

# Scott C. Sterrett

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## EDUCATION

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University of Washington	Seattle, WA
Ph.D. Student in Neuroscience	exp Dec. 2024
Advised by Dr. Adrienne Fairhall & Dr. David Gire	
Johns Hopkins University	Baltimore, MD
Master of Science in Biomedical Engineering	May 2020
Advised by Dr. Xiaoqin Wang	
Johns Hopkins University	Baltimore, MD
Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering	May 2017
Advised by Dr. Nitish Thakor & Dr. Gene Fridman	

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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Graduate Researcher: University of Washington Neuroscience	2020-present
Advisor: Dr. Adrienne Fairhall	
Computational models of behaviors and circuits for odor-guided navigation	
Graduate Researcher: Johns Hopkins Biomedical Engineering	2017-2020
Advisor: Dr. Xiaoqin Wang	
Latent structure of Marmoset monkey vocalizations	
Undergraduate Researcher: Johns Hopkins Biomedical Engineering	2016-2017
Advisor: Dr. Gene Y. Fridman	
Low-power valves for ionic implantable vestibular prosthetic	
Undergraduate Researcher: Johns Hopkins Biomedical Engineering	2014-2015
Advisor: Dr. Nitish Thakor	
Wearable EMG recording device for neural-control of upper-limb prosthetics	

## PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

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Software Carpentries Instructor Training	2023
Cientifico Latino DEI Workshop	2023
CIMER Mentorship Training	2021
Cold Spring Harbor Asia Computational and Cognitive Neuroscience Summer School	2019
Johns Hopkins Center for Educational Resources Teaching Institute	2019
Johns Hopkins Teaching Academy Certificate Program	2017 – 2020

## JOURNAL ARTICLES

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Hassinan, C.W.\*, **Sterrett, S.C.\***, Summy, B., Khera, A., Wang, A., Bai, J. *in press Plos Comp Bio* 2024

*Dimensionality of locomotor behaviors in developing C. elegans*

## PREPRINTS

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Krishnan, K., Muthukumar, A., **Sterrett, S.C.**, Pflictsch, P., Fairhall, A., Fishman, M., Bahl, A., Zwaka, H., Engert, F. *under review* 2023  
*Attentional Switching in Larval Zebrafish: The Attentive Leaky Integrator* [link]  
Tariq, M.F., **Sterrett, S.C.**, Moore, S., Lane, Perkel, D.J., Gire, D.H. *under review* 2023  
*Dynamics of odor-source localization: Insights from real-time odor plume recordings and head-motion tracking in freely moving mice* [link]  
Hassinan, C.W.\*, **Sterrett, S.C.\***, Summy, B., Khera, A., Wang, A., Bai, J. *under review* 2023  
*Dimensionality of locomotor behaviors in developing C. elegans* [link]

## SELECTED PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

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**Sterrett SC**, Brown MA, Findley T, Weible AP, Rafilson S, Wehr M, Murray JM, Fairhall AL, Smear MC. *COSYNE* 2024  
Mouse olfactory bulb encodes breathing rhythms and place  
**Sterrett SC**, Gire DH, Fairhall AF, *Janelia Mechanistic Basis of Foraging* 2024  
Contributed Talk: Piriform cortex as a meta-reinforcement learning system for olfactory navigation.  
Brown MA, Findley T, **Sterrett SC**, Weible AP, Karlsson M, Fairhall AL, Murray JM, Smear MC. *Soc. for Neuroscience* 2021  
Neural correlates of time and place in the olfactory bulb of freely-moving mice  
**Sterrett SC**, Gire DH, Fairhall AL. *Neural Computation and Engineering Connection* 2020  
Hidden Markov models of locomotion during odor-guided navigation  
**Sterrett SC**, Zhao LY, Wang X. *Marmoset Bioscience Symposium* 2020  
Latent space characterization and generation of Marmoset vocalizations using variational autoencoders  
**Sterrett SC**, Zhao LY, Wang X. *Soc. for Neuroscience* 2019  
Characterization of Movements Evoked from Electrical Stimulation of Motor Cortex in Awake Marmosets  
Cheng C, Thakur R, Nair AR, **Sterrett SC**, Fridman GY. *IEEE BioCAS* 2017  
Miniature elastomeric valve design for safe direct current stimulator.

## FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

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Simons Collaboration on the Global Brain Trainee Exchange Supplement	2022
University of Washington Computational Neuroscience Training Grant	2020-2021
University of Washington Excellence in Teaching Award Nominee	2020
Johns Hopkins University Teaching-as-Research Fellowship	2020
Johns Hopkins Neuroengineering Training Grant	2017-2018
Johns Hopkins Business Plan Competition Medtech Runner Up	2016
College Swim Coaches Assoc. of America Scholastic All-America	2014-2017
Westinghouse Family Scholarship	2013

## TEACHING

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Guest Lecture: Brains in Motion (University of Washington Psych448)	Winter 2024
Co-Instructor: Software Carpentry Python (University of Washington eScience)	Winter 2024
Guest Lecture: Brains Civilization and Research (University of Washington BIO450)	Spring 2023
TA: Software Carpentry Python (University of Washington eScience)	Winter 2023
Co-Instructor: Software Carpentry Python (University of Washington eScience)	Fall 2022
TA: Software Carpentry Python (University of Washington eScience)	Winter 2022
TA: Current Research in Neuroscience (University of Washington Neuro 450)	Fall 2020
Instructor: BME Innovation (Johns Hopkins University BME 130)	Summer 2020

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Head TA: Frontiers in Neuroengineering (Johns Hopkins University BME 781) Spring 2020  
Head TA: Molecules and Cells (Johns Hopkins University BME 221) Fall 2019

#### SERVICE

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UW Computational Neuroscience Center Seminar Committee 2022-2023  
UW Grad Prog Neuroscience Student Representative Council 2022-2024  
Urban Native Education Alliance Tutor 2020-Present  
Simons SCGB Undergraduate Fellowship Reviewer 2021, 2022  
UW Theoretical Neuroscience Journal Club Head Organizer 2021-2022  
UW Physiology and Biophysics Faculty Search Committee 2020  
Greater Baltimore Society for Neuroscience: Meeting Planning Committee 2019  
JHU Engaged Scholar Graduate Network: Member 2018– 2020  
JHU BME Ph.D Council: Academic Chair and Recruitment Board 2017 – 2019  
JHU Project Bridge: Science at the Market & Brainfest Planning Committee Oct. 2017 – Present

#### STUDENT SUPERVISION

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Arnav Khera - Undergraduate, Computer Science, University of Washington 2021-Present  
A'Dawnah Pangelinan - Undergraduate, Simons Fellowship, University of Washington 2021  
Sidney Moore - Undergraduate, Psychology, University of Washington 2020  
Kevin Zhu - Undergraduate, Biomedical Engineering, Johns Hopkins University 2018-2019

#### PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIP

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Bernstein Network Computational Neuroscience 2022  
Society for Neuroscience 2017-Present