

# Adam Li

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## EDUCATION:

### JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY

*Doctor of Philosophy: Biomedical Engineering*

**Graduation: TBD**

*GPA: 3.8/4.0*

### UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA, SAN DIEGO

*Bachelor of Science: Bioengineering*

**March 2015**

*Bachelor of Science: Mathematics-Applied Science*

*Major GPA: 3.75/4.0*

*Major GPA: 3.74/4.0*

### YALE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT

**2014**

*Global Pre-MBA Leadership Program: Selective Leadership Program*

*Placed 3<sup>rd</sup> in Audubon Business Concept Pitch Plan, and 2<sup>nd</sup> in Audience Choice Award*

## PUBLICATIONS:

1. Li A, Gandhi N, Coleman T, Litvan I. "An Analysis of Microsoft Kinect for Gait Evaluation of Parkinson's Disease". *Preparing for manuscript* (2016).
2. Li A, Inati S, Zaghloul K, Sarma S. "Fragility in Epileptic Networks: The Epileptogenic Zone". *American Control Conference* (2017).
3. Li A, Gunnarsdottir K, Inati S, Zaghloul K, Gale J, Bulacio J, Martinez-Gonzalez J, Sarma S. "Linear Time-Varying Model Characterizes Invasive EEG Signals Generated from Complex Epileptic Networks." *Engineering in Medicine and Biology Conference* (2017).
4. Gunnarsdottir K, Li A, Bulacio J, Martinez-Gonzalez J, Sarma S. "Estimating Unmeasured Invasive EEG Signals Using a Reduced Order Observer." *Engineering in Medicine and Biology Conference* (2017).
5. B. Chennuri, A. Li, A. Jordan, S. Subramanian, S. Hao, J. Gale, S.V. Sarma, J. Gonzalez-Martinez. "Localizing the Seizure Onset Zone From Invasive EEG Recordings in Intractable Focal Epilepsy." *In Preparation for Science Translational Medicine* (2017).

## PATENTS:

1. GEAR (Game Enhancing Augmented Reality) - A lower limb alternative control interface for computers. Inventors: Adam Li, Gyorgy Levay, Nate Tran. 5/23/16.
2. Identifying the Epileptogenic Zone using Network Fragility Theory. Inventors: Sridevi Sarma, Adam Li, Jorge Gonzalez. 9/22/16.

## HONORS AND AWARDS:

<b>NSF-GFRP (Honorable Mention)</b> – Honorable mention out of 17,000 applicants	2016
<b>Intel Cornell Cup 1<sup>st</sup> Place</b> – Featured on Popular Science, Youtube, JHU News and Intel	2016
<b>HopHacks Biomedical Data 1<sup>st</sup> Place</b> – Won 1 <sup>st</sup> place at Johns Hopkins hackathon for use of medical data	2016
<b>MedHacks 1<sup>st</sup> Place</b> – Won 1 <sup>st</sup> place in the first medical hackathon at Johns Hopkins	2015
<b>NIH NETI</b> – NeuroEngineering training initiative for 11 students out of ~500 that apply to program	2015
<b>Frontiers of Innovation Scholars Program</b> – Interdisciplinary fellowship out of 350 applicants	2015
<b>California Space Grant / IDEA Center Scholarship</b> – Recipient of competitive scholarship	2014
<b>NCHIA E-Team Program</b> – National selective program (~15% acceptance rate) for funding	2014
<b>UCSD Sixth College Leadership Award</b> – Finalist For Outstanding Leadership	2014

<b>ASAIO</b> – Student Design Competition Top 27 In Nation	2014
<b>Tau Beta Pi</b> – Engineering honor society	2014
<b>Gordon Fellow</b> – Engineering leadership excellence award	2014
<b>Health and Life Sciences Grant</b> – Interdisciplinary grant for pilot studies in translational medicine	2013
<b>Von Liebig NSF I-Corps Fellow</b> – Competitive startup program for NSF seed funding	2013
<b>Chapter of the Year Award</b> – National award from ISPE for best student chapter in the country	2012, 2013
<b>National EWH Design 2<sup>nd</sup> Place</b> – Placed 2 <sup>nd</sup> for global healthcare engineering design	2013
<b>Gordon Leadership Scholar</b> – Competitive leadership program	2013
<b>Amgen Scholar UCSD</b> – Competitive summer research program (awarded but had to decline)	2013
<b>California Institute for Telecommunications and IT</b> – Competitive Summer Research Grant	2012

## PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES:

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1. “*Analysis of Gait Applied to Parkinson’s Disease*”, A. Li, N. Gandhi, I. Litvan and T. Coleman, Thiel Summit Conference for Entrepreneurship, Las Vegas NV, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
2. “*GreenHaven 501© Non-Profit Business Pitch*”, A. Li, A. Ruby, N. Rivat, R. Saha, A Foster and A. Terra, Yale School of Management Audubon Pitch, New Haven NH, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
3. “*The Gait Analysis of Parkinson’s Disease*”, A.Li, N. Gandhi, L. Li, J. Chu, C. Yang, I. Litvan and T. Coleman, UCSD Bioengineering Day Poster Conference, San Diego CA, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
4. “*BioMetrics Analytics*”, A.Li, N. Gandhi, L. Li, J. Chu, C. Yang, Von Liebig NSF I-Corps Phase 1 Pitch, La Jolla CA, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2014
5. “*Feasibility of 3D Deformation and Strain Analyses by Micro-Computed Tomography*”, A. Li, E. Cory, J. Caffrey, V. Wong, Q. Nguyen and R. Sah, ISPE Poster Competition, La Jolla CA, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013.
6. “*Feasibility of 3D Deformation and Strain Analyses by Micro-Computed Tomography*”, A. Li, E. Cory, J. Caffrey, V. Wong, Q. Nguyen and R. Sah, Calit2 Summer Scholars Presentation, La Jolla CA, September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2012.

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

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**NEUROMEDICAL CONTROL SYSTEMS LABORATORY** (sree@jhu.edu) Aug 2015 – Present  
*Graduate Student Researcher under Dr. Sri Sarma* Baltimore, MD

- My work focuses on precise focus localization and automatic seizure detection from ECoG recordings.
- Utilizing machine learning algorithms, statistical modeling, network theory, high performance computing and spectral analysis to analyze EEG signals during epilepsy (Python, MATLAB on Linux Systems)
- Analyzing electrophysiological data from epileptic patients from JHU, UMMC and NIH using novel algorithms to detect the epileptogenic zone

**FUNCTIONAL & RESTORATIVE NEUROSURGERY UNIT** (kareem.zaghloul@nih.gov) Jan 2016 – Aug 2016  
*Graduate Student Researcher under Dr. Kareem Zaghloul* Baltimore, MD

- Researched memory reinstatement of a word pair remap associate task using Morlet wavelet, multitaper FFT and time series analysis
- Modified task extraction code to collect useful metadata about experimental events

**NEURAL INTERACTION LABORATORY** (tpcoleman@ucsd.edu) Sept 2013 – Sept 2015  
*Senior Design Engineer and Undergraduate Researcher under Dr. Coleman and Dr. Litvan* La Jolla, CA

- Researched and developed novel ways to evaluate Parkinson's disease using gait and 3D spatiotemporal data from the Microsoft Kinect in collaboration with Computer Vision Lab and School of Medicine.

- Started a project from scratch to develop a Parkinson's disease tracking software product using C++ and Matlab to create a data acquisition platform and signal analysis algorithms
- Mentored a senior Bioengineering design group within the design course sequence to engineer a cost-effective mobile eye tracking system in collaboration with a movement disorders specialist
- Carried out validation and clinical experiments on 21 PD and 21 control subjects, while coordinating scheduling with clinicians and patients
- Secured startup company funding from the National Science Foundation and the VentureWell E-Team Program and also applied to present at the Clinton Global Initiative University
- Wrote successful Health and Life Sciences grant and IRB to carry out pilot clinical studies in collaboration with 3 professors; awarded the Gordon Fellowship Award for outstanding engineering leadership

## **ENGINEERING WORLD HEALTH**

Sept 2012 – Sept 2014

*Project Team Leader for PCR*

La Jolla, CA

- Collaborated with UCSD School of Medicine and a clinic in Mozambique to develop a rapid, cost-effective medical device for diagnosing HIV, which culminated in 2<sup>nd</sup> place for the EWH National Design Competition
- Led team of 10 in product development, while managing a budget of over \$10,000. Developed firmware on microcontroller using C++ and C (utilized PID algorithm, SolidWorks and circuit design)
- Mentored and helped carry out "build days" with K-12 students to get them excited about science

## **QUALCOMM INSTITUTE** (rsah@ucsd.edu)

Jun 2012 – Sept 2012

*Summer Research Scholar under Calit2*

La Jolla, CA

- Awarded \$3000 to be a part of a 30 person cohort in order to conduct ~40+ hrs/week of independent research for the purpose of improving quality of life using emerging technologies and analytics
- Conducted initial feasibility experiments using a LabView programmed mechanical actuator to compress agarose hydrogels with embedded radiopaque particles, while imaging with 3D microCT
- Developed a computational method with 90% accuracy to measure strain and strain variance using quantitative statistical analysis

