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#### **EDUCATION**

#### ST. GEORGE'S UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE, GRENADA, WEST INDIES

Doctor of Medicine, Field of Interest: Surgery (General, Vascular, Neurosurgery) \*MAY 2026 Degree Level: Doctoral

## **UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT, STORRS, CONNECTICUT**

Master of Science, Neurophysiology

Degree Level: Graduate Clinical Rotation: UCONN Health - John Dempsey Hospital, Farmington, CT Professional Certifications: Intra-Operative Neuromonitoring, HIPAA, BLS/CPR GPA: 4.08

## **QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY, HAMDEN, CONNECTICUT**

Bachelor of Science, Behavioral Neuroscience Degree Level: Undergraduate <u>GPA:</u> 3.74 Honors: Magna Cum Laude

Minors: Biology, Chemistry, & General Business Awards: Psi Chi Honor Society; Dean's Scholarship

#### UNIVERSITY OF TECHNOLOGY, SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

**Bachelor of Science**, General Business FEBRUARY 2018 - JULY 2018 Degree Level: Undergraduate Purpose: Study Abroad GPA: 4.00 Course: Management & Organizational Behavior

BISHOP HENDRICKEN COLLEGE PREPARATORY, WARWICK, RHODE ISLAND JUNE 2015 Honors: National & Rhode Island Honor Societies Degree Level: High School Academic Rank: 11.8%

# **CLINICAL WORK EXPERIENCE**

#### SURGICAL NEUROPHYSIOLOGIST - CT, RI, MA, NH

Rhode Island Hospital - Lifespan Hospital | Specialty Care, Inc. | UCONN Health John Dempsey Hospital

- Board-Certified (ABRET) neurophysiologist to surgeon(s) by improving health outcomes, reduce neurological injury, and clinically assess physiological outcomes by quantifying neurophysiological data.
- Perform intra-operative neuromonitoring of central and peripheral nervous systems during neurological surgery / orthopedic surgery / endovascular surgery.
- Record, review, and interpret neurophysiological evoked potentials to suggest surgical interventions. •

Graduate Certificate: Intra-operative Neuromonitoring Research: Post-Op "Foot Drop" in ALIF Surgery

# **CRISIS TEXT LINE® VOLUNTEER** – INTERNATIONAL

Certified crisis counselor and mental health advocate during the public global health crisis (COVID-19).

# **DUAL-LICENSED PHARMACY TECHNICIAN** – CT & RI

CVS Pharmacy | CVS Health, Inc.

Accuracy, precision, meticulous preparation, and advanced commitment to patient-prescription adherence.

# **CLINICAL SHADOW** – RI

Medical Practices of: (1) Arshad Iqbal, M.D. | (2) Giulio Diamante, MD | (3) Joseph Wyllie, DO

- (1) Hard-working shadow to a chief neurologist and stroke specialist providing care to a small community.
- (2) Assist in an academic ophthalmology practice by observing routine exams and surgical consultations.
- (3) Conduct ECGs to identify anomalies in diagnostic spectra and attend rounds at a cardiovascular clinic.

AUGUST 2018 - APRIL 2021

JANUARY 2020 - MARCH 2021

JUNE 2019 - PRESENT

MAY 2020

MAY 2019

APRIL 2019 - MAY 2021

# **PUBLICATION**

Zheng B, Leary OP, <u>Beer II RA</u>, Liu DD, Nuss S, Barrios-Anderson A, Darveau S, Syed S, Gokaslan ZL, Telfeian AE, Oyelese AA, Fridley JS (2022\*) Long-Term Motor Versus Sensory Lumbar Plexopathy Following Lateral Lumbar Interbody Fusion: Single-Center Experience, Intraoperative Neuromonitoring Results, and Multivariate Analysis of Patient-Level Predictors. *NEUROSURGERY* Submitted: 05/19/2022 / Under Review\*

# **CONFERENCES & PRESENTATIONS**

# PRESENTATION

The University of Connecticut – MS Surgical Neurophysiology Cohort

 <u>Beer II RA</u> (2021), The Intraoperative Utility of Transcranial Motor Evoked Potentials (TcMEPs) to detecting "Foot Drop" during Anterior Lumbar Interbody Fusions (ALIFs). *The University of Connecticut*, Storrs, CT.

# PRESENTATION

SpecialtyCare, Inc.

 <u>Beer II RA</u> (2021), The Intraoperative Utility of Transcranial Motor Evoked Potentials (TcMEPs) to detecting "Foot Drop" during Anterior Lumbar Interbody Fusions (ALIFs). *The University of Connecticut*, Storrs, CT.

**CONFERENCE & POSTER PRESENTATION** – F. H. NETTER MEDICAL SCHOOL, CTFEBRUARY 2020NEURON (Northeast Undergraduate Research Organization for Neuroscience) ConferenceFEBRUARY 2020

 <u>Beer II RA</u>, Culver ZK, Betz AJ, Rush L. (2020), Laboratory exercises to illustrate drug-induced analeptic behavior and conditioned place preference stimulated by amphetamine using drosophila larvae. *NEURON Regional Conference at Frank H. Netter School of Medicine*, North Haven, CT.

