahashi, Osaka University, Japan, High perfomance computing EDM algorithms
Jingwen Li, UCSD, La, Jolla, California, USA, EDM for Marmosets
Yoko Iwata, U of Tokyo, Japan, Cephalopod biology

Term 2 2024 - Ongoing

Nicholas Friedman, Museum of Nature Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany, OKEON soundscape analysis Michael Yoo, CNIR, Institute for Basic Science, Suwon, South Korea, EDM for monkey electrophysiology

Term 3 2022 - Ongoing

Jack Gallant, UC Berkeley, Berekeley, California, USA, fMRI of human driving

Term 3 2023 - Ongoing

Loren Frank, UCSF, San Francisco, California, USA, embeddings of rat decision making Caroline Wee, Astar, Singapore, EDM for Aging Rosa So, Astar, Singapore, EDM for Aging

Term 1 2024 - Ongoing

Quan Zhu, UCSD, La, Jolla, California, USA, EDM from MERFISH

Term 3 2024 - Ongoing

Won Mok Shim, CNIR, Institute for Basic Science, Suwon, South Korea, EDM for fMRI of videogames Hakwan Lau, CNIR, Institute for Basic Science, Suwon, South Korea, EDM for fMRI Xiaomei Lu, NASA, USA, Antarctic Sea Ice LIDAR and temperature satellite observations

Mentorship / Supervision

Sep 2024 - Present Mentor, Richa Agarwal, OIST Student

Host (RI, SRS, VRS, VS), Viet Bach Nguyen, Research Intern

Thesis Supervisor, Temma Fujishige, OIST Student

Jan 2024 - Present Mentor, Anouk Beraud, OIST Student

Thesis Supervisor, Iaroslav Korobov, OIST Student

Sep 2023 - Present Third Committee Member, Juliana Silva, OIST Student

May 2023 - Present Mentor, Kokila Dilhani Perera, OIST Student

Scholarly Contributions and Creative Productions

Conference Proceedings

Completed/Published

Camassa, A.; Park, J.; Wagner, M.; Sejnowski, T.; Pao, G. M. Multivariate Prediction of Human Behavior in Task fMRI. In *NeurIPS 2024 Workshop on Behavioral Machine Learning*, 2024. https://openreview.net/forum?id=TvZ3|air|X&nesting=2&sort=date-desc

Journal Article

Completed/Published

Saberski, E.; Lorimer, T.; Carpenter, D.; Deyle, E.; Merz, E.; Park, J.; Pao, G.; Sugihara, G. The Impact of Data Resolution on Dynamic Causal Inference in Multiscale Ecological Networks. *Communications Biology* **2024**, *7*.

Pao, G.; Park, J. C. Evidence for the Entry into a New State of the Antarctic Sea Ice Cycle Using Multi-Scale Generalized Takens Theorem Embeddings. *AGU24* **2024**.

Poster Presentation at Conference

Completed/Published

Pao, G. Experimentally Testable Brain Activity Manifolds to Hehavior. *Neuro Artificial Intelligent systems* **2024**.

Pao, G. Experimentally Testable Mapping of Brain Activity to Behavior. NAISYS, Cold Spring Harbor 2024.

Presentation at Conference

Completed/Published

Pao, G. Manifolds for Explainable Data Driven Science. APPW 2025.

Pao, G. How Nature Computes with Geometry. Biological Artificial and Quantum intelligence 2025.

Pao, G. Causation without Correlation in Neuroscience. sensorimotor systms for limb control 2024.

Pao, G. Algorithms to Generically Map Brain Activity to Behavior. *Society for Neuroscience, Singapore* **2024**.

Seminars

Completed/Published

Pao, G. Causation without Correlation and Its Applications (center for Molecular Medicine, UCSD, Center for Epigenomics). **2024**.

Pao, G. Causation without Correlation in Biology (CNIR, Institute for Basic Science, South Korea). 2024.

Pao, G. Algorithms to Generically Map Brain Activity to Behavior (Columbia University, USA). 2024.

External Service

May 2024 - Present	NeurIPS Neuro-Al workshop program committee, NeurIPS foundation, program committee
	member for the Neuro Al Workshop 2024, Vancouver

Sep 2023 - Present PNAS, USA NAS, reviewer for Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences

Neural Computation reviewer, Neural Computation Journal

Workshops and Seminars (Organized and Hosted by Faculty/Units)

Jan 2025 Thiparat Chotibut, Kenji Doya, Tomoki Fukai, Kunio Kashino, Yu Mu, Yoshifumi Nishi, Barry C Sanders, Mahito Sugiyama, Ryousei Takano, Hiroki Takesue, Taro Toyoizumi, Junichi Tsujii , Biological, Artificial, and Quantum Intelligence 2025 (BAQ2025), OIST (Lab4, E48 Seminar Room), Prof.Kae Nemoto and Prof.Bill Munro

Michael Stryker, Presidential lecture, Sydney Brenner hall

May 2024 Dr.Quan ZHU, Associate Director, Epigenomics Center at UCSD(University of California San

 ${\sf Diego),\, USA,\, Applying\, Spatially-Resolved\, Single\, Cell\, Technologies\, to\, Study\, Human\, Health}$

and Diseases, OIST (Seminar Room C700, Lab3)