# CURRICULUM VITAE Carlos E. Vargas-Irwin, PhD

#### PERSONAL INFORMATION

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#### **EDUCATION**

PhD, Neuroscience, 2010 Brown University Department of Neuroscience, Division of Biology and Medicine, Providence, RI

Bachelor of Science with Honors in Neuroscience, 2002 Brown University, Providence, RI

#### **PERSONAL STATEMENT**

My long-term goal is to understand the principles of information processing in cortical circuits in order to develop new technologies to improve the quality of life for persons living with neuromotor disorders. My research has focused on the relationship between the activity of motor cortical neurons and the dexterous control of the arm and hand. Movements that involve the simultaneous and partially independent control of multiple degrees of freedom are a concrete, measurable, representation of the high-dimensional output of the nervous system. Relating these complex movement measurements to the activity of hundreds of simultaneously recorded cortical neurons provides a unique perspective on biological computation. My doctoral thesis project (Decoding complete reach and grasp actions from local primary motor cortex populations) was featured in Nature's Research Highlights (Vol 466|29 July 2010). My work has also been recognized with a NIH Director's New Innovator \$1.5M award funding a research plan to develop new brain computer interface (BCI) systems that directly incorporate surrogate sensory data obtained from external sensors into a neuromotor decoding framework. More recently, I also received the Zimmerman Innovation award from the Carney institute for Brain Science to examine the role of sense of agency during BCI use. The results of my research have contributed to our understanding of the nervous system as well as the development of technology aimed to help people with paralysis. My ongoing collaboration with the BrainGate2 clinical trial has allowed me to directly apply the results of my research in a clinical setting. My most recent work is aimed at harnessing the high dimensional control signals driving hand and finger movements in the human precentral gyrus, allowing people with limited mobility to control tablet computers using intended hand gestures in an intuitive way. I have also contributed to mentoring graduate students in various departments and collaborated on the development of online courses at Brown. My next professional goal is to establish a long-term research program through a tenure-track position and further develop my role as a mentor and instructor, harnessing new technologies to expand current educational environments.

#### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

- Zimmerman Innovation Award in Brain Science
   (Collaboration with Dr. Joo-Hyun Song, Brown University CLPS department)
   Quantitative evaluation of sense of agency during intracortical brain-computer interface use
- 2018 NIH Director's New Innovator Award
  Synergistic Effector/Environment encoding: A new perspective on motor cortex and brain-computer interfaces
- 2015 Top 5 finalist in the Conquer Paralysis Now Grand Challenge ("Out of the Box" category)
- 2010 Doctoral thesis project featured in Nature's Research Highlights (Nature, Vol 466|29 July 2010)

#### **ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS**

Assistant Professor (Research), Brown University Neuroscience Department, Providence, RI 2016 - present

Investigator, Brown University Neuroscience Department, Providence, RI 2014 - 2016

Post-doctoral research associate, Brown University Neuroscience Department, Providence, RI 2010 – 2014

PhD dissertation research, Brown University Neuroscience Department, Providence, RI 2003 – 2010

Laboratory Technician 2002 – 2003

#### **TEACHING ROLES**

Guest lecturer for Social Impact of Emerging Technologies – The Role of Engineers (ENGN 1931J) (instructor: Arto Nurmikko) Brown University, Providence, RI, USA. Brain Computer Interface Technology: state of the art. October 13th, 2022

Guest lecturer for Neuroengineering (ENGN1220) (instructor: Dr. Leigh Hochberg / Arto Nurmikko) Brown University, Providence, RI, USA. Mind reading 101: Introduction to Neural Decoding. March 23rd, 2017, April 10th, 2018, March 21st, 2019, April 2nd, 2020, March 15th, 2022

Guest lecturer for Visually-guided actions and cognitive process (instructor: Dr. Joo-Hyun Song) Brown University, Providence, RI, USA. Motor Cortex: Past, Present, and Future. April 4th, 2016, Nov. 20th, 2017, April 14th, 2022

