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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).

#### **GRANTS UNDER REVIEW**

Warren Alpert Distinguished Scholar Award, \$200,000 annually for two years The nominee of the Rockefeller University in 2021

## **SELECTED PRESENTATIONS**

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
07/2012	Teaching assistant for the STEP-NUS Brain Camp Workshop, Singapore
	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	<b>Reviewer</b> 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