













Workshop Program

Tuesday, March 14

Lab visits- 11:00-13:00

Physiotherapy

- The laboratory for Rehabilitation and Motor Control of Walking, Simona Bar-Haim
- Cognition Aging and Rehabilitation laboratory, Shelly Levy-Tzedek
- Schwartz Movement Analysis & Rehabilitation Laboratory, Itzik Melzer

Biomedical engineering

- Biomedical Robotics Laboratory, Ilana Nisky
- Motor Learning Laboratory, Opher Donchin

Cognition

- Brain and Action Laboratory, Lior Shmuelof
- Lab tours will start from Student Center (near bank Hapohalim) at 11:00

Lunch 13:00 - 14:00

Purim festivities 14:00 - 15:30

Session1- The theory of motor control

Chair: Miriam Reiner, Technion, Israel

- 15:20 15:30 Opening Remarks Lior Shmuelof, BGU, Head of the organizing committee
- 15:30 16:00 Max Berniker, University Illinois Chicago, USA
 - ""Seeing" the motor system through "blind" reaches"
- 16:00 16:30 Anatol Feldman, Montreal University, Canada
 "Minimization principles and meter equivalents."
 - "Minimization principles and motor equivalency in the control of movements"

- 16:30 17:00 Tamar Flash, Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel
 - "Compositionality and timing of upper limb and locomotion movements"
- 17:00 17:10 Discussion

Evening Special Talk

- 17:10 18:00 reception at 58 building, room -101
- 18:00 19:00 Eitan Globerson, The Jerusalem Academy of Music and Dance, Israel "The neuro-pianist"

Festive dinner 19:30

Wednesday, March 15

- 08:20-08:50 Registration, Poster placement and coffee
- 08:50-09:00 Greetings by Andrey Broisman, Director of Applied Science and Engineering, Israel's Ministry of Science, Technology and Space

Session 2 - Flow of Motor Information

Chair: Opher Donchin, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel

- 09:00-09:30 Ilana Nisky, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel
 "Living in the past – how our brain copes with delayed information?"
- 09:30-10:00 Jason Friedman, Tel-Aviv University, Israel
 "Using arm movements to inform our understanding of decision making, and vice-versa"

- 10:00-10:30 Nicholas Hatsopoulos, University of Chicago, USA
 "Spatio-temporal patterning in motor cortex required for movement initiation"
- 10:30-10:40 Discussion
- 10:40-11:20 Coffee break

Session 3 - Motor control and aging

Chair: **Shelly Levy-Tzedek**, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel

- 11:20-11:50 Naftali Raz, Wayne State
 University, USA and Max Planck Institute for
 Human Development, Germany
 "Longitudinal studies of cognitive consequences
 and correlates of the brain aging: Only Time will
 tell"
- 11:50-12:20 Daniela Aisenberg, Rupin Academic Center, Israel
 "The aging brain: decline and potential improvements of cognitive performance"
- 12:20-12:50 Joseph Galea, University of Birmingham, UK "Motivating motor learning in stroke patients and healthy older adults"
- 12:50-13:00 Discussion
- 13:00-13:30 Lunch
- 13:30-14:30 Posters

Session 4 - Keynote session

Chair: Eilon Vaadia, Hebrew University of Jerusalem

- Greetings Lior Shmuelof, BGU, Head of the organizing committee
- Greetings Prof. Rivka Carmi, President of Ben-Gurion University of the Negev

- 14:40-15:10 Jennifer Raymond, Stanford University, USA "Neural learning rules in the cerebellum"
- 15:10-15:40 Prof. Amir Karniel Memorial Young Researcher Lecture
- Samuel McDougle, Princeton University, USA "Analog computations drive strategic re-aiming of an intended movement"
- 15:40-16:10 Jeff Wickens, Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology, Japan
 "Contributions of dopamine and acetylcholine to the enigmatic motor functions of the basal ganglia"
- 16:10-16:20 Discussion
- 16:20-16:40 Coffee break and posters

Session 5 - The impaired motor system

Chair: Meir Plotnik, Sheba Medical Center, Israel

- 16:40-17:10 Tamar Makin, UCL, UK
 "Natural and artificial limb representation in amputees"
- 17:10-17:40 Vincent Cheung, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, China "Stroke rehabilitation through motor modules"
- 17:40-17:50 Discussion
- 17:50-18:00 Best poster awards sponsored by NBT
- 19:00 Dinner at "Avaz Hazahav" restaurant

Thursday, March 16

Hike in the Negev

