

# NUTTIDA RUNGRATSAMEETAWEEMANA

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## ACADEMIC POSITION

**Postdoctoral Scholar**, The Salk Institute for Biological Studies  
Advisor: Dr. Terrence J. Sejnowski

July 2020 - Present

## EDUCATION

**Ph.D. in Neurosciences (Computational Specialization)**, UC San Diego May 2020  
Thesis: *Neural Dynamics of Probabilistic Perceptual Decision Making in the Human Brain*  
Advisor: Dr. John T. Serences

**M.S. in Neurosciences (Computational Specialization)**, UC San Diego August 2016  
Advisor: Dr. John T. Serences

**B.A. in Mathematics and Neuroscience with Highest Distinction** May 2014  
Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT  
Mathematics Thesis: *A Mathematical Approach to Selective Visual Attention*  
Neuroscience Thesis: *The Influence of Internal and External Arousal on Memory*  
Advisors: Dr. Jason Arndt & Dr. Michael Olinick

## AWARDS, HONORS, & DISTINCTIONS

### Research Funding

U.S. ARL BAA for Basic & Applied Scientific Research Award (\$182,640) 2021 - 2023  
• Proposal: *Hybrid decision making in humans and artificial neural networks*  
• Role: Principal investigator  
U.S. ARL Human Research & Engineering Directorate Postdoc Fellowship (\$58,102) 2020 - 2021  
U.S. ARL Graduate Fellowship (\$120,118) 2018 - 2020  
Training Grant, UC San Diego Neurosciences Graduate Program 2014 - 2015

### Awards and Honors

Chancellor's Outstanding Postdoctoral Award Finalist, UC San Diego (1 of 5 recipients) 2021  
Next Gen Postdoc, Salk Institute 2021  
Career Advancement Award, Salk Institute 2021  
Anuradha Rao Memorial Award, Cell Press/ Society for Neuroscience (1 of 2 recipients) 2021  
College Scholar Award, Middlebury College 2010 - 2014  
Senior Research Fellowship, Middlebury College 2013 - 2014  
Middlebury College Research Travel Award 2013  
• Awarded to present a poster at *44th Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience*  
Middlebury College Summer Research Fellowship 2012  
• Awarded to intern in the lab of Dr. John T. Serences, UC San Diego  
Neuroscience Undergraduate Research Scholarship 2009 - 2014  
• Awarded by the Ministry of Science and Technology of Thailand

## PUBLICATIONS

- [1] **Rungratsameetaweemana N.** Understanding motor abnormalities in psychiatric disorders as altered sensorimotor processing. *Biological Psychiatry: Global Open Science*, 2021.
- [2] Pao G, Smoth C, Park J, Takahashi K, Watanakesuntorn W, Natsukawa H, Chalasani SH, Lorimer T, Takano R, **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Sugihara G. Experimentally testable whole brain manifolds that recapitulate behavior. *arXiv:2106.10627*, 2021, Under review
- [3] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Lainscsek C, Cash SS, Garcia JO, Sejnowski TJ\*, Bansal K\*. Brain network dynamics codify heterogeneity in seizure evolution. *bioRxiv doi: 10.1101/2021.06.12.448205*, 2021, Under review
- [4] Nelli S, Itthipuripat S, **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Serences JT. The speed-accuracy trade-off reveals flexible access to accumulating sensory evidence during human decision-making, 2020, Under revision.

- [5] Lainscsek C\*, **Rungratsameetaweemana N\***, Cash SS, Sejnowski TJ. Cortical chimera states predict epileptic seizures. *Chaos: An Interdisciplinary Journal of Nonlinear Science*, 29: 121106, 2019.
- [6] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Squire LR, Serences JT. Preserved capacity for learning statistical regularities and directing selective attention after hippocampal lesions. *The Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 116 (39): 19705-19710, 2019.
- [7] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Serences JT. Dissociating the impact of attention and expectation on early sensory processing. *Current Opinion in Psychology*, 29: 181-186, 2019.
- [8] **Rungratsameetaweemana N\***, Itthipuripat S\*, Salazar A, Serences JT. Expectations do not alter early sensory processing during perceptual decision-making. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 38 (24): 5632-5648, 2018.
- [9] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Squire, LR. Preserved capacity for scene construction and shifts in perspective after hippocampal lesions. *Learning & Memory*, 25: 347-351, 2018.
- [10] Itthipuripat S, Garcia, JO, **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Sprague TC, Serences JT. Changing the spatial scope of attention alters patterns of neural gain in human cortex. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 34(1): 112-123, 2014.

