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EDUCATIONAL HISTORY:

Ph.D., Neuroscience Program, 1998University of California, San FranciscoB.A. Molecular and Cell Biology (Biochemistry), Honors Program, 1993University of California, Berkeley

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY:

2019-present: Interim Director, Texas Biomedical Device Center, www.txbdc.com

- Creating new biomedical technology and therapies

2014-2018: Associate Director, Texas Biomedical Device Center

- Creating new biomedical technology and therapies

2013-present: Margaret Fonde Jonnson Professor - UT Dallas

- Directing cortical plasticity to understand and treat neurological disease

2011-2013: Full Professor - UT Dallas

- Directing cortical plasticity to understand and treat neurological disease

2004-2011: Associate Professor - UT Dallas

- Cortical plasticity and the neural basis of speech sound processing

1999-2004: Assistant Professor - UT Dallas

- Investigation of the principles of cortical plasticity

1998: Post-doctoral Fellow - UC San Francisco

- Michael Merzenich, Sooy Professor
- Cortical Representation of Spectrotemporal Stimuli
- 1994-1998: Doctoral Research UC San Francisco
 - Michael Merzenich, Sooy Professor
 - Induction of large-scale reorganization of primary auditory cortex
 - by cholinergic forebrain stimulation
 - Psychophysics of directed attention in tactile perception

AWARDS:

University of Texas Regents Outstanding Teaching Award (\$30,000), 2009 – inaugural year Chancellor's Council Outstanding Teaching Award (\$5,000), 2008 Honorary Member, Golden Key International Honour Society, 2006 John Merck Scholar Finalist (\$10,000), 2003 Teaching Award, UTD School of Behavioral and Brain Sciences, 2002 Callier Scholar Award (\$5,000), 2002 NIDCD National Research Service Award (\$70,000), 1998 [not activated] Krevan's Distinguished Dissertation Award (\$500), UC San Francisco, 1998 Outstanding Geneticist of the Year, UC Berkeley, 1993 National Merit Scholar

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GRANTS/CONTRACTS AWARDED:

>\$30 million in total external research funding

Current Funding

Principle Investigator (PI) on \$8,559,466 in ongoing research grants Co-PI on an additional \$7,463,732 in ongoing research grants

DARPA TNT Research Grant (\$6,703,587) Targeted Neuroplasticity Training to Accelerate Complex Skill Learning, 2016 (PI).

Wings for Life (\$815,374), Enhancing Recovery in SCI Patients with Vagus Nerve Stimulation, 2019 (PI).

FitMi VNS: The First Automated Home Therapy System for Vagus Nerve Stimulation, National Institute of Neurological Disorders and Stroke, \$498,275, 2020 (PI).

NIH Research Grant, UH3 (\$2,591,208), Wireless Nerve Stimulation Device to Enhance Recovery after Stroke (co-I with Seth Hays), 2021.

DARPA ElectRx Research Grant (\$6,995,309), Closed-loop Neuromodulation to Treat PTSD (co-PI with Rob Rennaker), 2015.

NIH Research Grant, R01 (\$1,673,440) Enhancing Recovery after Chronic Bilateral Cervical Spinal Cord Injury with Targeted Plasticity Therapy (co-PI with Robert Rennaker), 2018.

Past Funding

NIH Research Grant, UG3 (\$3,563,399), Wireless Nerve Stimulation Device to Enhance Recovery after Stroke (co-I with Seth Hays), 2019.

NIH Research Grant, R01 (\$1,912,500), Enhancing Speech Processing in a Rat Model of Autism Using Vagus Nerve Stimulation (co-I with Crystal Engineer), 2019.

Congressionally Directed Medical Research Program (\$895,000) Hearing restoration through synaptic plasticity directed by vagus nerve stimulation, 2018 (PI).

NIH Research Grant, R01 (\$1,673,440) Evaluation of the Neuromodulatory Mechanisms of Vagus Nerve Stimulation to Improve Motor Rehabilitation after Stroke (co-I with Seth Hays), 2016.

Wings for Life (\$300,071) Promoting Recovery from Cervical Spinal Cord Injury by Pairing Rehabilitation with Vagus Nerve Stimulation, 2016 (PI).

International Rett Syndrome Foundation Research Grant (\$150,000), Reversing speech sound processing deficits in Rett syndrome, 2016 (PI).

