

## SUMMARY

- Medical physicist and imaging scientist with a focus on developing artificial intelligence methods for quantitative medical image analysis
- Interdisciplinary collaborator working at the intersection of physics, computer science, medicine, and statistics
- Author of 3 publications in peer-reviewed journals including 2 first-author papers, and 4 conference proceeding papers

## EDUCATION

### University of Chicago

Chicago, IL

*PhD in Medical Physics*

Expected 2021

- American Association of Physicists in Medicine Graduate Fellowship: Awarded to one outstanding incoming doctoral student each year to support the first two years of graduate study
- American Association of Physicists in Medicine Expanding Horizons Travel Grant
- Graduate Council Travel Fund Award
- Biological Sciences Division Travel Award

### Carleton College

Northfield, MN

*B.A., Physics, Mathematics*. Graduated summa cum laude with distinction in Physics

Sep. 2013 – Jun. 2017

- Patricia V. Damon Merit Scholarship: Awarded for a strong academic profile and extra-curricular accomplishment
- Dean's List in all academic years
- Exemplary Writing Portfolio
- Phi Beta Kappa First Year Prize

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### University of Chicago, Committee on Medical Physics

Chicago, IL

*Doctoral Researcher*

Sep. 2017 – present

Topics: Artificial Intelligence for Medical Image Analysis for Breast Cancer Multiparametric MRI and COVID-19 Chest Radiography

Advisor: Maryellen Giger, PhD

- Develop novel computer vision methods using deep learning and conventional radiomics with human-engineered features for breast cancer diagnosis based on high-dimensional multiparametric MRI
- Establish large-scale COVID-19 chest radiography and computed tomography datasets and investigate artificial intelligence methods for COVID-19 diagnosis, prognosis, and treatment response
- Contribute to the NIH-funded Medical Imaging and Data Resource Center, an open-source medical imaging database

### Mayo Graduate School, Department of Biomedical Engineering

Rochester, MN

*Summer Research Intern*, Mayo Graduate School Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship

Jun. – Aug. 2016

Topics: Determining Human Observer Performance in Lung Cancer Screening CT

Advisor: Lifeng Yu, PhD; Cynthia McCollough, PhD

- Designed and performed a virtual clinical trial on lung cancer screening CT including 12 conditions, and analyzed human observer performance as a function of nodule size, nodule type, dose level, and reconstruction method
- Contributed to the development and validation of model observers and protocol optimization

### MIT, Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science

Cambridge, MA

*Summer Research Intern*, Kolenkow Reitz Fund for Undergraduate Research

Jun. – Aug. 2015

Topics: Raman Spectroscopy of Low-Dimensional Electrical Biased Device

Advisor: Mildred Dresselhaus, PhD

- Designed and built an experimental set up and measured the Raman spectroscopy of a graphene p-n junction device
- Prepared ultrathin samples of GaTe, a novel 2-D material for electronic devices, to study its electrical properties

### Carleton College, Department of Physics and Astronomy

Northfield, MN

*Independent Research Student and Summer Research Student*

2014 – 2015

Topic: Schumann Resonance Measurement for noise analysis in LIGO's gravitational wave detection

Advisor: Nelson Christensen, PhD

- Designed a circuit to acquire and process electromagnetic signal obtained from noncommercial antennas
- Collected Schumann resonance signals in an outdoor low-noise environment and analyzed with power density spectral plots and spectrograms

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## SKILLS

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**Programming:** Python, R, MATLAB, Java, Mathematica

**Languages:** English, Mandarin Chinese

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## PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

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### Journal Publications:

1. Hu Q, Whitney HM, Giger ML. "A deep learning methodology for improved breast cancer diagnosis using multiparametric MRI." *Scientific Reports* 10.1 (2020): 1-11.
2. Hu Q, Whitney HM, Giger ML. "Radiomics methodology for breast cancer diagnosis using multiparametric magnetic resonance imaging." *Journal of Medical Imaging* 7.4 (2020): 044502.
3. Gong H, Hu Q, Walther A, Koo CW, Takahashi EA, Levin DL, Johnson TF, Hora MJ, Leng S, Fletcher JG, McCollough CH. "Deep-learning-based model observer for a lung nodule detection task in computed tomography." *Journal of Medical Imaging* 7.4 (2020): 042807.

### Select Proceeding Papers and Presentations (out of 6):

1. Hu Q, Whitney HM, Giger ML. "Using ResNet feature extraction in computer-aided diagnosis of breast cancer on 927 lesions imaged with multiparametric MRI." *Medical Imaging 2020: Computer-Aided Diagnosis*. Vol. 11314. International Society for Optics and Photonics (SPIE), 2020. (Proceeding paper. Oral presentation.)
2. Hu Q, Whitney HM, Giger ML. "Transfer Learning in 4D for Breast Cancer Diagnosis using Dynamic Contrast-Enhanced Magnetic Resonance Imaging." *arXiv preprint arXiv:1911.03022* (2019). The 33<sup>rd</sup> Neural Information Processing Systems Conference (NeurIPS) Machine Learning for Health Workshop (ML4H). Extended Abstract. Poster presentation.)
3. Hu Q, Whitney HM, Edwards A, Papaioannou J, Giger ML. "TU-HI-SAN2-9: Multiparametric breast MRI radiomics in distinguishing between benign and malignant breast lesions." *Medical Physics* Vol. 46. No. 6., 2019. American Association of Physicists in Medicine (AAPM). (Selected oral presentation in the Science Council session. Highlighted as best of AAPM at American Society for Radiation Oncology [ASTRO] 2019 annual meeting.)
4. Hu Q, Whitney HM, Edwards A, Papaioannou J, Giger ML. "Radiomics and deep learning of diffusion-weighted MRI in the diagnosis of breast cancer." *Medical Imaging 2019: Computer-Aided Diagnosis*. Vol. 10950. International Society for Optics and Photonics (SPIE), 2019. (Proceeding paper. Poster presentation.)

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## LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE

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### SPiE Student Chapter, University of Chicago

*Vice President, 2019-2020; Treasurer and founding member, 2018*

- Organized optics-related activities, such as outreach events, Fermi lab tour, guest speaker seminars, etc.

### Mentoring and Teaching:

- Supervised 2 undergraduate summer research students
- Teaching assistant for 2 graduate courses: Physics of Radiation Therapy, Physics of Medical Imaging I Practicum
- Mentored first-year international graduate students in the Global Mentorship Network at University of Chicago

### Outreach:

- Coached high school students in the Girls Who Code after-school program at Kenwood Academy
- Mentored high school students in the Women in STEM program at the University of Chicago Laboratory Schools

**Review:** Reviewer for journals including European Radiology, Journal of Medical Imaging, Journal of Magnetic Resonance Imaging, and IEEE Transactions on Biomedical Engineering.