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EXPERIENCE

MITACS Post-doctoral Fellow

Homewood Research Institute & Western University

November 2020 – Ongoing Department of Psychiatry

Bridging the divide between researchers & clinicians by identifying clinical neuromarkers of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), aiming to improve diagnosis and treatment of such psychological disorders.

Post-graduate Affiliate

Vector Institute

April 2020 – Ongoing Toronto, ON

Research merit-based induction into Vector's AI community, leading to engagements & collaborations with other AI researchers.

Co-Founder & Co-Director

Neurotech Hamilton

June 2017 – Ongoing Hamilton, ON

Co-founded NeuroTech Hamilton (NeuroTechHA), a non-profit with a mission to facilitate neurotechnology advancement by bringing together research & industry. This community has grown to 300+ clinicians, neuroscientists, engineers, & neurotech enthusiasts, fostering collaboration through workshops, events and a major hackathon.

Co-Founder

Serenity Systems

September 2013 – Ongoing Hamilton, ON

Designed a tactile navigation system for the visually impaired to explore novel environments independently & performed validation testing, assessing efficacy against current competitors (published results).

NSERC Summer Research Scholar

McMaster University

2012, 2013, 2014 Hamilton, ON

Three-time award recipient, facilitated work on neuroimaging research projects to improve signal processing in collaboration with industry partners (InteraXon).

Teaching Assistant

Various Departments

2013 – 2020 Hamilton, ON

Co-taught & managed a wide range of courses, from the undergraduate-level calculus and Anatomy & Physiology, to graduate-level machine learning courses, catering technical material to students from a wide range of academic backgrounds.

NOTABLE ACHIEVEMENTS

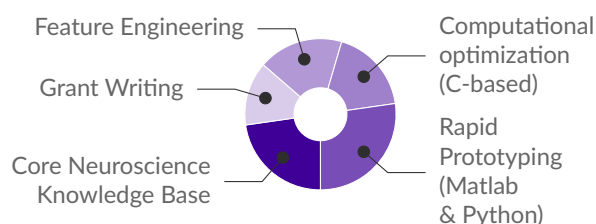
Designed novel ML pipeline for detecting EEG-based brain networks to allow its use as cost-effective biomarkers in psychiatry & in Brain Computer Interfaces (BCIs).

Validated clinical applications by testing pipeline's ability in detecting therapy-linked brain network changes in youth & PTSD patients.

Received numerous grants & awards totaling to 1.5M for projects & initiatives aimed at democratizing access to neurotechnologies in clinical & community settings.

Have great networking & interdisciplinary communication skills honed through supervising 15 research thesis & engineering students, hosting neurotech events & delivering conference talks.

TECHNICAL SKILLS



*Pie-share represents familiarity & daily use

EDUCATION

Ph.D in Neuroscience

McMaster University

Sept 2016 – July 2021

M.A.Sc. in Biomedical Engineering

McMaster University

Sept 2014 – August 2016

B.Eng. in Electrical & Biomedical Eng.

McMaster University

Sept 2010 – June 2014

NOTABLE GRANTS & AWARDS

Phase 1 & 2 IDEaS Grant

Highly competitive grant awarded by Defence Research and Development Canada to study problems faced by Canadian Armed Forces, & trial possible solutions.

MITACS Elevate Post-doctoral Fellowship

Postdoctoral fellowship designed for collaborative projects bridging industry and academia.

NSERC Discovery Grant

Competitive long-term grant to support research in science & engineering.

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Articles

- Bharadwaj, Arnav, Saurabh Bhaskar Shaw, and Daniel Goldreich (2019). "Comparing tactile to auditory guidance for blind individuals". In: *Frontiers in human neuroscience* 13, p. 443.
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Conference Proceedings

- R.Saab et al. (2016). "MyFractal: An EEGLab plugin for the fractal analysis of electroencephalography data". In: *Human Brain Mapping* 2016, p. 1786.
- S.B.Shaw (2017). "Real-Time Filtering of Gradient Artifacts from Simultaneous EEG-fMRI Data". In: *IEEE PRNI*.
- S.B.Shaw, A. Akbari, and M.D. Noseworthy (2013). "Attenuation of Contaminating PCr Signal in Human Liver 31P MRS Using Ferromagnetic Mats". In: *Book of Abstracts ESMRMB 2013*. 26(1): MAGMA, pp. 272–273.
- S.B.Shaw, J.F. Connolly, and M.D. Noseworthy (2016). "Scattering Wavelet Representation of fMRI BOLD data". In: *Proceedings of 14th ImNO 2016*, p. 213.
- S.B.Shaw, J. Dhillon, et al. (2014). "SERENITY: Tactile Navigation System for the Visually Impaired". In: *CNIB Conference 2014*.
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- Y.Levy et al. (2019). "Examining the effects of aerobic exercise on mood, cognition, and neural networks". In: *Toronto Area Memory Group (TAMEG) Spring 2019 Meeting*.

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