NINDS R01 Research Grant (\$1,940,000), Vagus Nerve Stimulation Paired with Rehabilitative Training to Enhance Plasticity (co-PI with Rob Rennaker), 2014.

NINDS R43 Research Grant (\$225,043) A Novel Adjunct to Physical Training to Improve Motor Recovery Following Stroke (co-PI with Navzer Engineer), 2013.

Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research Rapid Response Innovation Award (\$75,000), Evaluation of Targeted Plasticity Therapy as a Treatment for Motor Dysfunction in Parkinson's (co-Pl with Seth Hays), 2013.

NIDCD R01 Research Grant (\$1,683,000), Animal Model of Speech Sound Processing in Autism, 2010 (PI).

NIDCD R44 Research Grant (\$2,113,757), Targeted Neural Plasticity for the Treatment of Tinnitus (co-PI with Navzer Engineer), 2010.

NIDCD R43 Research Grant (\$585,483), Targeted Neural Plasticity for the Treatment of Tinnitus (co-Pl with Navzer Engineer), 2009.

Texas Advanced Research Program Award (\$150,000), Guiding Brain Plasticity via Vagus Nerve Stimulation, 2007 (PI).

NIDCD Academic Research Enhancement Award (\$265,961), Cortical Plasticity and Processing of Speech Sounds, 2004 (PI).

James S. McDonnell Foundation Bridging Brain, Mind, and Behavior Research Award, Brain Plasticity and Neuro-Rehabilitation (\$446,000), 2002 (PI).

Cure Autism Now Foundation: Sensory Experience, Behavioral Therapy and Neural Plasticity: Implications for Autism Remediation (\$80,000), 2002 (PI).

NIDCD Research Grant (\$152,765), Cortical Plasticity and Processing of Complex Stimuli, 2000 (PI).

National Science Foundation Fellowship (\$50,000), 1994 (PI).

ACHIEVEMENTS IN ORIGINAL INVESTIGATION:

Book Chapters (6):

Targeting Plasticity with Vagus Nerve Stimulation to Treat Neurological Disease. Hays SA, Rennaker RL, Kilgard MP. In Changing Brains - Applying Brain Plasticity to Advance and Recover Human Ability, Progress in Brain Research, 207:275-99, 2013.

Neural Coding of Speech Sounds. Kilgard M., Engineer C. In: Jaeger D., Jung R. (Ed.) Encyclopedia of Computational Neuroscience: Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, 2013.

Experience-Dependent Plasticity and the Auditory Cortex. KN Shepard, MP Kilgard, RC Liu, in Neural Correlates of Auditory Cognition, Springer (Eds. A. Popper, R. Fay, and Y. Cohen), Volume 45, 2013.

Auditory Environment, Stress, and Brain Plasticity. Nichols JA, Bose M, Jakkamsetti VP, Kilgard MP, Atzori M. in The Neurobiology of Stress: an Evolutionary Approach, Research Signpost, (Eds. F Aboitiz and A Dagnino-Subiabre), 2007.

Cortical Plasticity and Rehabilitation. Moucha R, Kilgard MP, in Reprogramming the Brain, Progress in Brain Research, Elsevier, (Ed. A. Moller), 157:111-122, 2006.

How Sensory Experience Shapes Cortical Representations, MP Kilgard, in Neuropsychology of Memory, Guilford Press (Eds. L.R. Squire and D.L. Schacter), 2002.

Using Vagus Nerve Stimulation to Direct Synaptic Plasticity and Treat Neurological Disease. Seth A. Hays, Robert L. Rennaker 2nd, Jane G. Wigginton, Michael P. Kilgard, Chapter in Vagus Nerve Stimulation, Elsevier (Ed. Staats), in press.

Scientific Articles (134): (Search PubMed or Google Scholar)

Timing of Vagus Nerve Stimulation During Fear Extinction Determines Efficacy in a Rat Model of PTSD. Souza RR, Powers MB, McIntyre CK, Hays SA, Kilgard MP. *Scientific Reports*, 2022, 12:16526.

Usage of RePlay as: a take-home system to supporting support high-repetition motor rehabilitation after neurological injury. Pruitt DT, Duong-Nguyen y, Meyers EC, Epperson JD, Wright JM, Hudson RA, Wigginton JG, Rennaker II RL, Hays SA, Kilgard, MP. *Games for Health Journal*, 2023, 12:73-85.

