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MAJOR RESEARCH GOALS

- Developing integrated brain models of mental processes and clinical outcomes
- Understanding the neural mechanisms of pain and emotion regulation
- Translating basic neuroscience into the development of clinical neuroimaging tools (diagnosis, prognosis, treatment selection, drug discovery, etc.)

CURRENT ACADEMIC POSITION

Assistant Professor

March 2017 ~ present

Center for Neuroscience Imaging Research,
Institute for Basic Science
Department of Biomedical Engineering,
Sungkyunkwan University (Suwon, South Korea)

EDUCATION and TRAINING

Research Associate/Postdoctoral Fellow

Feb 2017

Cognitive and Affective Neuroscience Lab
Institute of Cognitive Sciences,
University of Colorado at Boulder, USA
Advisor: Tor D. Wager, Ph.D.

Ph.D. (dual)

Cognitive Neuroscience*/Cognitive Science**
*Department of Psychology and Neuroscience,
**Institute of Cognitive Sciences,
University of Colorado at Boulder, USA
Advisor: Tor D. Wager, Ph.D.

Aug 2016

PhD dissertation (submitted at Aug 2016)

Brain Representations and Mechanisms of Pain Experience and Regulation: A Multivariate Pattern Approach (committee: Tor D. Wager, Randall C. O'Reilly, Yuko Munakata, June Gruber, Tamara R. Sumner, Alaa Ahmed)

Clinical Residency Training

Feb 2010.

Full time 3-year Residency Training (Clinical Psychology)
Department of Psychiatry, Seoul National University Hospital

Advisor: Min-Sup Shin, Ph.D.

M.A. Clinical Psychology, GPA: 4.25/4.30 Feb 2007.
Department of Psychology, Seoul National University, South Korea
Advisor: Seok-Man Kwon, Ph.D.

MA Thesis at Seoul National University (Feb 2007)
*The Relationship between Excessive Doubts due to Error Processing
Dysfunction and Obsessive Compulsive Symptoms*

B.S. (cum laude) Biological Sciences, GPA: 3.62/4.30 Feb 2005.
Major GPA: 3.75/4.30, Last 2 years' GPA: 3.96/4.30
Seoul National University, South Korea
Advisor: Eun-Ju Lee, Ph.D.

High School Seoul Science High School (서울과학고등학교) Feb 1998.

HONORS and AWARDS

International Association for the Study of Pain (IASP) Travel Award (\$1,450),
IASP, 16th World Congress on Pain, Yokohama, Japan (Sep 2016)

Organization for Human Brain Mapping (OHBM) Abstract Travel Award (\$1,000),
OHBM 2016 Annual meeting, Geneva, Switzerland (June 2016)

Heyer Award,
Dept. of Psychology and Neuroscience, University of Colorado at Boulder (May 2015)

Carol B. Lynch Graduate Fellowship,
University of Colorado at Boulder (May 2015)

Institute of Cognitive Science (ICS) Travel Award,
University of Colorado at Boulder (July 2014; Feb 2015)

Invited scholar,
European Pain School, Siena, Italy (June 2013)

American Psychosomatic Society (APS) Travel Award for MacLean Scholars,
American Psychosomatic Society (Jan 2013)

United Government of Graduate Students Travel Award,
University of Colorado at Boulder (Oct 2012)

Fulbright Graduate Study Award,
Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs,
United States Department of State, (2011 ~ 2013)

High Academic Achievement Award,
College of Natural Sciences, Seoul National University (2005)

Undergraduate Student Research Award,
Title: "*The Role of Contrast and Exposure Duration in Pattern Motion Perception*"
Institute of Psychological Science, Seoul National University (2004)

Scholarship for the Research Participating Program for Undergraduate Students,Title: "*Brain Imaging Method: Focusing on Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging*"

Center for Teaching and Learning, Seoul National University (2004)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2015 ~ Present	Society for Affective Sciences
2015 ~ Present	Organization for Human Brain Mapping
2013 ~ Present	Social and Affective Neuroscience Society
2012 ~ Present	American Psychosomatic Society
2012 ~ Present	Society for Neuroscience
2011 ~ Present	Cognitive Neuroscience Society

