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CURRICULUM VITAE

Education:

2011 Ph.D. Mathematics, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio
2015 M.S. Computational Biology and Bioinformatics, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut
2006 M.S. Mathematics, The Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio
2004 B.S. Mathematics, minor in Computer Science. University of Maryland Baltimore County, Baltimore, Maryland

Career/Academic Appointments:

2013-present Postdoctoral Fellow, Department of Neuroscience (previously Neurobiology), Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut
2012-2013 Postdoctoral Associate, Department of Neurobiology, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut
2011-2012 Postdoctoral Associate, Department of Computer Science, Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut

Grants and Awards:

2014 Travel Award. SUNY Downstate.
2012 Travel Award. SUNY Downstate.
2011 Special Graduate Assignment. OSU Math department. No teaching duties for a quarter.
2010 Henson Travel Grant. OSU Math department. Funded travel to SfN 2010.
2006-2009 VIGRE Fellowship. OSU Math department. Reduced teaching duties.
2000-2004 Regents Scholar. University System of Maryland. Undergraduate tuition, room, board, and stipend.

Teaching:

Oct 2015 Lecturer, NEURON course at Society for Neuroscience conference.
SU 2015 Tutor, Web Development summer course at New Haven Reads.
Nov 2014 Lecturer, NEURON course at Society for Neuroscience conference.
July 2014 Lecturer, NEURON tutorial at Organization for Computational Neuroscience conference.
SU 2014 Tutor, Web Development summer course at New Haven Reads.
AU 2010 TA, Accelerated Calculus I.

SP 2010	TA, Accelerated Calculus III for Engineering Honors.
WI 2010	TA, Accelerated Calculus II for Engineering Honors.
AU 2009	Lecturer, Calculus and Analytic Geometry II.
AU 2008	Grader, Linear Algebra for Applications.
WI 2008	TA, Ordinary and Partial Differential Equations.
AU 2007	TA, Ordinary and Partial Differential Equations.
SU 2007	Mentor, Mathematical Biosciences Institute Undergraduate Summer Program in Mathematical Biology
AU 2005	TA, Calculus and Analytic Geometry II.
SU 2005	Lecturer, Calculus and Analytic Geometry I.
SP 2005	TA, Calculus and Analytic Geometry I.
WI 2005	TA, Mathematical Analysis for Business III.
AU 2004	TA, Mathematical Analysis for Business II.
SP 2004	TA, Calculus and Analytic Geometry II.
AU 2003	TA, Precalculus Mathematics.
SP 2003	Grader, Complex Analysis.

Selected Graduate Coursework:

1. Mathematics and Statistics

6 quarters	Differential Equations (Ordinary and Partial)
5 quarters	Numerical Methods
3 quarters	Real Analysis
3 quarters	Probability (Math sequence)
STAT 610	Probability for Statistical Inference
STAT 542	Theory of Statistics

2. Biology and Mathematical Biology

NBIO 720	Neurobiology
NBIO 507	Cellular and Molecular Mechanisms of Neurological Disease
CB&B 562	Dynamical Systems in Biology
3 quarters	Mathematical Biology

3. Computer Science and Computer Engineering

ECE 668	Applied Component-Based Programming for Engineers and Scientists
ECE 767	Applied Use-Case-Driven Object-Oriented Analysis and Design for Engineers and Scientists

4. Data and Informatics

CSE 670	Introduction to Database Systems I
CPSC 545	Introduction to Data Mining

STAT 530	Introductory Data Analysis
CB&B 740	Clinical and Translational Informatics
CB&B 752	Bioinformatics: Mining and Simulation

Additional Courses Taken:

Computational Cell Biology. Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory. Summer 2009.

Graduate Summer Program in Mathematical Biology. Mathematical Biosciences Institute. The Ohio State University. Summer 2008 and 2007.

Presented Talks:

McDougal RA. NEURON strategies for the simulation and visualization of spatial mathematical neuroscience models. NJIT Mathematical Biology Seminar. 23 February 2016.

McDougal RA. ModelView: An HTML5 Graphical Tool for Exploring Model Structures. NLM Informatics Training Conference. Pittsburgh, PA. 2014.

McDougal RA. ModelView: extracting model structure and presenting it on the web with NEURON. Open Source Brain. Alghero, Italy. 2014.

McDougal RA. Toward a study of Calcium dynamics: a computational journey. Neurobiology Postdoc Network. Yale University. 2014.

McDougal RA, Lytton WW, Hines ML. Modeling calcium waves and electrical dynamics in neurons: extending NEURON's support for reaction-diffusion. Sackler Discussion Group. Yale University. 2012.

McDougal RA, Terman DT. Novel patterns and dopamine modulation in a model of working memory. Workshop for Young Researchers in Mathematical Biology. Mathematical Biosciences Institute. The Ohio State University. 2011.

