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## **CURRENT POSITION**

02/2014 - PhD Candidate

2018 Aalto University and University of Turku

(expected) Thesis title: Maintaining social bonds via interpersonal touching: A

cross-cultural study

Supervisors: Prof. Lauri Nummenmaa, University of Turku and

Prof. Mikko Sams, Aalto University

#### **EDUCATION**

2014 Master of Science in Technology, Pass with Distinction

Aalto University School of Electrical Engineering

2013 Bachelor of Science in Technology

Aalto University School of Electrical Engineering

2007 Matriculation examination

Helsinki Upper Secondary School of Visual Arts

# **PUBLICATIONS**

# **JOURNAL ARTICLES**

Lauri Nummenmaa, **Juulia T. Suvilehto**, Enrico Glerean, Pekka Santti & Jari K. Hietanen. (2016) *Topography of Human Erogenous Zones*. Archives of Sexual Behavior. 45 (5) 1207-1216. doi:10.1007/s10508-016-0745-z

**Juulia T. Suvilehto**, Enrico Glerean, Robin Dunbar, Riitta Hari & Lauri Nummenmaa. (2015) *Social Touch Depends on Emotional Bonds between Humans.* Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America. 112 (45) 13811-13816. doi:10.1073/pnas.1519231112

# **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

Relationship-specific encoding of social touch in the somatosensory cortices? (2016) Poster at 46th Meeting of the Society for Neuroscience. San Diego, CA, USA.

Topography of Human Erogenous Zones. (2015) Poster at Doctoral program Brain & Mind symposium. Kirkkonummi, Finland.

U Can't Touch This: Spatial Topography of Social Touching. (2014) Poster at 1 Annual Meeting of The Society for Affective Sciences. Washington DC, USA.

#### RESEARCH FUNDING

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2016	Young Researcher Grant, Emil Aaltonen foundation	28.250 eur
2015	Young Researcher Grant, Emil Aaltonen foundation	28.250 eur
2014	Young Researcher Grant, Emil Aaltonen foundation	26.500 eur

# **AWARDS**

2017	Finnish science communication award, Liikutu Tiedosta,	3.000 eur
	awarded to Brain Twitter Conference #brainTC	
2016	Travel Award, Doctoral program Brain & Mind	800 eur
2015	Best Poster Award, Doctoral program Brain & Mind symposium	200 eur

# **INVITED TALKS**

#### 2016

Quantifying relationship-specificity of social touch. *Emotion and Social Cognition Lab,* Division of Biology and Biological Engineering, Caltech. Pasadena, California, US. November 2016.

Quantifying relationship-specificity of social touch. *The Somatosensory & Affective Neuroscience Group*, Research Centre in Brain and Behaviour, Liverpool John Moores University. Liverpool, United Kingdom. September 2016.

Quantifying relationship-specificity of social touch. *KatLab*, Research Department of Clinical, Educational and Health Psychology, University College London. London, United Kingdom. September 2016.

#### TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

# **AALTO UNIVERSITY**

Teaching Assistant in Experimental and Statistical Methods in	2015 - 2016
Biological Sciences I	fall term
5 ECTS credits, Master's level	

Teaching Assistant in Experimental and Statistical Methods in 2015 Biological Sciences II spring term

5 ECTS credits, Master's level

Effectively acted as Instructor of Record, although due to University policies the official title for the role was TA.

Teaching Assistant in Introduction to Cell Biology 2010 - 2012 6 ECTS credits, Bachelor's level spring term

# SUPERVISED RESEARCH ASSISTANTS (B.SC./M.SC. STUDENTS)

2017 Ana Maria Triana Hoyos

2015 - 2016 Timo Vehviläinen 2014 - 2015 Tekla Larinkoski 2014 Anna Anttalainen

# SUPERVISED BACHELOR'S THESES

2015 Roope Vesterinen: Toisen välityksellä koetun kivun aivovaste

2014 Tuomas Alakörkkö: Emootioiden aiheuttamat muutokset ihmiskehon

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lämpötilassa

2013 Joonas Tietäväinen: Sosiaalinen koskettaminen viestinnän muotona

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 05/2017 Doctoral Student, Turku PET Centre, University of Turku, Turku, Finland
- 02/2014 PhD Candidate, Department of Neuroscience and Biomedical Engineering, Aalto University, Espoo, Finland
- 09/2016 Visiting Researcher, Department of Psychology,
  University of Cambridge, Cambridge, United Kingdom
- 03/2015 Visiting Researcher, Department of Neuroscience & Imaging, University G. d'Annunzio, Chieti, Italy
- 07/2013 Research Assistant,
- 02/2014 Laboratory of Biomedical Engineering and Computational Sciences (BECS), Aalto University School of Science

#### OUTREACH

- 2017 Poster presentation at Brain Awareness Week poster exhibition at University of Helsinki
- 2016 Scientists in Schools project in Aalto University.

  Visiting primary, secondary and high schools to talk about research.

# MEDIA COVERAGE (SELECTED)

- 2017 Sormenpäät kertovat, *Tekniikan Maailma*Tutkimuksen yllättävä tieto paljastaa suomalaiset koskettelevaksi kansaksi, *Länsi-Suomi*Olisitko valmis maksamaan halauksesta?, *Yle (online)*Mitä kosketus ihmiselle tekee, *Puoli Seitsemän, Yle TV1*
- These Body Maps Show Where We Like To Be Touched, And Where We Don't, *The Huffington Post (online)*¿Te puedo tocar? cómo, dónde y cuándo es aceptable el contacto físico, BBC Mundo (online)

#### PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

- 2017 A!Peda Intro, Pedagogical course (5 ECTS)
  Aalto University
- 2015 Connectivity Course: Structural and Functional Brain Connectivity via MRI and fMRI
  MGH/HST Athinoula A Martinos Center for Biomedical Imaging

# ORGANISATION OF SCIENTIFIC MEETINGS

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2017 Organiser at inaugural Brain research Twitter conference (#brainTC) 20th April 2017

2015 Organiser at Attending and Neglecting People, Tuusula, Finland Part of Attention and Performance series

# PROFESSIONAL WORK EXPERIENCE

- Associate Product Manager, CRF Health
  Master's thesis position in Health Outcomes. Investigated the suitability of
  using subjects' own devices (BYOD) in capturing electronic Clinical
  Outcome Assessments (eCOA) in clinical trials from practical and
  regulatory perspectives.
- 2011- Junior Bioinformatician, Euformatics Oy
- Designed and implemented data analysis and data management software for biologists and doctors working with gene sequencing data. Trained end users and acted as tech support.

# RELATED PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Specific toolboxes		Other tools
SPM		Git
Statistics & Machine Learning toolbox		Html, php, css
ggplot		Java
psych	_	Slurm
Nibabel		Subversion
Nilearn		
NumPy		
Scikit-learn		
SciPy		
PyMVPA	_	
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Languages	Reading	Speaking	Writing
Finnish	native	native	native
English	fluent	fluent	fluent
Swedish	good	conversational	intermediate
German	can read with dictionary	beginner	beginner

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