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Ad-Hoc Reviewer *Pain* (7), *Cognitive, Affective, and Behavioral Neuroscience* (2);
 Human Brain Mapping (2), *NeuroImage* (1), *Journal of the American*
 Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (1), *Brain and Language* (1),
 Journal of American Neuroradiology (1), *Magnetic Resonance in Medicine* (1)

LICENSURE

2010 ~ Present	Professional Clinical Psychologist (Korean Psychological Association)
2010 ~ Present	Mental Health Clinical Psychologist (Ministry of Health and Welfare, Republic of Korea)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**Publications (Journal Articles):**

2017

Koban, L., Kross, E., **Woo, C. -W.**, Luka Ruzic, L. & Wager, T. D. (2017) Frontal-brainstem pathways mediating placebo effects on social rejection. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 37 (13) 3621-3631

Woo, C. -W., Chang, L. J. Lindquist, M. A., & Wager, T. D. (2017) Brain signatures and models in translational neuroimaging. *Nature Neuroscience*, 20, 365-377

Woo, C. -W., Schmidt, L., Krishnan, A., Jepma, M., Roy, M., Lindquist, M. A., Atlas, L. Y., & Wager, T. D. (2017) Quantifying cerebral contributions to pain beyond nociception. *Nature Communications*, 8, 14211

Wager, T. D. & **Woo, C. -W.** (2017) Imaging biomarkers and biotypes for depression. *Nature Medicine*. 23, 16-17. doi:10.1038/nm.4264

López-Solà, M., **Woo, C. -W.**, Pujol, J., Deus, J., Harrison, B. J., Monfort, J. & Wager, T. D. (2017). Towards a neurophysiological signature for fibromyalgia. *PAIN*. 158(1):34–47

Lindquist, M. A., Krishnan, A., Lopez-Sola, M., Jepma, M., **Woo, C. -W.**, Koban, L., Roy, M., Atlas, L. Y., Chang, L. J., Losin, E. A. R., Eisenbarth, H., Ashar, Y. K., Delk, Z., & Wager, T. D. (2017). Group-regularized individual prediction: Theory and application to pain. *NeuroImage*. 145, 274–287. doi: 10.1016/j.neuroimage.2015.10.074

2016

Krishnan, A., **Woo, C. -W.**, Chang, L. J., Ruzic, L., Gu, X., López-Solà, M., Jackson, P. L., Pujol, J., Fan, J., & Wager, T. D. (2016). Somatic and vicarious pain are represented by dissociable multivariate brain patterns. *eLife*. 5:e15166. doi:10.7554/eLife.15166.001

Vachon-Presseau, E., Roy, M., **Woo, C. -W.**, Kunz, M., Martel, M., Sullivan, M. J., Jackson, P. L., Wager, T. D., & Rainville, P. (2016). Multiple faces of pain: Effects of chronic pain on the brain regulation of facial expression. *PAIN*. doi:10.1097/j.pain.0000000000000587

Wager, T. D. & **Woo, C. -W.** (2016). Issues in assessing reliability in pain neuroimaging. *PAIN*. 157, 1574–1578

Woo, C. -W., & Wager, T. D. (2016). What reliability can and cannot tell us about pain report and pain neuroimaging. *PAIN*. 157(3):511–3.

2015

Woo, C. -W., & Wager, T. D. (2015). The predictive mapping approach in neuroimaging. *Science (supplement), Advances in Computational Psychophysiology*, 18–21 (invited contribution)

Woo, C. -W., & Wager, T. D. (2015). Neuroimaging-based biomarker discovery and validation. *PAIN*. 156(8):1379–81.

