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**HOSPITAL AND OTHER (NON-ACADEMIC) APPOINTMENTS:**

UAB School of Medicine, Birmingham AL 2019 - present

**EDUCATION:**

| <b>Institution</b>                    | <b>Degree</b> | <b>Year</b> |
|---------------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Case Western Reserve University       | Ph.D.         | 2009        |
| National Yang Ming University, Taiwan | M.Sc.         | 2002        |
| National Chiao Tung University        | B.Sc.         | 2000        |

**BOARD CERTIFICATION:**

**POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING:**

| <b>Year</b> | <b>Degree</b>                                                     | <b>Institution</b>                                                                |
|-------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 2009-2011   | Fellowship, Division of Nuclear<br>Medicine and Molecular Imaging | Massachusetts General Hospital<br>and Harvard Medical School,<br>Boston, MA , USA |

**ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS:**

| <b>Year</b>    | <b>Rank/Title</b>                                            | <b>Institution</b>                               |
|----------------|--------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 2019 - present | Associate Professor of Radiology                             | UAB, School of Medicine<br>Birmingham, AL        |
| 2018- 2019     | Associate Professor, Department of<br>Biomedical Engineering | National Cheng Kung University<br>Tainan, Taiwan |
| 2015 - 2018    | Assistant Professor, Department of<br>Biomedical Engineering | National Cheng Kung University<br>Tainan, Taiwan |

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|-------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------|
| 2013 - 2015 | Assistant Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering             | Chang Gung University<br>Taoyuan City, Taiwan        |
| 2011 - 2013 | Research Fellow (Assistant Professor Level), Molecular Imaging Center | Chang Gung Memorial Hospital<br>Taoyuan City, Taiwan |

#### AWARDS/HONORS:

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|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------|
| <b>Graduate Dean's Instructional Excellence Award</b> , Case Western Reserve University                                                                                            | 2007 |
| <b>Faculty Award for Excellence in Student Mentoring and Counseling</b> , National Cheng Kung University                                                                           | 2016 |
| <b>Best Oral Presentation Award</b> , International Forum on Medical Imaging in Asia (IFMIA)                                                                                       | 2017 |
| <b>Silver Medal, IFMBE-sponsored Student Design Competition</b> , World Congress on Medical Physics and Biomedical Engineering, Prague (as faculty advisor)                        | 2018 |
| <b>Faculty Award for Teaching Excellence</b> , National Cheng Kung University                                                                                                      | 2018 |
| <b>Best Paper Award</b> , International Forum on Medical Imaging in Asia (IFMIA)                                                                                                   | 2019 |
| <b>Bronze Medal, Student Design Competition</b> , Rehabilitation Engineering and Assistive Technology Society of North America (RESNA) 2019 Annual conference (as faculty advisor) | 2019 |

#### PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES:

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>Associate Editor</b> , <i>Journal of Medical and Biological Engineering</i> | 2015 - present |
| <b>Board Member</b> , Taiwanese Society of Biomedical Engineering              | 2018 - 2019    |
| <b>Member</b> , Taiwanese Society of Biomedical Engineering                    | 2017 - present |
| <b>Member</b> , American Association of Medical Physicists                     | 2020 - present |

#### MAJOR RESEARCH INTEREST:

- Imaging informatics for precision medicine and translational research
- Kinetic modeling analysis
- Medical image quantification and feature extraction
- Machine learning and deep learning in imaging informatics
- Computer-assisted diagnosis, image interpretation and outcome prediction
- Multi-modality medical image processing, mainly in PET, SPECT, CT, and MR
- GPU- and cloud-based computing
- Molecular imaging in pre-clinical and clinical applications

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE:****Courses offered in Biomedical Engineering, National Cheng Kung University in 4 years:**

- Introduction to Computer Science (undergraduate, 4 semesters)
- Programming Languages (undergraduate, 4 semesters)
- Digital Image Processing (undergraduate, 3 semesters)
- Electronics I (undergraduate, 1 semester), Electronics II (undergraduate, 1 semester)
- Introduction to Biomedical Engineering and Laboratory (jointly offered, undergraduate, 6 semesters)

