

RESEARCHER PROFILE

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HORIZON EUROPE TOPIC(S) OF INTEREST:

IHI Call 5, Topic 1: ACCELERATING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF NEW APPROACH METHODOLOGIES AND OTHER INNOVATIVE NON-ANIMAL APPROACHES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT, TESTING AND PRODUCTION OF HEALTH TECHNOLOGIES

CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARD CALL TOPIC

Over the past few decades, I have been focusing on the study of complex systems, developing new models and analytical approaches to better understand and predict phenomena that characterizes complex systems. Over the last few years, with the dramatic increase in the availability of data, my lab focuses in developing and applying complex network theory on real complex systems. One of our main interests is studying physiological systems as a complex interacting system, using novel approaches that we developed. Our expertise in complex networks allowed us to find very important insights, and we believe that with our expertise in network science and our strong connections to vast medical data sources and future medical trials, in Israel and China, we will be able to make a breakthrough in understanding several topics:

- 1) Cancer and its relations to aging. We have gained a lot of experience in analyzing gene expression data and constructing gene networks, and with our preliminary results we may succeed.
- 2) Better understanding, diagnose and early detection of brain related diseases. We developed unique network science-based approaches to study brain connectivity and found fascinating network fingerprints of disease in Parkinson, sleep apnea and more.

Our lab has vast experience with European projects.

BRIEF PROFILE

Shlomo Havlin is a Professor in the Physics Department at Bar-Ilan University in Israel. He has carried out fundamental research in applications of statistical physics to areas such as complex networks, infrastructure resilience, geophysics, climate, medicine, biology, and others. Most recently, he has focused on interdependence between infrastructure networks such as the power grid and communications network; and novel methods for understanding traffic congestion in urban settings. Havlin has published over 800 scientific papers and is among the two most cited scientists in Israel with over 100,000 citations and an h-index of 136 (Google Scholar). For his works, he has been awarded the Lilienfeld Prize from the American Physical Society, the Rothschild Prize, the Order of the Star of Italy, and most recently, the Israel Prize for Physics and Chemistry.

RELEVANT PUBLICATIONS

List up to five relevant publications here

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