Vagus nerve stimulation does not improve recovery of forelimb motor or somatosensory function in a model of neuropathic pain. Adcock KS, Danaphongse T, Jacob S, Rallapalli H, Torres M, Haider Z, Seyedahmadi A, Morrison RA, Rennaker RL, Kilgard MP, Hays SA. *Sci Rep.* 2022, 12:9696.

Common Cholinergic, Noradrenergic, and Serotonergic Drugs Do Not Block VNS-Mediated Plasticity. Morrison RA, Abe ST, Danaphongse T, Ezhil V, Somaney A, Adcock KS, Rennaker RL, Kilgard MP, Hays SA. *Front Neurosci*. 2022, 16:849291.

Radial nerve injury causes long-lasting forelimb sensory impairment and motor dysfunction in rats. Adcock KS, Hulsey DR, Danaphongse T, Haider Z, Morrison RA, Kilgard MP, Hays SA. *Pain Reports*, 2021. 6:e957.

Vagus Nerve Stimulation as a Potential Adjuvant to Rehabilitation for Post-stroke Motor Speech Disorders. Morrison RA, Hays SA, Kilgard MP. *Front Neurosci*. 2021, 15:715928.

Validation of a parameterized, open-source model of nerve stimulation. Bucksot JE, Chandler CR, Intharuck NM, Rennaker RL, Kilgard MP, Hays SA. *J Neural Eng*. 2021, 18(4).

Vagus nerve stimulation enhances fear extinction as an inverted-U function of stimulation intensity. Souza RR, Robertson NM, McIntyre CK, Rennaker RL, Hays SA, Kilgard MP. *Exp Neurol*. 2021, 341:113718.

Vagus nerve stimulation promotes extinction generalization across sensory modalities. Souza RR, Oleksiak CR, Tabet MN, Rennaker RL, Hays SA, Kilgard MP, McIntyre CK. *Neurobiol Learn Mem*. 2021

High intensity VNS disrupts VNS-mediated plasticity in motor cortex. Morrison RA, Danaphongse TT, Abe ST, Stevens ME, Ezhil V, Seyedahmadi A, Adcock KS, Rennaker RL, Kilgard MP, Hays SA. *Brain Res.* 2021 1756:147332.

The tactile experience paired with vagus nerve stimulation determines the degree of sensory recovery after chronic nerve damage. Darrow MJ, Mian TM, Torres M, Haider Z, Danaphongse T, Seyedahmadi A, Rennaker RL, Hays SA, Kilgard MP. Behavioural Brain Research. 2021; 396:112910.

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Pairing vagus nerve stimulation with tones drives plasticity across the auditory pathway. Borland MS, Vrana WA, Moreno NA, Fogarty EA, Buell EP, Vanneste S, Kilgard MP, Engineer CT. J

Neurophysiol. 2019 Aug 1;122(2):659-671.

Norepinephrine and serotonin are required for vagus nerve stimulation directed cortical plasticity. Hulsey DR, Shedd CM, Sarker SF, Kilgard MP, Hays SA. Experimental Neurology. 2019 Oct;320:112975. Vagus nerve stimulation reverses the extinction impairments in a model of PTSD with prolonged and repeated trauma. Souza RR, Robertson NM, Pruitt DT, Gonzales PA, Hays SA, Rennaker RL, Kilgard MP, McIntyre CK. *Stress* (2019) 22:509-520.

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Norepinephrine and serotonin are required for vagus nerve stimulation directed cortical plasticity. Hulsey DR, Shedd CM, Sarker SF, Kilgard MP, Hays SA. *Exp Neurol.* (2019) 320:112975

Vagus Nerve Stimulation Intensity Influences Motor Cortex Plasticity. Morrison RA, Hulsey DR, Adcock KS, Rennaker RL, Kilgard MP, Hays SA. *Brain Stimulation* (2019) 12:256-262.

Vagus Nerve Stimulation Rate and Duration Determine whether Sensory Pairing Produces Neural Plasticity. Buell EP, Borland MS, Loerwald KW, Chandler C, Hays SA, Engineer CT, Kilgard MP. *Neuroscience* (2019) 406:290-299.

