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EDUCATION

University of Girona, University of Burgundy, University of Cassino

MSc Student in Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Degree in Medical Imaging and Applications (MAIA)

Sept. 2022 – Expected June 2024

Relevant Courses: Machine and Deep Learning and Advance Image Analysis

University of Girona

BEng in Biomedical Engineering

Sept. 2018 - June. 2022

Relevant Courses: Image Analysis and Processing and Neuroscience and Neuroimaging

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Detrelab at University of Pennsylvania, Visiting Scholar (Upcoming)

Jan. 2024 - July. 2024

- Analyze Arterial Spin Labeled (ASL) perfusion magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) as a non-invasive method for imaging regional CBF.
- Develop an approach based on deep learning to generate automated indices for evaluating the quality of CBF maps.

R&D Department of icometrix, Research Engineer Intern

July 2023 - Oct. 2023

- Analyzed stroke brain imaging data using CT perfusion maps from a multicenter dataset.
- Developed and implemented an innovative deep learning-based post-processing approach to remove stroke CT perfusion maps's artifacts.

ViCOROB Group of Research, Undergraduate Thesis Project

Jan. 2022 – June 2022

- Utilized both unsupervised algorithms and Convolutional Neural Networks (CNN) to perform brain tumor segmentation from MRI data.
- Successfully created a 3D model representing the patient's skull and tumor to enhance the preoperatives for brain surgery.

ViCOROB Group of Research, Biomedical Engineer Intern

Summer 2021

- Engaged in various machine learning and deep learning projects with a primary focus on computer vision and medical imaging.
- Successfully developed a melanoma detector through the application of a range of machine learning algorithms.

PUBLICATIONS AND TECHNICAL POSTERS

- X.B. Urbano, A.D.Permana, "Edge Detection In Medical Ultrasound Images Using Adjusted Canny Edge Detection Algorithm." [link]
- A.D.Permana, X.B. Urbano, "An Adaptive ECG Noise Removal Process Based on Empirical Mode Decomposition (EMD)." [link]
- Bachelor thesis, "NeuroPrint: Revolutionizing Neurosurgical Planning with AI-Driven 3D Brain Mapping", By X.B.Urbano, Department of computer vision and robotics (VICOROB), University of Girona, June 2022. [link to the summary]

PROJECTS DEVELOPED

- Development of a Probabilistic Brain Atlas and Tissue Probability Models | Python
- A Skin Lesion Classification Approach Using Traditional Machine Learning on the ISIC 2020 Dataset | Python
- Brain Tissue Segmentation using Expectation Maximization (EM) algorithm for Gaussian Mixture Models (GMM) | Python
- Mammogram Mass Detection and Classification | Python, Scikit-Learn and OpenCV
- Alzheimer's Disease Classification with MRI and Gene Expression Data | Python and R
- SPO2 and Heart rate device | Arduino and LabVIEW

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Student representative of the seventh cohort of MAIA students, Delegate

Sept. 2023 – Present

• Interacted as an intermediary between students and programme administrators, advocating for the interests of their cohort and facilitating communication and programme enhancements.

Biomedical engineering mentoring program, Mentor

Sept. 2019 - June 2021

Assisted first year bachelor students in academic and non-academic related.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

•	Finalist in the MAIA Alzheimer's Classification Challenge by the Italian National Research Council & University of Cassino	2023
•	Twice awarded with the prestigious INTHERAPI Graduate School Scholarship by the University of Bourgogne	2022, 2023
•	Erasmus Mundus Joint Master Consortium Grant by the University of Girona	2022

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & CERTIFICATIONS

•	Course in Fundamental Neuroscience for Neuroimaging by Johns Hopkins University, Coursera	2023
•	Course in AI for Medical Diagnosis by DeepLearning.AI, Coursera	2023

Immersion course in English specialized in Health and Life Science by UIMP

TECHNICAL/LANGUAGE SKILLS

Languages: English (Speak, Read, Write), Spanish (Native speaker), Catalan (Native speaker)

Programming/Scripting Languages: Python (Deep learning using Tensorflow/Keras), Java, R, MATLAB, LaTeX, Arduino, LabVIEW

Software Packages: Qt Designer, 3DSlicer, RStudio, SPM12, FSL, ITK-SNAP, Photoshop, Microsoft Office, UltiMaker Cura