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## Short Bio

Sebastian Lapuschkin is the Head of the Explainable Artificial Intelligence research group at Fraunhofer Heinrich Hertz Institute (HHI) in Berlin.

He received his Ph.D. degree with distinction from the Berlin Institute of Technology in 2018 for his pioneering contributions to the field of Explainable Artificial Intelligence (XAI) and interpretable machine learning. From 2007 to 2013 he studied computer science (B. Sc. and M. Sc.) at the Berlin Institute of Technology, with a focus on software engineering and machine learning.

Sebastian is the recipient of multiple awards, in-

cluding the Hugo-Geiger-Prize for outstanding doctoral achievement and the 2020 Pattern Recognition Best Paper Award.

His work is focused on pushing the boundaries of XAI, e.g. for achieving human-understandable explanations, and towards the effective and efficient utilization of interpretable feedback for the improvement of machine learning systems and data.

Further research interests include efficient machine learning and data analysis, as well as data and algorithm visualization.

## Professional Experience

### Fraunhofer Heinrich-Hertz-Institute

BERLIN, GERMANY

#### Head of Explainable Artificial Intelligence

Jan '21 – today

Research Group Leadership and direction of XAI research.

(current number of staff: 2 PostDocs, 16 PhD researchers, 30+ student research assistants & 3 Technical Staff).

*Research:* Work towards the [next generation of local-global Explainable AI](#) approaches and XAI-based model improvement by, e.g., [increasing efficiency](#) (see also) and [debugging model training, reasoning and datasets](#) (see also). Provision of powerful modified backprop XAI for Pytorch models, and tools for reproducible XAI evaluations to the community, e.g., via [Zennit](#), [LXT](#) and [Quantus](#).

*Further responsibilities:* Project management and (funding) acquisition. Recruitment and guidance of research personnel. Founding member of the Ethics Committee at Fraunhofer HHI.

#### Tenured Researcher

Jan '19 – Dec '20

PostDoc research position in the Machine Learning Group at Fraunhofer HHI.

*Research:* Development of [Spectral Relevance Analysis](#), automating the detection of “Clever Hans” moments in machine learning. [Measurably increasing the explanation quality](#) of local XAI. Provision of modified backprop XAI in Keras/Tensorflow via [iNNvestigate](#).

*Further responsibilities:* Project (funding) acquisition. Recruitment and guidance of PhD students and student research assistants.

#### Research Associate

Oct '14 – Dec '18

Founding member of the Machine Learning Group at Fraunhofer HHI.

*Research:* Furthering XAI research with the [development](#) and [evaluation](#) of corresponding methods, as well as applications in [various expert domains](#), resulting in [several highly cited publications](#), open source [software tools](#) and [repositories](#), and the [first recorded encounter](#) of the “Clever Hans” effect in machine learning via XAI.

*Other contributions:* Contributions to the h.266 (VVC) video codec via learnable intra-frame prediction filters. Planning and conceptualization of an HPC cluster with modern GPU hardware implemented at Fraunhofer HHI. Development and showcasing [multiple XAI demos](#) at international events.

### Berlin Institute of Technology

BERLIN, GERMANY

#### Research Associate

Sep '13 – Sep '14

*Research:* Formalization and development of the “[Layer-wise Relevance Propagation](#)” (LRP) method of Explainable AI for explaining individual predictions of nonlinear machine learning models.

Supervision by [Prof. Dr. Klaus-Robert Müller](#) and [Prof. Dr. Alexander Binder](#).

## Student Research- & Teaching Assistant

Oct '11 – Aug '13

*Research:* Structure and cell type detection in large histopathology images using Bag of Words features and SVM classifiers. Development of XAI for the pipeline.

Research assistant to [Prof. Dr. Alexander Binder](#) at the machine learning group at TU Berlin.

*Teaching:* Preparation and lecturing (of exercise sessions) in the courses “Machine Learning 1” and “Machine Learning 2 – Theory and Application” and associated academic courses. Visualization and animation of data and learning algorithms discussed throughout the course work.

Teaching assistant to [Prof. Dr. Klaus-Robert Müller](#), [Prof. Dr. Dr. Franz Király](#), [Dr. Irene Dowding \(née Winkler\)](#) and [Dr. Daniel Bartz](#).