Protocol for Construction of Rat Nerve Stimulation Cuff Electrodes. Rios MU, Bucksot JE, Rahebi KC, Engineer CT, Kilgard MP, Hays SA. *Methods Protocols* (2019) 2:1.

ReStore: A wireless peripheral nerve stimulation system. Sivaji V, Grasse DW, Hays SA, Bucksot JE, Saini R, Kilgard MP, Rennaker RL 2nd. *J Neurosci Methods* (2019) 320:26-36.

A suite of automated tools to quantify hand and wrist motor function after cervical spinal cord injury. Grasse KM, Hays SA, Rahebi KC, Warren VS, Garcia EA, Wigginton JG, Kilgard MP, Rennaker RL 2nd. *J Neuroeng Rehabilitation* (2019) 16:48.

Vagus nerve stimulation promotes generalization of conditioned fear extinction and reduces anxiety in rats. Noble LJ, Meruva VB, Hays SA, Rennaker RL, Kilgard MP, McIntyre CK. *Brain Stimulation* (2019) 12:9-18.

Vagus Nerve Stimulation Enhances Stable Plasticity and Generalization of Stroke Recovery. Meyers EC, Solorzano BR, James JT, Ganzer PD, Lai E, Rennaker RL, Kilgard MP, Hays SA, *Stroke* (2018) 49:710-717.

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Vagus nerve stimulation paired with tactile training improved sensory function in a chronic stroke patient. Kilgard MP, Rennaker RL, Alexander J, Dawson J. *NeuroRehabilitation*. (2018) 42:159-165.

The Interval Between VNS-Tone Pairings Determines the Extent of Cortical Map Plasticity. Borland MS, Engineer CT, Vrana WA, Moreno NA, Engineer ND, Vanneste S, Sharma P, Pantalia MC, Lane MC, Rennaker RL, Kilgard MP. *Neuroscience*. (2018) 369:76-86.

Shank3-deficient rats exhibit degraded cortical responses to sound. Engineer CT, Rahebi KC, Borland MS, Buell EP, Im KW, Wilson LG, Sharma P, Vanneste S, Harony-Nicolas H, Buxbaum JD, Kilgard MP. *Autism Research*. (2018) 11:59-68.

The M-Maze task: an automated method for studying fear memory in rats exposed to protracted aversive conditioning. Souza RR, Robertson NM, Pruitt DT, Noble LJ, Meyers EC, Gonzalez PA, Bleker NP, Carey HL, Hays SA, Kilgard MP, McIntyre CK, Rennaker RL. *J Neurosci Methods* (2018) 247:54-65.

Pairing sound with vagus nerve stimulation modulates cortical synchrony and phase coherence in tinnitus: An exploratory retrospective study. Vanneste S, Martin J, Rennaker RL Nd, Kilgard MP. *Scientific Reports*. (2017) 7:17345.

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Effects of vagus nerve stimulation on extinction of conditioned fear and post-traumatic stress disorder symptoms in rats. Noble LJ, Gonzalez IJ, Meruva VB, Callahan KA, Belfort BD, Ramanathan KR, Meyers E, Kilgard MP, Rennaker RL, McIntyre CK. *Transl Psychiatry*. (2017) 7:e1217.

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Neural Mechanisms Supporting Robust Discrimination of Speech, Kamalini Ranasinghe, 2012. (Fall 2008 - Spring 2012)

Speech-Coding and Training-Induced Plasticity in Auditory Cortex of Normal and Dyslexia Model Rats, Tracy Centanni, 2013. (Fall 2009 - Spring 2013)

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Targeting Auditory Cortex Plasticity Using Vagus Nerve Stimulation, Elizabeth Buell (Fall 2012 - Fall 2018)

Neuromodulatory Pathways Required for Targeted Plasticity Therapy, Daniel Hulsey (Fall 2013 - Spring 2018)

Vagus Nerve Stimulation Intensity Regulates Targeted Plasticity, Robert Morrison (Fall 2016-Spring 2021)

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2022 – University of Texas System-wide Brain Research Summit, Austin, Texas, "Industry Partners – Taking Devices from Concept to FDA Approval"

2022 – Walter Reed Center for the Study of Traumatic Stress, Bethesda, Maryland, "Vagus Nerve Stimulation During Therapy to Improve Synaptic Plasticity and Enhance Recovery"