**Courses offered in Electrical Engineering, Chang Gung University in 1.5 years:**

- Data Structure (undergraduate, 1 semester)
- Numerical Methods (undergraduate, 2 semesters)
- Programming Languages (undergraduate, 1 semester)
- Digital Image Processing (jointly offered, graduate, 1 semester)
- Scientific Writing (PhD, 1 semester)

**OTHER:****GRANT SUPPORT: (PAST AND CURRENT):**

National Institute of Health (NIH), USA 1/4/2004 – 3/31/2007  
R33: COMKAT:COMPARTMENT MODEL KINETIC ANALYSIS/IMAGING  
(Role: Graduate research assistant. Assistance in data analysis, proposal preparation)

National Institute of Health (NIH), USA 1/9/2009–8/31/2011  
R01: Quantitative Dual Isotope ECT  
(Role: Post-doctoral research fellow. Assistance in data analysis, proposal preparation)

Chang Gung Medical Foundation, Taiwan 1/2/2012 – 12/31/2013  
Treatment of the myocardial infarction with Baculovirus-transduced, VEGF-expressing  
adipose-derived stem cell sheets  
(Role: PI)

Chang Gung Medical Foundation, Taiwan 1/6/2012 – 5/31/2015  
Measuring the coronary flow reserve with a single-scan rest/stress study under CZT SPECT  
cameras  
(Role: PI)

Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan 1/8/2012 – 2/31/2014  
Evaluation of reperfusion injury and its therapeutic strategies with molecular imaging techniques  
(Role: PI)

Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan 1/8/2013 – 7/31/2015  
Quantification of intra-tumoral heterogeneity with molecular imaging: software development,  
optimization and evaluation for clinical impacts  
(Role: PI)

Chang Gung Medical Foundation, Taiwan 1/1/2014 – 12/31/2016  
Program proposal: Establishment of a translational research platform for the integrated, whole-body and simultaneous PET/MR scanner (as co-PI)  
Sub-project IV: Software development of novel and advanced image analysis for simultaneous PET/MR data  
(Role: PI)

Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan 1/8/2015 – 7/31/2017  
An open-source software package for fully automatic processing of SPECT images with advanced image processing technologies  
(Role: PI)

Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan 1/8/2015 – 7/31/2016  
A model to prediction the patient outcome for the oropharyngeal cancer: information integration of FDG-PET, immunoassays and clinical factors.  
(Role: Co-PI)

National Cheng Kung University Hospital, Taiwan 1/1/2017 – 12/31/2017  
Microstructural analysis for the vertebral endplate and its canal network  
(Role: Co-PI)

Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan 1/8/2017 – 7/31/2018  
Development of a cloud- and GPU-based image reconstruction system for cone-beam computed tomography  
(Role: PI)

Ministry of Science and Technology, Taiwan 1/8/2018 – 7/31/2020  
Fully automatic reconstruction for the vertebral body structures of the spine with ultra-low-angle image reconstruction using generative adversarial networks  
(Role: PI)

**Recent Funding:**

Radiology Research Imaging Pilot Award  
Department of Radiology, University of Alaba 7/1/2022 – 6/30/2023  
PET imaging of neuroinflammation in patients with neurological dysfunction after SARS-CoV-2  
(Role: PI)

**Inventions:**n/a

**Scientific Journal Reviewer:**

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Reviewer</b> , Journal of Nuclear Medicine                        | 2011-present |
| <b>Reviewer</b> , IEEE Transactions on Medical Imaging               | 2013-present |
| <b>Reviewer</b> , PLOS ONE                                           | 2014-present |
| <b>Reviewer</b> , Physics in Medicine and Biology                    | 2011-present |
| <b>Reviewer</b> , Computers in Medicine and Biology                  | 2017-present |
| <b>Reviewer</b> , Journal of Applied Clinical Medical Physics        | 2018-present |
| <b>Reviewer</b> , Computational and Mathematical Methods in Medicine | 2018-present |