Prepared modules on dimensionality reduction and spike sorting for the Exploring Neural Data Massive Open Online Course (MOOC), organized by David Sheinberg and Monica Linden and offered through Coursera by Brown University, 2014

Instructor/course designer for: "From Brain to Sensation: Neurobiology of Perception", Brown University "SPARK: Science for Middle School" program, 2004 – 2014

Graduate Teacher's Assistant for: "The Brain: an introduction to Neuroscience", Brown University Neuroscience Department. Instructors: Dr. John Stein, Dr. Michael Paradiso, 2003-2004

#### AD HOC REVIEWER

Nature
Communications
Cell Reports
Journal of Neuroscience
Journal of
Neurophysiology
Journal of
Neuroscience Methods
IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering
IEEE Transactions on Neural Systems & Rehabilitation
Engineering Journal of Neural Engineering
Journal of Neuroengineering and
Rehabilitation Computer Methods and

#### **MEMBERSHIP IN SOCIETIES**

Programs in Biomedicine

Society for Neuroscience, 2002 - present Neural Control of Movement Society, 2010 - present

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

**Citation statistics (Thomson Reuters Web of Science)** 

Sum of times Cited: 1,493

Sum of times Cited without self-citations: 1,439

Citing Articles: 1,170

Citing Articles without self-citations: 1,152

**Average Citations per Item: 71.1** 

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- Auditory cues reveal intended movement information in middle frontal gyrus neuronal ensemble activity of a person with tetraplegia. Hosman T, Hynes JB, Saab J, Wilcoxen KG, Buchbinder BR, Schmansky N, Cash SS, Eskandar EN, Simeral JD, Franco B, Kelemen J, Vargas-Irwin CE, Hochberg LR. Scientific reports. 2021 Jan 11;11(1):1-7.
- 2. Neural representation of observed, imagined, and attempted grasping force in motor cortex of individuals with chronic tetraplegia. Rastogi A, **Vargas-Irwin CE**, Willett FR, Abreu J, Crowder DC, Murphy BA, Memberg WD, Miller JP, Sweet JA, Walter BL, Cash SS. Scientific reports. 2020 Jan 29;10(1):1-6.