## Student Teaching Assistant

Oct '09 – Sep '11

Course instruction for algorithmic and practical foundations of computer science (B.Sc.): Basic and advanced Java development, software engineering and OOP concepts, algorithms on image and graph data, among others.

Teaching assistant to [Prof. Dr. Marc Alexa](#), [Prof. Dr. Odej Kao](#) and [Prof. Dr. Oliver Brock](#).

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## Education

### Berlin Institute of Technology

BERLIN, GERMANY

#### PhD in Machine Learning (with distinction / “summa cum laude”)

2013 – 2018

Research and application of methods of *Explainable AI (XAI)*: Layer-wise Relevance Propagation, Deep Taylor Decomposition and Spectral Relevance Analysis.

Thesis: “Opening the machine learning black box with Layer-wise Relevance Propagation”

Supervision headed by [Prof. Dr. Klaus-Robert Müller](#).

#### Master of Science in Computer Science

2010 – 2013

Focus on machine learning, computer vision and large scale data analysis. Thesis: “On Pixel-wise Predictions from Image-wise Bag of Words Classification”

Thesis supervision headed by [Prof. Dr. Alexander Binder](#).

#### Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

2007 – 2010

Focus on algorithms and software development Thesis: “Keyword-Based Image Browsing of Large Image Databases”

Thesis supervision headed by [Prof. Dr. Kristian Hildebrand](#).

### Deutschhaus-Gymnasium

WÜRZBURG, GERMANY

#### Abitur (pre-university secondary education)

1998 – 2007

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## Teaching

See section “Talks & Lectures / Invited Lectures” below for a list of additional invited and individual lectures held.

#### WS 23/24 Machine Learning Seminar.

[[Universitat de Girona](#). Guest Lecturer. Interactive Block Seminar “Explainable AI”, 1 full week.]

#### WS 23/24 Responsible Artificial Intelligence 1.

[[Technische Universität Berlin](#). Co-Teaching, Lecture Design, Interactive Coding Sessions.]

#### WS 21/22 Machine Learning Seminar.

[[Universitat de Girona](#). Guest Lecturer. Interactive Block Seminar “Explainable AI”, 1 full week.]

#### SS 17 Seminar Cognitive Algorithms (block seminar).

[[Technische Universität Berlin](#). 1:1 Student Guidance and Co-Supervision, Grading.]

#### WS 13/14 Python Programming for Machine Learning (block seminar).

[[Technische Universität Berlin](#). Co-Teaching, Grading, Exercise Design.]

Matlab Programming for Machine Learning and Data Analysis (block seminar).

[[Technische Universität Berlin](#). Co-Teaching, Grading, Exercise Design.]

#### SS13 Integrated Lecture Machine Learning II.

[[Technische Universität Berlin](#). Teaching (Exercise sessions), Grading, Exercise Design.]

Python Programming for Machine Learning (block seminar).

[[Technische Universität Berlin](#). Co-Teaching, Grading, Exercise Design.]

**WS 12/13 Integrated Lecture Machine Learning I.**

[**Technische Universität Berlin.** Teaching (Exercise sessions), Grading, Exercise Design.]  
Matlab Programming for Machine Learning and Data Analysis (block beminar).

[**Technische Universität Berlin.** Co-Teaching, Grading, Exercise Design.]

**SS12 Machine Learning II – Theory and Application.**

[**Technische Universität Berlin.** Teaching (Exercise sessions), Grading, Exercise Design.]  
Matlab Programming for Machine Learning and Data Analysis (block beminar).

[**Technische Universität Berlin.** Co-Teaching, Grading, Exercise Design.]

**WS 11/12 Machine Learning I.**

[**Technische Universität Berlin.** Teaching (Exercise sessions), Grading, Exercise Design.]  
Matlab Programming for Machine Learning and Data Analysis (block beminar).

[**Technische Universität Berlin.** Co-Teaching, Grading, Exercise Design.]

**SS 11 Methodisch-praktische Grundlagen der Informatik 2 ("Algorithms and Data Structures").**

[**Technische Universität Berlin.** Teaching (Exercise sessions), Grading, Exercise Design.]