## BIBLIOGRAPHY:

### Manuscripts already published:

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2. Yacoubian TA, **Fang YH**, Gerstenecker A, Amara A, Stover N, Ruffrage L., ... & Standaert DG. Brain and systemic inflammation in de novo PARKINSON'S Disease. *Movement Disorders*, 38(5): 743-754, 2023. [[Link](#)]
3. **Fang YH**, McConathy JE, Yacoubian TA, Zhang Y, Kennedy RE, Standaert, DG. Image Quantification for TSPO PET with a Novel Image-Derived Input Function Method. *Diagnostics*, 12(5), 1161, 2022. [[Link](#)]
4. Yang CJ, Lin CL, Wang CK, Wang JY, Chen CC, Su FC, Lee YJ, Lui CC, Yeh LR, **Fang YH** (corresponding author). Generative Adversarial Network (GAN) for Automatic Reconstruction of the 3D Spine Structure by Using Simulated Bi-Planar X-ray Images. *Diagnostics*, 12(5), 1121, 2022. [[Link](#)]
5. Lin CY, Yen YT, Huang LT, Chen T, Liu YS, Tang SY, Huang WL, Chen YY, Lai CH, **Fang YH**, Chang CC, Tseng YL. An MRI-Based Clinical-Perfusion Model Predicts Pathological Subtypes of Prevascular Mediastinal Tumors. *Diagnostics*, 12(4), 889, 2022. [[Link](#)]
6. Yang CJ, Wang CK, **Fang YH**, Wang JY, Su FC, Tsai HM, Lin YJ, Tsai HW, Yeh L R. Clinical application of mask region-based convolutional neural network for the automatic detection and segmentation of abnormal liver density based on hepatocellular carcinoma computed tomography datasets. *Plos one*, 16(8), e0255605, 2021. [[Link](#)]
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8. Cheng NM, Hsieh CE, **Fang YH**, Liao CT, Ng SH, Wang HM, Chou WC, Lin CY, Yen TC. Development and validation of a prognostic model incorporating [18 F] FDG PET/CT radiomics for patients with minor salivary gland carcinoma. *EJNMMI research*, 10(1), 1-12, 2020. [[Link](#)]
9. Cheng NM, Hsieh CE, Liao CT, Ng SH, Wang HM, **Fang YH**, Chou WC, Lin CY, Yen TC. Prognostic Value of Tumor Heterogeneity and SUVmax of Pretreatment 18F-FDG PET/CT for Salivary Gland Carcinoma with High-Risk Histology, 44(5): 351-358, 2019. [[Link](#)]
10. Wang CK, **Fang YH**, Lin LC, Lin CF, Kuo LC, Chiu FM, Chen CH. Magnetic Resonance Elastography in the Assessment of Acute Effects of Kinesio Taping on Lumbar Paraspinal Muscles. *Journal of Magnetic Resonance Imaging*, 49(4): 1039-1045, 2019. [[Link](#)]
11. Lin Y, **Fang YH (co-first author)**, Wu G, Jones S, Prayson R, Moosa A, Overmyer M, Bena J, Gingaman W, Gonzalez-Martinez J, Najm I, Alexopoulos A, Wang, Z. Quantitative-PET-guided MRI Post-processing in MRI-negative Epilepsies. *Elipsia*, 59(8):1583-1594, 2018. [[Link](#)]
12. Ho KC, **Fang YH**, Lin G, Ueng SH, Wu TI, Lai CH, Chueh HY, Chao A, Chang TC, Yen TC. Presurgical identification of uterine smooth muscle malignancies through the characteristic FDG uptake pattern on PET scans. *Contrast Media & Molecular Imaging*, Volume 2018, Article ID 7890241, 10 pages, 2018. [[Link](#)]
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14. **Fang YH**, Su TP, Chang CJ, Ho KC, Su M, Yen TC. Detecting triple-vessel disease with cadmium zinc telluride-based single photon emission computed tomography using the intensity signal-to-noise ratio between rest and stress studies. *Contrast Media & Molecular Imaging*, Vol. 2017, Article ID 4945680, 8 pages, 2017. doi:10.1155/2017/4945680. [[Link](#)]

15. **Fang YH**, Liu YC, Ho KC, Kuo FC, Yang CF, Yen TC, Hsieh IC. Single-scan rest/stress imaging with <sup>99m</sup>Tc-Sestamibi and cadmium zinc telluride-based SPECT for hyperemic flow quantification: A feasibility study evaluated with cardiac magnetic resonance imaging. *PLoS ONE*. 12(8): e0183402, 2017. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0183402>. [Link]
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- molecular images. *BioMed Research International*, vol. 2014, Article ID 248505, 9 pages, 2014. doi:10.1155/2014/248505 [\[Link\]](#)
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