

# Patrick Beukema

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## Education

- 2013 – 2018 **Ph.D.**, *Neuroscience*, University of Pittsburgh.  
Thesis: Stability of neural representational geometries
- 2009 – 2011 **M.S.**, *Logic*, Carnegie Mellon University.  
Thesis: Causal inference with a recurrent neural network
- 2006 – 2009 **B.A.**, McGill University.

## Experience

- 2018 – **Neural Data Scientist**, *Mindx*.  
○ Building and deploying online machine learning models based on neural decoding.
- 2013 – 2018 **Fellow**, *University of Pittsburgh & Carnegie Mellon*.  
○ Published 7 papers (including in *Neuron*, *Neuroimage*, *Current Opinion*)  
○ Collected and analyzed over 1 TB of high resolution neuroimaging data  
○ Started and led machine learning seminar for neuroscientists at CMU and U. Pitt  
○ Codesigned competition winning virtual reality research environment at G4C
- Summer 2018 **NeuroHackademy**, *eScience Institute*.  
Built two Python libraries for conducting big data neuroimaging deep learning analyses in the cloud
- Summer 2016 **Neuroscience consultant**, *Pittsburgh Pirates*.  
Designed an experiment to evaluate dynamic speed vision. ([GitHub](#))
- Summer 2015 **Project manager**, *4th River Solutions*.  
Managed team of three Ph.D. student consultants to conduct cost analysis on a novel drug delivery mechanism to improve women's reproductive health in Sub-Saharan Africa.

## Projects

- DeepNeuro DCNN based MRI augmentation (T1→T2) using Unets (PyTorch), [GitHub](#)
- easyHcp Library to interface with Human Connectome Project over s3, [GitHub](#)
- NeuroHack Machine learning meets neuroscience hackathon, [YouTube](#)
- LabHacks Open source software and other educational resources for neuroscientists, [GitHub](#)
- DeadSalmon Talk on neuroscience's low statistical power and what to do about it, [slides](#)
- SayAlphaAgain Replication of [loannidis](#) simulations with  $\alpha = 0.005$  instead of  $\alpha = 0.05$ , [GitHub](#)
- LabTv Science outreach to get highschoolers excited about biomedical research, [YouTube](#)

## Technical Skills

- Languages Python (Sklearn, PyTorch, Numpy, Pandas, Statsmodels), Bash, R, Java
- Expertise Multimodal neural data analysis using statistical and machine learning methods

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## Publications

- 2018 **Sequence learning networks are segregated**, P. Beukema, T. Verstynen, (in prep).
- 2018 **Binding during sequence learning does not alter cortical representations of individual actions**, P. Beukema, J. Diedrichsen, T. Verstynen bioRxiv, [pdf](#).
- 2018 **TrpM8-mediated somatosensation in mouse neocortex**, P. Beukema, K. Cecil, E. Peterson, V. Mann, M. Matsushita, Y. Takashima, S. Navlakha, and A. Barth, J. Comp. Neurology [pdf](#).
- 2018 **Predicting and binding: algorithms supporting the consolidation of sequential motor skills**, P. Beukema, T. Verstynen, Curr. Opin. Behav. Sci, 20:98–103 [pdf](#).
- 2017 **Differentiating visual from response sequencing during long-term skill learning**, B. Lynch, P. Beukema, T. Verstynen, J. Cog Neuro, 2017 29:1, 125-136 [pdf](#).
- 2017 **Amyloid Beta Peptides Block New Synapse Assembly by Nogo Receptor Mediated Inhibition of T-Type Calcium Channels**, Y. Zhao, S. Sivaji, M.C. Chiang, H. Ali, M. Zukowski, S. Ali, B. Kennedy, A. Sklyar, A. Cheng, Z. Guo, A. K. Reed, R. Kodali, J. Borowski, G. Frost, P. Beukema, Z. P. Wills, Neuron 96(2) [pdf](#).
- 2015 **In vivo characterization of the connectivity and subcomponents of the human globus pallidus**, P. Beukema, T. Verstynen, Neurolmage, 120(15), 382–393 [pdf](#).
- 2011 **Multiple links between species diversity and temporal stability in bird communities across North America**, G. M. Mikkelsen, B. J. McGill, S. Beaulieu, P. Beukema, Evolutionary Ecology Research, 2011, 13: 361–372 [pdf](#).

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## Conference Presentations

- 2018 **Sequence learning networks are segregated**, *Janelia*, Ashburn, VA .
- 2018 **Dissociable cortical networks encode cue and movement sequences**, *Cosyne*, Denver, CO [pdf](#).
- 2017 **Decoding single finger movements versus movement sequences**, *University of Pittsburgh Brain Institute*, Pittsburgh, PA [pdf](#).
- 2017 **Dissociable local and global plasticity resulting from motor sequence learning**, *Center for Neuroscience Retreat*, West Virginia [pdf](#).
- 2016 **Reorganization of cortical motor representations after long term sequential skill learning**, *Organization for Human Brain Mapping*, Geneva, Switzerland [pdf](#).
- 2016 **Long-term sequence training alters movement representations in primary motor cortex**, *Society for Neuroscience*, San Diego, [pdf](#).
- 2015 **Long-term skill learning is associated with a reorganization of cortical motor representations**, *MR Community Imaging Retreat*, Pittsburgh [pdf](#).
- 2014 **Parcellating the internal and external globus pallidus using diffusion based clustering**, *Society for Neuroscience*, Washington, D.C. [pdf](#).

2013 **Menthol stimulation induces c-fos expression in s2 and granular insular cortex**, *Society for Neuroscience*, San Diego, [pdf](#).

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## Honors

MNTP Multimodal neuroimaging training program, full tuition & stipend  
NIH National Institute of Health training grant, full tuition & stipend  
CMU Carnegie Scholar, awarded half-tuition  
Lewis & Clark Trustee Scholar, awarded half-tuition