Rashmi Rajshekhar

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Education

Cornell UniversityIthaca, NYMaster of Engineering- Biomedical Engineering, GPA-3.5/42014-2015Manipal UniversityManipal, IndiaBachelor of Engineering- Biomedical Engineering, GPA -8.7/102008-2012

Experience

Columbia University New York, NY

Research Staff Assistant under Professor Donald C. Hood

2015-Present

- Developed a custom report using Topcon Maestro frequency domain widefield OCT (Optical Coherence Tomography) scans of the retina, based on the Hood Lab research, to detect and diagnose Glaucoma
- Created a module using a pair of Topcon swept source widefield OCT scans to qualitatively detect and follow Glaucoma progression
- Collaborated with Dr. Randy Kardon at the University of Iowa to develop a custom report to detect Glaucoma using the Zeiss Cirrus OCT cube scans of the Macula and Disc regions of the retina
- Developed alternative models to characterize circumpappilary Retinal Nerve Fiber Layer (pRNFL) damage in widespread or diffuse glaucoma. Presented a poster on this project at the ARVO (Association of Research in Vision and Ophthalmology) annual conference in Baltimore, in May 2017. Currently, extending the models to examine normal population variations as well as the effects of aging on pRNFL thickness among healthy normal subjects
- Developed methods to minimize false positives caused by artifacts and normal anatomical variations in a custom one-page Glaucoma report using Topcon Maestro frequency domain OCT scans of the retina
- Performed routine upkeep and maintenance of lab equipment including OCT scanners and computing systems in the lab and troubleshooting IT issues alongside Columbia IT

M.H. Al Shaya Co. Kuwait City, Kuwait

Information Processing Administrator

2012–2014

- Handled IT troubleshooting, inventory and cataloguing for brands like Victoria's Secret and Pottery Barn, and transfer of inventory in G.O.L.D, a contemporary global logistics tool
- Trained two new recruits and five consultants in inventory database management and cataloguing

Rutgers University (previously UMDNJ)

Newark, NJ

Research Trainee under Professor Dinesh Mital

June 2011

- Predicted demographics that require immediate medical attention in an emergency room, using SPSS
- Conducted descriptive data analysis and examined the utility of statistical analysis to improve public health

Academic Projects

Master of Engineering Project- Wearable Health Assessment Device, Cornell University

2014-2015

- Designed a wearable ECG and lung sound analysis system which would facilitate the self-diagnosis of aberrant sensations in the chest
- Developed the design and product specifications of the device and developed the guidelines to facilitate potential FDA approval of the same
- Developed the Android interface that links the system to a smart device
- Presented design at New York State Business Plan Competition Finals (April 2015), Albany, NY, after competing
 against thirty teams in the semifinals held in Ithaca, NY

A System for the Acquisition and Analysis of Lung Sounds, Cornell University

2015

- Designed the circuit for amplification and filtering of lung sounds, acquired from a simple electret microphone
- Analyzed acquired signals on LabView and classified them based on pathology

Analysis of Functional MRI of the motor cortex, Cornell University

2014

 Isolated activation regions in the brain of the subject while performing finger tapping exercise, through Statistical Parametric Modelling

Health App Development, Cornell University

2014

- Created the user interface of an Android app that tracks the impact of smartphone usage on user's health
- Designed and evaluated features to gently encourage users to spend less time on the phone

Navigational Aid for the Visually Impaired, Manipal University

2012

- Created an ultrasonic obstacle detector, using a simple ultrasound sensor and an 8051 microcontroller
- Prototyped the device for less than \$50. Tested the device in controlled conditions with a 90% accuracy rate
 Morphological image analysis of tumors in the breast tissue, Manipal University

 2011
- Used MATLAB to isolate and analyze breast tumors from mammograms
- Performed cell count, density analysis and isolated the boundaries of the tumor

Skills

MATLAB, SPSS, Python

Publications

R. Rajshekhar, L. Shi, R. Ritch, D. Hood

Poster- ARVO 2017

A test of alternative models of early widespread glaucomatous damage

Z. Wu, D. Weng, R. Rajshekhar, R. Ritch, D. Hood

Manuscript- American Journal of Ophthalmology

Effectiveness of a Qualitative Approach Towards Evaluating Optical Coherence Tomography Imaging for Detecting Glaucomatous Damage

K. Tsang, L. Shi, R. Rajshekhar, D. Hood et al

Poster- ARVO 2017

Does the raphe-fovea-disc angle contribute to the basis of the ISNT rule?

L. Shi, C. Gustavo De Moreas, D. Weng, R. Rajshekhar, R. Ritch, D. Hood

Poster- ARVO 2017

Determinants of inter-eye asymmetry in circumpapillary retinal nerve fiber layer (cpRNFL) thickness in healthy and glaucoma patients

L. Silva, Y. Suvan, R. Jarukasetphon, R. Rajshekhar, et al

Poster- ARVO 2017

Retinal Ganglion Cell layer by Fourier-domain Optical Coherence Tomography and microvasculature density by Optical Coherence Tomography Angiography at the macular region in glaucoma

A. Sun, C. Gustavo De Moreas, R. Jarukasetphon, R. Rajshekhar, et al

Poster- ARVO 2017

Systems for staging glaucoma based upon 24-2 visual fields have a fundamental flaw

N. De Cuir, M. Mavrommatis, et al including R. Rajshekhar

Poster- ARVO 2016

Paravascular defects and epiretinal membranes are seen on en-face slab OCT images in eyes with early glaucoma