## **CARTILAGE TISSUE ENGINEERING LABORATORY** (rsah@ucsd.edu)

Sept 2011 – Jun 2013

*Undergraduate Researcher under Dr. Robert L Sah*

La Jolla, CA

- Created standard operating procedures for inventory processing, laboratory operations, tissue preparation, hydrogel polymerization, data collection methods and data analysis of CT images
- Scanned and analyzed bone and tissue images using microCT, Excel, Matlab and CT image analysis software and then documented experimental results through scientific reports
- Contributed to a large human cartilage research project by scanning ~20 samples over the course of an entire weekend for ~72 hrs straight; in collaboration with orthopedic surgeons and post-docs of lab

## **INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE:**

### **BIOMETRICS ANALYTICS** (neilrg11@gmail.com)

Sept 2013 – Sept 2015

*Chief Executive Officer & Co-Founder*

San Diego, CA

- Researched & developed novel ways to evaluate Parkinson's Disease using biometric sensors and robust data analysis; led team in data acquisition of human data, data analysis and statistical analysis using MATLAB and Python
- Developed Parkinson's disease tracking software using Microsoft Kinect with C++, C#, MATLAB and Python

to create data acquisition and machine learning algorithms and movement analytics

- Raised over \$20,000 and filed an IRB for carrying out pilot clinical human study; received the Gordon Fellowship Award for outstanding engineering leadership (awarded to 3 students/year at UCSD)
- Accepted into the Von Liebig National Science Foundation I-Corps Program as well as the NCIIA Entrepreneurship Program (~15% acceptance rate)

**UCSD COMPUTER SCIENCE** (ggillespie@ucsd.edu)

Sept 2014 – Mar 2015

*Computer Science Tutor under Gary Gillespie*

San Diego, CA

- Sole bioengineer in cohort, assisted 100+ students in learning basic data structures in Java, C and C++
- Graded exams and assisted professor in communicating fundamental concepts in computer science

**WEST HEALTH INSTITUTE 501©** (asim.mittal@gmail.com)

Jun 2014 – Jun 2015

*Data Processing Intern under Asim Mittal*

San Diego, CA

- Wrote pymongo queries running on an event scheduler (python, MongoDB) that provide metrics and analytics for the clinical team to analyze behavior during gameplay on the Microsoft Kinect
- Developed clinical web forms using HTML, CSS, Highcharts.JS, JavaScript (with JQuery), which are then linked to a DB with Node.js; tested on an AWS instance using git and bitbucket VCS
- Built an Android application that created a custom launch screen for the clinical team with Java and XML

**GENENTECH INC.** (schimizzi.domenic@gene.com)

Jul 2013 – Jun 2014

*Process Engineering Intern and College Ambassador under Domenic Schimizzi*

San Francisco, CA

- Collaborated with Genentech College Programs to improve online engagement by ~60%, while coordinating events with directors and human resources that drew in over 200 attendees
- Implemented a new batch control process using Rockwell Automation and PLCs to automate chromatography purification process (used Structured Text, Sequential Flow Charting, SQL and Python)

**LEADERSHIP AND OTHER EXPERIENCE:**

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**HOPKINS ENGINEERING & MEDICINE EXCHANGE**

Sept 2016 - Present

*Co-Founder/President – Plan events for collaborations between engineering, medicine and public health*

**JOHNS HOPKINS BME COUNCIL**

Sept 2016 - Present

*Social Chair – Coordinate and plan events for increasing collaboration within department*

**GRADUATE REPRESENTATIVE ORGANIZATION**

Sept 2015 – Present

*BME Department Representative*

**ALPHA KAPPA PSI @ UCSD**

Apr 2012 – Jun 2014

*Class President and Director of Consulting*

**INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR PHARMACEUTICAL ENGINEERING @ UCSD**

Sept 2011 – June 2014

*Vice President External*

**COMPETITIONS:**

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**INTEL CORNELL CUP (1<sup>st</sup> place Nationwide)**

Apr 2016

- Created an augmented reality device using Intel hardware and software to help disabled individuals.

**HOPHACKS (1<sup>st</sup> place in Biomedical Data Challenge)**

Feb 2016

- Created web app for web scraping, data visualization and search functionality of clinical trials in the USA

**MEDHACKS @ JHU 2015 (1<sup>st</sup> place)**

Oct 2015

- Developed apparatus using ultrasound transducers, raspberry PI and web server to detect blood clots

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