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### PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

08/2016 – present    Postdoctoral Fellow with Dr. Alipasha Vaziri  
The Rockefeller University, New York, USA

09/2015 – 07/2016    Postdoctoral Researcher with Dr. Alipasha Vaziri  
Research Institute of Molecular Pathology (IMP), Vienna, Austria

Project: Investigate the neural basis underlying decision making at the single-trial, cellular, and whole-brain level by combining calcium imaging with a learning paradigm in larval zebrafish

### EDUCATION

08/2011 – 01/2016    **PhD in Neuroscience**, with Dr. Suresh Jesuthasan  
NUS Graduate School for Integrative Sciences and Engineering, National University of Singapore (NUS), Singapore  
Thesis title: Using vertical migration of larval zebrafish to study non-image-forming light processing: opsins, neural circuits, and neuromodulators

09/2007 – 07/2011    **BSc in Biology**  
University of Science and Technology of China (USTC), China  
Thesis title: Density changes of Nodes of Ranvier during regeneration of the retina ganglion cells after injury in adult zebrafish

### AWARDS / SCHOLARSHIPS

03/2019 – 05/2021    Leon Levy Fellowship, Leon Levy Foundation, USA

01/2015    Travel Award for NIG Collaborative Research Program, National Institute of Genetics, Japan

08/2011 – 08/2015    NUS NGS Scholarship - For a four-year PhD program, the best graduate scholarship for foreign students, Singapore

2008    USTC Undergraduate Scholarship, China

2007    USTC Freshman Scholarship, China

### PUBLICATIONS

**Lin, Q.**, Manley, J., Helmreich, M., Schlumm, F., Li, J.M., Robson, D.N., Engert, F., Schier, A., Nöbauer, T., & Vaziri, A. Cerebellar neurodynamics predict decision timing and outcome on the single-trial level. *Cell* 180, 536–551.e17(2020).

**Lin, Q.** & Jesuthasan, S. Masking of a circadian behavior in larval zebrafish involves the thalamo-habenula pathway. *Scientific Reports* 7, R927 (2017).

Cheng, R. K.\*, Krishnan, S.\*, **Lin, Q.**, Kibat, C. & Jesuthasan, S. Characterization of a thalamic nucleus mediating habenula responses to change in illumination. *BMC Biol.* 15, 104 (2017).

### SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

03/2022    **Talk** at Department of Neurobiology, Northwestern University, USA

02/2022    **Talk** at HHMI's Janelia Research Campus, USA

02/2022 **Talk** at Department of Neurobiology and Behavior, Stony Brook University, USA  
01/2022 **Talk** at Department of Cell & Systems Biology, University of Toronto, Canada  
11/2021 **Talk** at Edmond and Lily Safra Center for Brain Sciences, The Hebrew University, Israel  
11/2021 **Talk** at Leon Levy Neuroscience Seminar, The Rockefeller University, USA  
10/2021 **Talk** and **poster** at Janelia Junior Scientist Workshop on Mechanistic Cognitive Neuroscience, HHMI's Janelia Research Campus, USA  
09/2021 **Talk** at SickKids, The Hospital for Sick Children, the University of Toronto, Canada  
12/2020 **Talk** at Leon Levy Fellows in Neuroscience Symposium, NYU Langone Health, USA  
09/2020 **Talk** at the School of Life Sciences, Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Lausanne (EPFL), Switzerland  
03/2020 **Selected talk** at Cold Spring Harbor Conference: Neuronal Circuits, USA  
01/2020 **Talk** at Kavli Neural Systems Institute Mini-Symposium, The Rockefeller University,  
11/2019 Poster at Cold Spring Harbor Conference: Zebrafish Neural Circuits & Behavior, USA  
06/2015 **Selected talk** at the 9th European Zebrafish Meeting, Oslo, Norway  
05/2014 **Selected talk** at Cold Spring Harbor-Asia Conference: Neural Circuit Basis of Behavior and Its Disorders, Suzhou, China

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE**

01/2018 – 10/2019 **Research supervision** on a Ph.D. student with a physics background, for zebrafish brain and behavioral recordings, The Rockefeller University, USA  
09/2014 **Graduate teaching assistant** for General Biology, NUS, Singapore  
Responsibility: teach 12 lab sessions on Microscopy  
11/2013 – 01/2014 **Research supervision** on 3 *female* junior college students from A\*STAR-MOE Students Attachment Program, Singapore  
Research topic: Role of the habenula in the ultraviolet-induced aversive behavior of larval zebrafish  
07/2013 **Teaching assistant** for the STEP-NUS Brain Camp Workshop, Singapore  
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This workshop invites ~100 students each year from Southeast Asian countries, with various backgrounds of *religions, races, and classes*.  
Responsibilities: prepare and teach lab sessions; advise students writing a book chapter on fear

## **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

2021 **Reviewer** for *Journal of Neuroscience Research, Nature Communications*  
2012 **Volunteer** in Singapore Science Festival, demonstrate video games built on an eye-tracking device and introduce the related neurosciences