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**Education**

1997 - 2005 Ph.D., Department of Neuroscience and  
Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition,  
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

1997 - 2000 M.S., Department of Neuroscience,  
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

1987 -1997 B.A., Ancient Greek,  
School of Arts and Sciences,  
University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia, PA

**Research experience**

2007 – present Postdoctoral Fellow  
Advisor: David A. Leopold, Ph.D.  
Plasticity of object representations in visual cortex  
Laboratory of Neuropsychology  
National Institute of Mental Health, Bethesda, MD

2006 – 2007 Postdoctoral Fellow  
Advisor: Robert Desimone, Ph.D.  
Neural mechanisms of attention in visual cortex  
McGovern Institute for Brain Research  
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Cambridge, MA

2000 - 2005 Dissertation Research  
Advisor: Carl R. Olson, Ph.D.  
Visual object recognition and primate cortical physiology  
Department of Neuroscience and Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition,  
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

1997 - 2000 Masters Research

Advisor: German Barrionuevo, M.D.  
Hippocampal cellular neurophysiology and synaptic plasticity  
Department of Neuroscience and Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition,  
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

1996 - 1997 Research Associate  
Advisor: Paul A. S. Breslin, Ph.D.  
Human taste psychophysics and sensory localization  
Monell Chemical Senses Center, Philadelphia, PA

### **Honors and awards**

2007 - present Postdoctoral National Research Service Award  
Title: Neural mechanisms of spatial attention in extrastriate visual cortex  
NEI F32 EY018028

2002 - 2005 Predoctoral National Research Service Award  
Title: Figure-Ground Organization in Monkey Area IT  
NIMH 1 F31 NS43876

2000 - 2001 Predoctoral Training Grant in the Neurosciences  
NIMH T32 MH18273-16

1998 - 1999 Predoctoral Training Grant in the Neurosciences  
NINDS T32 NS07433

1999 - 2004 University Scholar,  
University of Pittsburgh

1997 Student Travel Grant,  
Association for Chemoreceptive Sciences

### **Positions held**

1999 - 2001 Colloquium Series Chairman,  
Center for the Neural Basis of Cognition

1999 - 2000 Graduate Students Organization President,  
Department of Neuroscience

1998 - 1999 Department Representative,  
Faculty of Arts and Sciences Graduate Students Organization

## List of publications

### Journal Articles

1. McMahon, D.B.T., Olson, C.R. Linearly Additive Shape and Color Signals in Monkey Inferotemporal Cortex: No Binding, No Problem. (submitted)
2. McMahon, D.B.T., Olson, C.R. Repetition Suppression in Monkey Inferotemporal Cortex: Relation to Behavioral Priming. *Journal of Neurophysiology*, 97:3532-3543, 2007.
3. McMahon, D.B.T., Barrionuevo, G. Short- and long-term plasticity of the perforant path synapse in hippocampal area CA3. *Journal of Neurophysiology*, 88:528-533, 2002.
4. Henze, D.A., McMahon, D.B.T., Harris, K.M., Barrionuevo, G. Giant miniature EPSCs at the hippocampal mossy fiber to CA3 pyramidal cell synapse are monoquantal. *Journal of Neurophysiology*, 87:15-29, 2002.
5. McMahon, D.B.T., Shikata, H., Breslin, P.A.S. Are human taste thresholds similar on the right and left sides of the tongue? *Chemical Senses*, 26:875-883, 2001.
6. Shikata, H., McMahon, D.B.T., Breslin, P.A.S. Psychophysics of taste lateralization on the anterior tongue. *Perception and Psychophysics*, 62(4):684-694, 2000.
7. Kanterewicz, B.I., Urban, N.N., Norman, E.D., McMahon, D.B.T., Favata, M.F., Scherle, P.F., Trzaskos, J.M., Barrionuevo, G., Klann, E. The extracellular signal-regulated kinase cascade is required for NMDA receptor-independent LTP in area CA1 but not area CA3 of hippocampus. *Journal of Neuroscience*, 20:3057-3066, 2000.

### Conference Abstracts

1. McMahon, D.B.T., Olson, C.R. Neural correlates of perceptual discrimination and repetition priming in monkey inferotemporal cortex. *Society for Neuroscience Abstracts*, 2004.
2. McMahon, D.B.T., Olson, C.R. Neural activity corresponding to repetition priming in monkey inferotemporal cortex. *Society for Neuroscience Abstracts*, 2003.
3. McMahon, D.B.T., Olson, C.R. Linearly independent selectivity for shape and color in single neurons in monkey inferotemporal cortex. *Society for Neuroscience Abstracts*, 2002.
4. McMahon, D.B.T., Olson, C.R. Neural activity corresponding to figure-ground organization in monkey inferotemporal cortex. *Society for Neuroscience Abstracts*, 2001.
5. McMahon, D.B.T., Urban, N.N., Barrionuevo, G. Mossy fiber contribution to plasticity of the perforant path synapse in hippocampal area CA3. *Society for Neuroscience Abstracts*, 1998.
6. Breslin, P.A.S., McMahon, D., Shikata, H., Delwiche, J.F. Spatial discrimination of NaSaccharin and NaGlutamate tastes on the different sides of anterior tongue. *Association for Chemoreceptive Sciences XX*, 1998.
7. McMahon, D., Shikata, H., Breslin, P.A.S. Lateral detection thresholds on left and right anterior tongue for four stimuli. *International Symposium on Olfaction and Taste XIX*, 1997.
8. Shikata, H., McMahon, D., Breslin, P.A.S. Spatial discrimination of NaCl and citric acid tastes on different sides of the anterior tongue. *International Symposium on Olfaction and Taste XIX*, 1997.
9. Breslin, P.A.S., Shikata, H., McMahon, D. Psychophysics of taste lateralization on the anterior tongue. *International Symposium on Olfaction and Taste XIX*, 1997.