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Current Position

07/2023 - Present **Clinical Assistant Professor – Adult Psychiatry**
Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences
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Work Location **Texas A&M Health**
Psychiatry and Behavioral Health
2900 E 29th St.
Bryan, TX 77802

Education/Training

07/2022 – 06/2023 **Behavioral Neurology and Neuropsychiatry Fellowship**
Department of Neurology
University of Texas Health Sciences Center San Antonio
Joe and Teresa Lozano Long School of Medicine
8300 Floyd Curl Drive
San Antonio, TX 78229
Program Code/ID: Q10703

07/2021 – 06/2022 **Neuromodulation Medicine Fellowship**
Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences
University of Minnesota (UMN) Medical School
420 Delaware St SE,
Minneapolis, MN 55455
Non-ACGME Accredited Program

07/2017 – 06/2021 **Psychiatry Residency**
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley (UTRGV) School of
Medicine
2102 Treasure Hills Blvd
Harlingen, TX 78550
Program Code/ID: 4004800300

09/2012 - 06/2016 **Doctor of Medicine (M.D.)**
University of Balamand – St George Hospital University Medical
Centre, Balamand, Lebanon

10/2009 - 06/2012 **Bachelor of Sciences (B.S.) in Medical Laboratory Sciences**
University of Balamand, Faculty Of Health Sciences, Lebanon

Academic Experience

07/2022 – 06/2023 **Behavioral Neurology Mentor for clinical postdocs and neurology**
residents. UTHSA School of Medicine, San Antonio, TX: explaining

the different cognitive domains and their clinical manifestations in the history taking and cognitive examination to clinical postdocs and neurology residents

- 07/2021 – 06/2022 **Neuromodulation Mentor for psychiatry residents.** UMN Medical School, Minneapolis, MN: preparing neuromodulation rotation details, simplifying Treatment-Resistant Depression algorithms, clinical mentoring
- 07/2019 – 05/2022 **Academic Research Associate.** UTRGV School of Medicine, TX: predicting medical students shelf exam scores through Notecards assessment to achieve better learning experiences and low-stakes performance assessments in medical schools (PI: Arden Dingle, MD)
- 08/2019 – 06/2021 **Psychiatry Residency Journal Club (JC) Co-director.** UTRGV School of Medicine, TX: created a new JC method that is comprehensive, structured but also interest-oriented, and inclusive of all faculty and residents. QI project evaluated the method's application.
- 08/2019 – 06/2021 **Medical Student Mentor.** Psychiatry Clerkship. Department of Psychiatry. UTRGV, TX: reviewing H & P notes, clinical mentorship, career decision-making guidance
- 08/2019 – 06/2021 **Lecturer.** Psychiatry Clerkship. Department of Psychiatry. University of Texas Rio Grande Valley, Harlingen, TX
- **“Getting Your Bearings on Psychiatry”**
(<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fY3BSmmBZMU>)
 - **“The Mental Status Examination Made Simple”**
 - **“Principles of Cognitive Behavioral Therapy”**
- 07/2020 – 08/2020 **Presenter.** Neuroscience National Curriculum Initiative.
- **“What’s Up with Depression? – The Lateral Habenula!”**
(https://drive.google.com/file/d/1ulQN7SxYepAh97su62cAgXFbaGrFS_hNz/view?usp=drive_link)
- 02/2016 - 07/2016 **Lecturer.** Substance Use Awareness project - Institute for Development, Research, Advocacy and Applied Care (IDRAAC), Beirut, Lebanon
- Research Experience**
- 09/2021 – 06/2023 **Research Associate;** UMN Medical School, MN: EEG analysis of 64-channel data during Focal Electrically Administered Seizure Therapy (FEAST) to explore seizure propagation patterns (PI: Ziad Nahas, MD, MSCR)
- 09/2021 – 06/2023 **Co-Investigator;** UMN Medical School, MN: RCT assessing efficacy and 4-channel EEG data of Reversed Polarity FEAST to

promote FEAST as a ‘refined ECT’ method with competing efficacy and less cognitive side effects (PI:Ziad Nahas, MD, MSCR)

- 08/2021 – 06/2023 **Research Associate;** UMN Medical School, MN: analyzing mood regulation networks through evidence from DTI data from bilateral epidural prefrontal cortical stimulation cohort (PI: Ziad Nahas, MD, MSCR)
- 07/2018 – 06/2023 **Research Associate;** UT Health San Antonio, TX: EEG Analysis of DBS structural/functional connectivity project on Essential Tremor and Parkinson’s Disease patients (PI: Gabriel De Erausquin, MD, PhD, MSc)
- 10/2021 – 06/2022 **Co-Investigator;** UMN Medical School, MN: RCT evaluating a novel neuromodulation device (Trigeminal nerve stimulator) for treatment of MDD (MOOD trial – Neuroliet[□])
- 10/2021 – 06/2022 **Accredited VNS Programer;** UMN Medical School, MN: RCT testing the effectiveness of VNS as adjunct therapy for treatment-resistant depression (RECOVER trial – LivaNova[□] and Medicare)
- 08/2019 – 06/2021 **Research Associate;** UT San Antonio, TX: Creating a neurodevelopmental histological platform from *Monodelphis Domestica* brain for earlier-stage-of-life neuroscientific interventions (PI: Gabriel De Erausquin, MD, PhD, MSc)
- 07/2020 – 06/2021 **Research Associate** (Assessor). UTRGV (Node) in association with UT South Western (Hub) and the Texas Child Mental Health Care Consortium Research, Texas: two separate clinical studies following progression of child and adolescent: trauma(1) and depression (2) for 1 year (Lead: Micheal Escamilla, MD, Co-Lead: Cynthia Garza, PhD)
- 02/2016 - 07/2016 **Research Associate** (data collection). Substance Use Awareness project - Institute for Development, Research, Advocacy and Applied Care (IDRAAC), Beirut, Lebanon: Survey and substance use workshop for medical students

