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PhD researcher focusing on heterogeneous biomedical data—including computational pathology and omic data—developing novel multi-modal fusion methods using deep learning algorithms for integrative healthcare.

#### **Profile Overview**

- Over nine years of hands-on experience in Artificial Intelligence
- Expertise in CNNs, Transformers, Attention, LSTM, Graph Neural Networks, Multiple Instance Learning, and clustering
- Data integration skills include multi-modality, high-dimensional tabular data (epigenetics, gene expression, RNA-Seq), and biomedical image analysis (computational pathology, MRI, DEXA scans)
- **Developed and applied** fusion methods (outer arithmetic, dual fusion, flattened outer arithmetic attention), including missing-modality scenarios
- **Proficient** in handling heterogeneous data, data filtering, imbalanced data, data collection, and feature selection

# **Experience**

PhD Graduate Researcher, Queen Mary Digital Environment Research Institute, London

Sep 2021 - Present

- Developing innovative AI solutions for Cancer diagnostics
- Leveraging state-of-the-art computer vision methods on large-scale datasets
- Research themes include:
  - multimodal fusion methods
     supervised/unsupervised
     AI segmentation tools
  - Multiple-instance learning
     Attention and Transformer-based methods
- Published 2 first-author papers and one collaborative paper
- Participated in MICCAI medical image segmentation challenges (4th place in ranking).

**Research Assistant**, Project collaboration between AstraZencs and Queen Mary University of London, London

Feb 2024 – Aug 2024

- Developed a multimodal AI model for holistic precision healthcare
- Research themes include:
  - Multimodal drug prediction
     Large-scale data cleaning and visualization,
     Clustering
     AI
     Explainability

**Teaching Assistant**, Department of Computer Science and Information Technology, University of Jeddah, Saudi Arabia

Sep 2019 – Aug 2021

• Taught and assisted professors in Computer Science courses and labs.

**Teaching Assistant**, Department of Computer Science and Information Technology, King Abdul-Aziz University, Saudi Arabia

Sep 2014 – Aug 2016

• Taught and assisted professors in Computer Science labs

IT Trainer & Team Leader, King Abdul-Aziz University Hospital, Saudi Arabia

Jan 2013 - Jun 2014

• - Trained medical staff on the B-Line system, delivered regular project updates to leadership, and resolved technical issues

# **Education**

• Queen Mary University of London, PhD in Computer Science September 2021 – April 2025 Thesis Title: Deep Multi-modality Fusion for Integrative Healthcare

• **Georgia State University, USA, ATL, GA**, MS in Computer Science
Thesis Title: Image Captioning and Classification Using Deep Learning Approach

Aug 2017 – Aug 2019

• King Abdulaziz University, Saudi Arabia, BS in Computer Science Thesis Title: Wedding Planner Web-based System

May 2008 - May 2012

#### **Academic Service**

• Conference and Journal Reviewer: Reviewed for IEEE TMI journal and MIUA 2022, ISBI 2022, ISBI 2023, and ISBI 2024

# **Publications:**

- Alwazzan O, Gallagher-Syed A, Millner T, Brandner C, Patras I, Slabaugh G. "Multimodal Outer Arithmetic Block Dual Fusion of Whole Slide Images and Omics Data for Precision Oncology," IEEE TMI 2025. (Under-Review)
- Zolotarev A, Johnson K, Mohammad Y, **Alwazzan O**, Slabaugh G, Roney C, "Generative AI to Improve the Prediction of Atrial Fibrillation Ablation Outcomes" Frontiers in Cardiovascular Research 2025. (Under-Review)
- Gallagher-Syed A, Senior H, **Alwazzan O**, Pontarini E, Bombardieri M, Pitzalis C, Lewis MJ, Barnes MJ, Rossi L, Slabaugh G. "BioX-CPath: Biologically-driven Explainable Diagnostics for Multistain IHC Computational Pathology," IEEE/CVF CVPR 2025. (Under-Review)
- Alwazzan O, Patras I, and Slabaug G, "FOAA: Flattened Outer Arithmetic Attention for multimodal tumor classification," in International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging (ISBI). IEEE, 2024. Oral
- Alwazzan O, Khan A, Patras I, and Slabaug G, "MOAB: Multi-modal Outer Arithmetic Block for fusion of histopathological images and genetic data for brain tumor grading," in International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging (ISBI). IEEE, 2023. Oral
- Khan A, **Alwazzan O**, Benning M, Slabaugh G., "Sequential Segmentation of the Left Atrium and Atrial Scars Using a Multi-scale Weight Sharing Network and Boundary-based Processing," (STACOM) workshop, (LAScarQS), MICCAI-2022. **Best Paper Award**

#### **Honors and Awards**

• Conducted a research project in collaboration with AstraZeneca as a research assistant, resulting in securing a Knowledge Transfer Partnership (KTP) grant

• Oral presentation, International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging, (ISBI) 2024

May 2024

• Oral and poster presentation, International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging, (ISBI) 2023

May 2023

• Best Paper Award, LAScarQS challenge MICCAI-2022

Sep 2022

# **Technical Skills**

Deep Learning Frameworks: Proficient with PyTorch; familiar with TensorFlow and Keras

**Programming Languages:** Proficient with Python; working knowledge of C, C++, Java, JavaScript, PHP, HTML, and MATLAB

**Data Analysis Tools:** Proficient with OpenCV, NumPy, Pandas, SimpleITK, OpenSlide, QuPath, SciPy, and WeightsandBiases (WandB).