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About Myself

Four years of industry experience as a research scientist in healthcare AI. Currently leading the development of advanced AI based imaging biomarkers for oncology at an early-stage startup. Specialized in AI tools for disease diagnosis, treatment selection, and prognosis. Skilled in hand-crafted feature engineering (radiomics), machine learning and deep learning model optimization, automated and semi-automated deep learning based image segmentation and detection. Committed to advancing healthcare through pioneering advancements in medical imaging.

Education

Case Western Reserve University

Cleveland, Ohio, US

Ph.D. IN BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

Aug 2018 - Aug 2022

• Research primarily focused on applications of deep learning and machine learning (radiomics) on medical images for diagnosis and prognosis of various diseases.

National Institute of Technology, Karnataka

Surathkal, Karnataka, India

Jun. 2014 - May 2016

M.Tech in Communication Engineering

• CGPA: 8.31/10.

• Coursework primarily focused on advanced signal and image processing.

SDMCET, Dharwad

Dharwad, Karnataka, India

Jul. 2010 - Jun. 2014

B.E IN ELECTRONICS AND COMMUNICATION ENGINEERING

• CGPA: 9.23/10

• Coursework primarily focused on fundamentals of signal and image processing, engineering mathematics and telecommunication.

Experience.

Picture Health Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, US

SENIOR AI SCIENTIST • One of the earliest employees of the company (4th full time employee). May. 2022 - Present

• Responsible for building core AI tools and frameworks, with publications in top-tier conferences (multiple first-authored abstracts from 2023 to present) and two patented inventions.

· Lead scientist overseeing a project for a pharmaceutical client, involved in the development of imaging biomarkers to facilitate patient selection for a clinical trial.

• Managing junior scientists and part time candidates.

Philips Reasearch, India

Bangalore, Karnataka, India

Jun. 2016 - Jul. 2018

SENIOR RESEARCH ENGINEER

Data engineering (ETL (Extract, Transfer, Load)) of massive ICU databases

• Early prediction of different Hospital Acquired Infections acquired by patients in the ICUs

Philips Research, India

Bangalore, Karnataka, India

May. 2015 - Jun. 2016

PROJECT TRAINEE (INTERN) Building quick prototypes in applications of healthcare using concepts of machine learning, image processing, and natural language processing

Software development: GUI based annotation tools for Chest X-rays

Indian Institute of Technology, (IIT) Kharagpur

Kolkata, West Bengal, India

DEEP LEARNING FOR VISUAL COMPUTING (DLVC) SUMMER SCHOOL, 2017

- A summer school conducted by IIT Kharagpur, India covering different deep learning techniques applied on images with an overview of convolutional neural networks.
- Earned 1st Place in DLVC 2017 Challenge (Bengali Language Digit Recognition).

Carnegie Mellon University - National Institue of Technology, Karantaka

Surathkal, Karnataka, India

NITK - CMU WINTER SCHOOL, 2014

Dec. 2014

• Developing a machine learning model to classify environmental sounds - "An Approach Towards Never Ending Learning of Sound".

Skills

Programming Language (Experience): Python (>8 years), JAVA (1 year), LaTeX (5 years)

Tools Matlab, R, ITK Snap, Slicer 3D

pytorch, hydra, numpy, matplotlib, pandas, scikit-learn, scikit-image, scikit-survival, scipy, pyspark, ITK (C++), simpleITK Libraries

(Python), openCV (python).

Patents

- Hiremath, A, Braman, N; Picture Health Inc., assignee, "Methods and Systems for Medical Prediction Using Negative Predictive Value", 2023, November (Provision patent filed).
- Braman, N, **Hiremath, A**, Li, H; Picture Health Inc., assignee, "System for Medical Prediction with Click-Based Segmentation", 2023, February (Provision patent filed).
- Madabhushi, A, Asaeikheybari, G, **Hiremath, A**, Chung, M.K, Barnard, K; Cleveland Clinic Foundation Case Western Reserve University, assignee, "Atlas construction of branched structure for identification of shape differences among different cohorts", WIPO (PCT), US20230146428A1, 2022, November (Pending).
- Ulman, S, Prasad, RV, **Hiremath, A**; Koninklijke Philips N.V, assignee, "**Nutrition support systems and methods**", WIPO (PCT), WO2019063762A1, 2019, April.