2022 – American Society of Neurorehabilitation, St. Louis, Missouri, "Enhancing Recovery from Chronic Stroke and Spinal Cord Injury through Vagus Nerve Stimulation during Rehabilitative Training"

2022 – American Spinal Injury Association, New Orleans, Louisiana, "Promoting Recovery from Spinal Cord Injury by Pairing Rehabilitation with Vagus Nerve Stimulation"

2022 – Wings for Life Foundation, Salzburg, Austria, "Promoting Recovery in People with Chronic Cervical Spinal Cord Injury by Pairing Rehabilitation with Vagus Nerve Stimulation"

2022 – American Laryngological Association, Dallas, Texas, "Vagus Nerve Stimulation during Rehabilitation to Improve Synaptic Plasticity and Recovery"

2021 – European Society of Swallowing Disorders Congress, "Enhancing Recovery from Chronic Stroke and Spinal Cord Injury through Vagus Nerve Stimulation during Rehabilitative Training".

2021 – Baylor University Medical Center Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Grand Rounds, Dallas, Texas, "Enhancing Recovery from Chronic Stroke and Spinal Cord Injury through Vagus

Nerve Stimulation during Rehabilitative Training".

2021 – Miami Project to Cure Paralysis, University of Miami, Emerging Neurotechnology Symposium: Neuromodulation for Regaining Lost Function, "Enhancing Recovery from Spinal Cord Injury through Vagus Nerve Stimulation".

2021 – Texas Health Resources Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Grand Rounds, Fort Worth, Texas, "Enhancing Recovery from Chronic Stroke and Spinal Cord Injury through Vagus Nerve Stimulation during Rehabilitative Training".

2021 – University of Connecticut, Department of Biomedical Engineering, "Promoting Recovery from Stroke, SCI, and PTSD by Pairing Rehabilitation with Vagus Nerve Stimulation"

2021 – University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation Grand Rounds, Dallas, Texas, "Enhancing Recovery from Chronic Stroke and Spinal Cord Injury through Vagus Nerve Stimulation during Rehabilitative Training".

2020 – International Spinal Cord Society, Annual Meeting, Wings for Life Lecture on Translational Science, Yokohama, Japan, "Directing Synaptic Plasticity to Treat Chronic Spinal Cord Injury".

2020 – Baylor University Medical Center Trauma Grand Rounds, Dallas, Texas, "Enhanced Recovery from Trauma using Vagus Nerve Stimulation during Rehabilitation".

2020 – Wings for Life Scientific Meeting, Salzburg, Austria, "Enhancing Recovery in Spinal Cord Injury Patients with Vagus Nerve Stimulation".

2019 – University of California, San Francisco, San Francisco, California, "Directing Synaptic Plasticity to Treat Neurological and Psychiatric Disease" – Endowed Discovery Lecture

2019 – NIDA-NIAAA: Frontiers in Addiction Research, Chicago, Illinois, "Directing Synaptic Plasticity to Treat Neurological and Psychiatric Disease"

2019 – Heidelberg University Hospital, Heidelberg, Germany, "Directing Synaptic Plasticity to Treat Spinal Cord Injury"

2019 – Heidelberg Orthopaedie, Heidelberg, Germany, "Directing Synaptic Plasticity to Treat Chronic Spinal Cord Injury".

2019 – Wings for Life Research Foundation, Salzburg, Austria, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Spinal Cord Injury"

2018 - Center for Neuroscience and Regenerative Medicine, Uniformed Services University Of The Health Sciences, Rockville, Maryland, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Sensory, Motor and Cognitive Impairments caused by TBI"

2018 - National Center for Adaptive Neurotechnologies, Wadsworth Center, Albany, New York, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2018 - University of Minnesota, Entertainment Software and Neurotherapeutics Society,

Minneapolis, Minnesota "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Disease"

2018 - Targeted Neuroplasticity Training Ethics: Training Optimization Through Peripheral Nerve Stimulation, Lincoln Center for Applied Ethics, Washington, DC, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease".

2018 - Baylor University Medical Center, Dallas, Texas, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Post-Traumatic Stress Disorder".

2018 - Wings for Life Foundation, Salzburg, Austria, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Spinal Cord Injury".

2018 - American Congress of Rehabilitation Medicine, Dallas, Texas, "Clinical Translation of VNS Therapy for Stroke Patients".