Professional Memberships/Affiliations

- 2021 – Present International Neuromodulation Society (North American Neuromodulation Society)
- 2021 – Present Society of Biological Psychiatry
International Society for ECT and Neurostimulation
- 2021 – Present ORCID: <https://orcid.org/0000-0001-8543-9757>
- 2020 – Present American Neuropsychiatric Association
American Academy of Neurology
- 2017 – Present American Psychiatric Association
American Medical Association
- 2021 – 2023 Leadership Advisory Board for the Patient-Centered Research Outcomes Institute (PCORI) Engagement Award – UT Rio Grande Valley, TX
- 2020 – 2022 Society for Neuroscience
- 2020 – 2021 Neuroscience National Institute Initiative
- 2018 – 2021 Neuroscience Education Institute
- 2017 – 2021 Texas Society of Psychiatry Physicians

Awards

Poster Award – UMN 2022 Neuromodulation Symposium – April 15, 2022
Certificate of Research Excellence – UTRGV graduation ceremony – June 11, 2021
Certificate of Teaching Excellence – UTRGV graduation ceremony – June 11, 2021

Licensures/Certifications

2022 – Present American Board of Psychiatry and Neurology
2021 – Present Texas Physician License No. T4660, Active, exp. 02/28/2024
TAMU DEA Number, Active, exp. 01/31/2025
Utah Physician License No. 12458168-1205
2021 – Present Adult Mental Health First Aid certification
Texas Youth Depression & Suicide Research Network (YDSRN) Assessor
Certified
2017 – Present BLS certified, exp. 03/2025
ACLS certified, exp. 03/2025
2022 – 2023 Minnesota Residency Permit – Neuromodulation Medicine: 32040
2021 – 2022 Connecticut Physician/Surgeon License No. 69514
2017 – 2021 Texas Physician-In-Training license: BP10059773

Fluent in English, Arabic, French and Spanish

Publications

Escamilla M, **Merhi C.** (August, 2022) Genetic substrates of bipolar disorder risk in Latino families. *Molecular Psychiatry*. DOI: 10.1038/s41380-022-01705-5. E-pub ahead of print. PMID: 35948660.

Posters and Presentations

Merhi, C., Sullivan, A.C., Bhavaraju, V. T., Walker, J.M., Bieniek, K.F., Abdullah, M.S., Salardini, A., Rini, J., Parker, A. (April, 2023). *Characterizing a Language Phenotype of Dementia with Lewy Bodies: A Clinicopathological Series*. Poster presented at: AAN Annual meeting 2023. 2023, Apr 22-27; Boston, MA.

Merhi, C., Pokorny, V., Doumit, M., Akiki, T.J., Sponheim, S., Karamah, F., Nahas, Z. (April, 2022). *Focal Electrically Administered Seizure Therapy: 64-Channel EEG Data Emphasizing Seizure Propagation Patterns*. Poster presented at: SOBP Annual meeting 2022. 2022, Apr 28-30; New Orleans, LA.

Hibbs K.A., Shapiro, B., **Merhi C.**, Olson S., Aggarwal A. (March, 2022). *Treatment Resistant Malignant Catatonia in a Patient with VAMP2-Related Disorder*. Poster presented at: ACMG Annual Clinical Genetics Meeting. 2022, Mar 22-26; Nashville, TN, USA (hybrid conference).

Merhi, C. & Amador, A. (June, 2021). *The Inductive Journal Club Method: Take it or Leave it?* Quality Improvement Project Presentation at: UTRGV Psychiatry Department, Harlingen, TX, USA.

Merhi, C., Wallace, S.R. & Weisman, H. (November, 2020). *Learning Psychotherapy in a Primary Care Consultation Clinic on the US-Mexico Border: Boundaries, Disparities, Clinical and Ethical*

Considerations. Poster presented at: CLP 2020, “Delivering Our Vision of Integrated Care”, the annual meeting of the Academy of Consultation-Liaison Psychiatry. 2020, Nov 12-13; Phoenix, AZ, USA (virtual conference).

Merhi, C. & Gil, M. (April, 2020). *Tracking Neurodevelopment: From the Possum’s Womb to our Adult Lives’ Mental Illnesses*. Presentation at: UTRGV, Biomedical Research Awareness Day (BRAD).

Merhi, C., Zolezzi, M., Robledo, C., & Reininger, B. (September, 2018). *Evaluating the use of patient health questionnaire-2 (PHQ-2) to identify depression in a Hispanic population with uncontrolled diabetes*. Presentation at: UTRGV 2018 Research symposium; Edinburg, TX, USA.