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EDUCATION

University of California, Davis

Davis, California, USA

Ph.D., Biomedical Engineering,

Expected Jun 2025

- Research Interests: Deep learning for advanced imaging to improve diagnosis of Alzheimer's Disease

University of California, San Diego

San Diego, California, USA

B.S., Bioengineering

June 2019

HONORS AND AWARDS

Translational Health Data Science Fellowship

2022

ISMARM New Entrant Stipend Award

2021-2022

University of California, San Diego Provost Honors

2017-2018

Phi Beta Kappa Society

2016

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

University of California, Davis, Davis, California, USA

Sep 2020 – present

Graduate Student Researcher; Advisor: Dr. Audrey Fan

PhD. Thesis: “Functional and anatomical quantitative imaging for aging and dementia”

- Analyzing and evaluating quantitative BOLD modeling of functional signals
- Applying advanced machine learning approaches to better understand physiological and structural contributions to neurodegeneration (e.g., Alzheimer's Disease)
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Salk Institute of Biological Science - Computational Neurology Lab, San Diego

UCSD Institute of Neural Computation - Computational Neurology Center, San Diego

Undergraduate Research Assistant; Advisor: Dr. David Peterson

Jul 2018 - Jan 2020

- Analyzed and evaluated computerized methods of dystonia severity evaluation using OpenFace, and MATLAB
- Assessed head tremor with computer vision
- Reviewed patients' videos for protocol compliance
- Annotated essential tremor patients' video for downstream analysis

University of California, San Diego, San Diego, California USA

Data Science Research Intern; Advisor: Dr. Ben Croker

Jul 2019 - Oct 2019

- Examined the state of cell by creating a computational method to quantify the transition of cells
- Developed an interactive app to track the cell death progress based on cell images dataset in R

University of California, San Diego, San Diego, California USA

Bioengineering Research Assistant; Advisor: Dr. Pedro Cabrales

Jul 2017 - Jun 2019

- Studied about satiety mechanism to improve the diet habit by adjusting the eating speed
- Examined the dataset of patients and background of obesity and overweight to analyze recorded data of 30 participants by MATLAB toolbox
- Designed an application for iPhone users to control eating behavior by Swift and created a database to store users' information for further investigations

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Cortechs.ai, San Diego, California USA

Neuroanatomy Imaging Specialist

Neuroanatomy Associate

Neuroanatomy Imaging Intern

Sep 2019 - Sep 2020

Nov 2018 - Sep 2019

Apr 2018 - Nov 2018

- Analyzed and evaluated volumetric MRI brain images and performed subcortical segmentation using MATLAB to improve the algorithm
- Applied image processing techniques for image analysis such as image segmentation and morphological filtering technique to remove noise and enhance the MRI brain images for better quantitative results
- Used statistical methods to validate the results of gradient correction of the MRI brain images
- Examined the changes of structural volumes of patients and comparing with normative dataset
- Conducted research about brain atrophy by using automated segmentation data

PUBLICATION

Vu JP, Cisneros E, Lee HY, **Le L**, et al. *Head tremor in cervical dystonia: Quantifying severity with computer vision*. Journal of the Neurological Sciences, 2022; 434

Zhu Y, Shamie I, Lee J, Nowell C, Peng W, Angulo S, **Le L**, et al. *Immune response to intravenous immunoglobulin in patients with Kawasakii disease and MIS-C*. JCI, 2021;131(20)

PRESENTATIONS

Le L, Wheeler G, Momjian A, Donnay C, Blockley N, Fan A. *Oxygen Extraction Fraction using Quantitative BOLD and Cerebral Blood Flow during Vasodilation*. Presented at ISMRM; May 2022. London, UK.

Le L, Wheeler G, Christen T, Zaharchuk G, Fan A. *Comparison of Quantitative BOLD and Vascular MRF for Mapping Brain Oxygenation*. Presented at ISMRM; May 2022. London, UK.

Wheeler G, **Le L**, Fan A. *Dynamic Vascular Magnetic Resonance Fingerprinting of Cerebral Physiology*. Presented at ISMRM-endorsed Workshop on MRI Acquisition & Reconstruction; September 9, 2021; Virtual conference.

Le L, Wheeler G, Fan A. *Quantitative BOLD Modeling of Brain Oxygenation During Vasodilation*. Presented at ISMRM-endorsed Workshop on MRI Acquisition & Reconstruction; September 9, 2021; Virtual Conference.

Le L, Wheeler G, Fan A. *Brain Oxygen Extraction Measurement during Hypercapnia and Hypoxia using Quantitative BOLD MRI*. Presented at BMEGG Symposium, University of California, Davis; May 2021.

CONFERENCE ABSTRACT

Pajouhesh P, Lee Q, **Le L**, Maillard P, Fan A. *Identifying effects of tract-specific white matter hyperintensity burden on functional connectivity*. OHBM; 2022 June.

Luo W, **Le L**, Ulug A, Mazhari A, Pinter N, Magda S, Haxton R, Melton R, Airriess C. *Performance Evaluation for Multiple Sclerosis Identification Models Based on MR Imaging and Machine Learning*. ACTRIMS; Feb 2020

Luo W, Mazhari A, Ulug A, Pinter N, **Le L**, Haxton R, Magda S, Kjonigsen L, and Airriess C. *A Statistical Reference Percentile Chart for Evaluating Brain Atrophy in Multiple Sclerosis*. ECTRIMS; 2019 Sept 11-13; Stockholm, Sweden.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of California, Davis, Davis, California, USA

Jan 2022 - Mar 2022

Teaching Assistant | Department of Biomedical Engineering | BIM 289B, Neuroimaging

Grossmont College, San Diego, California USA

Mathematics Tutor

Oct 2014 - Jun 2016

SERVICE AND AFFILIATIONS

- Member, The Alzheimer's Association International Society to Advance Alzheimer's Research and Treatment (ISTAART) (2021-2022)
- Member, International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (ISMRM) (2021-2022)
- Admission Committee, Biomedical Engineering Graduate Group, UC Davis (2021)
- Graduate Student Representative (GSA), Biomedical Engineering Student Association (BESA), UC Davis (2020-2021)
- Transfer Prep Program Leader, IDEA Engineering Student Center, UC San Diego (2018)
- Peer mentor, IDEA Engineering Student Center, UC San Diego (2017-2018)

SKILL

- Technical skills: Python, MATLAB, Java, R
- Deep learning: keras-CNN, Pytorch, TensorFlow
- Imaging Software: FSL
- Computer aided design/engineering: AutoCAD, 3D Printing
- Unix/Linux, Windows

REFERENCES

Professor Audrey P. Fan

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