

# RYUTARO TANNO

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## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Machine Learning Safety, Deep Learning, Probabilistic Models, Medical Image Analysis, Healthcare Applications

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Microsoft Research

Cambridge, UK

Senior Researcher

Dec 2019 -

Health Intelligence Group

- Responsibilities: develop high-impact research agenda in machine learning; collaborate with researchers and partners to develop new AI products; supervise post-doc researchers, interns and AI residents; write research/production-level code and publish research papers at top-tier conferences and journals

Butterfly Network

New York, USA

Research Intern

March 2018 - August 2018

Deep Learning Team

- Mentored by Dr. Nathan Silberman
- Research topic: learning from labels from multiple annotators of varying skills levels and biases
- Published a **paper** in CVPR 2019

Microsoft Research

Cambridge, UK

Research Intern

Oct 2017 - March 2018

Team Inner Eye

- Mentored by Dr. Aditya Nori
- Research topic: synergise neural networks and decision trees for more effective architecture search.
- Published a **paper** to ICML 2019 & obtained a **patent**

ThinkSono

London, UK

One of 4 starting members

Dec 2016 - May 2018

- Co-lead the product development with Antonis Makropoulos (the present CSO) in the first year. Lead the problem formulation, data collection and implementation of the core deep learning algorithms for real-time diagnosis of deep-vein thrombosis with a mobile ultra-sound scanner.
- Won € **50,000** through the Grants4Apps accelerator programme. Selected by Bayer as one of the top 4 digital health start-ups out of >450 applications across the globe.
- Published a **paper** in MICCAI 2018 & obtained a **patent**.

MRC Cognition and Brain Sciences Unit

Cambridge, UK

Research Intern

July 2014 - Sep 2014

- Recipient of the **PMC scholarship** from Mathematics Dept., Cambridge University.

## ACADEMIC HISTORY

University College London

London, UK

PhD in Machine Learning and Medical Imaging

Oct 2015 - Dec 2020

Department of Computing

- Supervised by Daniel C. Alexander & Antonio Criminisi
- Thesis: *Reasoning with Uncertainty in Deep Learning for Safer Medical Image Computing*  
Committee: Julia Schnabel & Simon Arridge
- Recipient of **Microsoft Scholarship**

University of Cambridge

Cambridge, UK

MPhil in Computational Neuroscience & Machine Learning

Oct 2014 - Oct 2015

Computational and Biological Learning Lab, Information Engineering

- Supervised by Mate Lengyel

- Recipient of **Newton Trust Award**
- Thesis: *Probabilistic Network Models of Auto-associative Memory with MCMC-based Retrieval Mechanism*  
Committee: Richard E. Turner
- Achieved a grade A\* in all modules.

University of Cambridge  
Master of Advanced Study in Mathematics

Cambridge, UK  
Oct 2013 - July 2014

- Supervised by Philip Dawid
- Thesis: *Information Geometry and its Applications in Asymptotic Statistics*
- Achieved a Distinction grade

Imperial College London  
BSc in Pure Mathematics

London, UK  
Oct 2010 - June 2013

- Achieved First Class in all three years
- Recipient of **Winton Capital Prize** for the best penultimate year thesis.

## MENTORSHIP

- **MSRAI residents:** Tatiana Matejovikova (March 2021 - Sep 2021, currently at DeepMind), Marie Hoffman (March 2021 - Sep 2021, currently at Freie Universität Berlin)
- **MSR Intern (co-)supervision:** Agnieszka Slowik (University of Cambridge, Sep 2021 - Dec 2021), Sahra Ghalebikesabi (University of Oxford, June 2021 - Oct 2021), Max Ilse (University of Amsterdam, March 2021 - July 2021), Kerem Tezkan (ETH Zürich, Oct 2020 - Dec 2020)
- **Student (co-)supervision & collaboration:** Thomas Henn (Osaka U., 2020-), Riccardo Barbano (UCL, 2021-), Haoting Zhang (UCL MSc project, Jan 2020-Oct 2020), Kang Lei, MSc (UCL MSc project, Jan 2020 - Oct 2020), Prachi Agawal, MBBS (UCL MSc project, Jan 2019-Oct 2019), X. Wang, MSc (UCL MSc project, Jan 2018-Oct 2018), Ahmed. Azhar, MSc (UCL MSc project, Jan 2018-Oct 2018)
- **Technical Advisor** at Synthetic Gestalt, Tokyo, Japan (February 2019 - Dec 2019)
- **Technical Advisor** at R&D AI Development Unit, Terumo, Tokyo (Nov 2019 - )

