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SPEAKER: **Barbara Plank, PhD**
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TITLE: **Is Human Label Variation Really So Bad for AI?**

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ABSTRACT: Human variation in labeling is typically considered noise. Annotation projects in computer vision and natural language processing typically aim at minimizing human label variation, in order to maximize data quality and in turn optimize and maximize machine learning metrics. However, is human variation in labeling noise, or can we turn such information into signal for machine learning? In this talk, I will first illustrate the problem and then discuss approaches to tackle this fundamental issue.



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