

## EDUCATION

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- **Purdue University** West Lafayette, IN, USA  
*PhD—Biomedical Engineering* Jan. 2024 – May 2027
  - **Doctor of Philosophy:** Section of Imaging, Weldon School of Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering
  - **Advisor(s):** Kim YL, PhD
  - **Committee:** Young Kim L, PhD, Steinhubl SR, MD, Surowiec RK, PhD, Dydak U, PhD, and Tong Y, PhD
  - **Dissertation:** Spatiotextural machine learning of smartphone conjunctiva images for noninvasive screening of systemic diseases in resource-limited settings
  - **Academic honor society:** Phi Kappa Phi
- **Seoul National University** Seoul, Korea  
*MS—Neuroscience* Mar. 2021 – Feb. 2023
  - **Master of Science:** Program in Brain Science, College of Natural Sciences co-advised with Department of Neurology and Stroke Center, *Samsung Medical Center*, Seoul, Korea
  - **Advisor(s):** Kim S-Y, MD, PhD and Seo W-K, MD, PhD
  - **Committee:** Kim S-Y, MD, PhD, Seo W-K, MD, PhD, and Han M-K, MD, PhD
  - **Dissertation:** Quantitative predictions of cerebral arterial labeling employing neural network ensemble orchestrate precise investigation in brain frailty of cerebrovascular disease
- **École polytechnique fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL)** Lausanne, VD, Switzerland  
*MS Exchange—Life Sciences Engineering* Feb. 2022 – Jul. 2022
  - **Three master's projects:** Lab Immersion I-III
    1. Quantitative parameterization and predictive modeling of neuronal activity in *Caenorhabditis elegans*, Rahi SJ, PhD, Institute of Physics, School of Basic Sciences
    2. Analysis of correlation between whisker angular position and membrane potential of barrel cortex neurons in the awake mouse, Petersen C CH, PhD, Brain Mind Institute, School of Life Sciences
    3. Development of a fully-automated tool for segmentation of skeletal muscles in large MRI dataset, Auwerx J, MD, PhD, Brain Mind Institute, School of Life Sciences
- **Hanyang University** Seoul, Korea  
*BS Triple Major—Biomedical, Electronic, and Chemical Engineering* Mar. 2014 – Feb. 2021
  - **Bachelor of Science Triple Major:** (i) Department of \*Biomedical Engineering, (ii) \*Electronic Engineering, (iii) \*Chemical Engineering, and (iv) †Mechanical Engineering, College of Engineering—triple \*major and a †minor

## EXPERIENCES

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- **Purdue University** West Lafayette, IN, USA  
*Graduate Research and Teaching Assistant* Jan. 2024 – May 2027
  - **Graduate Research Assistant, Section of Imaging, Weldon School of Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering:**
    1. Risk-stratification of malaria among school-age children with mobile health spectroscopy of blood analysis (NIH-R33TW012486, NIH-R21TW012486, and NIH-R01EB033788)
    2. Developing and validating an innovative mobile health algorithm for predicting blood hemoglobin levels in infants using digital photos of the inner eyelid captured by smartphone cameras (NIH-R33TW012486 and NIH-R01EB033788)
  - **Graduate Teaching Assistant, Fall 2025-2026, BME 50100 Multivariate Analyses in Biostatistics:** Fundamental principles of multivariate statistical analyses in biostatistics, including multiple linear regression, multiple logistic regression, analysis of variance, and basic epidemiology
  - **Principal investigator(s):** Kim YL, PhD

