

# José C. García Alanis

CLINICAL SCIENTIST | DATA ANALYST | SCIENTIFIC SOFTWARE DEVELOPER | PHD CANDIDATE

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*I'm a clinical and experimental psychologist with an extensive track record in statistical modelling and scientific software development using **Python** (e.g., NumPy, Pandas, SciPy, scikit-learn), **R**, and **Git**. My work lies at the interface between science and clinical practice, bridging design and management of scientific projects with the application of clinical interventions in the field. I'm also an active member of the open source community and an advocate of open, reproducible, and robust scientific practices.*

## Experience

### SCIENTIFIC

#### Philipps-Universität Marburg

RESEARCH FELLOW

- Build robust data cleaning and preprocessing pipelines that work reliably across multiple data sets.
- Optimise statistical analysis, data visualisation, and report process for multiple scientific projects.

Marburg (Germany)

October 2019–Present

#### Python Software Foundation

GOOGLE SUMMER OF CODE STUDENT DEVELOPER

- Enhance statistical inference capabilities of the Python package MNE-Python.

Remote

May 2019–September 2019

#### McConnell Brain Imaging Centre, Montreal Neurological Institute

VISITING RESEARCHER

- Multivariate analysis of large clinical data sets.

Montreal (Canada)

January 2016–April 2016

#### Philipps-Universität Marburg

RESEARCH AND TEACHING ASSISTANT

- Plan, conduct, and evaluate psychological / neuroscientific experiments.
- Design study protocols, develop methods to assess compliance and behavioral performance.
- Programming of human-computer interfaces, real-time experimental control.
- Teaching of undergraduate students (experimental design, data analysis plans, data visualisation).

Marburg (Germany)

October 2014–September 2019

### CLINICAL WORK

#### Child and Adolescent Psychology, Philipps-Universität Marburg

SCIENTIST-PRACTITIONER

- Carry out diagnostics and interventions within clinical research projects.

Marburg (Germany)

October 2019–Present

#### Dep. of Psychotherapy, Schön Klinik

CLINICAL RESEARCH INTERN

- Database and project management.

Bad Arolsen (Germany)

May 2014–September 2014

#### Dep. of Psychiatry and Psychotherapy, Charité Universitätsmedizin

CLINICAL INTERN

- Patient recruitment, diagnostics.

Berlin (Germany)

September 2013–December 2013

## Education

#### Philipps-Universität Marburg

DR. RER. NAT. (PHD) IN PSYCHOLOGY

- Doctoral Thesis: The electrophysiology of individual differences in executive-dependent decision making.

Marburg (Germany)

Jan 2015–Present

#### Philipps-Universität Marburg

GERMAN DIPLOM IN PSYCHOLOGY (M.Sc. EQUIVALENT)

- Majors: Clinical psychology, biological and experimental psychology.

Marburg (Germany)

October 2008–September 2014

# Skills

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## Analytics

STATISTICAL MODELLING, DATA SCIENCE, REPRODUCIBLE RESEARCH

## Programming

PYTHON (ADVANCED), R (ADVANCED), GIT (ADVANCED), MATLAB (ADVANCED), SQL

## Packages

NUMPY, PANDAS, SCIPY, SCIKIT-LEARN, TIDYVERSE, LME4

## Languages

GERMAN, ENGLISH, SPANISH

# Workshops

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- Nov. 2020 **Using Multivariate Statistics to Analyse EEG Data:** Instructor / Organiser (Brainhack, Global)  
Virtual event. Researchers from across the globe work together on innovative projects.
- Nov. 2019 **Jupyter Notebooks and Python essential training:** Instructor / Organiser (Brainhack Marburg, Germany)  
Hackathon for researchers to collaborate on open science / neuroimaging projects.
- Sep. 2019 **Machine Learning for Neuroscientists:** Teaching Assistant (DZNE, Magdeburg, Germany)  
Training with relevant neuroimaging software packages and tools for machine learning.
- June 2018 **Library Carpentry:** Teaching Assistant (University Library Marburg, Germany)  
Create, analyse, and maintain sustainable data resources with Python.

# Publications

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1. Gau, R., Noble, S., Heuer, K., Bottenhorn, K. L., Bilgin, I. P., Yang, Y., ... Zuo, X. (2021, February 12). Brainhack: developing a culture of open, inclusive, community-driven neuroscience. <https://doi.org/10.31234/osf.io/rytjq>
2. **García Alanis, J. C.**, Baker, T. E., Peper, M., & Chavanon, M. L. (2019). Social context effects on error-related brain activity are dependent on interpersonal and achievement-related traits. *Scientific reports*, 9(1), 1-14. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-018-38417-2>
3. Vainik, U., Baker, T. E., Dadar, M., Zeighami, Y., Michaud, A., Zhang, Y., ... & Dagher, A. (2018). Neurobehavioral correlates of obesity are largely heritable. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 115(37), 9312-9317. <https://doi.org/10.1073/pnas.1718206115>
4. Bahn, D., Vesker, M., **García Alanis, J. C.**, Schwarzer, G., & Kauschke, C. (2017). Age-dependent positivity-bias in children's processing of emotion terms. *Frontiers in psychology*, 8, 1268. <https://doi.org/10.3389/fpsyg.2017.01268>