

Resource Summary Report

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Topographica

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Resource Information

URL: <http://www.nitrc.org/projects/topographica/>

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Description: A software package for computational modeling of neural maps developed as part of the NIMH Human Brain Project. Topographica focuses on the large-scale structure and function that is visible only when many thousands of such neurons are connected into topographic maps containing millions of connections. The software package provides a general-purpose framework for building models at this level, at an appropriate level of detail and complexity, as determined by the available computing power, phenomena of interest, and amount of biological data available for validation. It is intended to complement low-level neuron simulators that are available, such as General Neural Simulation System and NEURON.

Resource Type: simulation software, software application, software resource

Keywords: computational modeling, neural map, simulation software, neuron

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No rating or validation information has been found for Topographica.

No alerts have been found for Topographica.

Data and Source Information

Source: [SciCrunch Registry](#)

Usage and Citation Metrics

We found 5 mentions in open access literature.

Listed below are recent publications. The full list is available at [Kravitz](#) .

Philips RT, et al. (2017) The influence of astrocytes on the width of orientation hypercolumns in visual cortex: A computational perspective. PLoS computational biology, 13(10), e1005785.

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Bednar JA, et al. (2009) Topographica: Building and Analyzing Map-Level Simulations from Python, C/C++, MATLAB, NEST, or NEURON Components. Frontiers in neuroinformatics, 3, 8.