## PATENTS

Aditya Nori, Antonio Criminisi, and **Ryutaro Tanno**, “Neural Trees”, US Patent Application 16043131, 2020, Microsoft

Fouad Al Noor, Sven Mischkewitz, Antonios Makropoulos, **Ryutaro Tanno**, Bernhard Kainz, Ozan Oktay, “Blood vessel obstruction diagnosis method, apparatus & system” Patent No.EP3592242A1, 2020

## PUBLICATIONS

♦ = representative papers, \* = equal contributions

- ♦ **Ryutaro Tanno**, Melanie Pradier, Aditya Nori and Yingzhen Li, “Repairing Neural Networks by Leaving the Right Past Behind”, Preprint, Under Review at ICML 2022

Chen Jin, **Ryutaro Tanno**, Thomy Mertzanidou, Laura Panagiotaki, Daniel C Alexander, “Learning to Downsample for Segmentation of Ultra-High Resolution Images”, ICLR 2022

Riccardo Barbano, Simon Arridge, Bangti Jin, **Ryutaro Tanno**, “Uncertainty Quantification in Medical Image Synthesis”, Book Chapter in Biomedical Image Synthesis and Simulation, Elsevier 2022

Melanie Bernhardt\*, Daniel C Castro\*, **Ryutaro Tanno**\*, ..., Ben Glocker, Javier Alvarez-Valle, Ozan Oktay, “Active Label Cleaning: Improving Dataset Quality under Resource Constraints”, Nature Communications 2021

Thomas Henn, Yasukazu Sakamoto, ..., Yingzhen Li, **Ryutaro Tanno**, “A Principled Approach to Failure Analysis and Model Repairment: Demonstration in Medical Imaging”, MICCAI 2021

- ♦ Le Zhang\*, **Ryutaro Tanno**\*, Moucheng Xu, Chen Jin, Joseph Jacob, Olga Ciccarelli, Frederik Barkhof, Daniel C Alexander, “Disentangling Human Error from the Ground Truth in Segmentation of Medical Images”, NeurIPS 2020

Chen Jin, **Ryutaro Tanno**, Moucheng Xu, Thomy Mertzanidou, Daniel C Alexander, “Foveation for segmentation of mega-pixel histology images”, MICCAI 2020

Le Zhang, **Ryutaro Tanno**, Moucheng Xu, Chen Jin, Joseph Jacob, Olga Ciccarelli, Frederik Barkhof, Daniel C Alexander, “Learning to Segment When Experts Disagree”, MICCAI 2020

- ♦ **Ryutaro Tanno**, D. Worrall, E. Kaden, A. Ghosh, ..., A. Criminisi, and D. C. Alexander, “Uncertainty Quantification in Deep Learning for Safer Neuroimage Enhancement”. Neuroimage 2020

Ozan Oktay, Jay Nanavati, Anton Schwaighofer, David Carter, Melissa Bristow, **Ryutaro Tanno**, Rajesh Jena, Gill Barnett, David Noble, Yvonne Rimmer, Ben Glocker, Kenton O'Hara, Christopher Bishop, Javier Alvarez-Valle,

Aditya Nori, “Evaluation of deep learning to augment image-guided radiotherapy for head and neck and prostate cancers”, JAMA network open, 2020