**WS 10/11 Methodisch-praktische Grundlagen der Informatik 4 ("Advanced Algorithms").**

[**Technische Universität Berlin.** Teaching (Exercise sessions), Grading, Exercise Design.]

**SS 10 Methodisch-praktische Grundlagen der Informatik 2 ("Algorithms and Data Structures").**

[**Technische Universität Berlin.** Teaching (Exercise sessions), Grading, Exercise Design.]

**WS 09/10 Methodisch-praktische Grundlagen der Informatik 4 ("Advanced Algorithms").**

[**Technische Universität Berlin.** Teaching (Exercise sessions), Grading, Exercise Design.]

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## Supervision & Guidance

### Senior Technical Staff

**O Hein** (In own group, 2024-\*). Software and Applications for XAI

### Technical Staff

**E Golimblevskaia** (In own group, 2024-\*). Software for XAI in Language Transformers

**A Jain** (In own group, 2024-\*). XAI in Language Transformers: Neural Labelling

### PostDocs

**Dr. R P Klausen** (In own group, 2023-). XAI in Physics-Informed Neural Networks

**Dr. E Schnoor** (In own group, 2023-). XAI in Reinforcement Learning

### PhD Students

**J Berend** (In own group, 2024-\*). Latent Space Restructuring & XAI-based NN Training

**B Puri** (Technische Universität Berlin, 2024-\*, co-supervision). XAI in Natural Language Processing

**M Weckbecker** (In own group, 2024-\*). Data-local XAI & Model Correction

**G Ü Yolcu** (In own group, 2023-\*). Local & global Data Attribution, Evaluation of Data Attribution

**P Kahardipraja** (In own group, 2023-\*). XAI in RAG Systems

**D Bareeva** (In own group, 2023-\*). Reactive Model Self-Correction, Evaluation of Data Attribution

**J Naujoks** (In own group, 2023-\*). XAI for Physics Informed Neural Networks and Quantum-AI

**P Reinfeld** (MPI for CBS, 2023-\*, co-supervision). Analysis of Heart-Brain Interactions in ECG and BCI

**G Nobis** (In own group, 2022-\*). XAI in GANs & XAI for Anomaly Detection

**R Achibat** (In own group, 2022-\*). Methods for Global-Local Concept-based Explanations, XAI for Transformers

**M Dreyer** (In own group, 2022-\*). GLocal XAI for Localization Models, Anomalies and Model Improvement

**D Krakowczyk** (Universität Potsdam, 2022-\*, co-supervision). XAI Quantification (Biomedical Domain)

**A Hill** (TU Berlin, 2021-\*, co-supervision). Open Source Software Frameworks for XAI

**A Hedström** (Universität Potsdam, 2021-\*, co-supervision). Quantification and Evaluation of XAI

**F Pahde** (In own group, 2021-\*). XAI as Part of the AI Life Cycle, XAI in Healthcare

**J Vielhaben** (In own group, 2020-\*). Global XAI & Explaining with Concepts, XAI in Audio

**L Weber** (In own group, 2020-\*). XAI for ML Model Improvement, Generative (X)AI  
**S M Hofmann** (MPI for CBS, 2018-\*, co-supervision). XAI for Brain Age Prediction  
**O Böhler** (In own group, 2023-2023). XAI-guided Dark Matter Exploration, Applications of XAI  
**S Ede** (TU Berlin, 2021-2022, co-supervision). XAI in Defense against Catastrophic Forgetting  
**P Seegerer** (TU Berlin, 2017-2021, co-supervision). XAI for Histopathology & Neural Network Pruning  
**M Hägele** (TU Berlin, 2017-2021, co-supervision). XAI in Histopathology  
**V Srinivasan** (Berlin Big Data Center/own group, 2017, co-supervision). Compressed Domain XAI

