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Education

8/2011 - 5/2016 Doctor of Philosophy, Developmental and Biological Psychology

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University Blacksburg, VA

9/2004 - 4/2008 Bachelors of Science, Neuroscience University of Michigan, Ann Arbor Ann Arbor, MI

Research Experiences

8/2011 - present Graduate Research Assistant, Translational Decision Neuroscience Roanoke, VA

Virginia Tech Carilion Research Institute

Supervised by Pearl Chiu, Ph.D.

6/2008 - 6/2011 Junior Specialist, Neurocognitive Development Lab

Center for Mind and Brain Davis, CA University of California, Davis

Supervised by Susan M. Rivera, Ph.D. and David R. Hessl, Ph.D.

- Coordinate all MRI data collection and analysis (ROI, correlation, PPI) examining individuals with the fragile X premutation (major work on 2 papers, 1 first author)
- Contribute to several ongoing fMRI projects involving adolescents with autism or adolescents carriers of the full mutation fragile X allele
- Train and supervise multiple undergraduate research assistants on manual segmentation of anatomical brain structures on T1 MRI images and eye tracking analysis

7/2007 - 7/2008 Ann Arbor, MI

Senior Thesis, Ecological Neuroscience Lab

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor

Supervised by Stephanie D. Preston, Ph.D.

- Completed an fMRI study titled: Neuroanatomy of Decision Making About Everyday Objects (first author paper)
- Examined behavioral and neurocorrelates involved in typical subjects making decisions based under different induced mindsets

9/2006 - 9/2007 Research Assistant, Ecological Neuroscience Lab University of Michigan Ann Arbor, MI

Supervised by Stephanie D. Preston, Ph.D.

• Coordinated computer-based behavioral experiments (separate experiments involving decision making or emotion)

Honors and Awards

2008 Eli Lilly Research and Travel Award to Cognitive Neuroscience Society

15th Annual Conference, San Francisco, CA.

2008 Best Poster in Cognition and Perception

University of Michigan Undergraduate Psychology Research Forum

Publications

- Wang, J.M., Koldewyn, K., Hashimoto, R., Schneider, A., Lien, L., Iwahashi, C., Tassone, F., Cheung, K., Hagerman, P.J., Hessl, D.R., & Rivera, S.M. (2012). Male carriers of the FMR1 premutation show altered hippocampal-prefrontal function during memory encoding. *Frontier in Human Neuroscience*, 6(297).
- **Wang, J.M.**, Seidler, R.D., Hall, J.L., & Preston, S.D. (2012). The neural bases of acquisitiveness: Decisions to acquire and discard everyday goods depend on task, item type, and individual differences. *Neuropsychologia*, 50(5), 939-948.
- Selmeczy D., Koldewyn K., **Wang J.M.**, Lee A., Harvey D., Hessl D.R., Tassone F., Adams P., Hagerman R.J., Hagerman P.J., & Rivera S.M. (2011). Investigation of amygdala volume in men with the fragile X permutation. *Brain Imaging and Behavior*, 5(4), 285-294.
- Hessl D.R., **Wang J.M.**, Schneider A., Koldewyn K., Le L., Iwahashi C., Cheung K., Tassone F., Hagerman P.J., Rivera S.M. (2011). Decreased fragile x mental retardation protein expression underlies amygdala dysfunction in carriers of the fragile x premutation. *Biological Psychiatry*, 70(9), 859-865.

Conference Presentations

- Wang, J.M., Zhu, L., Tankersley, De La Garza, R., Newton, T., McCurry, K., King-Casas, B., Chiu, P. (2012). *Neural substrates of learning and valuation in cocaine dependent individuals and controls*. Presented at the Society for Neuroscience 42st Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA.
- Wang, J.M., Zhu, L., Tankersley, D., Christopoulos, G., King-Casas, B., Chiu, P. (2012). *Neural Differentiation of Prediction Error Valence and Magnitude in Probabilistic Learning*. Presented at the 18th Annual Meeting of the Organization for Human Brain Mapping, Beijing, China.

- **Wang, J.M.,** Zhu, L., Tankersley, D., Christopoulos, G., King-Casas, B., Chiu, P. (2012). *Neuroimaging differences in valuation between cocaine addicts and controls.* Presented in the Date Blitz Session at the D-Cides Conference, Durham, NC.
- Garcia-Arocena, D., **Wang, J.M.**, Selmeczy, D., Tassone, F., Fon, J.V., Woo, E.M., Hagerman, R.J., Hagerman, P.J., & Rivera, S.M. (2011). *Impact of telomeres in patients with Fragile X-Associated Tremor/Ataxia Syndrome*. Talk presented at the Society for Neuroscience 41st Annual Meeting, Washington DC.
- **Wang, J.M.**, Hessl, D.R., & Rivera S.M. (2010). *Differences in executive function and emotion processing in fragile X mental retardation-1 premutation carriers during an emotion matching task*. Poster presented at the Society for Neuroscience 40th Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA.
- **Wang, J.M.**, Seilder, R.D., Hall, J.L., & Preston, S.D. (2010) *An addiction to stuff? An fMRI study to determine if common neural circuits underlie decision about cotton balls and crack*. Poster presented at the Society for Neuroeconomics 2010 Annual meeting, Evanston, II.
- **Wang, J.M.**, Tassone, F., Iwahashi, C., Hagerman, P.J., Hessl, D.R., & Rivera, S.M., (2010) *Differences in amygdala activation correlate with molecular measures in male carriers of the FMR1 premutation*. Talk presented at the 12th International Fragile X Conference, Detroit, MI.
- Rivera, S.M, **Wang, J.M.**, Koldewyn, K., Schneider, A., Tassone, F., Hagerman, R.J., Hagerman, P.J., Iwahashi, C., & Hessl, D.R. (2010). *Gene-Brain-Behavior Relationships in Fragile X Premutation Carriers: The Limbic System*. Talk presented at the 43rd Annual Gatlinburg Conference on Research and Theory in Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities, Annapolis, MD.
- Wang, J.M., Koldewyn, K., Hessl, D.R., Selmeczy, D., Hagerman, R.J., Hagerman, P.J., Iwahashi, C., Tassone, F., Schneider, A., & Rivera, S.M. (2009). Fragile X Mental Retardation-1 gene mRNA as a predictor for amygdala volume in fragile X premutation men. Poster presented at the Cognitive Neuroscience Society 16th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.
- **Wang, J.M.**, Hall, J.L., Preston, S.D. (2008). *Neuroanatomy of Decision Making about Everyday Objects*. Poster presented at the Cognitive Neuroscience Society 15th Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA.

Professional Affiliations

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1/2010 - Present	Member, Society for Neuroscience
8/2010 - 2011	Member, Society for Neuroeconomics
7/2010 - 2011	Member, Society for Social Neuroscience
12/2007 - 2009	Member, Cognitive Neuroscience Society

Other Activities

J.M. Wang - Vitae

02/2012 - Current	Co-Founder, VTCRI Decision Making Brown Bag
Roanoke, VA	Virginia Tech Carilion Research Institute
10/2005 - 5/2008 Ann Arbor, MI	President, Undergraduate Philosophy Club University of Michigan, Ann Arbor http://sitemaker.umich.edu/philosophyclub

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