- ❖ Felix J.S. Bragman\*, **Ryutaro Tanno**\*, ..., M. Jorge Cardoso, “Stochastic Filter Groups for Multi-Task CNNs: Learning Specialist and Generalist Convolution Kernels”. ICCV 2019 (Oral top ~4%)
- ❖ **Ryutaro Tanno**, Ardavan Saheedi, Swami Sankaranarayanan, Daniel C. Alexander, Nathan Silberman, “Learning From Noisy Labels By Regularized Estimation Of Annotator Confusion”. CVPR 2019
- ❖ **Ryutaro Tanno**, Kailash Arulkumaran, Antonio Criminisi and Aditya Nori, “Adaptive Neural Trees”, ICML 2019
- Stefano B Blumberg, Marco Palombo, Can Son Khoo, Chantal MW Tax, **Ryutaro Tanno**, Daniel C Alexander, “Multi-Stage Prediction Networks for Data Harmonization”, MICCAI 2019
- Felix JS Bragman, **Ryutaro Tanno**, Sebastien Ourselin, Daniel C Alexander, M Jorge Cardoso, “Learning task-specific and shared representations in medical imaging”, MICCAI 2019
- Konstantinos Kamnitsas, Daniel Castro, Loic Folgoc, **Ryutaro Tanno**, Daniel Rueckert, Ben Glocker, Antonio Criminisi, Aditya Nori. “Semi-Supervised Learning via Compact Latent Space Clustering”. ICML 2018 (Long Oral)
- Ryutaro Tanno**, Antonio Makropoulos, Salim Arslan, Ozan Oktay, Sven Mischkewitz, Fouad Al-Noori, Jonas Oppenheimer, Ramin Mandegaran, Bernard Kainz, Mattias Heinrich. “AutoDVT: Joint Real-time Classification for Vein Compressibility Analysis in Deep Vein Thrombosis Ultrasound Diagnostics”, MICCAI 2018
- Felix Bragman, **Ryutaro Tanno**, Zach Eaton-Rosen, Wenqi Li, David J. Hawkes, Sebastien Ourselin, Daniel C. Alexander, Jamie R. McClelland, M. Jorge Cardoso, “Uncertainty in multitask learning: joint representations for probabilistic MR-only radiotherapy planning”, MICCAI 2018 (Spotlight < 5%)
- Stefano Blumberg, **Ryutaro Tanno**, Iasonas Kokkinos, Daniel C Alexander. “Deeper Image Quality Transfer: Training Low-Memory Neural Networks for 3D Images”, MICCAI 2018
- ❖ **Ryutaro Tanno**, Daniel Worrall, Aurobrata Ghosh, Enrico Kaden, Stamatio N. Sotiropoulos, Antonio Criminisi and Daniel C. Alexander, . “Bayesian Image Quality Transfer with CNNs: Exploring Uncertainty in dMRI Super-Resolution”, MICCAI 2017 (Oral + Beet Paper Award, top <0.5%)
- Ryutaro Tanno**, Aurobrata Ghosh, Francesco Grussu, Enrico Kaden, Antonio Criminisi and Daniel C. Alexander. “Bayesian Image Quality Transfer”. MICCAI 2016

## ACADEMIC SERVICES

- **Lead organiser** of MICCAI UNSURE workshop (100+ attendees) on safety of medical AI in 2019 & Co-organiser (2020, 2021, 2022)
- **Associate Editor** in the special issue of MELBA journal on uncertainty quantification and safety
- **Journal Reviewing**: TMI, MIA, Neuroimage, MRM, MELBA
- **Area Chair/Senior PC**: MIDL (2022)
- **PC member**: MICCAI (2018, 2019, 2020), MIDL (2019), ICCV (2019), CVPR (2020, 2021), ICML (2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022), NeurIPS (2019, 2020, 2021)

## AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2019 - ICML Travel Award, Long Beach, CA, USA  
2018 - MICCAI Travel Award (top 5% of all submissions)  
2017 - Grants4Apps Grant, Bayer (ThinkSono selected as one of top 4 start-ups out of >450 applications)  
2017 - MICCAI Young Scientist Award (best paper award for student first authors, top <1%)  
2017 - MICCAI Travel Award (top 5% of all submissions)  
2015 - Microsoft Research Scholarship, Cambridge, UK  
2014 - Newton Trust Award (awarded to top ranked MPhil students across all subjects), Cambridge, UK  
2014 - PMC Scholarship, Dept. of Mathematics, Cambridge  
2012 - Imperial College UROP Studentship, London  
2012 - Winton Capital Prize (awarded to the best penultimate year thesis), Imperial College, London  
2012, 2013 - Honourable invitation to Imperial College departmental meal (top 5% of 200+ students are invited)  
2009 - British Mathematical Olympiad, Silver Award (26th in the UK)

## SKILLS

- Software: Python (pytorch/tensorflow), Matlab, C
- Languages: native/fluent in both Japanese and English