#### Master's Students

**N Schmolenski** (In own group, 2024-\*). TBD  
**A Belova** (In own group, 2024-\*). TBD  
**A Krasowski** (In own group, 2024-\*). XAI in Physics-Informed Neural Networks  
**J Frank** (In own group, 2024-\*). TBD  
**G Wassiltschuk** (In own group, 2024-\*). XAI in Physics-Informed Neural Networks  
**N Hoang** (In own group, 2024-\*). UI / UX for Effective XAI  
**O Bouanani** (In own group, 2024-\*). TBD  
**E Hartig** (In own group, 2024-\*). Interactive XAI  
**J Said** (In own group, 2024-\*). TEMA Project Support + TBD  
**T Labarta** (In own group, 2024-\*). XAI Demonstrators & Automation  
**M A Pham** (In own group, 2024-\*). Interactive Systems in XAI  
**E Beceren** (In own group, 2024-\*). User Studies in XAI  
**Z Schellin** (In own group, 2023-\*). Explaining Strategic Gameplay in RL  
**E Pürelku** (In own group, 2023-\*). Improving Interpretability of Latent Representations  
**S Gururaj** (In own group, 2022-\*). XAI for Point Cloud Recognition Models & XAI-guided Input Level Dropout  
**S M V Hatefi** (In own group, 2022-\*). XAI for Adversarial Attack and Outlier Detection, XAI for NN Pruning  
**L Hufe** (In own group, 2022-\*). XAI-based Neural Network Training for Active Learning  
**P Klinke** (In own group, 2024-2024). TBD  
**J Berend** (In own group, 2022-2024). XAI Demonstrators & XAI-based Neural Network Training  
**A Jain** (In own group, 2022-2024). XAI for Language Transformers  
**Y Poupart** (In own group, 2023). Explaining Strategic Gameplay in RL  
**L Bürger** (In own group, 2023). Relevance Subgraph Disentanglement  
**N Ayday** (In own group, 2022-2023). Kernelized Class Artifact Compensation  
**B Puri** (In own group, 2022-2023). XAI in Natural Language Processing  
**G Ü Yolcu** (In own group, 2022-2023). Neural Network Canonization & Data-Attribution  
**A Frommholz** (In own group, 2020-2021, 2022-2023). XAI in the Audio Domain  
**E Dolgener-Cantú** (In own group, 2020-2023). AI Simulations for Anomaly Detection in Photonic Wafers  
**I Eisenbraun** (In own group, 2020-2023). Tools for Interactive GLocal XAI  
**R Achibat** (In own group, 2020-2022). Human-understandable Explanations [...]  
**M Dreyer** (In own group, 2020-2022). Concept-based XAI for Semantic Segmentation [...]  
**S Baghdadlian** (In own group, 2021). XAI in Defense against Catastrophic Forgetting  
**F W Motzkus** (In own group, 2020-2021). XAI Quantification for Measurably Better Explanations  
**L Weber** (In own group, 2019-2020). XAI for Refined Neural Network Training

#### Bachelor's Students

**L Scharff** (In own group, 2024-\*). XAI Demonstrators and Automation  
**M Kohlbrenner** (In own group, 2017-2020). Composite Rule Sets for Layer-wise Relevance Propagation

#### Guest Researchers

**A R Troncoso García** (Universidad del Pablo de Olavide, Sevilla, 2024-2025, co-supervision). Concept-based XAI in the Biomedical Domain

**C I López González** (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, 2023, co-supervision). Factor Analysis of Latent Embeddings

**C Tinauer** (Medical University of Graz, 2023, co-supervision). Explainable Concept Mappings of MRI

**L Tětková** (Technical University of Denmark, 2023, co-supervision). Assessment of (Expected) Concept-based Explanations

**P M Miguélez** (Universidad Carlos III de Madrid, 2022-2023, co-supervision). Evaluating Local XAI against Global Explanations from Polynomial Representations of Neural Network Models

**A Wolny** (Universität Heidelberg | EMBL, 2021, co-supervision). Understanding Self-Hallucinations in Neural Networks for Cell Segmentation with Tools from XAI

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### Third-Party Funded Research Projects

<b>ACHILLES (2024-12 – 2028-11; leading role)</b>	Human-Centred Machine Learning: Lighter, Clearer, Safer
<b>TEMA (2022-12 – 2026-11; leading role)</b>	Trusted Extremely Precise Mapping and Prediction for Emergency Management
<b>DAKI-FWS (2021-12 – 2024-11)</b>	Data- and AI-supported Early Warning System
<b>iToBoS (2021-04 – 2025-03; leading role)</b>	Intelligent Total Body Scanner
<b>BerDiBa (2021-01 – 2024-07)</b>	Berlin Digital Rail Operations
<b>Patho234 (2020-01 – 2022-12)</b>	Machine Learning-driven Multidimensional Imaging Analysis of Reactive and Neoplastic Lymph Nodes
<b>TraMeExCo (2018-09 – 2021-08; leading role)</b>	Transparent Medical Expert Companion