- 3. The neural representation of force across grasp types in motor cortex of humans with tetraplegia. Rastogi A, Willett FR, Abreu J, Crowder DC, Murphy BA, Memberg WD, Vargas-Irwin CE, Miller JP, Sweet J, Walter BL, Rezaii PG. Eneuro. 2021 Jan 22.
- 4. Big brown bats are challenged by acoustically-guided flights through a circular tunnel of hoops. Simmons JA, Brown PE, **Vargas-Irwin CE**, Simmons AM. Scientific reports. 2020 Jan 21;10(1):1-0.
- 5. Watch, Imagine, Attempt: Motor cortex single unit activity reveals context-dependent movement encoding in humans with tetraplegia. **Vargas-Irwin CE**, Feldman JM, King B, Simeral JD, Sorice BL, Oakley EM, Cash SS, Eskandar EN, Friehs GM, Hochberg LR, Donoghue JP. Frontiers in human neuroscience. 2018;12:450.
- Spike-train similarity (SSIMS) method detects effects of obstacle proximity and experience on temporal patterning of bat biosonar. Accomando, A. W., Vargas-Irwin, C. E., & Simmons, J. A. (2018). Frontiers in Behavioral Neuroscience, 12, 13. \* Winner of the European Acoustics Association Best Paper & Presentation Award for young Researchers
- Phase reorganization leads to transient β-LFP spatial wave patterns in motor cortex during steady-state movement preparation. Rule ME, Vargas-Irwin C, Donoghue JP, Truccolo W. J Neurophysiol. 2018 Jun 1;119(6):2212-2228. doi: 10.1152/jn.00525.2017. Epub 2018 Feb 14.
- 8. Rapid calibration of an intracortical brain–computer interface for people with tetraplegia. Brandman, D.M., Hosman, T., Saab, J., Burkhart, M.C., Shanahan, B.E., Ciancibello, J.G., Sarma, A.A., Milstein, D.J., **Vargas-Irwin, C.E.**, Franco, B. and Kelemen, J., 2018. Journal of neural engineering, 15(2), p.026007.
- 9. Dissociation between sustained single-neuron spiking and transient β-LFP oscillations in primate motor cortex. Rule, M. E., **Vargas-Irwin, C. E.**, Donoghue, J. P., & Truccolo, W. (2017). Journal of Neurophysiology, 117(4), 1524-1543.
- Linking Objects to Actions: Encoding of Target Object and Grasping Strategy in Primate Ventral Premotor Cortex. Vargas-Irwin CE, Franquemont L, Black MJ, Donoghue JP. J Neurosci. 2015; 35(30):10888-97.
- 11. Spike train SIMilarity Space (SSIMS): a framework for single neuron and ensemble data analysis. **Vargas-Irwin CE**, Brandman DM, Zimmermann JB, Donoghue JP, Black MJ. Neural Comput. 2015 Jan;27(1):1-31
- 12. Optogenetically induced spatiotemporal gamma oscillations and neuronal spiking activity in primate motor cortex. Lu Y, Truccolo W, Wagner FB, **Vargas-Irwin CE**, Ozden I, et al. Journal of neurophysiology. 2015; 113(10):3574-87.
- 13. Contribution of LFP dynamics to single-neuron spiking variability in motor cortex during movement execution. Rule ME, **Vargas-Irwin C**, Donoghue JP, Truccolo W. Frontiers in systems neuroscience. 2015; 9:89.
- 14. Failure mode analysis of silicon-based intracortical microelectrode arrays in non-human primates. Barrese JC, Rao N, Paroo K, Triebwasser C, **Vargas-Irwin C**,

Franquemont L, Donoghue JP. J Neural Eng. 2013 Dec;10(6):066014. doi: 10.1088/1741-2560/10/6/066014. Epub 2013 Nov 12.

- Decoding 3D reach and grasp from hybrid signals in motor and premotor cortices: spikes, multiunit activity, and local field potentials. Bansal, AK.; Truccolo, W; Vargas-Irwin, CE Donoghue JP. J Neurophysiology 2012 Mar; 107(5); 1337-55
- Relationships among low-frequency local field potentials, spiking activity, and three-dimensional reach and grasp kinematics in primary motor and ventral premotor cortices. Bansal AK, Vargas- Irwin CE, Truccolo W, Donoghue JP. J Neurophysiol. 2011 Apr;105(4):1603-19. Epub 2011 Jan 27.
- 17. Decoding 3-D Reach and Grasp Kinematics from High-Frequency Local Field Potentials in Primate Primary Motor Cortex Zhuang, J., Truccolo, W., **Vargas-Irwin, C**., Donoghue, J.P.IEEE Transactions in Biomedical Engineering vol.57, No. 7, July 2010.
- Decoding complete reach and grasp actions from local primary motor cortex populations. Vargas-Irwin CE, Shakhnarovich G, Yadollahpour P, Mislow JMK, Black MJ, Donoghue JP. J Neurosci. 2010 Jul 21;30 (29):9659-69.
   \* Featured in Nature's Research Highlights (Nature, Vol 466) 29 July 2010).
- 19. Automated spike sorting using density grid contour clustering and subtractive waveform decomposition. J Neurosci Methods. **Vargas-Irwin C**, Donoghue JP. 2007 Aug 15;164(1):1-18.
- Reliability of signals from a chronically implanted, silicon-based electrode array in non-human primate primary motor cortex. Suner S, Fellows MR, Vargas-Irwin C, Nakata GK, Donoghue JP. IEEE Trans Neural Syst Rehabil Eng. 2005 Dec;13(4):524-41.
- 21. On the variability of manual spike sorting. Wood F, Black MJ, **Vargas-Irwin C**, Fellows M, Donoghue JP. IEEE Trans Biomed Eng. 2004 Jun;51(6):912-8.

