# Abib ALIMI

## Education

- 2020 Ph.D at Inria SAM, Université Côte d'Azur, in Automatic, Signal and Image Processing.
- 2021 Data Science bootcamp at Le Wagon, Marseille, Full-stack Artificial Intelligence Developer.
- 2016 Master of Science at Université Côte d'Azur, in Computational Biology and Biomedicine.
- 2015 Diplôme d'Ingénieur de l'Ecole Centrale de Lyon, double degree in Computer Science and Imaging with Ecole Supérieure Polytechnique at Université Cheikh Anta Diop of Dakar, Senegal.

# Experience

#### 2021 Independent Researcher & Data Scientist,

August -present Deep learning Uncertainty in Breast cancer classification .

- Model Uncertainty assessment: Monte Carlo Dropout, Variance, Entropy, probabilistic Neural Nets
- Representation/latent space generation and t-SNE visualization & Grad-CAM on predictions.

#### 2021 Data Scientist trainee for Hack4Nature Project, Marseille,

April-Juin Tree Detection in urban areas of Marseille, France.

- Transfer learning: improving DeepForest model with urban images
- Implementation of whole pipeline from data sourcing to API deployment in the cloud.

#### 2016-2020 Ph.D Candidate at Inria SAM, Université Côte d'Azur,

Three-dimensional Polarized Light Imaging: Towards Multiscale and Multimodal Analysis with Diffusion Magnetic Resonance Imaging.

- o Computational Neuro-Imaging: Mathematical modeling and implementation.
- Diffusion Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI): in-vivo reconstruction and validation
- 3D-Polarized Light Imaging (3D-PLI): Simulation and reconstruction of nerve fibers.
- Deep Learning for diffusion MRI analysis: Spherical CNN for brain tissue microstructure estimation.

#### Research Intern at Inria SAM, Université Côte d'Azur, 2016

5 months Master thesis: Towards Diffusion MRI-based Tractography via 3D-Polarized Light Imaging.

- Solving 3D-PLI inclination sign ambiguity by extending Total Variation image restoration method to 3D.
- Mathematical modeling, simulation and 3D-image analysis of brain nerve fibers (Python, Nibabel, Matlab).

#### Engineer Intern at KLEE Group, Plessis-Robinson, .

6 months • Statistical analysis and prospecting tool for the Conseil Supérieur du Notariat de France

# 2013-2014

#### Industrial Research Engineer at IFPEN Energies Nouvelles & Ecole Centrale Lyon, .

8 months • Design a new industrial spray-dryer to dry aqueous and organic solutions

## Selected Publications

Alimi, A., Deslauriers-Gauthier, S., Matuschke, F., Müller, A., Muenzing, S. E. A., Axer, M., Deriche, R.: Analytical and fast fiber orientation distribution reconstruction in 3D-Polarized Light Imaging. Medical Image Analysis, Volume 65, 2020, 101760. Link to Journal

Sedlar, S., Abib A., Papadopoulo T., Deriche R., Deslauriers-Gauthier S.: A spherical convolutional neural network for white matter structure imaging via dMRI. MICCAI 2021 - 24th International Conference on Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention, Sep 2021, Strasbourg, France. Link to paper

**Alimi, A.**, Deslauriers-Gauthier, S., Deriche, R.: Towards validation of diffusion MRI tractography: bridging the resolution gap with 3D-Polarized Light Imaging, ISMRM 2019 - International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine, M 2019, Montreal, Canada. Link to paper

Sedlar, S., **Alimi, A.**, Papadopoulo, T., Deriche, R., Deslauriers-Gauthier, S.: Spherical convolutional neural network for diffusion MRI analysis. In Sophia Summit (2019, November), Sophia Antipolis, France. Link to presentation

**Alimi, A.**, Usson, Y., Jouk, P.S., Michalowicz, G., Deriche, R.: An analytical fiber ODF reconstruction in 3D-Polarized Light Imaging. ISBI 2018-IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging, 2018, Washington D.C., USA. Link to paper

**Alimi, A.**, Pizzolato, M., Fick, RHJ., Deriche, R.: Solving the inclination sign ambiguity in three-dimensional Polarized Light Imaging with a PDE-based method. ISBI 2017-IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging, 2017, Melbourn, Australia. Link to paper

# **Talks**

- 2019 Talk at ISMRM 28<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting & Exhibition, Montreal, Canada
- 2018 Talk at  $15^{th}$  IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging, ISBI, Washington DC, USA
- 2017 Talk at 14<sup>th</sup> IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging, ISBI, Melbourne, Australia

# Awards & Honors

- 2019 Magna Cum Laude Award at ISMRM  $28^{th}$  Annual Meeting & Exhibition, Montreal, Canada
- 2011-2016 Senegalese Government Scholarship
  - 2008 Laureat du Concours General (Senegalese Olympiad, Gymnastics)

# Teaching

2017-2018 Teaching Assistant at Department of Computer Science at Sophia Antipolis IUT, Université Côte d'Azur Software system design using Unified Modeling Language, Supervizing two batches of 16 and 24 students.

## Skills

Data Science Machine Learning (SVM, XGBoost, ...), Deep Learning (CNN, RNN, NLP), Maths & Statistics

Programming Python, Pandas, Seaborn, Scikit-learn, Keras, Tensorflow, Matlab, SQL, Git, Docker, CI/CD, GCP

Business Communication & Collaboration, Dedication, Long-life learning, Market & Product knowledge

Languages Wolof (native), French (native), English (bilingual)

# Certifications

- 2021 Machine Learning, Stanford University authorized and offered online through Coursera.
- 2021 **Deep Learning**, Hands-on Artificial Neural Networks by Udemy (Scikit-image, Keras, Tensorflow,...).
- 2021 **Artificial Intelligence**, Full-stack Developer in Machine and Deep Learning, Convolutional Neural Nets, Recurrent Neural Nets, database, xml, API, Git, Docker, Heroku, Streamlit, FastAPI (in preparation).

# Associative & Personal Interests

Gymnastics award winner in national competitions in Senegal, 2 years amateur training in France. Team Captain of 20+ Football games, Fitness, Swimming. Travelling & discovering Cultures and Food.