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About

Dr Galea is broadly interested in motor control. This ranges from the neural correlates of motor learning to stroke rehabilitation. At present, he is particularly interested in how reward/punishment influences our actions and can be used to alter the speed at which our motor system learns or retains new movements.

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Qualifications

BSc, University of Birmingham
PhD, University of Birmingham

Biography

Dr Galea completed his PhD on bimanual coordination in the School of Psychology at the University of Birmingham with Professor Chris Miall. He subsequently worked at Johns Hopkins University as a research fellow where he investigated the neural correlates of motor learning with Dr Pablo Celnik. Following this, he moved to University College London as a senior research fellow with Professor John Rothwell and became interested in the motor deficits of Parkinson's disease patients. Dr Galea has now taken up an independent research fellow post at the University of Birmingham which is funded by the [Birmingham Fellows \(/staff/excellence/fellows/index.aspx\)](/staff/excellence/fellows/index.aspx) scheme.

Postgraduate supervision

Potential postgraduate students should email me to discuss funding opportunities.

Research

Research interests

Motor learning, Motor control, Brain stimulation, Brain imaging, Stroke rehabilitation, Genetics.

Other activities

Dr Galea won the prestigious Klein-Vogelbach prize for the research of human movement (2012).

Publications

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