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## INVITED TALKS

- [1] Spontaneous cortical dynamics during auditory predictive processing. *World Wide NeuRise Seminar Series*, October, 2021.
- [2] Probing decision making under uncertainty & The importance of allyship in science. *STEMinar Series*, UC San Diego, May, 2021.
- [3] Dynamics of top-down modulatory signals in humans and neural networks. *Dr. Dobromir Rahnev's lab*, Georgia Institute of Technology. March, 2021.
- [4] Probabilistic decision making in humans and recurrent neural networks & The importance of mentorship in supporting diversity in science. *Diversity and Science Lecture Series*, UC San Diego. December, 2020.
- [5] Uncovering dynamical chimera states in the human brain. *Intelligent and Complex Systems Research Seminar Series*, Chulalongkorn University, Thailand. June, 2020.
- [6] Temporal dynamics of probabilistic decision making. *Neuroscience and Psychology Research Talk Series*, Middlebury College. January, 2020.

## CONFERENCE TALKS

- [1] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Lainscsek C, Cash SS, Garcia JO, Sejnowski TJ, Bansal K. Intrinsic network reconfigurations underlie heterogeneity of seizure dynamics, *Networks 2021: A Joint Sunbelt and Netsci Conference*. June, 2021.
- [2] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Kim R, Sejnowski TJ. Neural dynamics of probabilistic computations in humans and recurrent neural networks. Selected research spotlight, *Virtual Meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society*. March, 2021.
- [3] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Kim R, Sejnowski TJ. Probabilistic information processing in humans and recurrent neural networks. *Neuromatch 3.0 Conference*. October, 2020.
- [4] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Lainscsek C, Cash SS, Sejnowski TJ. Cortical chimera states as predictors for epileptic seizures. Selected research spotlight, *IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society symposium and workshop on Brain, Mind, and Body: Cognitive Neuro-engineering for Health and Wellness*. December, 2019.
- [5] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Itthipuripat S, Salazar A, Serences JT. Expectation influences late stages of information processing. *18th Annual Meeting of the Vision Sciences Society*. May, 2018.

- [6] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Olinick M. Mathematical implications of the normalization model of attention. *Annual Conference of Women in Mathematics of New England*. September, 2012.

## CONFERENCE POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- [1] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Kim R, Sejnowski TJ. Neural dynamics of probabilistic information processing in recurrent neural networks. *18th Annual Computational and Systems Neuroscience (Cosyne) Meeting*. February, 2021.
- [2] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Lainscsek C, Cash SS, Sejnowski, Garcia JO, Bansal K. Intrinsic network topologies underlie distinct propagation dynamics of focal seizures. *Society for Neuroscience Global Connectome*. January, 2021.
- [3] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Lainscsek C, Garcia JO, Bansal K, Cash SS, Sejnowski TJ. Uncovering dynamical states through concurrent electroencephalography (EEG) and electrocorticography (ECoG). *Virtual Meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society*. June, 2020.
- [4] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Lainscsek C, Cash SS, Sejnowski TJ. Cortical chimera states as predictors for epileptic seizures. *17th Annual Computational and Systems Neuroscience (Cosyne) Meeting*. February, 2020.
- [5] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Lainscsek C, Cash SS, Sejnowski TJ. Cortical chimera states as predictors for epileptic seizures. *IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society symposium and workshop on Brain, Mind, and Body: Cognitive Neuroengineering for Health and Wellness*. December, 2019.
- [6] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Itthipuripat S, Serences JT. Dissociable modulation of top-down control on perceptual decision making. *19th Annual Meeting of the Vision Sciences Society*. May, 2019.
- [7] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Schmaelzle R, Bansal K, Wasylyshyn N, Roy H, Lauharatanahirun N, Johnson T, Fernandez R, O'Donnell M, Falk E, Metcalfe J, Vettel JM, Garcia JO. Capturing communication success of driver-passenger dyads during real-world driving. *9th International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society on Neural Engineering*. March, 2019.
- [8] Garcia JO, Bansal K, **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Wasylyshyn N, Roy H, Lauharatanahirun N, Johnson T, Fernandez R, Falk E, Metcalfe J, Vettel JM. Brain network communities between driver-passenger dyads capture successful communication while driving. *9th International Conference of the IEEE Engineering in Medicine and Biology Society on Neural Engineering*. March, 2019.
- [9] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Vettel JM, Oliva JB, Verstynen T, Serences JT, Garcia JO. Intrinsic neural oscillations modulate feature selectivity in human visual cortex. *48th Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience*. November, 2018.
- [10] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Itthipuripat S, Serences JT. Temporal dynamics of prior expectations on human perceptual decision-making. *41st Annual European Conference on Visual Perception*. August, 2018.
- [11] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Squire LR, Serences JT. Effects of attention and expectation on perceptual decision making after medial temporal lobe lesions. *47th Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience*. November, 2017.
- [12] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Itthipuripat S, Barker E, Wagstaff L, Serences JT. Task-irrelevant contextual expectation impairs orientation discrimination performance. *16th Annual Meeting of the Vision Sciences Society*. May, 2016.
- [13] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Itthipuripat S, Barker E, Salazar A, Serences JT. Dissociable effects of attention and expectation on perceptual decision making. *45th Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience*. October, 2015.