2018 - Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency, Denver, Colorado. "Accelerating Speech Learning with VNS".

2018 - Frontiers of BrainHealth, Dallas, Texas, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Disease".

2018 - Spinal Cord Plasticity in Motor Control, National Center of Neuromodulation for Rehabilitation, San Diego, California, "Closed-loop vagus nerve stimulation during rehabilitation restores network connectivity and motor control after cervical spinal cord injury".

2017 - Feinstein Institute for Medical Research, New York, New York, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Disease".

2017 - Harvard Medical School, Department of Otolaryngology, Massachusetts Eye and Ear Hospital, Boston, Massachusetts, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Disease".

2017 - International Conference on Neurology and Neuroimmunology, Dallas, Texas. "Directing Neural Plasticity To Understand And Treat Neurological Disease".

2017 - University of Texas at Austin, Clinically Applied Rehabilitation Engineering, Austin, Texas, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Neurological and Psychiatric Disease".

2017 - University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Basic Neuroscience Seminar Series, Dallas, Texas, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease".

2017 - Wings for Life Foundation, Salzburg, Austria, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Spinal Cord Injury".

2017 - University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation, Dallas, Texas, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Disease".

2016 - University of Ghent, Ghent, Belgium, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Neurological Diseases"

2016 - BRAIN Initiative Investigators Meeting, Bethesda, Maryland, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Disease"

2016 - DARPA Targeted Neuroplasticity Training Kick-Off Meeting, San Diego, California, "Targeted Neuroplasticity Training to Accelerate Complex Skill Learning"

2016 - Neuromodulation: The Science, San Francisco, California, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2016 - DARPA Targeted Neuroplasticity Training Proposer's Day Meeting, Arlington, Virginia, "Targeted Neuroplasticity: Science and Medical Applications"

2016 - Posit Scientific, San Francisco, California, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Stroke and Other Neurological Diseases"

2016 - Neuromuscular Plasticity Symposium, University of Florida, Gainesville, Florida, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2016 - DARPA Demo Day Meeting, Pentagon Courtyard, Arlington, Virginia, "Treating Brain Damage"

2015 - Sensory Motor Performance Program Seminar, Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago, Illinois, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2015 - Neuroscience Seminar, University of Illinois, Champaign, Illinois, "Directing Cortical Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2015 - DARPA ElectRx Meeting, Park City, Utah, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Neurological and Psychiatric Disease"

2015 - Neural Control of Movement, Charleston, South Carolina, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Stroke and Other Neurological Diseases"

2014 - Neuroscience and Cognitive Science Seminar, University of Maryland, College Park, Maryland, "Directing Cortical Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2014 - Neuroscience Research Institute, University of Manchester, Manchester, United Kingdom, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Stroke and Other Neurological Disorders"

2014 - National Institute on Deafness and other Communication Disorders, Bethesda, Maryland, "Directing Cortical Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2014 - 41st Neural Interfaces Conferences, Dallas, Texas, "Directing Cortical Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2014 - Macro to Micro: The Role of Spike Timing Dependent Plasticity and Neural Hypersynchrony in Disease Symposium, Association for Research in Otolarygology, San Diego, California, "Directing Cortical Plasticity to Understand and Treat Tinnitus"

2013 - Arnold Starr Lecture, University of California, Irvine, "Directing Cortical Plasticity to Understand and Treat Auditory Processing Disorders"

2013 - Neuroscience Program Retreat, University of Southern California, Lake Arrowhead, California, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2013 - IEEE Medical Device Symposium, Richardson, Texas, "Targeting Neural Plasticity to Treat Neurological Disease"

2013 - Neurology Grand Rounds, University of California, Irvine, "Targeting Neural Plasticity to Treat Neurological Disease"

2013 - Auditory Plasticity and Aging Workshop, National Institute for Ageing, Bethesda, Maryland, "Directing Plasticity to Treat Neurological Disease"

2013 - University of North Carolina Neuroscience Center Seminar Series, Chapel Hill, North Carolina, "Directed Neural Plasticity as a Research Tool and a Clinical Therapy"

2013 - Emotional Disorders and Their Neural Correlates, University of Wurzburg, Rödelsee, Germany, "Directed Neural Plasticity as a Research Tool and a Clinical Therapy"

