

Jargon Buster

Here are some of our frequently used terms you might want to know more about!

CAMH – The Centre for Addiction and Mental Health

KCNI – Krembil Centre for Neuroinformatics (a research center at CAMH that most of our team works from)

Artificial Intelligence (AI) – a field in computer science where machines are designed to perform tasks like recognize patterns, solve problems, and make decisions.

Machine Learning (ML) – a branch of AI; a method that uses data to help computers learn and make better decisions over time.

Dashboard – shows important data in a clear and visual way, using things like graphs, tables and charts. This makes large amounts of information easier to understand and helps with decision-making.

Data – Information collected through research. This includes written information, numbers, sounds, and pictures. It is usually stored on computers, so that it can be analyzed, interpreted, and then communicated to others, for example, in reports, graphs, or diagrams.

Qualitative research – used to explore and understand people's beliefs, experiences, attitudes, or behaviours. It asks questions about how and why. Qualitative researchers use methods like focus groups and interviews to collect data.

Quantitative research – used to collect data in the form of numbers. Quantitative researchers measure things or counts things. They use methods like surveys and clinical trials.