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## **Education**

- **Postdoctoral Fellow**, Department of Psychology, Stanford University, Stanford, CA (Dr. Brian Wandell) 1998 - 2000
- **Postdoctoral Fellow**, Department of Ophthalmology, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, BC (Dr. Deborah Giaschi), 1996 - 1998
- **Ph.D. Experimental Psychology**; University of California, Santa Cruz, August 1996
- **B.A Psychology (Highest Honors)**; Rutgers University, New Brunswick, NJ, June 1991

## **Professional Experience and Honors**

- **Research Director**, Center for Cognitive and Neurobiological Imaging (2010 - present)
- **Executive Board**, Center for Cognitive and Neurobiological Imaging (2009 - present)
- **Planning Committee**, Center for Cognitive and Neurobiological Imaging (2006 - present)
- **Senior Research Scientist**, Psychology, Stanford University (2001 - present)
- **Co-founder**, [Vischeck.com](http://Vischeck.com) (1999 - present)
- **Co-founder & Chief Engineer**, Image U, Inc., Menlo Park, CA, (2000 - 2002)
- **National Eye Institute Travel Grant** (1999)
- **Research Assistant**, University of California, Santa Cruz, (1991 - 1996)
- **Teaching Assistant**, University of California, Santa Cruz, CA (1991 - 1996)
- **Electroretinography Clinician**, Retinal Diagnostic Center, Campbell, CA, (1993 - 1996)

## **Publications**

### **2011:**

- Rauschecker, A.M., Bowen, R.F., Perry, L.M., Kevan, A.M., Dougherty, R.F. & Wandell, B.A. (2011). **Feature-Tolerance in the Reading Network.** *Neuron* 71(5):941-53. (PMID: 21903085)
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### **2009 - 2010:**

- Stikov, N., Perry, L.M., Mazer, A., Wandell, B.A., Pauly, J.M., & Dougherty, R.F. (2010). **Bound Pool Fractions Complement Diffusion Measures to Describe White Matter Micro and Macrostructure.** *NeuroImage*; doi:10.1016/j.neuroimage.2010.08.068. (PMID: 20828622)

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- Thomason, M.E., Dougherty, R.F., Colich, N.L., Perry, L.M., Rykhlevskaia, E.I., Louro, H.M., Hallmayer, J.F., Waugh, C.E., Bammer, R., Glover, G.H., & Gotlib, I.H. (2010). **COMT genotype is associated with prefrontal brain white matter pathways in children.** *NeuroImage*; doi:10.1016/j.neuroimage.2010.01.033. (PMID: 20083203)
- Tsang, J.M., Dougherty, R.F., Deutsch, G.K., Wandell, B.A. & Ben-Shachar, M. (2009). **Frontoparietal white matter diffusion properties predict mental arithmetic skills in children.** *PNAS*; doi: 10.1073/pnas.0906094106. (PMID: 19948963)
- Sherbondy, A.J., Dougherty, R.F., Ananthanarayanan, R., Modha, D.S. & Wandell, B.A. (2009). **Think Global, Act Local; Projectome Estimation with BlueMatter.** *Medical Image Computing and Computer-Assisted Intervention Proceedings*

**2007 - 2008:**

- Sherbondy, A.J., Dougherty R.F., Napel, S. & Wandell, B.A. (2008). **Identifying the human optic radiation using diffusion imaging and fiber tractography.** *Journal of Vision*, 8(10):12,1-11; doi:10.1167/8.10.12. (PMID: 19146354)
- Herbsman T., Forster L., Molnar C., Dougherty R., Christie D., Koola J., Ramsey D., Morgan P.S., Bohning D.E., George M.S. & Nahas Z. (2008). **Motor threshold in transcranial magnetic stimulation: The impact of white matter fiber orientation and skull-to-cortex distance.** *Human Brain Mapping*, doi:10.1002/hbm.20649. (PMID: 18973261)
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- Ben-Shachar, M., Dougherty, R.F., Deutsch, G.K., & Wandell, B.A. (2007). **Contrast Responsivity in MT+ Correlates with Phonological Awareness and Reading Measures in Children.** *NeuroImage*, (PMID: 17689981)
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- Ben-Shachar, M., Dougherty, R.F., Deutsch, G.K. & Wandell, B.A. (2007). **Contour and word form processing in the human ventral occipito-temporal cortex.** *Cerebral Cortex*, 17 (7), pgs. 1604-1611. (PMID: 16956978)

2005 - 2006:

- Dougherty, R.F., Ben-Shachar, M., Bammer, R., Brewer, A.A., & Wandell, B.A. (2005). **Functional Organization of Human Occipital-callosal Fiber Tracts.** *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 102(20):7350-7355. (PMID: 15883384)
- Dougherty, R.F., Ben-Shachar, M., Deutsch, G., Potanina, P., Bammer, R. & Wandell, B.A. (2005). **Occipital-Callosal Pathways in Children: Validation and Atlas Development.** *Annals of the New York Academy of Sciences*, v1064, pgs. 98-112. (PMID: 16394151)
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- Cornelissen F.W., Wade A.R., Vladusich T., Dougherty R.F. & Wandell B.A. (2006). **No functional magnetic resonance imaging evidence for brightness and color filling-in in early human visual cortex.** *Journal of Neuroscience*, 26 (14), pgs. 3634-41. (PMID: 16597716)
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2004 and earlier:

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- Edwards, V.T., Giaschi, D.E., Dougherty, R.F., Edgell, D., Bjornson, B.H., Lyons, C. & Douglas, R.M. (2004). **Psychophysical indices of temporal processing abnormalities in children with developmental dyslexia.** *Developmental Neuropsychology*, 25 (3), 321-354. (PMID: 15148002)
- Dougherty, R.F, Brewer, A.A, Koch, V., Fischer, B., Modersitzki, J. & Wandell, B.A. (2003). **The Position, Surface Area and Visual Field Representation of Visual Areas V1/2/3 in Human Visual Cortex.** *Journal of Vision*, 3 (10), 586-598. (PMID: 14640882)
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- Dougherty, R.F., Press, W.A. & Wandell, B.A. (1999). **Perceived speed of colored stimuli.** *Neuron*, 24, pgs. 893-899. (PMID: 10624952)

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- Mayer, M.J., Dougherty, R.F. & Hu, L. (1995). **A covariance structure analysis of flicker sensitivity.** *Vision Research*, 35, pgs. 1575-1583. (PMID: 7667915)
- Mayer, M.J., Ward, B., Klein, R., Talcott, J.B. & Dougherty, R.F. (1994). **Flicker sensitivity and fundus appearance in pre-exudative age-related maculopathy.** *Investigative Ophthalmology and Visual Science*, 35, pgs. 1138-1149. (PMID: 8125725)

## Teaching experience

- Lecturer, *Computational Neuroimaging Analysis Methods* (PSYCH204a, Fall 2009, Fall 2010)
- Lecturer, *Art and Perception* (Continuing Studies ARTH202, Winter 2007)
- Lecturer, *Reading: Science, Education, and Politics* (PSYCH 12n, Fall 2001)
- Lecturer, *Reading: Science, Education, and Politics* (HUMBIO 153, Spring 2004).
- Many guest lectures for Intro to Psychology (PSYCH 1), Cognitive Neuroscience (PSYCH 202), and Computational Neuroimaging Analysis Methods (PSYCH 204b)

## Mentoring

- PhD thesis committee, Jordan Nechvatal (Department of Psychiatry, Stanford University)
- Jennifer Yoon: co-mentor for NSF pre-doctoral fellowship titled “White matter connections of the face processing network in children and adults”. (NSF 1F31 MH88232-01)
- Co-mentoring several PhD students (Jason Yeatman, Reno Bowen, and Andreas Rauschecker)
- Nikol Stikov, PhD: co-mentored PhD thesis work on bound-pool fraction imaging. Nikola is now a postdoc at the Montreal neurological Institute in Montreal, Canada.
- Armin Schwartzman, PhD: co-mentored PhD thesis work on the statistics of diffusion tensors. Armin is now an Assistant Professor at Harvard School of Public Health.
- External committee member, Eric Ortigoza's Masters Thesis (Medical College of South Carolina)

## Software and Algorithm Development

- Lead developer for various open-source neuroimaging and behavioral research packages, including the MR Diffusion Tensor analysis package *mrDiffusion* and the diffusion simulation package *dSim* (see <http://vistalab.stanford.edu/software/>).

## Community Outreach

- Presentation to teachers and administrators at the Menlo School in Menlo Park, CA. (April 2009)
- KQED Quest television segment, “Watching the Brain at Work: MRIs and Beyond,” (aired September 2007; <http://www.kqed.org/quest/television/view/590>)
- Guest lectures at Monroe Middle School in Campbell, CA on neuroscience, with an interactive brain lab using post-mortem brains (Spring 2004)

## Selected Invited Talks

- San Jose Museum of Art (October 2009)
- University of California, Merced (September 2009)
- DTI Workshop at the Conference on Neurocognitive Development, Berkeley, CA (July 2009)
- Learning and the Brain Conference, San Francisco, CA (February 2009)
- Child Study Center at Penn State University, State College, PA (November 2008)
- Sage center, University of California, Santa Barbara (August 2007)
- Society of Mathematical Psychology, Symposium on fMRI data analysis (July 2007)
- Computer Science, University of California, Santa Cruz (April 2007)
- San Jose Museum of Art (March 2007)

- Asilomar Regional Reading Conference (March 2007)
- OSA Fall Vision Meeting, Vision and Reading Symposium (October 2006)
- Medical College of South Carolina, Charleston, SC (September 2006)
- Rochester Center for Brain Imaging, University of Rochester (December 2005)
- International Dyslexia Association, Symposium on biological aspects of reading (November 2005)
- Redwood Neuroscience Institute (June 2004)
- Oxiopia, University of California, Berkeley (April 2003)