2013 - Neurosurgery Grand Rounds, University of Texas Southwestern Medical Center, Dallas, Texas, "Directed Neural Plasticity as a Research Tool and a Clinical Therapy"

2012 - American College of Neuropsychopharmacology meeting in Hollywood, Florida, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2012 - Neuroscience Institute seminar series at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center, Memphis, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2012 - Bridging the Gap Symposium, School of Occupational Therapy, Texas Woman's University, Denton, Texas, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Treat Neurological Disease"

2012 - Neuroscience Institute seminar series at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center, Memphis, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2012 - Society for Neuroscience satellite symposium: Rat Models of Autism: New Insights from Novel Tools, New Orleans, "Speech sound processing impairments in FMR1 knockout rats"

2012 - Tinnitus: the art and science of innovation, Tinnitus Research Initiative Meeting, Bruges Belgium, "Optimizing VNS-Directed Neural Plasticity for the Treatment of Chronic Tinnitus"

2012 - University of North Texas Health Science Center Department of Pharmacology and Neuroscience seminar series, "Directing Cortical Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2011 - Mahoney Institute for Neurological Sciences seminar series at the University of Pennsylvania, "Directing Cortical Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2011 - Redwood Center for Theoretical Neuroscience seminar series at the University of California at Berkeley, "Directing Cortical Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2011 - Learning to Hear: The Influence of Experience and Training on Auditory Skill Conference at the Hugh Knowles Center of Northwestern University, "Directing Neural Plasticity to Understand and Treat Speech and Hearing Disorders"

2011 - Entertainment Software applied to Cognitive Neurotherapeutics Society Meeting, University of California at San Francisco, "Directing Cortical Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2011 - Tinnitus Research Initiative Meeting, Buffalo, New York, "Directing Cortical Plasticity to Understand and Treat Tinnitus"

2011 - Center for Neuroscience Seminar Series at the University of Pittsburgh, "Directing Cortical Plasticity to Understand and Treat Neurological Disease"

2011 - Winter Conference on the Neurobiology of Learning and Memory, Park City, Utah, "Cortical map plasticity improves learning but is not necessary for improved performance"

2010 - Crystal Charity Ball Autism Project, Dallas, Texas, "Speech Sound Processing in Autism"

2010 – University of Texas at Arlington Seminar in Bioengineering, Arlington, Texas, "New Tools to Rewire the Human Brain and Treat Neurological Disease"

2010 - Tinnitus Research Initiative Meeting, Dallas, Texas, "Reversing Pathological Neural Plasticity to Treat Tinnitus"

2009 - NIDCD Workshop: Brain Stimulation for Treatment of Tinnitus, Bethesda, Maryland, "Using vagus nerve stimulation to direct plasticity for the treatment of tinnitus".

2009 - International Conference on Auditory Cortex, Magdeburg, Germany, "Neural Coding and Plasticity in the Auditory System: From Tones to Speech".

2009 - University of California at San Francisco Neuroscience Seminar, "Neural Coding and Plasticity in the Auditory System: From Tones to Speech".

2009 - University of Michigan, Biology and Experience as Mediators of Neurodevelopmental Health Seminar Series, "Sensory Experience and Cortical Plasticity".

2009 - University of California at Los Angeles Neuroscience Seminar, "Neural Coding and Plasticity in the Auditory System: From Tones to Speech".

2008 - Advances and Perspectives in Auditory Neurophysiology, Washington D.C., "Speech Sound Categorization and Plasticity in the Central Auditory System".

2008 - University of Texas at Austin Neurobiology Seminar, Austin, Texas, "Neural Coding and Plasticity in the Auditory System: From Tones to Speech".

2008 - Pediatric Academic Societies Meeting, Honolulu, Hawaii, "Neural Plasticity in Animal Models".

2008 - Healthy Minds Conference, Sarasota, Florida, "Neural Processing of Speech Sounds".

2008 - Linking Auditory Neurophysiology to Perception Workshop, Computational and Systems Neuroscience, Snow Bird, Utah, "Cortical Activity Patterns Predict Speech Discrimination Ability".

2008 - Real-Time Processing and the Processing of Time Workshop, Computational and Systems Neuroscience, Snow Bird, Utah, "Effect of Neural Correlations on Speech Discrimination".