- **National Cancer Center Korea** Goyang, Korea  
*Postmaster Research Assistant* *Feb. 2023 – Dec. 2023*
  - **Department of Neurology and Branch of Immuno-oncology in Division of Rare and Refractory Cancer, Research Institute and Hospital (under Ministry of Health and Welfare):** Exploring subclinical lesion volume change in multiple sclerosis and AQP4 antibody-positive neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder
  - **Principal investigator(s):** Kim H-J, MD, PhD
- **Samsung Medical Center** Seoul, Korea  
*Graduate Research Assistant* *May 2021 – Jan. 2023*
  - **Department of Neurology and Stroke Center (under Samsung Life Public Welfare Foundation):**
    1. Development of integrated brain-vascular imaging database for brain and cerebrovascular disease (NRF-2020M3E5D2A01084891)
    2. Cerebrovascular aging model and its association with genetic variability using digitalized cerebrovascular map in stroke patients (NRF-2019R1A2C2008788)
  - **Principal investigator(s):** Seo W-K, MD, PhD
- **Korea Research Institute of Bioscience and Biotechnology** Daejeon, Korea  
*Graduate Trainee* *Mar. 2021 – Apr. 2021*
  - **Bionanotechnology Research Center (under Ministry of Science and ICT):** Lab rotation
- **Korea Institute of Science and Technology** Seoul, Korea  
*Undergraduate Research Assistant* *May 2017 – Feb. 2021*
  - **Center for Neuroscience and Research Planning Unit for Brain Science, Brain Science Institute (under Ministry of Science and ICT):**
    1. Discovery of diagnosis and treatment of autism spectrum disorder (KIST-2E30961)
    2. Development of new therapeutics based on autism neural circuitry—modulation of several repetitive behaviors in autism spectrum disorder model mice by ventral lateral thalamus specific output circuit (KIST-2E30190)
- **Seoul National University Hospital** Seoul, Korea  
*Visiting Research Scientist* *Apr. 2018 – Aug. 2019*
  - **Jan. 2019 – Aug. 2019, Biomedical Research Institute:** Human resource development for the biomedical unstructured big data analysis (IITP-041120190073)
  - **Apr. 2018 – Mar. 2019, Department of Oral and Maxillofacial Radiology:** 3D dental surgical image processing framework to quantitatively analyze oral and maxillofacial anatomical morphology
- **Fraunhofer Society** Munich, Germany  
*Visiting Research Intern* *Jun. 2018 – Aug. 2018*
  - **Institute for Digital Medicine:** Deep learning networks for skull stripping of fluid-attenuated inversion recovery magnetic resonance imaging data
  - **Principal investigator(s):** Hahn HK, PhD
- **Ministry of National Defense Korea** Seoul, Korea  
*Conscription* *Jan. 2015 – Jan. 2017*
  - **Military Service Act:** Statutes of the Republic of Korea

## PUBLICATIONS

- **Publications:** elucidation of \*primary author(s) and †corresponding author(s)
  - Journal papers—international peer-reviewed SCIE
  - J12. \*Kwon S-M, Park S-M, Dewan A, **Hong SG**, Sakthivel H, Leem J-W, †Kim YL One-shot transductive learning for versatile color sensing and mapping. *Communications Physics*. *Submitted*.
  - J11. \*Kim M-H, Kim T-W, Lee J-S, **Hong SG**, Kwak S-J, Lee D-S, Kang D-H, †Choi S-H Interconnecting role of comorbid depressed mood and general anxiety in the symptom network of social anxiety disorder. *J Affect Disord*. *Submitted*.