#### **PATENTS**

Donoghue J, Vargas-irwin C, inventors; Brown University, assignee. Synergistic effector/environment decoding system. United States patent application US 16/589,615. 2020 Apr 2.

#### **INVITED PRESENTATIONS**

BrainGate 2 Summit
 Host: Jaime Henderson
 Half Moon Bay, California, August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2022
 Latent space alignment, Intrinsic event detection, & mapping the computational space of neurons

2. Center for Neurorestoration and Neurotechnology Virtual Seminars (Providence Veteran's Association)Turning thought into Action: State space analysis of neural activity patterns in human motor cortex, , October 6th, 2020

#### 3. Boston Action Club Lecture Series

(Northeastern University) February 6th, 2020

Models of Neural Computation in Motor Cortex: past, present, and future

#### 4. BrainGate2 Summit

Host: Dr. Leigh Hochberg

Boston, MA, USA, August 1st, 2018

Gesture based decoding: progress & opportunities

#### 5. The Rowland Institute at Harvard

Host: RoLi lab (Dr. Drew Robson & Dr. Jennifer

Li) Cambridge, MA, USA, July 25th, 2018

Relational decoding for neurons and networks: Using similarity metrics to explore neural computation

#### 6. Northeastern University

Host: Action Lab (Dr. Dagmar

Strenad) Boston, MA, USA, June

19th, 2018

Exploring high-dimensional neural computation: Relational Encoding of cortical ensemble activity

#### 7. Translational Neuroscience and Neural Engineering

Summer Workshop Salve Regina University

Newport, RI, USA, June 8th, 2018

Motor cortical control of reaching and grasping actions in non-human primates

#### 8. BrainGate2 Summit

Host: Dr. Leigh Hochberg

Middletown, RI, USA, August 9, 2017

Single Unit Neural activity in the Human Middle Frontal Gyrus

#### 9. Wyss Center for Bio and Neuroengineering

NeuroTalks series Host: Dr. John Donoghue

Geneva, Switzerland, April 28th, 2017

A relational approach to identifying functionally linked neuronal sub-networks

#### 10. Brown Institute of Brain Science Lunch

talk series Brown University, Providence,

RI, USA, Dec. 10, 2015

Exploring high-dimensional neural computation: Relational encoding of cortical ensemble activity

#### 11. Human Single Neuron Recordings Conference

Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, USA November 14, 2014 Exploring the neural representation of attempted, imagined, and observed actions in human motor cortex using spike train similarity analysis

#### 12. BrainGate2 Summit

Host: Dr.Leigh Hochberg

Newport, RI, USA, August 6, 2014

Watch, Imagine, Attempt: context dependent encoding of movement direction in human primary motor cortex

- 13. Guest lecture for Advanced Systems Neuroscience (instructor: Dr. David Sheinberg) Brown University, Providence, RI, USA, March 20, 2014 Exploring neural codes for movement direction in primary motor cortex
- 14. Southern New England American Association for Laboratory Animal Science Winter Meeting Pfizer Research Institute, Groton, CT, USA, February 20, 2013 Movement decoded: exploring neural control of the primate upper limb
- 15. Max Planck Institute for Biological

Cybernetics Tübingen, Germany,

May 2, 2012

Exploring the role of ventral premotor cortex in reach-to-grasp movements: neural trajectories through spike train similarity space

16. Stanford University

Host: Shenoy Lab (Dr. Krishna

Shenoy) Stanford, CA, USA, July

21, 2011

Exploring the role of ventral premotor cortex in reach-to-grasp movements using spike train similarity

17. Workshop on Real Time Brain Interfacing Applications

Ohio State University Mathematical Biosciences Institute, Columbus, OH, USA, May 13, 2008 Automated Spike Sorting for large datasets using Density Grid Contour Clustering