Technical Volunteering:

New Haven Reads: Tutored for summer Web Development course. 2014. 2015.

Friends of East Rock Park: Developed an interactive web page to enable voting for their annual photo contest. 2013, 2014, 2016.

<http://ramcdougal.com/photocontest2016/>

City Alderman Doug Hausladen: Developed a web app to visualize police incidents over time for New Haven, CT. 2013.

<http://ramcdougal.com/nhvcrime2012/>

Scientific Outreach:

2016	Presenter, Neuroscience Demos with the Talented and Gifted Program
2016	Judge, Connecticut STEM Fair
2015	Presenter, Yale Brain Education Day
2013-2015	Judge, Southern Connecticut Invitational Science & Engineering Fair
2013	Judge, New Haven Public School Science Fair

Bibliography:

1. Peer-Reviewed Manuscripts

Neymotin SA, **McDougal RA**, Bulanova AS, Zeki M, Lakatos P, Terman D, Hines ML, Lytton WW. Calcium regulation of HCN channels supports persistent activity in a multiscale model of neocortex. *Neuroscience*. 2016, 316, 344-366.

McDougal RA, Morse TM, Hines ML, Shepherd GM. ModelView for ModelDB: Online Presentation of Model Structure. *Neuroinformatics*. 2015, 13(4), 459-470.

McDougal RA, Shepherd GM. 3D-printer visualization of neuron models. *Frontiers in Neuroinformatics*. 2015, 9.

Neymotin SA, **McDougal RA**, Sherif MA, Fall CP, Hines ML, Lytton WW. Neuronal calcium wave propagation varies with changes in endoplasmic reticulum parameters: a computer model. *Neural Computation*. 2015, 27(4): 898-924.

McDougal RA, Hines ML, Lytton WW. Reaction-diffusion in the NEURON simulator. *Frontiers in Neuroinformatics*. 2013, 7.

McDougal RA, Hines ML, Lytton WW. Water-tight membranes from neuronal morphology files. *J Neuro Meth*. 2013, 220(2): 167-178.

Gu Y, Barry J, **McDougal R** (*sic*), Terman D, Gu C. Alternative splicing regulates Kv3.1 polarized targeting to adjust the maximal spiking frequency. *J Biol Chem*. 2012, 287(3):1755-1769.

2. Other Publications

Patoary MNI, Tropper C, Lin Z, **McDougal R**, Lytton WW. Neuron time warp. *Proceedings of the 2014 Winter Simulation Conference*. IEEE Press. 2014.

Shepherd G, Morse T, Marengo L, Cheung K, Carnevale T, Migliore M, **McDougal R**, Hines M, Miller P. SenseLab: Integration of Multidisciplinary Neuroscience Data. In: Jaeger D, Jung R. (Ed.) Encyclopedia of Computational Neuroscience: SpringerReference (www.springerreference.com). Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, 2014.

Lytton W, **McDougal R**. Deterministic Reaction-Diffusion Simulators. In: Jaeger D, Jung R. (Ed.) Encyclopedia of Computational Neuroscience: SpringerReference (www.springerreference.com). Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, 2014.

McDougal R, Wang R, Morse T, Migliore M, Marengo L, Carnevale T, Hines M, Shepherd G. ModelDB. In: Jaeger D, Jung R. (Ed.) Encyclopedia of Computational Neuroscience: SpringerReference (www.springerreference.com). Springer-Verlag Berlin Heidelberg, 2014.

3. Submitted Manuscripts

McDougal RA, Bulanova AS, Lytton WW. Reproducibility in computational neuroscience models and simulations.

Patoary MNI, Tropper C, **McDougal RA**, Lin Z, Lytton WW. Parallel stochastic discrete event simulation of calcium dynamics in NEURON.

Lytton WW, Schurmann, **McDougal RA**, Hines ML. Simulation neurotechnologies for advancing brain research: Parallelizing large networks in NEURON.

4. Posters

McDougal RA, Neymotin SA, Morse TM, Hines ML, Lytton WW, Shepherd GM. Developing models with NEURON and ModelDB. Columbus, OH: Mathematical Biosciences Institute, Modeling and Computation of Transmembrane Transport Workshop, 2015.

McDougal RA, Hines ML, Lytton WW. Coupling 1D and 3D domains in neuroscience simulations. Bethesda, MD: Multiscale Modeling. National Institutes of Health, 2015.

McDougal RA, Bulanova AS, Hines ML, Lytton WW. Hybrid 1d/3d reaction-diffusion in the NEURON simulator. Chicago IL: Society for Neuroscience, 2015.

Morse TM, **McDougal RA**. Unified real-time searching of keywords and attributes in ModelDB. Chicago IL: Society for Neuroscience, 2015.

