# Matias Leandro Andina

#### **Personal Information**

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#### Education

2016-2018

MSc Student, University of Massachusetts Amherst, USA

Thesis: Mapping a pup-resposive pathway from medial preoptic area to ventral

tegmental area.

Advisor: Dr Mariana Pereira.

GPA: 3.87

2010-2015

Biology Degree, University of Buenos Aires, Argentina

Thesis: Study of different long-term memories and participation of synaptic

ERK/MAPK in memory consolidation.

Advisor: Dr Mariana Feld

GPA: 8.4/10.0

## **Research Experience**

Current

**Technical Associate** 

2018

Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA Study of inflammatory-induced deficits on social behavior.

2016-2018

MSc Student - Neuroscience and Behavior Program

University of Massachusetts Amherst, USA

Study of neural circuits involved in maternal behavior using a rat model.

2013-2015

**Undergraduate Research Assistant** 

Neurobiology of Memory Lab, IFIByNE-CONICET, Argentina

Contextual Pavlovian Conditioning, long term memory consolidation and molecular mechanisms involved in crab's escape response to a visual danger stimulus.

#### Skills

Laboratory

Stereotaxic surgery, Brain localized injections, Perfusion, Brain tissue collection, Cryosectioning, Immunohistochemistry, Epifluorescence and Confocal Microscopy, Microdialysis probe implant and sample collection, Tissue homogenates, HPLC, Gel electrophoresis.

Computer

Software: Microsoft Office, SPSS, Inkscape, ImageJ, Illustrator. Languages: R, MATLAB, Markdown, Latex, C(Arduino).

### **Teaching Experience**

University of Massachusetts Amherst

- 2018 Teaching Assistant
  - Methods of Inquiry in Psychology.
- 2017 Instructor of Record
  - Animal Behavior: stay fit, survive another day. First year 1 credit seminar, supported by College of Natural Sciences (CNS) fellowship. CIRTL Associate.
- 2017 Teaching Assistant
  - Interdisciplinary Methods in Psychology.

#### **Invited Talks and Lectures**

- 2017 Parenting Behaviors Behavioral Neuroendocrinology, UMass
- 2017 Neural Basis of Maternal Behavior Neuroscience club, UMass

#### **Conferences and Presentations**

- Ojea Ramos S.; **Andina M.**; Feld M. Long-term memory induced by two training trials in the crab Neohelice granulata. Presented at the 11th FENS forum, Berlin, Germany.
- Andina, M.; Romano, A.; Feld, M. Two-trial long-term memory in the crab Neohelice granulata. Presented at the 30th Annual Meeting of the Argentinean Society of Neuroscience Research. Mar del Plata, Argentina.
- 2013 Andina, M.; Klappenbach, M.; Locatelli, F.; Pedreira, E.; Romano, A.; Feld, M.. Measuring crab's memory: improving conditioning. Presented at the Annual Meeting of the Argentinean Society of Neuroscience Research. Huerta Grande, Argentina.

### **Scholarships and Awards**

- 2017 College of Natural Sciences Fellowship, University of Massachusetts Amherst.
- 2016 Neuroscience and Behavior Program Fellowship, University of Massachusetts Amherst.
- 2015 Young ISN Neurochemistry Award.

### Mentoring

University of Massachusetts Amherst

- 2017 2018 | Idil Tuncali Projects(s): Ultrasonic vocalization analysis. Statistics. R.
  - 2017 Nneka Southwell Technique(s): Perfusion, Tissue Collection, Cryosectioning.
- 2016 2017 | Thomas Riley Potter Project(s): Microdialysis probe calibration.
  - 2016 Dar Alon Project(s): Automated cell counting.

#### **Service**

University of Massachusetts Amherst

- 2018 2016 NSB Seminar Committee. Organization of invited Faculty talks at UMass.
- 2018 2017 NSB Mentoring Committee. Organization of first year graduate student activities and mentoring events.

### **Outreach**

2018 - 2016 | That's Life [Science] Blog. Article writing and editing.

# Languages

Spanish: Native Proficiency
English: Bilingual Proficiency
Portuguese: Intermediate Proficiency