Journal Publications

- Li L, Shiradkar R, Gottlieb N, Buzzy C, Hiremath A, Viswanathan VS, MacLennan GT, Lima DO, Gupta K, Shen DL, Tirumani SH.
 Multi-scale statistical deformation based co-registration of prostate MRI and post-surgical whole mount histopathology. Medical Physics, Sep 24, 2023.
- Midya, A, Hiremath, A, Huber, J, Viswanathan VS, Omil-Lima, D, Mahran, A, Bittencourt, L, Tirumani, SH, Ponsky, L, Shiradkar, R, Madabhushi, A, 2023, Delta radiomic patterns on serial bi-parametric MRI are associated with pathologic upgrading in prostate cancer patients on active surveillance: preliminary findings, Frontiers in Oncology, 13, p.1166047.
- Vaidya, P, Alilou, M, Hiremath, A, Gupta, A, Bera, K, Furin, J, Armitage, K, Gilkeson, R, Yuan, L, Fu, P, Lu, C, Ji, M, Madabhushi, A, 2022. An End-to-End Integrated Clinical and CT-Based Radiomics Nomogram for Predicting Disease Severity and Need for Ventilator Support in COVID-19 Patients: A Large Multisite Retrospective Study, Frontiers in Radiology 2, Jan 2022
- Hiremath, A, Bera, K, Yuan, L, Vaidya, P, Alilou, M, Furin, J, Armitage, K, Gilkeson, R, Ji, M, Fu P, Gupta, A, Lu, C, and Madabhushi, A, 2021. Integrated Clinical and CT based Artificial Intelligence nomogram for predicting severity and need for ventilator support in COVID-19 patients: A multi-site study, IEEE Journal of Biomedical and Health Informatics, Aug, 2021.
- Hiremath, A, Shiradkar, R, Fu, P, Mahran, A, Rastinehad, A.R, Tewari, A, Tirumani, S.H, Purysko, A, Ponsky, L. and Madabhushi, A, 2021. An integrated nomogram combining deep learning, Prostate Imaging–Reporting and Data System (PI-RADS) scoring, and clinical variables for identification of clinically significant prostate cancer on biparametric MRI: a retrospective multicentre study. The Lancet Digital Health, 3(7), pp.e445-e454.
- Hiremath, A, Shiradkar, R, Merisaari, H, Prasanna, P, Ettala, O, Taimen, P, Aronen, H.J, Boström, P.J, Jambor, I. and Madabhushi, A, 2021. Test-retest repeatability of a deep learning architecture in detecting and segmenting clinically significant prostate cancer on apparent diffusion coefficient (ADC) maps. European radiology, 31(1), pp.379-391.
- Mahadevaiah, G, Hiremath, A, Agarwal, V, Kumaraguru, P, and Dekker, A "Automating data mining of medical reports", International Journal of Computer Science and Technology (IJCST) Vol.01, No.2, March 2019.

Conference Publications

- Roge, A, Hiremath, A, Sobota, M, Tirumani SH, Bittencourt LK, Ream J, Ward R, Olaniyan H, Verma S, Purysko A, Madabhushi A, Shiradkar R, 2022, March. Evaluating the sensitivity of deep learning to human reader based lesion delineations in identifying clinically significant prostate cancer on MRI, In Medical Imaging 2022: Computer-Aided Diagnosis. International Society for Optics and Photonics.
- Hiremath, A, Yuan, L, Shiradkar, R, Bera, K, Viswanathan V.S, Vaidya, P, Furin, J, Armitage, K, Gilkeson, R, Ji, M, Fu P, Gupta, A, Lu, C, and Madabhushi, A, 2021. LuMiRa: An Integrated Lung Deformation Atlas and 3D-CNN model of Infiltrates for COVID-19 Prognosis. The Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention (MICCAI) (Accepted).
- Hiremath, A, Shiradkar, R, Braman, N, Prasanna, P, Rastinehad, A, Purysko, A. and Madabhushi, A, 2020, March. A combination of intra-and peri-tumoral deep features from prostate bi-parametric MRI can distinguish clinically significant and insignificant prostate cancer. In Medical Imaging 2020: Computer-Aided Diagnosis (Vol. 11314, p. 113140M). International Society for Optics and Photonics.

