

# MELTEM ATAY

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## EDUCATION

**Middle East Technical University, Ankara**

*September 2015 - Present*

Institute of Natural and Applied Sciences

Ph.D. in Neuroscience and Neurotechnology

**Middle East Technical University, Ankara**

*September 2014 - June 2015*

Department of Mathematics

Scientific Compensatory Period

**Hacettepe University, Ankara**

*September 2012 - August 2014*

Institute of Health Sciences

MSc. in Medical Biochemistry

## THESES

PhD. Dissertation Title: Machine Learning on Neuroimages for Diagnosis of Neurodegenerative Diseases.

MSc. Dissertation: Effects of Statins on Human Serum Butyrylcholinesterase and Erythrocyte Acetylcholinesterase.

## CARRIER OBJECTIVE

As a graduate student in Neuroscience and Neurotechnology field, I am passionate about discerning the interplay between human cognition and artificial intelligence. Merging of computational neuroscience with deep learning has revolutionary potential in addressing a wide range of outstanding problems throughout the computational sciences. Hence, I would like to be part of this astonishing revolution in the field of artificial intelligence as a deep learning researcher.

## ARTICLES AND PRESENTATIONS

- Atay M., Weber G-W., Classification and Generation of Digital Marble Art (EBRU) by revisiting OR via Deep Learning, oral presentation EURO-k 2019. 23-26 June 2019. Dublin, Ireland, and InterIOR2019 20-21 August 2019, Medan, Indonesia.
- Atay M., EbruGAN: Digital Art Creation Based On Mixture of Traditional Turkish Art and Human Faces, NeurIPS 2018, Machine Learning for Creativity and Design Workshop. (online gallery submission)
- Bircanoğlu C., Atay M., Beşer F., Genç O., Kızrak M-A., RecycleNet: Intelligent Waste Sorting Using Deep Neural Networks, INISTA, 2018.
- Atay M., Baskın Ö., Cantürk E., Kara İ., Koçak İ., Kürkcü A., Şahin B., Alternative Rehabilitation Solutions for Cerebral Palsy, MATTER- Undergraduate Research Journal, METU- December 2016.

## PROGRAMMING EXPERIENCE

<b>Neuroscience Related:</b>	SPM12
<b>Programming Languages:</b>	Python, MATLAB
<b>Deep Learning Frameworks:</b>	Tensorflow-Keras, PyTorch

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENTS

2015-2016 Academic Year, METU Graduate Courses Performance Award, highest cGPA.

## EXTRA-CURRICULAR

Jan - June 2018 Voluntary Teaching: Gave series of applied lectures about Deep Learning to several grades of computer engineering students from Ankara Yıldırım Beyazıt University.

Sep 2017 Instructor of DeepMETU. Gave a lecture about auto encoders, generative adversarial networks and image style transfer algorithm.

Sep 2017 - Jan 2018 Voluntary teaching assistant of NSNT-501 Computational Neuroscience Course.