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### Awards

#### Stanford Top 2% Scientist Worldwide

Among the 2% most impactful researchers of:  
 2023<sup>(rank(ns)=114,641)</sup>,  
 2022<sup>(rank(ns)=136,075)</sup>,  
 2021<sup>(rank(ns)=195,784)</sup>  
 which is to be taken with a grain of salt.

<b>Best Short Paper Award (2023)</b>	The ACM Symposium for Eye Tracking Research and Applications
<b>Pattern Recognition Best Paper Award and Pattern Recognition Medal (2020)</b>	For the paper “Explaining NonLinear Classification Decisions with Deep Taylor Decomposition”
<b>Hugo-Geiger-Prize (2019, 1st place)</b>	Förderpreis für herausragende Promotionsleistungen
<b>Freunde des HHI (2019)</b>	Förderpreis für exzellente wissenschaftliche Arbeiten am HHI
<b>ERCIM (2019, finalist)</b>	Cor Baayen Young Researcher Award
<b>Best Paper Award (2016)</b>	ICML’16 Workshop on Visualization for Deep Learning

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### Patents

#### Analyzing an Inference of a Machine Learning Predictor

WO 2023237560 A1 “Analyzing an Inference of a Machine Learning Predictor” (published 2023-12-14)

#### Method and System for Simulating an Optical Image of a Photonic and/or Electronic Device

EP 4001902 A1 “Method and System for Simulating an Optical Image of a Photonic and/or Electronic Device” (published 2022-05-25)

#### Pruning and/or Quantizing Machine Learning Predictors

EP 3991102 A1 “Pruning and/or Quantizing Machine Learning Predictors” (published 2022-05-04)

US 2022/0114455 A1 “Pruning and/or Quantizing Machine Learning Predictors” (published 2022-04-14)

WO 2020/260656 A1 “Pruning and/or Quantizing Machine Learning Predictors” (published 2020-12-30)

#### Relevance Score Assignment for Artificial Neural Networks

US 20180018553 “Relevance Score Assignment for Artificial Neural Networks ” (granted 2024-10-04)  
CN 107636693 “Relevance Score Assignment for Artificial Neural Networks” (granted 2022-01-11)  
EP 3271863 “Relevance Score Assignment for Artificial Neural Network” (granted 2021-07-28)  
JP 6725547 “Relevance Score Assignment for Artificial Neural Networks” (granted 2020-07-22)  
KR 102130162 “Assignment of Relevance Scores for Artificial Neural Networks” (granted 2020-07-06)  
CA 2979579 “Relevance Score Assignment for Artificial Neural Networks” (granted 2020-02-18)  
RU 2703343 “Relevancy Assessment for Artificial Neural Networks” (granted 2019-10-16)  
BR 112017019821 “Relevance Score Assignment for Artificial Neural Networks ” (published 2018-05-15)  
WO 2016150472 A1 “Relevance score assignment for artificial neural network” (published 2016-09-29)

