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PUBLICATIONS

2022

Deterioration in cognitive control underlying development of treatment resistance in early psychosis.

(Submitted for publication)

Charlotte M Horne, <u>Angad Sahni</u>, Sze W Pang, Lucy D Vanes, Timea Szentgyorgyi, Bruno Averbeck, Rosalyn J Moran, Sukhwinder S Shergill.

The role of cognitive control in the positive symptoms of psychosis. (Accepted: 4-Apr-22)

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Horne, Charlotte; <u>Sahni, Angad</u>; Pang, Sze; Vanes, Lucy; Szentgyorgyi, Timea; Averbeck, Bruno; Moran, Rosalyn; Shergill, Sukhi.

OUTREACH

2022

Reading Scholars Presentations.

- Gave presentations about my research to A-level students interested in psychology.
- Used to recruit participants for online task.

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

2020-2021 fMRI Data Analysis Using SPM.

Under Dr. Charlotte Horne, as an extension from MSc.

- Bias data from a reinforcement learning task, performed by early psychosis subjects, was analysed.
 - Emotional bias acts as a proxy for cognitive control capabilities.
- Work contributed to potential publication (submitted in 2021).

EDUCATION

2021- PhD Candidate in Neuroscience, University of Reading.

Supervisor: Professor Ciara McCabe (NRG).

2019-2020 Psychiatric Research MSc, King's College London (Distinction).

Supervisor: Dr. Charlotte Horne (CSI Lab).

Dissertation: Negative Symptom Severity and Subcortical Reward Prediction Error Signal Correlation in First-Episode Psychosis.

2015-2019 Gap Between The Courses.

- I sought counselling for depression at UCL during the final year and after graduation.
 - I worked part-time and saved up to pursue another MSc course.
- I remained committed to forging a career in academia and that motivated me to persevere through this.

2011-2015 Neuroscience Integrated-MSc, UCL (Upper Second-Class).

Supervisor: Dr. Brian King.

Dissertation: P2X₂ Receptor Co-Agonist: A New Role of UTP.

2009-2011 Forest School, Winnersh. RG41 5NE.

Subjects: Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry and Physics.

Results: 4 A*s.

AWARDS

2021-2024 University Of Reading Regional Bursary.

 Awarded based on proposed project's contribution to the local community.

Wellcome Trust Summer Studentship, Frances Edwards Lab, UCL.

- The lab had designed mouse models of Alzheimer's Disease using the human genes involved in the disease, called TASTPM models.
- The studentship taught skills involved in a biochemical lab, such as running western and southern blots, and quantitative PCR.
- Experience with patch-clamping techniques, investigating potentiation capacities of hippocampal glutamatergic synapses.

RELEVANT SKILLS

Extensive Experience With SPM, SPSS And 'R'.

Javascript, PHP, HTML, CSS, Python Languages. Matlab Programming.

One-To-One Tutoring And Group Teaching Experience. Marking Posters And Project Reports.

Fluent In Hindi And Punjabi, Proficient In Urdu.

Charcoal And Pastel Landscape Artist.

Creativity, a vital core of research.

Passionate About Philosophy, Especially Eastern.

 Skill of in-depth critical thinking; epistemological, ontological reasoning.

TEACHING

2021- MSc Student Supervision.

- Part of my project formed the student's dissertation, using experience sampling methodology (ESM).
- I guided their literature understanding, data analysis using R.

Demonstrator For Statistics Modules, Methods In Neuroscience, And Cognitive And Biological Psychiatry.

- SPSS, G*Power for 1st and 2nd year psychology students, and theoretical understanding behind statistical tests.
- My neuroscience background allowed me to lead tutorials, covering basic neuroscience and methods of understanding literature for 1st year psychologists.

VOLUNTEERING

2011-2014 ReachOut London Charity.

- Tutor with charity, helping primary school students from lower income families to catchup and additional help with syllabus.
- Designed and taught weekly 45-minute lessons in Mathematics.