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Biography

Dr Strong's main area of research interest is visual perception, with a focus on motion processing related to optic flow. She is also interested in how the brain processes visual durations/temporal experience. Currently, she is investigating this through two key strategies: 1) Investigation of motion-sensitive visual areas in the human brain. These projects aim to identify the functional differences and connections between motion-sensitive visual areas in the human brain (MT/TO-1, MST/TO-2, V3A). This involves the use of neuroimaging (fMRI), neurostimulation (TMS), and behavioural measures (psychophysics). 2) Impact of pathology on perception. Increases in blur or reduction in contrast can affect perception of moving scenes; these projects investigate the threshold-level perception of individuals with cataracts (with PhD student Ayah Al-Rababah).

Areas of Expertise

Visual Perception, Optic Flow, Visual Durations, Motion Processing, Temporal Experience, Cataracts

Education

University of Bradford PhD Vision Science

University of York BSc (Hons) Psychology

Accomplishments

'Best Oral Presentation', AVA Meeting 2018

Silmo Academy Bursary 2017

'Student Travel Award', VSS 2016

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