- [14] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Itthipuripat S, Serences JT. Dissociable effects of sensory evidence and expectation during visual discrimination tasks. *15th Annual Meeting of the Vision Sciences Society*. May, 2015.
- [15] **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Arndt J. The influence of internal and external arousal on memory. *55th Annual Meeting of the Psychonomic Society*. November, 2014.
- [16] Itthipuripat S, Garcia JO, **Rungratsameetaweemana N**, Sprague TC, Serences JT. Changing the spatial scope of attention alters patterns of neural gain in human cortex. *43rd Annual Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience*. November, 2013.

## TEACHING & MENTORING EXPERIENCE

### Research Mentor

- Julie Eitzen (UC San Diego, Undergraduate researcher) 2021
- Carolyn Deustch (Cal Poly State U, Undergraduate researcher) 2021
- Mia Borzello (UC San Diego, Graduate researcher) 2020
- Julia Phillips (Fordham U, Undergraduate researcher) 2020
- Brianna Marsh (UC San Diego, Graduate researcher) 2020
- Jimmy Yu (UC San Diego, Undergraduate researcher) 2017 - 2019
- Chenlu Wang (UC Los Angeles, Undergraduate researcher) 2018
- Emely Anaya (UC San Diego, Undergraduate researcher) 2018
- Kevin Diep (UC San Diego, Undergraduate researcher) 2017
- Lilli Wagstaff (UC San Diego, Undergraduate researcher) 2016 - 2017
- Tzu-en Wang (UC San Diego, Undergraduate researcher) 2016 - 2017
- Emily Barker (UC San Diego, Undergraduate researcher) 2015 - 2017

### Research Mentor, Heithoff-Brody Scholars Program 2021

- Nicole Men (High school researcher, The Bishop's School/ Columbia University)

### Project Mentor, Neuromatch Academy: Computational Neuroscience Course 2021

### Guest Lecturer

- Neuroscience: From Brain to Behaviors*, UC San Diego 2019
- Geometry*, Roong Arun High School, Thailand 2011
- Calculus I*, Roong Arun High School, Thailand 2011
- General Biology*, Princess Chulabhorn's College, Thailand 2010

### Teaching Assistant

- Special Topics in Psychology Course*, UC San Diego 2015
- Neurophysiology*, Middlebury College 2013
- Multivariable Calculus*, Middlebury College 2013
- Differential Equations*, Middlebury College 2013
- Psychological Statistics*, Middlebury College 2013
- Introduction to Psychology*, Middlebury College 2013
- Heart of Mathematics*, Middlebury College 2012
- Calculus II*, Middlebury College 2011 - 2012

## SERVICE & OUTREACH

- Mentor, *Association for Women in Science* 2021 - present
- Mentor, *Expanding Your Horizons of San Diego* 2021 - present
  - Organized an outreach workshop with the Society for Women in Graduate Studies that aimed to increase advancement of girls and women in STEM
- Member, *Read for The Blind, Thailand* 2018 - present
- Contest Judge, *The Afro-Academic, Cultural, Technological and Scientific Olympics* 2021
- Reviewing Mentor, *Computational & Systems Neuroscience (Cosyne) Mentoring Forum* 2021

Member, <i>Diversity Admission Committee</i> , Neurosciences Grad Program, UCSD	2015 - 2020
• Represented UC San Diego at Annual Meeting of the Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics and Native Americans in Science	2019
Team Member, <i>Xiao Pengyou</i> , VT	2011 - 2014
• Organized outreach activities for local Asian adoptees in Vermont	
Program Director, Pakchong Community STEM Outreach, Thailand	2011 - 2014
Executive Board Member, Southeast Asian Service Leadership Network (SEALNet)	2011
Team Member, Middlebury College Community Friends Outreach Program	2011
Program Leader, National Mathematics and Science Outreach, Thailand	2010

## REVIEWING SERVICE

Biological Psychiatry: Global Open Science  
 eLife  
 Expert Systems with Applications  
 Frontiers in Human Neuroscience  
 IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering  
 IEEE International Conference of Systems, Man, and Cybernetics  
 Journal of Experimental Psychology: Human Perception and Performance  
 Indian Journal of Physics  
 Journal of Neurophysiology  
 Journal of Neuroscience  
 Learning & Memory  
 Neurolmage

## MEDIA COVERAGE

Featured <i>Next Gen Postdoc</i> profile in <i>Inside Salk magazine</i>	2021
Featured news article in <i>Middlebury Magazine Class Notes</i>	2021
Featured news article in <i>Pomfret School Alumni Spotlight</i>	2021
Featured news article in <i>The U.S. Army CDC Research Spotlight</i>	2020