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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Research Technician

Sameer Sheth Lab

☐ Jul 2022 - Ongoing

- Baylor College of Medicine
- I investigate neural correlates of behavior and biomarkers of symptom severity in Obsessive-Compulsive Disorder and Depression patients undergoing deep brain stimulation therapy

Research Student

Nader Pouratian Lab

Aug 2023 - Ongoing

- UT Southwestern Medical School
- I investigate brain connectivity and the biophysical mechanisms of deep brain stimulation

Research Student

Bradley Lega Lab

- Sep 2023 Ongoing
- UT Southwestern Medical School
- I investigate human episodic memory using graph theoretic tools to characterize brain connectivity

Undergraduate Research Student

Jay Groves Lab

- **Aug** 2019 May 2022
- UC Berkeley
- I investigated the biophysics of T cell signaling in vitro using TIRF microscopy
- I helped characterize the dynamics of a competitive reaction/diffusion system confined to the cell membrane *in silico*

Undergraduate Research Student

Vasanthi Jayaraman Lab

- May 2021 Jul 2021
- McGovern Medical School
- I investigated the conformational dynamics of a transmembrane phospholipid scramblase protein using single molecule FRET

SKILLS

Matlab

Python

Neural Signal Processing

(Computational) Neuroscience

Biophysical/Mathematical Modeling

PUBLICATIONS

Conference Proceedings

S. Rajesh, V. Berka, E. Di Zanni, et al., "Investigating the conformational dynamics of phospholipid scramblase protein tmem16f in vitro," in Proceedings of Biophysical Society Conference 2022, 2022.

INTERESTS

Broadly, I am interested in **cognitive neuroscience** and how dysfunction thereof manifests in **neuropsychiatric illness**, as well as **neuromodulatory treatment modalities** for these disorders. Additionally, I'm passionate about biophysical modeling of cellular processes.

EDUCATION

M.D. Student

UT Southwestern Medical School

📋 Aug 2023 - May 2027

B.A. in Molecular and Cell Biology

UC Berkeley

🗖 Aug 2019 - May 2022

Thesis: Mechanism of PLC γ 1 activation in T Cells Characterized by Mutation and *In Vitro* Reconstitution

Minor: Physics | GPA: 4.00 | MCAT: 522 Outstanding Scholar Award in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

OUTREACH AND LEAD-ERSHIP

Event Coordinator

Student Interest Group in Neurology (SIGN)

- ☐ Jan 2024 Ongoing UT Southwestern
- Organize events for medical students interested in neurology as a future profession

Science Olympiad

Event Supervisor

- ☐ Aug 2019 Ongoing Various
- Write exams for Science Olympiad tournaments hosted by various universities (ex. MIT, UT Austin, UC Berkeley, Stanford)

LANGUAGES

English	
Spanish	
Tamil	