Peer-reviewed Abstracts/Posters

- Hiremath, A, Lee, S, Lee J, and others, "CheckpointPx, an interpretable radiology AI tool, predicts checkpoint blockade benefit independent of PDL1 status in non-small cell lung cancers (NSCLC) A multi-institutional validation study", American Association for Cancer Research (AACR), San Diego, CA, April 5-10, 2024.
- Lee, S, Hiremath, A, Lee J, and others, "Al-powered radiomics model predicts immune checkpoint inhibitor-related pneumonitis (CIP) in advanced NSCLC patients", American Association for Cancer Research (AACR), San Diego, CA, April 5-10, 2024.

- Lee, S, Zhang, K, Lee J, Kim PK, Hiremath, A and others, "Accelerated and precise tumor segmentation in NSCLC: A
 comparative analysis of automated ClickSeg and manual annotation for radiomics", American Association for Cancer
 Research (AACR), San Diego, CA, April 5-10, 2024.
- Midya, A, Balakrishnan, S, Tirumani SH, Bittencourt LK, **Hiremath, A**, Ponsky, L, Madabhushi, A, Shiradkar, R, "**Population specific radiomics model improves prostate cancer diagnostic risk stratification at MRI in African American men**", American Urological Association (**AUA**), San Antonio, TX, May 3 May 6, 2024.
- Midya, A, Asaeikheybari, G, Hiremath A, Viswanathan VS, Sun, H, Harwood, S, Kim HS, Schilling, T, Telfer, W, Jin A, Baraboo J, Pradella, M, Markl, M, Passman, R, El-harasis, M, Shoemaker, MB, Tandon A, Barnard, J, Chung, MK, Madabhushi, A, "Machine learning with Multimodal Pre-Ablation Imaging for predicting recurrence in Atrial Fibrillation patients", American Heart Association (AHA), November 11–13, 2023.
- Hiremath, A, Bera, K, Gupta, A, Velcheti, V, Madabhushi, A, and Braman, N, "Radiomic signature of identifies outcome and prognosis to immune checkpoint inhibitors (ICI) in PD-L1 low non-small cell lung cancer (NSCLC)", 2023 World Conference on Lung Cancer (WCLC), Singapore, September 9-12, 2023.
- Hiremath, A, Li, H, Clement, A, Gupta, A, Velcheti, V, Madabhushi, A, and Braman, N, "Single-click radiomic classifier is associated with response and prognosis in non-small cell lung cancers (NSCLC) treated with immune checkpoint inhibitors", American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO), Chicago, June 2-6th, 2023.
- Sompalle, P., Roge, A., Sobota, M., **Hiremath, A.**, Tirumani, S.H., Kayat Bittencourt, L., Purysko, A., Viswanath, S., Madabhushi, A., and Shiradkar, R., **"Association of MR image quality measures with diagnostic accuracy and inter-reader agreement of PI-RADS for detection of prostate cancer"**, 32nd Annual Meeting of the International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (**ISMRM**), Toronto, June 3-8, 2023.
- Asaeikheybari, G., **Hiremath, A.**, Shiradkar, R., El-Harasis, M., Shoemaker, B., Barnard, J., Gupta, A., Chung, M., Madabhushi., Anant, "Computationally identified shape differences in the Left Atrium on pre-ablation CT scans appear to be associated with recurrence of atrial fibrillation", American Heart Association (AHA), Boston, Nov 13-15th, 2021.
- Shiradkar R, Sobota M, Bittencourt LK, Tirumani SH, Ream J, Ward R, **Hiremath, A**, Roge A, Mahran A, Purysko A, Ponsky L, Madabhushi, "Sensitivity of radiomics to inter-reader variations in prostate cancer delineation on MRI should be considered to improve generalizability", 29th Annual Meeting of the International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (ISMRM), May 15-20, 2021.
- Hiremath, A, Shiradkar, R, Merisaari, H, Prasanna, P, Ettala, O, Taimen, P, Aronen, H, Boström, P, Pierce, J, Tirumani, S, Rastinehad, A, Jambor, I, Purysko, A, and Madabhushi, A, "A deep learning network along with PIRADS can distinguish clinically significant and insignificant prostate cancer on bi-parametric MRI: A multi-center study", American Urological Association (AUA), Washington DC, May 15-16th, 2020.
- Hiremath, A, Shiradkar, R, Merisaari, H, Prasanna, P, Ettala, O, Taimen, P, Aronen, H, Boström, P, A, Jambor, I, and Madabhushi, A, "Test-retest repeatability of convolutional neural networks in detecting prostate cancer regions on diffusion weighted imaging in 112 patients", 28th Annual Meeting of the 28th Annual Meeting of the International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (ISMRM), Sydney, Australia, April 18-23, 2020.
- Merisaari, H, Shiradkar, R, Toivonen, J, Hiremath, A, Khorrami, M, Montoya Perez, I, Pahikkala, T, Taimen, P, Verho, J, Boström, P, Aronen H, Madabhushi, A, and Jambor, I, "Repeatability of radiomics features for prostate cancer diffusion weighted imaging obtained using b-values up to 2000 s/mm2", 27th Annual Meeting of the 28th Annual Meeting of the International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (ISMRM), Montreal, Canada, May 11-16, 2019.
- Merisaari, H, Hiremath, A, Shiradkar, R, Montoya Perez, I, Toivonen, J, Taimen, P et al., "Repeatability of Machine Learning Classification of Prostate Cancer Using Diffusion Weighted Imaging: Short-term Repeatability Study of 112 Men Who Underwent Two Prostate MR Examinations Before Prostatectomy", Annual Meeting of the Radiologic Society of North America (RSNA), Chicago, U.S.A, November 29 - December 4, 2019.