- J10. \*Ji Y-H, \*Marasigan VG M., Park S-M, Kwon S-M, **Hong SG**, Leem J-W, Travers JB, †Kim YL Training computer vision neural networks on photographs to learn board-certified dermatologists' photodamage ratings: addressing variability in clinical assessments. *In review*.
- J9. \*Park S-M, \*Kwon S-M, \***Hong SG**, Ji Y-H, Nagappa SP, Leem J-W, Maestas R, Miell L, Byrnes M, Kirk A, Lin M, Eugenio BD, †Griffin SO, †Kim YL Machine learning detection of dental caries, sealants, and fluorosis severity using mobile photography: protocol for data collection, modeling, and validation. *JMIR Research Protocols*. *In preparation*.
- J8. \***Hong SG**, \*Lee D-S, Kim T-W, Kim M-H, Kang D-H, †Choi S-H. Radiomics-based classification and inference of subtypes and stages in social anxiety disorder using resting-state functional images. *Progress in Neuropsychopharmacology and Biological Psychiatry*. 2026;145:111614. doi:10.1016/j.pnpbp.2026.111614
- J7. \***Hong SG**, \*Kim K-H, Kang Y-R, Hyun J-W, Kim S-H, †Kim H-J Comparing lesion volume dynamics between multiple sclerosis and neuromyelitis optica spectrum disorder during remission using machine learning segmentation. *Journal of Clinical Neurology*. 2025;21(5):433-438. doi:10.3988/jcn.2025.0199
- J6. \*Sakthivel H, Park S-M, Kwon S-M, Kaguiri E, Nyaranga E, Leem J-W, **Hong SG**, Lane PJ, †Were EO, †Were MC, †Kim YL Machine learning of blood hemoglobin and hematocrit levels via smartphone conjunctiva photography in Kenyan pregnant women: a clinical study protocol. *BMJ Open*. 2025;15(5):e097342. doi:10.1136/bmj-open-2024-097342
- J5. \***Hong SG**, Park S-M, Kwon S-M, Sakthivel H, Leem J-W, Steinhubl SR, Ngiuwonsanga P, Mangara J-L N., Célestin, T., †Kim YL Radiomic identification of anemia features in monochromatic conjunctiva photographs in school-age children. *Biophotonics Discovery*. 2025;2(2):022303. doi:10.1117/1.BIOS.2.2.022303
- J4. \***Hong SG**, Park S-M, Kwon S-M, Sakthivel H, Nagappa SP, Leem J-W, Steinhubl SR, Ngiuwonsanga P, Mangara J-L N., Célestin, T., †Kim YL Smartphone conjunctiva photography for malaria risk stratification in school-age children. *npj Digital Medicine*. 2025;8(1):151. doi:10.1038/s41746-025-01548-8
- J3. \*Chung D-D, **Hong S-W**, Lee J-E, Chung J-W, Bang O-Y, Kim G-M, †Seo W-K, †Park S-J Topographical association between left ventricular strain and brain lesions in patients with acute ischemic stroke and normal cardiac function. *Journal of American Heart Association*. 2023;e029604. doi:10.1161/JAHA.123.029604
- J2. \***Hong S-W**, Song H-N, Choi J-U, Cho H-H, Baek I-Y, Lee J-E, Kim Y-C, Chung D-D, Chung J-W, Bang O-Y, Kim G-M, Park H-J, Liebeskind DS †Seo W-K Automated in-depth cerebral arterial labeling using cerebrovascular vasculature reframing and deep neural networks. *Scientific Reports*. 2023;13(1):3255. doi:10.1038/s41598-023-30234-6
- J1. \*Lee W-J, \*Kim Y-J, Kim J-H, Hwang S-J, Shin S-H, **Hong S-W**, †Lim H-W Changes in the optic nerve head induced by horizontal eye movements. *PLOS One*. 2018;13(9):e0204069. doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0204069
- Conference proceedings papers
- C7. \*Park S-M, Kwon S-M, Sakthivel H, **Hong SG**, Dewan A, Botana DJ, Leem J-W, †Kim YL. One-shot learning for color and spectral recovery. *SPIE Optics + Photonics: Emerging Topics in Artificial Intelligence*. 2026;OP110:x. doi:xx.xxxx/xx.xxxxxxx.
- C6. \*Park S-M, Kwon S-M, Sakthivel H, **Hong SG**, Dewan A, Botana DJ, Leem J-W, †Kim YL Spectral vision at the edge for mobile health. *Optica Biophotonics Congress*. 2026;[Abstract#]:[page]. doi:xx.xxxx/xx.xxxxxxx.
- C5. \***Hong SG**, Park S-M, Kwon S-M, Sakthivel H, Dewan A, Subramanian K, Leem J-W, Ngiuwonsanga P, Mangara J-L N., Twizere C, †Kim YL Noninvasive malaria risk stratification in school-age children using smartphone conjunctiva photography. *SPIE Photonics West: Optics and Biophotonics in Low-Resource Settings XII and Africa International Biotechnology and Biomedical Conference*. 2026;13839:x. doi:xx.xxxx/xx.xxxxxxx.
- C4. \*Kim M-H, \*Kim T-W, Lee J-S, **Hong SG**, Kwak S-J, Lee D-S, Kang D-H, †Choi S-H Interconnecting role of comorbid depressed mood and general anxiety in the symptom network of social anxiety disorder. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting 2025*. 2025;PSTR036.02:1.
- C3. \*Lee D-S, \***Hong SG**, Kim M-H, Kwak S-J, Ji H-J, Kang D-H, †Choi S-H Regional radiomics similarity network analysis of brain structural alterations in patients with social anxiety disorder. *Society for Neuroscience Annual Meeting 2025*. 2025;PSTR252.15:1.
- C2. \*Park S-M, Kwon S-M, Sakthivel H, **Hong SG**, Nagappa SP, Huang J, Leem J-W, †Kim YL Hyperspectral learning of colors for mHealth applications. *SPIE Photonics West: Optics and Biophotonics in Low-Resource Settings XI*. 2025;13307(1):62-64. doi:10.1117/12.3046219
- C1. \*Lim H-W, Song Y-M, Kim J-H, Shin Y-U, Hwang S-J, **Hong S-W**. Normal range of eye movement and its relationship to age. *Investigative Ophthalmology and Visual Science Annual Meeting 2017*. 2017;58(8):747. doi:10.1167/iovs.17-21727