#### **CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS**

### Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting 2021

Blind source separation using ICA reveals event-specific components of primate motor cortex LFPs. \*D. ORELLANA¹, J. B. HYNES², J. DONOGHUE²³, C. VARGAS-IRWIN²³⁴; ¹Pontificia Univ. Javeriana (Pontifical Xavierian Univ), Bogota, Colombia; ²Neurosci., Brown, Providence, RI; ³Robert J. and Nancy D. Carney Inst. for Brain Sci., Providence, RI; ⁴Ctr. for Neurorestoration and Neurotechnology, Rehabil. Res. and Develop. Service, Dept. of Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Providence, RI

Simulation based inference in the Human Neocortical Neurosolver neural modeling software uncovers circuit mechanisms of primate motor cortical 15-29 Hz beta activity during motor planning. \*N. TOLLEY¹, P. L. RODRIGUES², A. GRAMFORT², J. DONOGHUE¹, C. VARGAS-IRWIN¹, S. R. JONES¹;

<sup>1</sup>Brown Univ. Grad. Dept. of Neurosci., Providence, RI; <sup>2</sup>Univ. Paris-Saclay, Inria, CEA, Palaiseau, France

Influence of sensory feedback signals on motor cortex during hand movement using a soft robotic glove. \*J. T. GUSMAN¹.².⁴, D. S. DE LUCENA⁵, C. E. VARGAS-IRWIN³.².⁴, A. KAPITONAVA⁶, D. A. WAGNER⁶, T. HOSMAN¹.².⁴, C. WALSH⁶, L. R. HOCHBERG⁴.¹.⁶.7.²; ¹Sch. of Engin., ²Carney Inst. for Brain Sci., ³Dept. of Neurosci., Brown Univ., Providence, RI; ⁴VA RR&D Ctr. for Neurorestoration and Neurotechnology, Dept. of VA Med. Ctr., Providence, RI; ⁵John A. Paulson Sch. of Engin. and Applied Sci., Harvard Univ., Cambridge, MA; ⁶Ctr. for Neurotechnology and Neurorecovery, Dept. of Neurol., Massachusetts Gen. Hosp., Boston, MA; ¬Dept. of Neurol., Harvard Med. Sch., Boston, MA

Interaction of effector and direction encoding in motor cortex of a person with tetraplegia during a bimanual task. \*T. HOSMAN¹24, C. E. VARGAS-IRWIN³24, A. KAPITONAVA⁵, L. R. HOCHBERG⁴5.126, J. D. SIMERAL⁴1.2; ¹Sch. of Engin., ²Carney Inst. for Brain Sci., ³Dept. of Neurosci., Brown Univ., Providence, RI; ⁴VA RR&D Ctr. for Neurorestoration and Neurotechnology, Dept. of VA Med. Ctr., Providence, RI; ⁵Ctr. for Neurotechnology and Neurorecovery, Dept. of Neurol., Massachusetts Gen. Hosp., Boston, MA; ⁵Dept. of Neurosci., Harvard Med. Sch., Boston, MA

Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting 2019 Posters, Chicago, IL
Decoding motor tasks through supervised subspace alignment
\*I. PENIDO<sup>1,2</sup>, J. B. HYNES<sup>3</sup>, J. P. DONOGHUE<sup>4</sup>, C. E. VARGAS-IRWIN<sup>1</sup>;

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Inter-areal functional neuronal network dynamics in primate primary and premotor cortex during reaching and grasping movements \*J. B. HYNES1, C. E. VARGAS-IRWIN2, J. P. DONOGHUE2; 1Neurosci., Brown, Providence, RI; 2Neurosci., Brown Univ., Providence, RI

Human middle frontal gyrus exhibits activity related to both eye movements and intended hand movements

