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Ming-Chyi Pai is Professor of Neurology, Gerontology, and Behavioral Medicine and Clinical Psychology at National Cheng Kung University (NCKU). He is also the Director and Principal Investigator of the Alzheimer's Disease Center (ADC) at NCKU Hospital.

Dr. PAI is graduated from Taipei Medical University (M.D.) in 1988 and obtained his Ph.D. degree (psychology) from National Chung Cheng University in 2002. Dr. PAI studied neuropsychology with Professor Atsushi Yamadori at Tohoku University from 1995 to 1996 and studied psychology with Professors Lynn Nadel, W. Jake Jacobs and Alfred Kaszniak at the University of Arizona from 2002-2003. His major interests are cognitive and behavioral neurology, in particular **human spatial navigation**, and **the effect of education on neurodegenerative disorders**. He is author or co-author of over 70 peer-reviewed journal articles and 5 chapters and reviews.

Dr. PAI has chaired Division of Behavioral Neurology at National Cheng Kung University (NCKU) Hospital since 1998 and initiated dementia clinic in 1994. 1300+ patients with AD, DLB, vascular dementia, PD-D or with related dementias have been regularly followed up at the clinic. The ADRC at NCKU Hospital started to operate in 2011. As led by Dr. PAI, the members of ADRC including experts from the fields of clinical neurology, psychology, physical therapy, occupational therapy, nursing, and related professionals provide high quality health care for people with dementia. PAI's team participate in many multi-center, randomized, double-blind, placebo-controlled trials on patients with dementias.

Dr. PAI is the founding president of Zeelandia Dementia Association (ZDA, established in 2004), the president (2004 to 2009) and current president (2013-). Zeelandia is the old name of Tainan city and ZDA is the first local dementia association in Taiwan. Being a very important dementia support group in Taiwan, ZDA interacts closely among NCKU Hospital and many institutions as well as nursing homes reciprocally.

Dr. PAI is currently elected as a director to Taiwan Alzheimer Disease Association and a director to Taiwan Dementia Society. He is active in the public and academic affairs of Asian Society Against Dementia.