- Conference oral presentations
  - O1. **\*Hong SG**, Park S-M, Kwon S-M, Sakthivel H, Dewan A, Subramanian K, Leem J-W, Ngiruwonsanga P, Mangara J-L N., Célestin, T., <sup>†</sup>Kim YL Noninvasive malaria risk stratification in school-age children using smartphone conjunctiva photography. *SPIE Photonics West: Optics and Biophotonics in Low-Resource Settings XI*, San Francisco, CA, USA, 2026.
- Dissertations
  - D1. **\*Hong S-W**, <sup>†</sup>Seo W-K, <sup>†</sup>Kim S-Y Quantitative predictions of cerebral arterial labeling employing neural network ensemble orchestrate precise investigation in brain frailty of cerebrovascular disease. MS Dissertation. *Seoul National University*. 2023.
- Books
  - B1. TBD
- Media
  - M1. Smartphone eye photos may help detect anemia in children. *SPIE News*. 2025.
- **Intellectual properties:** delineation of \*primary author(s) or \*legal applicant(s) and <sup>†</sup>corresponding author(s) or <sup>†</sup>inventor(s)
  - Research grants
    - R1. \*Oh D-Y, \*Shin D-Y, \*Choi Y-J, **\*Hong S-W**, \*Keum S-H, \*Lee S-K, <sup>†</sup>Kang D-H A pilot study on analysis of treatment factors in writing exposure therapy for post-traumatic stress disorder. *Seoul Metropolitan Government (SMG)-Seoul National University (SNU) Boramae Medical Center*. 2023-2024.
  - Patents
    - P11. \*Purdue Research Foundation, <sup>†</sup>Kim YL, <sup>†</sup>Kweon S-M, <sup>†</sup>Park S-M, <sup>†</sup>Dewan A, <sup>†</sup>Sakthivel H, <sup>†</sup>Leem J-W, **<sup>†</sup>Hong S-W**. One-shot transductive learning for versatile color sensing and mapping. US Provisional Patent Application 63/886,046. x. 2025/x.
    - P10. \*Purdue Research Foundation, <sup>†</sup>Kim YL, **<sup>†</sup>Hong S-W**, <sup>†</sup>Park S-M, <sup>†</sup>Kweon S-M, <sup>†</sup>Sakthivel H, <sup>†</sup>Leem J-W System and method for predicting probability of presence of a disease of interest using smartphone conjunctiva photography. US Provisional Patent Application 19/357,244. x. 2025/x.
    - P9. \*Seoul National University, **<sup>†</sup>Hong S-W**. Apparatus and method for detection of large vessel stenosis or occlusion. KR20240123600. 102843463. 2023/2025.
    - P8. \*Samsung Life Public Welfare Foundation, <sup>†</sup>Seo W-K, <sup>†</sup>Kim Y-C, **<sup>†</sup>Hong S-W**, <sup>†</sup>Lee J-E, <sup>†</sup>Song H-N, <sup>†</sup>Baek I-Y, <sup>†</sup>Choi J-U Analysis method and device for cerebrovascular image based on cerebrovascular chunk features. US20230386029, KR20230164268. x, 102657687. 2023/x, 2022/2024.
    - P7. \*Samsung Life Public Welfare Foundation, \*Sungkyunkwan University, <sup>†</sup>Seo W-K, <sup>†</sup>Kim Y-C, **<sup>†</sup>Hong S-W**, <sup>†</sup>Lee J-E, <sup>†</sup>Song H-N, <sup>†</sup>Baek I-Y, <sup>†</sup>Choi J-U, <sup>†</sup>Park H-J, <sup>†</sup>Cho H-H, <sup>†</sup>Kim J-H Classification method and analysis device for cerebrovascular branch in cerebrovascular image. US20230386030, KR20230164809. x, 102822382. 2023/x, 2022/2025.
    - P6. **\*<sup>†</sup>Hong S-W**. Biosignal visualization service system using pan-cancer cell diagnosis kit based on glucose metabolism gene microarray chip. WO2023080288, KR20230064391. 102815972. 2021, 2021/2025.
    - P5. **\*<sup>†</sup>Cho Y-S, <sup>†</sup>Hong S-W**. Method and system for generating deep learning network model for sacroiliac osteoarthritis diagnosis. KR20230037094. 102595106. 2021/2023.
    - P4. **\*<sup>†</sup>Hong S-W**. Agricultural collective drone offering system. KR20200043938. 102471147. 2020/2022.
    - P3. **\*<sup>†</sup>Hong S-W**. Eye movement and emotion based HMD. KR20200043318. 102435408. 2020/2022.
    - P2. **\*<sup>†</sup>Hong S-W**. System and method for extracting morphological change in the optic nerve head for generating axial length of eyeball. KR20190089471. 102029768. 2018/2019.
    - P1. **\*<sup>†</sup>Hong S-W**. Spatial perception ability and memory aging prevention system through hippocampal stimulation. KR20190089472. 102029010. 2018/2019.
  - Technology transfers—elucidation of \*primary author(s) and <sup>†</sup>corresponding author(s)
    - T1. \*Song K-S, \*Park T-J, \*Park S-K, \*Noh K-J, **\*Hong S-W**, <sup>†</sup>Chang J-H Artificial intelligence based health index estimation algorithm development. *Samsung Electronics Co., Ltd*. 2019-2020.

