Ammar I Marvi

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EDUCATION

Harvard University Ph.D. in Psychology	$2025-Cambridge,\ MA$
Massachusetts Institute of Technology Advanced Study Program	2023-2025 $Cambridge, MA$
University of California, Los Angeles	2023
B.S. in Neuroscience, minor in Statistics & Data Science, Arabic & Islamic Studies	Los Angeles, CA

EXPERIENCE

Harvard University 2025 -Adv: Talia Konkle Cambridge, MA

• Visual perception and cognition in intelligent systems.

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

2023 - 2025Adv: Nancy G Kanwisher Cambridge, MA

• Studying the functional landscape of the human brain.

University of California, Los Angeles

Adv: Alcino J Silva Los Angeles, CA

Learning and memory deficits in mouse models of Noonan's Syndrome.

Cedars-Sinai Medical Center

Los Angeles, CA

2021 - 2023

2020

Adv: Josh Burda

Molecular and cellular regulation of regenerative synaptic circuit remodeling after traumatic CNS injury.

Adv: Akil Merchant

Studying diffuse large B-cell lymphomas and associated Hedgehog signaling in blood cancer patients.

Publications

Papers

- Marvi, A.I., Hutchinson, S., Fedorenko, E., Saxe, R.R., Kamps, F.S., Regev, T.I., Chen, E.M., Kanwisher, N.G. (2025) An efficient mulitfunction fMRI localizer for high-level visual, auditory, & cognitive regions in humans. Imaging Neuroscience
- Marvi, A.I., Kanwisher, N.G., Khosla, M. (2025) Sparse components distinguish visual pathways & their alignment to neural networks. ICLR

Posters

- Xu, R., ..., Marvi, A.I., ..., Richardson, M. (2024) Dissection of functional networks in the human brain using electrical stimulation and fMRI. Society for Neuroscience
- Marvi, A.I.[†], Zhuang, C.[†], Dobs, K.[‡], Kanwisher, N.G.[‡] (2024) A single computational objective may not be sufficient for human-like face discrimination. Conference on Cognitive Computational Neuroscience
- Marvi, A.I., Almeida-Filho, D., Silva, A.J. (2023) Benchmarking the tracking of cells in longitudinal miniscope recordings across sessions. UCLA Undergraduate Creativity & Research Showcase

Awards

Spotlight distinction 2025 Singapore

The Thirteenth International Conference on Learning Representations (ICLR)

DataRes 2022 - 2023

Research team

Los Angeles, CA

* Led a student research group studying ML approaches to NLP, computer vision, and diffusion model tasks.

Nu Rho Psi 2021 – 2023

External Vice-President

Los Angeles, CA

* Organized outreach and networking events, hosted research days and seminars, co-led research symposiums with UCLA faculty, taught undergraduates on neuroscience methods and journal club presentation.

BEAM 2021 - 2023

Student teacher

Los Angeles, CA

* Taught students at Title-1 elementary schools via educational STEM activities. Designed interactive and informative curricula.

UCLA Health Clinic 2020

 $Cardiovascular\ team$

Santa Monica, CA

* Contributed to meta-analyses on the effect of RAAS blockers on COVID-19 patients worldwide

Bruin Review 2019 – 2020

Science writer

Los Angeles, CA

* Challenged traditionally taboo topics and encouraged civil discourse amongst UCLA students in topical science-related research.