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## Talks & Lectures

### Talks

excludes internal/confidential events

1. “Artificial Intelligence We Can Trust – From Explainable to Actionable and Regenerative AI” (2024-02-02).  
*MPNE Consensus 2024 Workshop, Berlin, Germany, (invited talk)*
2. “From Concepts to Prototypes – Towards Minimal Effort Post-Hoc Interpretability” (2024-01-12).  
*2<sup>nd</sup> Machine Teaching for XAI Workshop (MT4XAI), Valencia, Spain, (invited talk)*
3. “Explaining AI with Concept Relevance Propagation” (2023-10-06).  
*4<sup>th</sup> Japanese-American-German Frontiers of Science (JAGFOS) Symposium, Dresden, Germany, (flash talk & poster, invited)*
4. “Model-Assisted Data Analysis via XAI” (2023-07-05).  
*19<sup>th</sup> Machine Learning in Healthcare Meetup Berlin, Berlin Institute of Health, (invited talk)*
5. “Accessing the Hidden Space with Explainable Artificial Intelligence” (2023-06-27).  
*Informatik-Kolloquium, Universität Bremen, (invited talk)*
6. “Explainable AI and Beyond with Concept Relevance Propagation” (2023-05-24).  
*Data Professional Days / Data4Business Days Köln, (keynote)*
7. “Beyond Heatmaps – Explaining with Concepts” (2022-10-21).  
*BIFOLD Graduate School Welcome Days, (invited talk)*
8. “Explain to Not Forget: Defending Against Catastrophic Forgetting with XAI ” (2022-08-24).  
*CD-MAKE 2022, (paper presentation)*
9. “Zukünftige Trends in der KI und Einsatzmöglichkeiten im Bauwesen” (2022-06-24).  
*BIMKIT Jahresveranstaltung 2022, (keynote)*
10. “Beyond Explaining” (2021-06-03).  
*Melanoma Patient Network Europe Meet-up – MPNE meets AI , (invited talk)*
11. “Beyond Explaining: Explainable AI for Model Improvement” (2021-05-05).  
*Sensor and Measurement Science International 2021, (invited talk)*
12. “Efficient and Effective Neural Network Pruning with Layer-wise Relevance Propagation” (2020-11-12).  
*Machine Learning Seminar at Fraunhofer HHI / Technische Universität Berlin*
13. “Towards Best Practice in Explaining Neural Network Decisions with LRP” (2020-07-21).  
*IEEE World Congress on Computational Intelligence 2020 / IJCNN 2020*
14. “XAI for Analyzing and Unlearning Spurious Correlations in ImageNet” (2020-07-18).  
*XXAI: Extending Explainable AI Beyond Deep Models and Classifiers, (ICML 2020 Workshop)*
15. “XAI via LRP and SpRAy” (2020-07-02).  
*Ada Day at Ada Lovelace Center / Fraunhofer IIS, (invited talk)*
16. “Interpretable Machine Learning through Layer-wise Relevance Propagation” (2020-02-18).  
*Fraunhofer Symposium Netzwert 2020*
17. “Interpretable Machine Learning through Layer-wise Relevance Propagation” (2019-12-12).  
*Gesellschaft von Freunden des HHI e.V.*
18. “Explainable Artificial Intelligence — Opening the Machine Learning Black Box with Layer-wise Relevance Propagation” (2019-09-26).  
*AMA Wissenschaftsrat 2019, (invited talk)*
19. “Finding Clever Hans” (2019-07-16).  
*Universität Bamberg, (invited talk & press interview)*



20. "AI – Opening the Black Box" (2019-02-25).  
*Robert Koch Institut, (invited talk)*
21. "AI – Opening the Black Box" (2019-02-22).  
*Technology Innovation Day – 91 Years HHI*
22. "Understanding and Comparing Deep Neural Networks for Age and Gender Classification" (2017-10-27).  
*ICCV'17 Workshop on Analysis and Modeling of Faces and Gestures*
23. "Layer-wise Relevance Propagation" (2014-09-10).  
*IDA Retreat'14*

## Invited Lectures

Individual Lectures as Parts of Seminars and Workshops

1. "An Introduction to Explainable Artificial Intelligence" (2023-12-10/11/12).  
*Universitat de Girona, (3-day XAI lecture series as part of the Machine Learning Seminar at UdG)*
2. "XAI as a Tool Beyond Model Understanding – From Heatmaps to Concepts and XAI Automation" (2024-11-27).  
*CBS CoCoNUT | Max Planck Institute for Human Cognitive and Brain Sciences | Leipzig*
3. "Explainable AI" (2023-12-14/15/16).  
*Universitat de Girona, (3-day XAI lecture series as part of the Machine Learning Seminar at UdG)*
4. "Human-Understandable Explanations through Concept Relevance Propagation" (2023-01-12).  
*Machine Teaching for Humans Workshop, Madeira | University of Bergen, (invited, keynote)*
5. "Towards Human-understandable Explanations with XAI 2.0" (2022-10-24).  
*AI4Good webinar series of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU), ([streaming link](#))*
6. "Towards Actionable XAI" (2022-09-27).  
*International Artificial Intelligence Doctoral Academy, ([link to slides and video](#))*
7. "Recent Advances in Explainable AI" (2022-09-08).  
*BB-KI-Chips Summer School Potsdam | Universität Potsdam*
8. "Explainable AI" (2021-12-13/14/15).  
*Universitat de Girona, (3-day XAI lecture series as part of the Machine Learning Seminar at UdG)*
9. "XAI BEYOND EXPLAINING: Using Explainability for Improving Deep Machine Learning Models" (2021-08-27).  
*2nd Summer School on Machine Learning in Bioinformatics | Higher School of Economics Moscow, ([link to video](#))*
10. "Neuronale Netze mit LRP (richtig) erklären" (2020-08).  
*KI-Campus | Die Lernplattform für Künstliche Intelligenz*
11. "Explainable Artificial Intelligence — Opening the Machine Learning Black Box with Layer-wise Relevance Propagation" (2019-08-16).  
*SIMULA Summer School on Smart cities for a Sustainable Energy Future - From Design to Practice*