Woo, C. -W., Roy, M., Buhle, J. T. & Wager, T. D. (2015). Distinct brain systems mediate the effects of nociceptive input and self-regulation on pain. *PLoS Biology*. 13(1): e1002036. doi:10.1371/journal.pbio.1002036

Commentary on this publication

Bray, N. (2015). Reappraising pain. *Nature Review Neuroscience*. 16, 124–125

Ploner, M., Bingel, U., & Wiech, K. (2015). Towards a taxonomy of pain modulations. *Trends in Cognitive Sciences*. 19, 180–182

Mano, H. & Seymour, B. (2015). Pain: A Distributed Brain Information Network? *PLoS Biology*. 13(1): e1002037

Wager, T. D. & **Woo, C. -W.** (2015). fMRI in analgesic drug discovery. *Science Translational Medicine*. 7, 274fs6, doi:10.1126/scitranslmed.3010342

Losin, E. A. R., **Woo, C. -W.**, Krishnan, A., Wager, T. D., Iacoboni, M. & Dapretto, M. (2015). Brain and psychological mediators of imitation: Sociocultural versus physical traits.

Culture and Brain. doi:10.1007/s40167-015-0029-9

Yamamoto, D. J., **Woo, C. -W.**, Wager T. D., Regner, M. & Tanabe, J. (2015) Influence of dorsolateral prefrontal cortex and ventral striatum on risk avoidance in addiction: a mediation analysis. *Drug and Alcohol Dependence*, 149, 10-17. doi: 10.1016/j.drugalcdep.2014.12.026

2014

Woo, C. -W., Koban, L., Kross, E., Lindquist, M. A., Banich, M. T., Ruzic, L., Andrews-Hanna, J. R. & Wager, T. D. (2014). Separate neural representations for physical pain and social rejection. *Nature Communications*, 5, 5380. doi: 10.1038/ncomms6380

Commentary on this publication

Rogachov, A., Cheng, J. C., & DeSouza, D. D. (2015). Discriminating neural representations of physical and social pains: how multivariate statistics challenge the 'shared representation' theory of pain. *Journal of Neurophysiology*

Woo, C. -W., Krishnan, A., Wager, T. D. (2014) Cluster-extent based thresholding in fMRI analyses: Pitfalls and recommendations. *NeuroImage*, 91, 412-419

2013

Wager, T. D., Atlas, L. Y., Lindquist, M. A., Roy, M., **Woo, C. -W.** & Kross, E. (2013). An fMRI-based Neurologic Signature of Physical Pain. *New England Journal of Medicine*, 368 (15), 1388-1397.

2010-2012

Woo, C. -W., Kwon, S. -M., Lim, Y. -J., & Shin, M. -S. (2010). The obsessive-compulsive inventory-revised (OCI-R): psychometric properties of the Korean version and the order, gender, and cultural effects. *Journal of Behavior Therapy and Experimental Psychiatry*, 41, 220-227.

Woo, C. -W. & Shin, M. -S. (2010). Cognitive impairments in schizophrenia and psychotic bipolar disorder and their relation to psychotic symptoms. *Korean Journal of Clinical Psychology*, 29, 471-489.

Woo, C. -W., Shin, M. -S., & Kwon, S. -M. (2010). Are obsessive beliefs specific to obsessive-compulsive symptoms? *Korean Journal of Clinical Psychology*, 29, 35-52.

Invited talks:

Fall 2016 "Brain signatures and models in translational neuroimaging"
Talks at Seoul National University Hospital (Psychiatry), Seoul National

- University (Brain and Cognitive Sciences)
- Fall 2016 *"Brain signatures and models in translational neuroimaging"*
2016 Young Computational Neuroscientist Workshop supported by Asia Pacific center for Theoretical Physics (APCTP) and KAIST
- Fall 2016 *"Pain is inevitable. Suffering is optional.": Brain mechanisms of pain and pain regulation*
Talks at Seoul National University (Psychology), Korea University (NeuroBeer) in South Korea
- Summer 2016 *"Decoding pain and emotion using generalizable and extensible functional neuroimaging signatures"*
Talks at Sungkyunkwan University, Korea University, KAIST, Kangwon National University in South Korea
- Spring 2016 *"How neuroimaging can inform cognitive theories"*
Guest lecture for a graduate-level class (Issues & Methods in Cognitive Sciences), University of Colorado at Boulder
- Spring 2015 *"Imaging pain and emotion in the human brain to answer psychological questions"*
Biophotonics and Bioimaging Seminar series,
National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST)
- Spring 2011 *"Neuropsychological Assessment"*
Guest lecture for a graduate-level class (Learning and Memory),
Ewha Womans University