\*K. G. WILCOXEN<sup>1,2,4</sup>, T. HOSMAN<sup>3,2,4</sup>, J. B. HYNES<sup>1</sup>, J. SAAB<sup>3,4,2</sup>, B. R. BUCHBINDER<sup>5</sup>, N. SHMANSKY<sup>5</sup>, S. S. CASH<sup>6,9</sup>, E. N. ESKANDAR<sup>7</sup>, J. D. SIMERAL<sup>10,3,6,2</sup>, B. FRANCO<sup>6</sup>, J. KELEMAN<sup>6</sup>, C. E. VARGAS-IRWIN<sup>1,2,4</sup>, L. R. HOCHBERG<sup>4,3,8,9,2</sup>; <sup>1</sup>Neurosci., <sup>2</sup>Carney Inst. for Brain Sci., <sup>3</sup>Engin., Brown Univ., Providence, RI; <sup>4</sup>VA RR&D Ctr. for Neurorestoration and Neurotechnology, Dept. of Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Providence, RI; <sup>5</sup>Radiology, <sup>6</sup>Neurol., <sup>7</sup>Neurosurg., <sup>8</sup>Ctr. for Neurorestoration and Neurorecovery, Dept. of Neurol., Massachusetts Gen. Hosp., Boston, MA; <sup>9</sup>Neurol., Harvard Med. Sch., Boston, MA; <sup>10</sup>Rehab R&D Service, VA Ctr. for Neurorestoration and Neurotechnology, Providence, RI

Identifying changes in volitional state and BCI task engagement based on the intrinsic structure of neural ensemble activity patterns in motor cortex of people with tetraplegia \*T. K. PUN<sup>1,2</sup>, A. J. CATOYA<sup>3</sup>, C. E. VARGAS-IRWIN<sup>4,2,5</sup>, S. S. CASH<sup>6,8</sup>, J. D. SIMERAL<sup>5,1,7,2</sup>, L.R. HOCHBERG<sup>5,1,7,8,2</sup>; <sup>1</sup>Sch. of Engin., <sup>2</sup>Carney Inst. for Brain

Sci., <sup>3</sup>Dept. of Mol. Pharmacology, Physiology, and Biotech., <sup>4</sup>Dept. of Neurosci., Brown Univ., Providence, RI; <sup>5</sup>VA RR&D Ctr. for Neurorestoration and Neurotechnology, Dept. of VA Med. Ctr., Providence, RI; <sup>6</sup>Dept. of Neurol., <sup>7</sup>Ctr. for Neurotechnology and Neurorecovery, Dept. of Neurol., Massachusetts Gen. Hosp., Boston, MA; <sup>8</sup>Dept. of Neurol., Harvard Med. Sch., Boston, MA

**27th Annual Computational Neuroscience Meeting, 2018, Seattle, WA**SIMNETS: a novel mathematical framework to detect functional neuronal sub-ensembles Jacqueline Hynes<sup>1</sup>, David Brandman<sup>2</sup>, John Donoghue<sup>1</sup>, Carlos Vargas-Irwin<sup>1</sup>
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<sup>2</sup>Brown University, Department of Engineering, providence, RI, United States

**Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting 2018 Posters, San Diego, CA**LFP signature of an optimal preparatory subspace in primate reaching and grasping motor networks. J. B. HYNES, C. E. VARGAS-IRWIN, J. P. DONOGHUE; Neurosci., Brown, Providence, RI

Stability of single-unit and ensemble-level tuning in primate primary motor and premotor cortex through extensive practice of a motor skill. K. PAROO¹, C. E. VARGAS-IRWIN¹, L. FRANQUEMONT¹, J. P. DONOGHUE¹,²; ¹Neurosci., Brown Univ., Providence, RI; ²Wyss Ctr. for Bio and Neuro Engin., Geneva, Switzerland