Marenco L, Wang R, **McDougal RA**, Morse TM, Carnevale NT, Miller P, Shepherd GM. Exploring data-driven techniques for visual representation of neuronal micro-connectomes. Chicago IL: Society for Neuroscience, 2015.

Tropper C, Zhongwei L, **McDougal RA**, Hines M, Lytton W. Parallel reaction-diffusion simulation in NEURON. Chicago IL: Society for Neuroscience, 2015.

Seidenstein A, Neymotin SA, Fesharaki A, Hines ML, **McDougal RA**, Bulanova AS, Lytton WW. Neuronal network bump attractors augmented by calcium up-regulation of Ih in a multiscale computer model of prefrontal cortex. Chicago IL: Society for Neuroscience, 2015.

McDougal RA, Hines ML, Lytton WW. Calcium 'impedance mismatch' – the role of geometry on diffusion dynamics. Washington DC: Society for Neuroscience, 2014.

Morse TM, **McDougal RA**, Wang R, Marenco L, Hines M, Carnevale NT, Miller P, Shepherd GM. Advances in Senselab: ModelView, synaptic connectivity, and structured data submission. Washington DC: Society for Neuroscience, 2014.

Shepherd GM, **McDougal RA**, Wang R, Morse TM, Carnevale NT, Marenco LN, Migliore M, Miller PL. 3D printouts of neurons and microcircuits. Washington DC: Society for Neuroscience, 2014.

Neymotin SA, **McDougal RA**, Hines ML, Lytton WW. Calcium regulation of HCN supports persistent activity associated with working memory: A multiscale model of prefrontal cortex. Washington DC: Society for Neuroscience, 2014.

Bulanova AS, **McDougal RA**, Neymotin SA, Mutai VK, Lytton WW, Hines ML. Integrating Systems Biology Markup Language (SBML) with NEURON. Washington DC: Society for Neuroscience, 2014.

Tropper C, Pataory M, **McDougal RA**, Hines ML, Lytton WW. Stochastic diffusion simulation in NEURON. Washington DC: Society for Neuroscience, 2014.

McDougal RA, Bulanova A, Patoary MNI, Tropper C, Hines ML, Lytton WW. NEURON for multiscale simulations: reaction-diffusion meets electrophysiology. Bethesda, MD: Multiscale Modeling. National Institutes of Health, 2014.

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McDougal RA, Hines M, Lytton WW. A method for multi-simulator reaction-diffusion with NEURON. Quebec, QC: Organization for Computational Neurosciences, 2014.

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McDougal RA, Morse TM, Marengo L, Wang R, Hines ML, Carnevale NT, Shepherd GM. ModelView for ModelDB: Exploring model properties in a web browser. San Diego, CA: Society for Neuroscience, 2013.

Morse TM, **McDougal RA**, Wang R, Hines ML, Marengo L, Carnevale NT, Shepherd GM. Using full text, context, and attributes to mine neuroscience models. San Diego, CA: Society for Neuroscience, 2013.

Hines ML, **McDougal RA**, Neymotin SA, Tropper C, Lytton WW. Interfaces in multiscale reaction-diffusion models in the NEURON simulator. San Diego, CA: Society for Neuroscience, 2013.

Sherif MA, **McDougal R**, Neymotin S, Hines M, Lytton WW. Calcium wave propagation varies with changes in endoplasmic reticulum parameters: a computer model. San Diego, CA: Society for Neuroscience, 2013.

Tropper C, Patoary MNI, **McDougal RA**, Hines ML, Lytton WW. Parallel stochastic simulation of neuronal reaction-diffusion equations. San Diego, CA: Society for Neuroscience, 2013.

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McDougal RA, Neymotin S, Hines M, Lytton W. Computational study of neuronal calcium waves. Brooklyn, NY: SUNY Downstate Research Day, 2013.

McDougal RA, Hines ML, Lytton WW. Reaction-diffusion modeling in the NEURON simulator. Bethesda, MD: Multiscale Modeling. National Institutes of Health, 2012.

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McDougal RA, Lytton WW, Hines ML. Modeling calcium waves and electrical dynamics in neurons. Columbus, OH: Mathematical Biosciences Institute, Workshop for Young Researchers in Mathematical Biology, 2012.

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McDougal RA, Zeki M, Lyman K, Terman DT. A working memory model based on excitatory-inhibitory interactions and calcium dynamics. San Antonio, TX: Organization for Computational Neurosciences, 2010.

McDougal RA, Best J. A mathematical model for intracellular PER protein dynamics. Sandestin, FL: Society for Research on Biological Rhythms, 2008.

Memberships:

2007-present	Member, American Mathematical Society.
2007-present	Member, Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics.
2011-present	Member, Society for Neuroscience.
2012-present	Member, Organization for Computational Neurosciences.
2007-2011	Member, Mathematical Association of America.