## EXPERTISE

- **Dry lab, wet lab, and theoretical knowledge:** across low and high-level analysis

- Dry lab
    - \* High-level language—Python, MATLAB, and R
    - \* Operating system—UNIX
    - \* Document programming— $\text{\LaTeX}$
  - Wet lab
    - \* Protein work—western blot
  - Theoretical knowledge: digital medicine, physics-assisted machine learning, computational neuroimaging, neurodevelopmental disorders
- **Linguistics:** CEFR-scaled
1. English—C1-C2
    - First and primary language
    - Cambridge English Qualifications
      - \* C2 Proficiency (B7364007)
      - \* C1 Advanced (B1767835)
    - IELTS (21KR002876HONS009A)
    - GRE (0009276)
  2. Korean
    - Co-first language
  3. German—C1
    - TestDaF (259001)
  4. Japanese—C2
    - JLPT N1 (N1A257832A)
  5. Chinese—C2
    - HSK L6 (H61709037572)

## HONORS

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- **Honors:** including grant, scholarship, and stipend
- Seoul National University Office of International Affairs Graduate Study Fellowship, *Seoul National University Office of International Affairs*, Korea, Feb. 2022
  - Seoul Regional Intellectual Property Center Grant 2021, *Seoul Metropolitan Government Seoul Business Agency*, Korea, Oct. 2021
  - Seoul National University Alumni Association Graduate Study Fellowship, *Seoul National University Alumni Association*, Korea, Feb. 2021
  - AmorePacific Group Project Excellence Award, *AmorePacific Group*, Korea, Dec. 2016

## REFERENCES

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- Kim YL, PhD, Professor and Showalter Faculty Scholar, Weldon School of Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering, *Purdue University*—youngkim(at)purdue.edu
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  - Dydak U, PhD, Professor and Purdue Faculty Scholar, School of Health Sciences, College of Health and Human Sciences, *Purdue University*—udydak(at)purdue.edu
  - Tong Y, PhD, Associate Professor, Weldon School of Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering, *Purdue University*—tong61(at)purdue.edu
  - Boatin AA, Associate Professor and Co-director of Global Health, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School, *Harvard University*
  - Pienaar E, PhD, Associate Professor, Weldon School of Biomedical Engineering, College of Engineering, *Purdue University*—epienaar(at)purdue.edu

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