Single unit activity in middle frontal gyrus of a person with tetraplegia reveals sensory specific modulation. K. G. WILCOXEN<sup>1,2</sup>, C. E. VARGAS-IRWIN<sup>1,2</sup>, J. B. HYNES<sup>1,2</sup>, T. HOSMAN<sup>3,2</sup>, J. SAAB<sup>3,4,2</sup>, B. FRANCO<sup>5</sup>, J. KELEMAN<sup>5</sup>, E. N. ESKANDAR<sup>6</sup>, J. P. DONOGHUE<sup>1,3,2,7</sup>, L. R. HOCHBERG<sup>4,3,5,8,2</sup>; <sup>1</sup>Dept. of Neurosci., <sup>2</sup>Carney Inst. for Brain Sci., <sup>3</sup>Sch. of Engin., Brown Univ., Providence, RI; <sup>4</sup>Dept. of VA Med. Ctr., VA RR&D Ctr. for Neurorestoration and Neurotechnology, Providence, RI; <sup>5</sup>Dept. of Neurol., <sup>6</sup>Neurosurg., Massachusetts Gen. Hosp., Boston, MA; <sup>7</sup>Wyss Ctr., Geneva, Switzerland; <sup>8</sup>Dept. of Neurol., Harvard Med. Sch., Boston, RI

Multiple grasp types can be reliably decoded from the precentral gyrus of people with ALS with progressive levels of motor impairment K. T. HUANG<sup>1,2,5</sup>, D. M. BRANDMAN<sup>3,2,6,4</sup>, J. SAAB<sup>1,2,7</sup>, V. CHAVAKULA<sup>1,2,5</sup>, C. E. VARGAS- IRWIN<sup>3,2</sup>, S. E. FASOLI<sup>8,2,7</sup>, C. H. BLABE<sup>9</sup>, B. L. SORICE<sup>17</sup>, B. JAROSIEWICZ<sup>3,2,7,18</sup>, J. P. DONOGHUE<sup>19,3,2,1</sup>, J. M. HENDERSON<sup>10,11,12</sup>, K. V. SHENOY<sup>13,14,15,16,11</sup>, L. R. HOCHBERG<sup>17,2,1,7</sup>. <sup>1</sup>Sch. of Engin., <sup>2</sup>Carney Inst. for Brain Sci., <sup>3</sup>Neurosci., <sup>4</sup>Neurosci. Grad. Program, Brown Univ., Providence, RI; <sup>5</sup>Neurosurg., Brigham and Women's Hosp., Boston, MA; <sup>6</sup>Neurosurg., Dalhousie Univ., Halifax, NS, Canada; <sup>7</sup>Ctr. for Neurorestoration and Neurotechnology, Providence Veterans Affairs Med. Ctr., Providence, RI; <sup>8</sup>MGH Inst. of Hlth. Professions, Boston, MA; <sup>9</sup>Dept. of Neurology, Stanford Univ. Sch. of Med., Stanford Univ., Palo Alto, CA; <sup>10</sup>Dept. of Neurosurg., <sup>11</sup>Stanford Neurosci. Inst., <sup>12</sup>Bio-X

Program, <sup>13</sup>Howard Hughes Med. Inst., <sup>14</sup>Electrical Engin., <sup>15</sup>Bioengineering, <sup>16</sup>Neurobio., Stanford Univ., Stanford, CA; <sup>17</sup>Neurol., Massachusetts Gen. Hosp., Boston, MA; <sup>18</sup>Present affiliation: NeuroPace, Inc., Mountain View, CA; <sup>19</sup>Wyss Ctr., Geneva, Switzerland

# Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting 2017 Posters, Washington, DC Consistency between task-related neural sub-spaces within and between subjects: Potential for universal neural decoders?