Conference Presentations:

- Woo, C. -W., et al.** (Nov, 2016). *Quantifying cerebral contributions to pain beyond nociception: A mega-analytic approach*. Oral presentation at the annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, San Diego, CA.
- Woo, C. -W., et al.** (Sep, 2016). *Distinct neural mechanisms of pain modulation through distraction and placebo*. Poster presentation at the 16th World Congress on Pain, International Association of the Study of Pain, Yokohama, Japan
*** selected to receive the IASP Travel Award (\$1,450)**
- Woo, C. -W., et al.** (June, 2016). *Distinct neural mechanisms of pain modulation through distraction and placebo*. Poster presentation at the annual meeting of the Organization for Human Brain Mapping, Geneva, Switzerland
*** selected to receive the OHBM Travel Award (\$1,000)**
- Woo, C. -W., et al.** (June, 2015). *Cerebral contributions to pain independent of nociceptive stimulus intensity*. Poster presentation at the annual meeting of the Organization for Human Brain Mapping, Honolulu, Hawaii
- Woo, C. -W.** (April, 2015). *Understanding pain and emotions using multivariate pattern analysis*.

Oral presentation at a workshop sponsored by the Society for Affective Sciences, "Pattern Recognition in Affective Neurosciences", Oakland, CA.

Woo, C. -W., Koban, L., Kross, E. Lindquist, M. A., Ruzic, L., & Wager, T. D. (June, 2014).

Separate neural representations for somatic pain and social rejection. Poster presentation at Keystone Symposia on "The Brain: Adaptation and Maladaptation in Chronic Pain", Keystone, CO.

López-Solà, M., **Woo, C. -W.**, Pujol, J., Deus, J., Garcia-Fontanals, A, Contreras-Rodríguez, O.,

Blanco-Hinojo, L., Harrison, B. J., Wager, T. D. (May, 2014). *Aberrant fMRI Responses to multisensory events classify fibromyalgia patients: a machine learning approach.* Poster

presentation at the 69th annual meeting of the Society of Biological Psychiatry, New York, NY.

Koban, L., Kross, E., **Woo, C. -W.**, Ruzic, L., & Wager, T. D. (April, 2014). *Placebo treatment reduces social rejection-related pain via activation of the dorsolateral prefrontal cortex and the periaqueductal gray.* Poster presentation at 21st annual meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society, Boston, MA

Woo, C. -W., Roy, M., Buhle, J. T. & Wager, T. D. (November, 2013). *Deconstructing pain: Sensory and cognitive manipulations of pain are mediated by distinct systems.* Oral presentation at the 43rd annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, San Diego, CA.

Chang, L. J., **Woo, C. -W.** & Yarkoni, T. (November, 2013). *Automated Functional Parcellation and Meta-Analytic Decoding of fMRI Data With Neurosynth.* Poster presentation at the 43rd annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, San Diego, CA.

Krishnan, A., **Woo, C. -W.**, Ruzic, L., Fan, J., Gu, X., Chang, L. J., Wager, T. D. (June, 2013).

Physical and observed pain are represented by distinct neural patterns. Poster presentation at the 19th annual meeting of the Organization for Human Brain Mapping, Seattle, WA.

Woo, C. -W., Roy, M., Buhle, J. T. & Wager, T. D. (April, 2013). *Cognitive reappraisal influences pain valuation, not nociception.* Poster presentation at the 20th annual meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society, San Francisco, CA.

López-Solà, M., **Woo, C. -W.**, Pujol, J., Deus, J., Garcia-Fontanals, A, Contreras-Rodríguez, O.,

Giménez-Navarro, M., Blanco-Hinojo, L., Soriano-Mas, C., Harrison, B. J., Ortiz, H.,

Chang, L. J., Wager, T. D. (April, 2013). *Neural responses to pressure pain classify fibromyalgia patients.* Poster presentation at the 20th annual meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society, San Francisco, CA.