## Publications

### Summary of Scientific Impact

	All	Since 2019
# Publications	78	62
# Citations	16763	15752
h-index	33	32
i10-index	47	46

per Google Scholar, retrieved on November 27<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

### Journal Articles

1. Vielhaben J, **Lapuschkin S**, Montavon G and Samek W (2024).  
"Explainable AI for Time Series via Virtual Inspection Layers".  
In: *Pattern Recognition* 150:110309.  
<https://github.com/jvielhaben/DFT-LRP>
2. Becker S, Vielhaben J, Ackermann M, Müller K-R, **Lapuschkin S** and Samek W (2024).  
"AudioMNIST: Exploring Explainable Artificial Intelligence for Audio Analysis on a Simple Benchmark".  
In: *Journal of the Franklin Institute* 361(1):418–428.  
<https://github.com/soerenab/AudioMNIST>

3. Achtribat R, Dreyer M, Eisenbraun I, Bosse S, Wiegand T, Samek W and **Lapuschkin S** (2023).  
 “From attribution maps to human-understandable explanations through Concept Relevance Propagation”.  
 In: *Nature Machine Intelligence* 5(9):1006–1019.  
<https://github.com/rachtribat/zennit-crp> | <https://github.com/maxdreyer/crp-human-study>
4. Hedström A, Bommer P, Wickstrøm K K, Samek W, **Lapuschkin S** and Höhne M-C M (2023).  
 “The Meta-Evaluation Problem in Explainable AI: Identifying Reliable Estimators with MetaQuantus”.  
 In: *Transactions on Machine Learning Research* 2835–8856.  
<https://github.com/annahedstroem/MetaQuantus>
5. Weber L, **Lapuschkin S**, Binder A and Samek W (2023).  
 “Beyond Explaining: Opportunities and Challenges of XAI-Based Model Improvement”.  
 In: *Information Fusion* 92:154–176
6. Hedström A, Weber L, Krakowczyk D G, Bareeva D, Motzkus F, Samek W, **Lapuschkin S** and Höhne M-C M (2023).  
 “Quantus: An Explainable AI Toolkit for Responsible Evaluation of Neural Network Explanations and Beyond”.  
 In: *Journal of Machine Learning Research* 24(34):1–11.  
<https://github.com/understandable-machine-intelligence-lab/quantus>
7. Hofmann S M, Beyer F, **Lapuschkin S**, Golterman O, Loeffler M, Müller K-R, Villringer A, Samek W and Witte A V (2022).  
 “Towards the Interpretability of Deep Learning Models for Multi-modal Neuroimaging: Finding Structural Changes of the Ageing Brain”.  
 In: *NeuroImage* 261:119504
8. Ma J, Schneider L, **Lapuschkin S**, Achtribat R, Durchrau M, Krois J, Schwendicke F and Samek W (2022).  
 “Towards Trustworthy AI in Dentistry”.  
 In: *Journal of Dental Research* 00220345221106086
9. Rieckmann A, Dworzynski P, Arras L, **Lapuschkin S**, Samek W, Onyebuchi A A, Rod N H, Ekstrøm C T (2022).  
 “Causes of Outcome Learning: A Causal Inference-inspired Machine Learning Approach to Disentangling Common Combinations of Potential Causes of a Health Outcome”.  
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