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Evaluation of neural modulation during attempted force production across multiple hand grasp configurations in intracortical BCI users with chronic tetraplegia A. RASTOGI¹, F. R. WILLETT¹,², B. A. MURPHY¹, W. D. MEMBERG¹, B. L. WALTER³, J. P. MILLER⁴, J. A. SWEET⁴, J. SAAB⁵,8,6, B. FRANCOց, J. N. KELEMENց, C. E. VARGAS- IRWIN¹,6, L. R. HOCHBERG9,5,10,6,8, R. F. KIRSCH¹,², A. B. AJIBOYE¹,²; 1Biomed. Engin., Case Western Reserve Univ., Cleveland, OH; 2FES Ctr. of Excellence, Rehabil. R&D Service, Louis Stokes Cleveland Dept. of VA Med. Ctr., Cleveland, OH; 3Neurol., 4Neurosurg., UH Case Med. Ctr., Cleveland, OH; 5Sch. of Engin., 6Inst. for Brain Sci., 7Dept. of Neurosci., Brown Univ., Providence, RI; 8Ctr. for Neurorestoration and Neurotechnology, Rehab. R&D Service, Dept. of VA Med. Ctr., Providence, RI; 9Neurol., Massachusetts Gen. Hosp., Boston, MA; 10Neurol., Harvard Med. Sch., Boston, MA

Object and grasp-type information in premotor and MI neurons during imitated actions \*J. B. ZIMMERMANN<sup>1,2</sup>, J. HYNES<sup>1</sup>, C. E. VARGAS-IRWIN<sup>1</sup>, J. P. DONOGHUE<sup>2,1</sup>; 1Dept. of Neurosci., Brown Univ., Providence, RI; 2Wyss Ctr. For Bio and Neuro Engin., Geneva, Switzerland

# Neural Control of movement Conference 2017, Dublin, Ireland

A Relational approach to identifying functionally linked neuronal subnetworks Carlos Vargas-Irwin<sup>1</sup>, Jonas Zimmermann<sup>1</sup>, Jacqueline Hynes<sup>1</sup>, John Donoghue<sup>1</sup> 1. Brown University Neuroscience Department

Diverging dynamical regimes in primate motor/premotor cortex reflect cue timing during grasping movement preparation Jacqueline Hynes<sup>1</sup>, Carlos Vagras-Irwin<sup>1</sup>, Lachlan Franquemont<sup>1</sup>, John Donoghue<sup>1</sup> 1. Brown University Neuroscience Department

### Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting 2016 Posters, San Diego, CA

Closed loop intracortical brain computer interface cursor control in people using a continuously updating gaussian process decoder
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SARMA4,7,2, D.J. MILSTEIN5, C. VARGAS-IRWIN6,2, B. FRANCO8, J. P. DONOGHUE6,4, M. T. HARRISON3, L. R. HOCHBERG7,4,8; 2Inst. for Brain Sci.,

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Evaluating force representation in motor cortex of intracortical BCI users with chronic tetraplegia

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"Mirror neuron" activity reflects timing of actions more than object and grasp type J.B. Zimmermann, C.E. Vargas-Irwin<sup>1</sup>, M.J. Black<sup>2</sup>, J.P. Donoghue<sup>1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>Neuroscience Department, Brown University, Providence, RI, <sup>2</sup>Max Planck Institute for Intelligent Systems, Tübingen, Germany, Computer Science Department, Brown University, Providence, RI

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Neural ensemble activity characterizes sleep states, active movement, and movement observation in motor cortex

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Identification of (~20 Hz) beta spatiotemporal dynamics in motor cortex LFPs M. E. RULE, C. VARGAS-IRWIN, J. DONOGHUE, W. TRUCCOLO; Brown Univ., Providence, RI

Real-time 200 channel broadband neural data collection and analysis in an embedded mobile data processing system

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Multiple grasp types can be reliably decoded from the precentral gyrus in people with ALS using implanted intracortical electrodes

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Low dimensional dynamics of the primary motor cortex during natural locomotion captures kinematic information and improves decoding performance for brain machine interfaces

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Identifying MI/PMv neural ensemble states associated with motor errors using spike train similarity analysis

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Optogenetically-induced spatiotemporal gamma oscillations and neuronal spiking activity in primate motor cortex

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