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INCF teams up with Neuromatch Academy and NeuroHackademy to provide training platforms for thousands of virtual participants

INCF is always looking for ways to support neuroscience training activities, and we are very happy to provide the INCF training platforms to support two large training initiatives taking place this summer: the Neuromatch Academy and the NeuroHackademy. INCF will support these initiatives by leveraging the INCF training platforms, TrainingSpace and Neurostars, to support their virtual courses. In TrainingSpace, we will make course lectures available with links to lectures and associated discussion forums on Neurostars, where live discussions and Q&A will take place.

The Neuromatch Academy is a volunteer-organized (see the full team here) online summer school for computational neuroscience, and the NeuroHackademy is a summer school in neuroimaging and data science, organized by the University of Washington eScience Institute. Combined the schools have several thousand students enrolled. The fact that both these initiatives are held virtually means that they are more widely accessible than the in-person events the community has grown used to, and INCF is especially pleased to be able to support training activities that maximize accessibility across the globe.

TrainingSpace is an online hub that aims to make neuroscience educational materials more accessible to the global neuroscience community developed in collaboration with INCF, HBP, SfN, FENS, IBRO, IEEE Brain, BD2K, OHBM, CONP, and iNeuro Initiative. As a hub, TrainingSpace provides users with access to:

- Multimedia educational content from courses, conference lectures, and laboratory exercises from some of the world's leading neuroscience institutes and societies
- Study tracks to facilitate self-guided study
- Tutorials on tools and open science resources for neuroscience research
- NeuroStars, a unique Q&A forum in which neuroscience researchers can seek advice and provide support to other neuroscience researchers, software developers, and infrastructure providers
- <u>KnowledgeSpace</u>, a neuroscience encyclopedia that provides users with access to over 1.600.000 publicly available data/model files as well as links to literature references and scientific abstracts,

This will be the first time that TrainingSpace and Neurostars are used to support virtual courses and workshops in real time, and we are pleased to extend TrainingSpace from an online hub of neuroscience training materials for self-guided study to also providing support for live interactions between students and educators.

If you are interested in learning more about how your organization can leverage the INCF Training Platforms to support your virtual courses or contribute content, please contact us at info@incf.org

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