Woo, C. -W., Roy, M., Buhle, J. T. & Wager, T. D. (March, 2013). *Cognitive reappraisal influences pain valuation, not nociception.* Poster presentation at the 71st annual meeting of the

American Psychosomatic Society, Miami, FL.

*** selected to receive the APS Travel Award for MacLean Scholars**

Woo, C. -W., Roy, M., & Wager, T. D. (October, 2012). *Deconstructing pain: Separate contributions of noxious input and top-down bias*. Oral presentation at the 42nd annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, New Orleans, LA.

*** selected to receive the UGGS Travel Award**

Pauli. W. M., Yarkoni, T., **Woo, C. -W.,** Wager, T. D., & O'Relly, R. C. (October, 2012). *Orchestrating prefrontal cortical areas: meta-analytic insights into the division of labor among striatal subregions*. Poster presented at the 42nd annual meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, New Orleans, LA.

Woo, C. -W., Roy, M., & Wager, T. D. (April, 2012) *Deconstructing pain: separate contributions of noxious input and top-down bias*. Presented at the 31st annual Ekstrand Memorial Mini-convention at the University of Colorado Boulder.

Woo, C. -W. & Kwon, S. -M. (October, 2010) *Feelings that something is wrong and error-related neural hyperactivity*. Poster presented at the 50th annual meeting of the Society for Psychophysiological Research.

Woo, C. -W. & Shin, M. -S. (August, 2010) *Measuring insight in obsessive-compulsive disorder: psychometric properties of the Korean version of the overvalued idea scale and the overvalued idea self-report questionnaire*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Korean Psychological Association.

Woo, C. -W. & Shin, M. -S. (October, 2009). *Thought disorder and neuropsychological deficits in patients with obsessive-compulsive disorder: relation to overvalued ideas*. Poster presented at the semiannual symposium of the Korean Clinical Psychological Association.

Shin, M. -S. & **Woo, C. -W.** (May, 2009). *The relationships between symptoms of schizophrenia and the cognitive domains of MATRICS cognitive battery*. Poster presented at the annual meeting of the American Psychiatry Association.

Woo, C. -W., Shin, M. -S., & Kwon, S. -M. (October, 2007). *The Relationship between Error-related Doubt and Obsessive Compulsive Symptoms*. Poster presented at the semiannual symposium of the Korean Clinical Psychological Association.

Research Method Program Participation:

Nov 2016	Data Science and Data Skills for Neuroscientists (SfN preconference) Organized by: Konrad P. Kording, PhD, and Alyson Fletcher, PhD
Fall 2015	fMRI analysis (one semester course) – teach: Tor D. Wager Flipped classroom methods (online video + discussion) were used.
Spring 2014	fMRI Image Acquisition and Analyses Course with SPM8 and ICA,

- Mind Research Network (MRN) (3 days) *attended as a helper
- Fall 2012 fMRI analysis: Part 2 (one semester course) – teacher: Tor D. Wager
Machine learning techniques as applied to fMRI data analysis
- March 2012 fMRI Image Acquisition and Analyses Course with SPM8 and ICA,
Mind Research Network (MRN) (3 days)
- Fall 2011 fMRI analysis: Part I (one semester course) – teacher: Tor D. Wager
Fundamentals of fMRI (fMRI physics, experimental design, GLM-based analyses)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- Spring 2006 Teaching assistant, Abnormal Psychology (undergraduate course)
Seoul National University
- Spring 2008 Teaching assistant, Clinical Psychology (undergraduate course)
School of Dentist, Seoul National University
- Spring 2010 Teaching assistant, Counseling Psychology (undergraduate course)
Seoul Digital University
- Fall 2010 Teaching assistant, Counseling Psychology (undergraduate course)
Seoul Digital University
- Spring 2011 Lecturer, Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (undergraduate course)
Seoul Digital University
- Fall 2014 Teaching assistant, Cognitive Psychology (undergraduate course)
University of Colorado at Boulder
- Spring 2016 Advisory Board, Issues & Methods in Cognitive Sciences (graduate course)
University of Colorado at Boulder