Neuroscience Data in the Cloud—A Workshop

September 24, 2019
The Keck Center | Room 100
500 Fifth Street NW, Washington, DC 20001

Workshop Objectives:

This public workshop will convene stakeholders involved in cloud-based neuroscience initiatives and research. The workshop will explore the burgeoning use of cloud technology to advance neuroscience research and share approaches to addressing current barriers. Participants will include individuals from academia, government, foundations, pharmaceutical and information technology industries, and the legal system.

Invited presentations and discussions will be designed to:

- Review the landscape of major neuroscience cloud-based initiatives and other uses of cloud technology within neuroscience research.*
- Discuss aspirational goals for maximizing benefit from data and compute in the cloud by empowering broad and meaningful data sharing and fostering open science.
- Consider best practices and policies that would increase efficiencies within and across cloud resources, including around aspects such as:
  - Authorization by data sources for and accessibility to a variety of data types by a variety of users
    - Resharing of derived data
    - Funding, sustainability, and governance
  - Protection of privacy
    (Scope of distribution and type of data may affect the degree of privacy protection)
    - Regulatory compliance (HIPAA, Common Rule, FDA, etc.)
    - Consent to allow broad sharing and use of data
    - Data use agreements
  - Assignment of credit, ownership, and licensing
    - Ownership of data sources (participants, researchers, agencies)
    - Authorization for derivative uses
    - Acknowledgment of funding sources
    - Publication: scope and form of citation
  - Technical issues
    - Formatting standards (where they exist)
    - Validation standards (where they exist)
    - IT standards (communication and security protocols)
    - Archiving practices (types, locations, and parties responsible)
  - Researcher support and training
- Explore potential next steps to move the field forward to develop and deploy best practices in the service of achieving the aspirational goals.

*Please refer to the workshop briefing book for overviews of neuroscience cloud-based initiatives represented by workshop participants.
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8:30 a.m. Welcome and opening remarks

DEANNA BARCH, Washington University in St. Louis, Workshop Co-chair
MICHAEL HUERTA, National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health, Workshop Co-chair

Session I: The Use of Cloud-Based Technology for Neuroscience Research – An Overview of Successes and Current Barriers

Objectives: Explore the range of neuroscience cloud-based initiatives and other uses of cloud technology within neuroscience research. Discuss current successes and barriers in the field.

8:40 a.m. Session overview

ADAM FERGUSON, University of California, San Francisco (invited)

Harnessing the Power of Cloud Technology to Propel Neuroscience Research Forward

8:45 a.m. Speakers

MARYANN MARTONE, University of California, San Diego; International Neuroinformatics Coordinating Facility
RUSSELL POLDRACK (via webcast), Stanford University
LYDIA NG, Allen Institute for Brain Science (invited)

9:30 a.m. General discussion with speakers

10:00 a.m. Introduction to breakout discussions

Workshop Co-chairs

10:15 a.m. BREAK

Participants will go to their designated breakout group location as indicated on the meeting handouts.

Session II: Breakout Discussions

Objective: In small groups, identify potential best practices and policies that will address current challenges to using cloud-based technologies to advance neuroscience research. Consider variations in best practices as a function of use case (i.e., basic versus clinical research in academia, commercial, and government settings). Discuss implications for researcher support and training.

10:30 a.m. Breakout Sessions

Protection of Privacy

Moderator: KRISTEN ROSATI, Coppersmith Brockelman PLC
Rapporteur: MAGALI HAAS, Cohen Veterans Bioscience
Discussants: C. WILLIAM HANSON III, University of Pennsylvania
RUMMAN CHOWDHURY, Accenture Applied Intelligence (invited)
CLARE MACKAY, University of Oxford
Assignment of Credit, Ownership, and Licensing
Moderator: JONATHAN COHEN, Princeton University
Rapporteur: PATRICK CULLINAN, Takeda
Discussants: LEA SHANLEY, University of Wisconsin-Madison
CAROL HAMILTON, RTI
SEAN HILL, CAMH

Data Management
Moderator: MICHAEL HAWRYLYCZ, Allen Institute for Brain Science
Rapporteur: MICHAEL HUERTA, National Library of Medicine
Discussants: DANIEL MARCUS, Washington University School of Medicine
RACHEL RAMONI, Department of Veterans Affairs
JANAINA MOURAO-MIRANDA, University College London (invited)

Platform Governance, Funding, and Sustainability
Moderator: GREGORY FARBER, National Institute of Mental Health
Rapporteur: ROSA CANET-AVILÉS, Foundation for the National Institutes of Health
Discussants: SEAN HORGAN, Verily
RUTH MARINSHAW, Stanford University
ANTHONY PHILIPPAKIS, Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard

12:00 p.m. LUNCH
All participants reconvene in Keck 100 following lunch

1:00 p.m. Report out from each breakout group (10-minutes each)
Breakout Session Moderators

1:40 p.m. General discussion

2:10 p.m. Overview of the afternoon breakout discussions
Workshop Co-chairs

2:15 p.m. BREAK
Participants will go to their designated breakout group location as indicated on the meeting handouts.

2:30 p.m. Breakout discussions
All participants reconvene in Keck 100 at 3:25 p.m.

Clinical Trial and Research Data
Moderator: LEE LANCASHIRE, Cohen Veterans Bioscience
Rapporteur: DAVID ALONSO, The Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson’s Research
Discussants: LARA MANGRAVITE, Sage Bionetworks
REBECCA LI, Vivli
Genetic Data
Moderator: BENJAMIN NEALE, Massachusetts General Hospital; Broad Institute
Rapporteur: JEFF AARONSON, CHDI Foundation (invited)
Discussants: MICHAEL NALLS, National Institute on Aging
            ARPANA AGARWAL, Washington University in St. Louis

Neuroimaging
Moderator: MICHAEL MILHAM, Child Mind Institute
Rapporteur: DEANNA BARCH, Washington University in St. Louis
Discussants: JESSICA TURNER, Georgia State University
            ALAN EVANS, McGill University

Real-World Data
Moderator: MARGARET SUTHERLAND, Chan Zuckerberg Initiative
Rapporteur: STUART HOFFMAN, Department of Veterans Affairs
Discussants: ADRIANA DI MARTINO, Child Mind Institute
            PETER WAHL, Optum
            STEPHANIE DEVANEY, National Institutes of Health (invited)

3:30 p.m. Report out from each breakout group (10-minutes each)

            Breakout Session Moderators

4:10 p.m. General discussion

Session III: Future Directions
Objective: Synthesize key highlights from the workshop discussions, including identifying next steps and promising areas for future action.

4:30 p.m. Session Overview
            MAGALI HAAS, Cohen Veterans Bioscience

4:35 p.m. Moving the field forward: Reflections on tangible next steps (3-minutes each)

            Lightning round of comments from a diverse group of panelists across multiple sectors (e.g., academia, government, industry, and nonprofits), including:

            TED WILLKE, Intel Labs; Portland State University
            KRISTIN TOLLE, Grab (invited)
            DOUG LANDSMAN, National Multiple Sclerosis Society
            TAHA KASS-HOUT, Amazon Web Services (invited)
            SHARON HERTZ, Food and Drug Administration (invited)
            THOMAS McCOY, Harvard Medical School (invited)

5:05 p.m. General discussion
5:25 p.m.  Synthesis of workshop themes and future directions

DEANNA BARCH, Washington University in St. Louis, Workshop Co-chair
MICHAEL HUERTA, National Library of Medicine, National Institutes of Health, Workshop Co-chair

5:30 p.m.  ADJOURN WORKSHOP

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