CURRICULUM VITAE

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EDUCATION

PhD in Computer Vision and Deep Learning.

Nov. 2022

Universitat Politècnica de València, Spain. *Title:* Learning from limited labelled data: contributions to weak, few-shot and unsupervised learning. *Supervisor:* Prof. Valery Naranjo. *Grade: summa cum laude.*

BSc & MSc in Biomedical Engineering.

Sept. 2018

Universitat Politècnica de València, Spain.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Postdoctoral Researcher.

Jan. 2023 - Present

Institution: ÉTS Montréal, Canada. Supervisors: Prof. Jose Dolz and Prof. Ismail Ben Ayed.

- Vision-language foundation models, few-shot adaptation, and medical image analysis (retina, radiology, and histology).
- Uncertainty quantification in vision-language models.
- Foundation models for volumetric segmentation (CT scans): pre-training and parameter-efficient fine-tuning.
- Co-supervision of PhD and MSc students in their research projects and publications.

Applied Scientist.

Jan. 2023 - Present

Institution: Diagnos Medical Systems, Canada. - part-time, collaboration.

- Collaboration with ophthalmologists to deploy machine learning solutions for eye disease screening.
- Developed FLAIR, the first vision-language foundation model for retina (fundus) image analysis.
- Translational research to adapt pre-trained models to rare disease detection in low-data regimes.

Adjunct Professor.

April. 2023 - July. 2025

Institution: Valencian International University, Spain - part-time, remote.

- Teaching MSc courses (26 hours each), both theoretical and practical.
- Foundations of machine learning, deep learning, and reinforcement learning.
- Supervision of MSc thesis.

Doctoral Researcher.

April. 2019 - Dec. 2022

Institution: Universitat Politècnica de València, Spain. Supervisors: Prof. Valery Naranjo.

- Computer vision, deep learning, and histology gigapixel image analysis (whole-slide images).
- Weakly supervised learning, e.g., archived SoTA performance on local Gleason grading using weak supervision.
- Active participation in national and international projects (SICAP, AI4Skin, CLARIFY, etc.).
- Participation in writing technical proposals for national and European research projects.
- Collaboration with pathologists from Hospital Clínic Universitari de València.

Teaching Assistant.

Sept. 2019 - Nov. 2022

Institution: Universitat Politècnica de València, Spain - Communications Department.

- Teaching BSc/MSc laboratory sessions (60 hours/year).
- Signal processing, medical image analysis, and machine learning.
- Co-supervision of BSc/MSc thesis.

Algorithm Engineer.

Aug. 2017 - April 2019

Company: ContinUse Biometrics (later rebranded as Donisi Health), Tel Aviv, Israel.

- Experience in a startup developing optical systems for contact-free health monitoring.
- Active participation in designing real-time signal processing algorithms deployed in final products and patents.

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Legend: (\circ) First authorship. (\star) Co-supervision of PhD/MSc students. - An extended list is found in **Scholar**. **2025**

- MICCAI Towards a Realistic Few-shot Adaptation of Medical Vision-Language Models.
- MedIA Towards Foundation Models and Few-Shot Efficient Fine-Tuning for Volumetric Organ Segmentation.
- \circ $\mathbf{CVPR}\,$ Conformal Prediction for Zero-Shot Models.
- IPMI Full Conformal Adaptation of Medical Vision-Language Models.

- IPMI A Reality Check of Vision-Language Pre-training in Radiology: Have We Progressed Using Text?
- MedIA A Foundation Language-Image Model of the Retina (FLAIR): Encoding Expert Knowledge in Text Supervision. 2024
 - * MICCAI Few-Shot Adaptation of Medical Vision-Language Models.
 - \star $\mathbf{MICCAI}\,$ Class and Region-Adaptive Constraints for Network Calibration.
 - * ECCV Robust Calibration of Large Vision-Language Adapters.
 - CVPR A Closer Look at the Few-Shot Adaptation of Large Vision-Language Models.
- \star CMIG Uninformed Teacher-Student for Hard-Samples Distillation in Weakly Supervised Mitosis Localization.
- \star CMIG Labeling Confidence for Uncertainty-aware Histology Image Classification.

2022

- o MedIA Constrained Unsupervised Anomaly Segmentation.
- o CMIG Proportion Constrained Weakly Supervised Histopathology Image Classification.

2021

- JBHI Self-learning for Weakly Supervised Gleason Grading of Local Patterns.
- CMIG A weakly-supervised convolutional neural network for the semantic segmentation of Gleason grades.
- CMPB Going deeper through the Gleason scoring scale: An automatic system for histology prostate grading.

ACADEMIC SERVICES

Conference reviewer: MICCAI'25 - MIDL'25 - IPMI'25 - CVPR'25 - NeurIPS'24 - ECCV'24 - MICCAI'24 - MIDL'24 - CVPR'24 - MICCAI'23.

Conference program committee:

- Special Session in Foundation Models for Medicine (FMM) at IJCNN'25.
- Tutorial on Foundation Models For Medical Imaging (FOMMIA) at MICCAI'24.

Journal reviewer: Medical Image Analysis - IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging - IEEE Transactions on Image Processing - Computerized Medical Imaging and Graphics.

AWARDS, RECOGNITIONS, FUNDING

Outstanding reviewer: MICCAI'24 - MIDL'24 - MICCAI'23.

Best Paper Award:

• 1st Int. Workshop on Foundation Models for General Medical AI. MICCAIw'23 (MedAGI).

Best PhD Thesis Award: Received from Universitat Politècnica de València (Rank: 3/112).

Competitive individual grants:

- Postdoctoral Scholarship for Foreign Students (PBEEE) from Fonds de recherche du Quebec (FRQ), 2023.
- PhD training grant (FPI) from the Spanish Government, 2019-2022.

OTHER

Datasets: SICAPv2, a dataset of prostate WSIs with local and global annotations (+1K downloads).

Open code: Implementations and models of my projects are available on Github (+250 stars, +25 forks).

Tutorials:

- "Foundation Models for Volumetric Medical Image Segmentation". MICCAI'24 Tutorials (FOMMIA).
- "Hands On: Few-Shot Adaptation of Medical VLMs". Summer School DLMI'24 MICCAI Endorsed.

Talks:

- "Towards Multi-Modal Foundation Models for Retinal Image Analysis". APTOS'25, invited faculty symposium.
- "Full Conformal Adaptation of Medical Vision-Language Models". IPMI'25.
- "Few-Shot Adaptation of Medical Vision-Language Models". MICCAI'24 Spotlight.
- "Foundation Models and Few-Shot Efficient Fine-Tuning for Volumetric Organ Segmentation". MICCAIw'23 (MedAGI).