Honors & Awards

2021	MICCAI Student Travel Award, The Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Interv	vention Strasboura. France
2021	Excellence in Graduate Teaching, Case Western Reserve University	Cleveland, U.S.A
2020	I-Corps, Ohio Grant Funding, Case Western Reserve University	Cleveland, U.S.A
2020	Runner up, Trainee competition, ISMRM MR of cancer study group	Sydney, Australia
2020	Educational Stipend , International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (ISMRM)	Sydney, Australia
2020	Professional Development Travel Funding, Case Western Reserve University	Cleveland, U.S.A
2020	Trainee Travel Award, Case Comprehensive Cancer Center	Cleveland, U.S.A
2020	Runner up, Art of STEM Competition, Case Western Reserve University	Cleveland, U.S.A
2018	1st Place , Cleveland Medical Hackathon, 2018	Cleveland, U.S.A
2017	1st Place , Deep Learning for Visual Computing Challenge, 2017	Kolkata, India

Recognition

- Bioethics in the Age of COVID-19: Laundering bias and saving lives through
- Indian-Origin Engineer Builds AI To Predict If A Covid Patient Will Need Ventilator
- Case Western Reserve University lab using digital images of chest scans from coronavirus patients from Wuhan, China, to teach its computers to triage patients
- Test-Retest Repeatability of a Deep Learning Architecture in Detecting and Segmenting Clinically Significant Prostate Cancer on Apparent Diffusion Coefficient (ADC) Maps Beyond the Abstract- Featured in UroToday
- BME Graduate Students Win Top Prizes at the Cleveland Medical Hackathon Event
- 44 students prepare 10 projects at Winter School