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For the protection of brain data and activity.

We at the Neurorights Foundation aim to protect your rights to mental privacy, personal identity, free will, fair access to mental augmentation, and freedom from bias. These "Neurorights" would enhance and complement existing human rights regulations. Our dedicated team encompasses neuroscientists, legal counselors, industry experts, and policy advocates.

Neuroage Newsletter aims to provide an inside perspective of news within the world of neurotechnology, highlighting its benefits alongside ethical and human rights implications.

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What's New?



New from the Neurorights Foundation



Uruguay Takes First Steps Towards Pioneering Neurorights Protection

Uruguay has become the latest country to propose enshrining neurorights within its national legal framework! On February 12, Representative Goñi introduced a bill of law aimed at protecting brain activity, and Dr. Yuste had the honor of meeting Rep. Goñi earlier in the month to discuss the crucial role of neurorights in light of rapidly advancing neurotechnology.



Neurorights Foundation profiled in recent article in Undark Magazine

Undark Magazine's piece spotlights the Neurorights Foundation's leadership in neurorights advocacy. It highlights breakthroughs by Dr. Alexander Huth and Jerry Tang at UT Austin in noninvasive brain decoding using generative AI, underscoring the need for caution in consumer technology. The article details the NRF's efforts to balance technological innovation with the protection of human rights and traces the foundation's history from founding the Morningside Group to developing the five neurorights.

Read the article here: <https://undark.org/2024/01/03/brain-computer-neurorights/>



Advancing Neurorights: Highlights from Chile's Congreso Futuro

In January, Dr. Yuste presented on neurotechnology and neurorights at Chile's Future Congress ("Congreso Futuro") alongside a group of esteemed presenters including economist Martin Hilbert, AI ethicist Kate Crawford, and astronomer Geronimo Villaneuva. Dr. Yuste had the pleasure of attending a dinner with President Boric, Guido Girardi, and Minister Etcheverri at Casa de la Moneda, with conversation focused on advancing neuroprotection in Chile.



Colorado's House Takes the Lead: Historic Bill for Neural Data Protection

The historic Neurodata Protection Bill, HB24-1058, was passed by the Colorado House on February 9, 2024, with a vote of 61-1. Introduced by Rep. Cathy Kipp and sponsored by the Colorado Medical Society, the bill aims to safeguard neurological and biological data. Dr. Rafael Yuste and Jared Genser, founders of the NRF, testified before the House Judiciary Committee in support of the bill. If approved by the Senate, this bill would become the first U.S. legislation to specifically address neural data protection, expanding upon the protections outlined in the Colorado Privacy Act (CPA).

Neurotechnology Today

Neuralink implants brain chip in first human patient as part of clinical trial

Neuralink, Elon Musk's brain computer interface company, announced the implantation of its first brain chip in a human patient on January 29. The chip enables control over devices through thought and while not the first instance of human brain chip implantation—preceded by efforts from universities, R&D labs, and companies like Blackrock Neurotech—Neuralink's achievement underscores the accelerating pace of development in commercial neurotech.



Theater of Thought: Directed by the Legendary Werner Herzog



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[Watch the Trailer](#)

The film is multifaceted, illuminating the technological advances that are helping people overcome brain-related illnesses, confronting conspiracy theories over implanted chips, and questioning the politics of mind control.