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# ACADEMIC CONFERENCE & POSTER PRESENTATION – CHICAGO, IL

Society for Neuroscience (SfN) Conference, National Conference

 <u>Beer II RA</u>, Betz AJ, Feliciano J, Sung E, Springer A, Culver ZK, Raghunathan S, Emede T, Rush L, and Hibbard K. (2019), Three laboratory exercises utilizing drosophila melanogaster: Amphetamine-induced larval locomotion, amphetamine-induced conditioned place preference, and optogenetic stimulation of behavioral assays. *Society for Neuroscience (SfN)*, Chicago, IL.

# POSTER PRESENTATION

Departments of Biological and Psychological Sciences in Advanced Neuroscience Research at Quinnipiac University

 <u>Beer II RA</u>, Shkurti, A, Wallach, J. (2018), The activation of frontal lobe waves due to the effects of 1theanine and caffeine on Stroop test performance measured by an electroencephalogram. Quinnipiac University, CT.

# **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

 $\label{eq:GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT - QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY, CT$ 

Dr. Adrienne Betz, Ph.D. | Director of Neuroscience | Principal Investigator

- Utilize *drosophila* larvae to assess thermochemical preference among transgenic drosophila lines and behaviorally assess whether optogenetic stimulation drives thermochemical behavior.
- Performed statistical analyses among thermochemical preferences through SPSS; R; GraphPad Prism.

OCTOBER 2021

OCTOBER 2019

DECEMBER 2018

NOVEMBER 2021

AUGUST 2019 - MAY 2020

# $\label{eq:GRADUATE RESEARCH PROPOSAL - UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT, CT$

Dr. Randall Walikonis, Ph.D. | Professor of Biology of Nervous System Diseases

• <u>Beer II RA</u> (2019), The therapeutic and neuroprotective effects of pH and Trimethylamine N-Oxide [TMAO] in neuropathological prion disease: A systematic proposal to reduce Creutzfeldt-Jakob disease. *Department of Physiology and Neurobiology*, Storrs, CT.

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT – QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY, CT SEPTEMBER 2018 – MAY 2019

Dr. Adrienne Betz, Ph.D. | Director of Neuroscience | Principal Investigator

- Collaboratively developed an experimental procedure utilizing *drosophila melanogaster* larvae as a model organism to manipulate neuromuscular junctions by blocking the reuptake of dopamine (DA).
- Explored properties of Conditioned Place Preference (CPP) Paradigm against light/dark conditions.

UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT – QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY, CT AUGUST 2017 – MAY 2019

Dr. Todd Ahern, Ph.D. | Associate Professor of Neuroscience | Principal Investigator

- Collaborated on a procedure outlining microsatellite genotyping of vasopressin receptor gene (*avpr1a*).
- Performed PCR amplification of the vasopressin receptor by preparing *avpr1a* primers and collecting DNA.
- Visualized and analyzed the resultant gel to select which prairie voles are suitable for further breeding.

## SUPPLEMENTAL EMPLOYMENT

**CO-FOUNDER, CO-CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER** – NERUOPLEX INDUSTRIES, INC. (RI) JUNE 2022 Corporation Vice President; Corporation Treasurer [Helen Karimi, Co-Founder & Co-CEO]

**REAL ESTATE INVESTOR** – RIVER REALTY, LLC. (RI) FEBRUARY 2022

Sole Proprietor presently situated with a diverse real estate portfolio of residential and investment properties.

#### **VOLUNTEER ACTIVITIES**

| <b>COLLEGE BOUND CHARTERS</b> – BOSTON, MA<br>Academic Liaison, Résumé Collaborator, & Bookkeeper                    | SEPTEMBER 2015 – PRESENT      |
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| <b>DIRECTOR OF RISK MANAGEMENT</b> – QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY, CT<br>Executive Board Member   Beta Theta Pi – Eta Sigma | SEPTEMBER 2016 – OCTOBER 2018 |
| <b>STUDENT SERVICE VOLUNTEER &amp; LEADER</b> – BATTLE CREEK, MI<br>Habitat for Humanity – Domestic & International  | MARCH 2017                    |
| EAGLE SCOUT – WARWICK, RI<br>RI Troop #183   Boy Scouts of America   | AUGUST 2015                   |

#### SKILLS & STRENGTHS

Lab Techniques: Rodent Open Field Maze and Plus Maze Testing; Drosophila Locomotion and Behavioral Assays; Gel Electrophoresis/SDS-PAGE; Western Blot; Genotyping; Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR)

Bio-Statistical Skills: Data Entry & Analysis (SPSS); GraphPad Prism; MATLAB; R; Advanced Microsoft Office

<u>Relevant Courses:</u> Advanced Research Methods, Statistics, Analytical Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Neurobiology, Psychopharmacology, Molecular & Cell Biology, Biology of Nervous System Diseases

<u>Certifications:</u> CITI Animal Research & Human Subject Research Training; Pharmacy Technician License (RI + CT), CNIM, HIPAA, BLS / CPR, Certified Crisis Counselor

#### **INTERNATIONAL EXPERIENCE**

CULTURAL EXPLORATION & ENGAGEMENT <u>Exploration</u>: Australia, New Zealand, Indonesia, Thailand, Italy, France, Spain Page 3 of 3