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EDUCATION

Harvard University

2011 — Present

Ph.D. Candidate in Program in Neuroscience Harvey Lab

University of California, San Diego

2008 - 2011

B.S., Physiology and Neuroscience Major GPA: 3.54

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Ph.D. Research

Harvard Medical School, Laboratory of Dr. Christopher Harvey

2012 – Present

Investigating the neuronal circuit mechanisms underlying evidence accumulation for decision-making in the Posterior Parietal Cortex (PPC) using a combination of advanced behavioral techniques, two-photon microscopy, and a variety of data analytic approaches.

Graduate Rotation Projects

Harvard Medical School, Laboratory of Dr. Richard Born

2012

Developed a novel psychophysical task to examine the neuronal representation of ambiguous stimuli in the visual cortex of rhesus macaque.

Harvard Medical School, Laboratory of Dr. Rachel Wilson

2011

Developed a novel conditioned behavioral paradigm to measure the limits of sound localization in *Drosophila*, with the ultimate goal of using a combination of behavior and single-cell electrophysiology to understand the basic principles underlying early sensory processing.

Harvard Medical School, Laboratory of Dr. Bernardo Sabatini

2011

Investigated the role of somatostatin-expressing interneurons in mammalian striatal circuitry during a simple behavioral task using a combination of optogenetics and multi-electrode electrophysiology.

Undergraduate Research

Salk Institute for Biological Studies

01/2009 - 12/2010

Laboratory of Fred H. Gage Research Assistant

Researched the role of REST in adult neurogenesis

AWARDS, HONORS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

Stuart and Victoria Quan Pre-Doctoral Fellowship

2013—Present

Department of Neurobiology, Harvard Medical School

NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Honorable Mention

Amylin Pharmaceuticals Research Scholar	2009—2010
Howard Hughes Summer Research Fellow	2009
Alliance for Affordable Services Scholar	2009

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Morcos AS, Harvey CD. "Highways of parietal cortex activity states reveal structured microcircuit dynamics on single trials." Manuscript in preparation.

Kagalwala MN, Deni AM, Kim HJ, Wright R, Baul TD, Clemenson, GD, **Morcos AS**, Zhao C, Gage FH. "Secretogranin II regulates differentiation and maturation of neurons during adult neurogenesis." Manuscript in preparation.

Morcos AS, Kagalwala MN, Denli AM, Gage FH. "The role of REST/NRSF in adult neurogenesis." Program No. 31.4. 2010 Neuroscience Meeting Planner. San Diego, CA: Society for Neuroscience, 2010. Online.

Morcos AS. "Understanding the Protein-Protein Interplay of NRSF (REST) In Regulating Transcription." UCSD Undergraduate Research Conference, San Diego, CA, 2009.

Morcos AS. "Mechanisms and applications of adult neurogenesis." *Saltman Quarterly* 6 (2009): 35-36

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Harvard Medical School	2012
Teaching assistant, MATLAB/Quantitative Methods Bootcamp	
Brief introduction to MATLAB/programming and statistics for incoming graduate students	

RELEVANT ONLINE COURSEWORK

Machine Learning, Stanford via Coursera	2014
Mining Massive Datasets, Stanford via Coursera	2014
Algorithms: Design and Analysis, Part I, Stanford via Coursera	2014
Databases, Stanford Online	2015
Intro to Theoretical Computer Science, Udacity	2015
Introduction to Big Data with Apache Spark, Berkeley via edX	2015

REFERENCES

Available upon request.