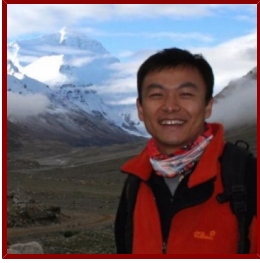


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### ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Professor, Neurosurgery
- Professor, Neurology and Neurological Sciences
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- Member, Wu Tsai Neurosciences Institute

### ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Department of Neurosurgery, and Department of Neurology and Neurological Sciences, Stanford University School of Medicine, (2012- present)
- Chair of Neuroscience Seminar Committee, Wu Tsai Neuroscience Institute, (2015-2021)
- Chair of Admission Committee, Neuroscience PhD Program, (2020-2021)

### HONORS AND AWARDS

- K99/R00 Pathway to Independence Award, NIH/NINDS (2011)
- Postdoctoral Fellowship, Parkinson's Disease Foundation (2011)
- Klingenstein Fellowship Awards in Neuroscience, Klingenstein Foundation (2013)
- Kavli Fellow, Kavli Foundation (2014)

### PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Ph.D., Interdepartmental Neuroscience PhD Program , Department of Physiology, Northwestern University , Neuroscience (2007)

### LINKS

- Ding lab website: <http://med.stanford.edu/dinglab.html>

## Research & Scholarship

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### CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

The interplay between motor cortex, sensory cortex, thalamus and basal ganglia is essential for neural computations involved in generating voluntary movements. Our goal is to dissect the functional organization of motor circuits, particularly cortico-thalamo-basal ganglia networks, using electrophysiology, 2-photon microscopy, optogenetics, and genetic tools. The long-term scientific goal of the lab is to construct functional circuit diagrams and establish causal relationships between activity in specific groups of neurons, circuit function, animal motor behavior and motor learning, and thereby to decipher how the basal ganglia process information and guide motor behavior. We will achieve this by investigating the synaptic organization and function that involve the cortex, thalamus and basal ganglia at the molecular, cellular and circuit level. Currently, we are focusing on several questions:

How are excitatory and inhibitory inputs integrated in the striatum?

How do feed-forward and recurrent local inhibitions balance the excitation in the striatum?

How are functional maps modulated in motor behavior and motor learning?

Our goal is to bridge the gap between molecular or cellular events and the circuit mechanisms that underlie motor behavior. In addition, we aim to further help construct the details of psychomotor disorder 'circuit diagrams,' such as the pathophysiological changes in Parkinson's disease.

## Teaching

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### STANFORD ADVISEES

#### Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

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#### Postdoctoral Faculty Sponsor

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### GRADUATE AND FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM AFFILIATIONS

- Neurosciences (Phd Program)

## Publications

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