2007 - University of Texas at Houston Department of Neurobiology and Anatomy, Houston, Texas, "Neural Coding and Plasticity in the Auditory System: From Tones to Speech"

2007 - Advances and Perspectives in Auditory Neurophysiology, San Diego, California, "Activity Patterns in Awake Auditory Cortex Predict Speech Discrimination Ability in Rats"

2007 - International Dyslexia Association Annual Meeting, Dallas, Texas, "How Practice Changes the Brain's Response to Speech Sounds"

2007 - Behavioral Neuroscience Seminar, University of Connecticut. "Coding and Plasticity in Auditory Cortex: From Tones to Speech"

2006 - International Conference on the Auditory Cortex: The Listening Brain, Grantham, England. "Speech Processing and Plasticity"

2005 - Summer Institute In Cognitive Neuroscience at Dartmouth College, Hanover, New Hampshire, "Cortical Plasticity: from Tones to Speech"

2005 - UCSF Keck Center for Integrative Neuroscience, San Francisco, California, "Cortical Plasticity: from Tones to Speech"

2005 - Center for BrainHealth Symposia Reprogramming the Human Brain, Dallas, Texas, "Translating Plasticity Research into Clinical Practice"

2005 - Krieger Mind/Brain Institute at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland, "Perceptual Learning and Cortical Self-organization"

2004 - Federation for European Neuroscience conference- "Plasticity in Central Auditory Processing: From Neural Mechanisms to Behavioral Significance", Lisbon, Portugal, "Sensory Experience and Cortical Plasticity".

2004 - 21st Century Science Initiative, Palisades, New York, "Experience-Dependent Cortical Plasticity"

2003 - Neural Representation and Processing of Temporal Patterns, Banbury Conference, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, New York, "Sensory Experience and Temporal Plasticity"

2003 - International Conference on Auditory Cortex: towards a synthesis of human and animal research, Magdeburg, Germany, "Auditory Experience and Cortical Plasticity"

2003 - McDonnell Project in Philosophy and the Neurosciences, Heron Island, Australia, "Sensory Experience and Cortical Plasticity"

2003 - Association for Research in Otolaryngology, Daytona Beach, Florida, "Perceptual learning and cortical self-organization"

2003 - American Academy of Audiology, San Antonio, Texas, Perceptual Learning & Plasticity Preconference (Co-presenter Beverly Wright, Northwestern University)

2003 - 21st Century Science Initiative, Tarrytown, New York, "Sensory Experience and Cortical Plasticity"

2003 - UTD/UTSW Reprogramming the Human Brain Symposium, Dallas, Texas, "Targeted Manipulation of Neural Plasticity"

2002 - University of Pennsylvania Johnson Foundation for Molecular Biophysics, Department of Biochemistry and Biophysics, and Department of Neuroscience, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, "Sensory Experience and Cortical Plasticity"

2001 - UT Southwestern Department of Psychiatry and Center for Basic Neuroscience Seminar Series, Dallas, Texas, "How Experience Shapes Brain Function"

2001 - Auditory Function and Dysfunction:Molecular and Physiological Mechanisms, Auckland, New Zealand, "Sensory Experience and Cortical Plasticity"

2001 - American Association for the Advancement of Science, San Francisco, "How Experience Rewires the Brain"

2000 - Summer Brain Institute, Doubletreee Hotel Dallas, "How is the Brain like a Child? - a Neuroscience Perspective on Learning"

2000 - NICE2000: Neural Plasticity and Learning, Grindelwald, Switzerland, "Toward a General Theory of Cortical Plasticity"

1998 - Weizmann Institute, Rehovot, Israel, "Stimulation of the Nucleus Basalis Enables Plasticity of Spatial and Temporal Representations in Primary Auditory Cortex"

1998 - Max Planck Institute for Brain Research, Frankfurt, Germany, " Stimulation of the Nucleus Basalis Enables Plasticity of Spatial and Temporal Representations in Primary Auditory Cortex"

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2016 – American Tinnitus Association Webinar, "Retuning the Tinnitus Brain"

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2013 – Innovations in Neuro Technology... From Hearing to Strokes, Dallas Texas.

2012 – Summer Intensive Auditory Rehabilitation Conference, Richardson, Texas, "New Brain-Based Therapies for Auditory Problems"

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2010 – Bodies the Exhibition, Dallas, Texas, "The Brain: An Owner's Guide"

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