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## OBJECTIVE

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To work in an energetic environment where I can leverage my various skills in AI, signal/image processing, inverse problem, biomedical engineering, and contribute towards developing next generation medical imaging systems.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

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Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI) Reconstruction, Computational Imaging, Dynamic Imaging, Model-based reconstruction, Inverse Problems, Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Image processing.

## EDUCATION

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<b>The University of Iowa</b> <i>Ph.D. in Biomedical Engineering, CGPA 4.00/4.00</i>	Iowa City, IA 2019 – August 2024
<b>The University of Dhaka</b> <i>M.S. in Biomedical Physics and Technology, CGPA 3.88/4.00</i>	Dhaka, Bangladesh 2015 – 2017
<b>Khulna University of Engineering and Technology</b> <i>B.S. in Electrical and Electronic Engineering, CGPA 3.89/4.00</i>	Khulna, Bangladesh 2010 – 2014

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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<b>Graduate Fellow, Lung Imaging Training Program (NIH T32 Grant HL 144461)</b> <i>Roy J. Carver Dept. of Biomedical Engineering, The University of Iowa</i>	Sep. 2023 – Present Iowa City, IA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Research Advisor: Dr. Sajan Goud Lingala, Assistant Professor, Dept of BME &amp; Radiology, The University of Iowa</li><li>Working on novel reconstruction techniques for rapid dynamic MRI of larynx</li></ul>	
<b>Graduate Research Assistant, Dept. of Radiology</b> <i>Laboratory of Quantitative and Dynamic Magnetic Resonance Imaging, The University of Iowa</i>	Aug. 2019 – Aug. 2023 Iowa City, IA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Research Advisor: Dr. Sajan Goud Lingala, Assistant Professor, Dept of BME &amp; Radiology, The University of Iowa</li><li>Worked on novel reconstruction techniques for rapid dynamic MRI of upper airway</li><li>Leveraged advances in spiral imaging, and custom coil based parallel imaging</li><li>Developed new data-driven reconstruction constraints to model arbitrary speech dynamics (e.g., manifold learning, deep generative models)</li></ul>	

## INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

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<b>Research Scientist Intern, MRI</b> <i>Canon Medical Research USA, Inc.</i>	May 2023 – Aug. 2023 Cleveland, OH
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Mentor: Hassan Haji-Valizadeh, Senior Research Scientist at Canon Medical Research USA, Inc.</li><li>Worked on novel deep learning based MRI coil compression techniques</li></ul>	

## EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

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<b>Assistant Professor, Dept. of Biomedical Engineering</b> <i>Khulna University of Engineering and Technology</i>	May 2018 – July 2019 Khulna, Bangladesh
<b>Lecturer, Dept. of Biomedical Engineering</b> <i>Khulna University of Engineering and Technology</i>	Feb. 2017 – May 2018 Khulna, Bangladesh
<b>Lecturer, Dept. of Electrical and Electronic Engineering</b> <i>Bangladesh University of Business and Technology</i>	Oct. 2015 – Feb. 2017 Dhaka, Bangladesh

## PERSONAL INFORMATION

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**US work authorization:** Authorized to work in USA

**Legal status:** Permanent Resident of the United States

## SKILLS

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**Programming Languages:** Python, MATLAB  
**Deep Learning Frameworks:** PyTorch, TensorFlow, Keras  
**Medical Software:** 3D Slicer, Horos  
**Simulation and Design Tools:** NI Multisim, Proteus, COMSOL MPH  
**Operating Systems:** Windows, Linux, macOS  
**Languages:** English (fluent), Bengali (native)  
**Others:** MS office,  $\LaTeX$

## RELEVANT GRADUATE LEVEL COURSES AT THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

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Medical Imaging Physics, Digital Image Processing, Scientific Computing & Machine Learning, Deep Learning, Machine Learning, Principles of Magnetic Resonance Imaging, Applied Machine Learning, Advanced Data Analytics and Informatics.

## RELEVANT COURSE PROJECTS AT THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA

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**Spring 2021:** Contrast modality transfer by learning a bidirectional mapping between T1 and T2 weighted upper airway MR images using Cycle-GAN. (Course: ECE 5995 Applied Machine Learning)

- Curated open source multi-speaker speech MR dataset from USC and selected 280+ T1 weighted and 110+ T2 weighted images
- Applied Cycle-GAN architecture and tuned hyper-parameters of the network to achieve the desired modality transfer

**Spring 2020:** Upper airway MR Image Reconstruction using Convolutional Neural Networks. (Course: ISE 6380 Deep learning)

- Collected 500+ speech MR images from MR Scanner, and created training, test and validation pairs of dataset
- Applied a deep cascade of convolutional neural network architecture to recover fully-sampled images from corresponding undersampled zero-filled reconstructed images

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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- National Institutes of Health Predoctoral Training Grant T32 HL 144461, PI's Eric A. Hoffman and Joseph M. Reinhardt
- Recipient of GPSG and GSS travel grant, The University of Iowa 2024, 2023
- Recipient of an ISMRM 2021 summa cum laude merit award
- Recipient of Trainee (Educational) Stipend for annual meeting of ISMRM 2024, 2023 & 2021
- Full tuition scholarship during Ph.D. program at the University of Iowa
- Recipient of Dean's merit list award during undergraduate study

## PUBLICATIONS ([GOOGLE SCHOLAR](#) [↗](#))

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### Book Chapter

#### Published

1. S. G. Lingala, **R. Z. Rusho**, "Effects of motion in sparsely sampled acquisitions," in *Motion correction in MR: Correction of Position, Motion and Dynamic Field Changes*, Vol 6, Elsevier, 2022, ISBN: 978-0-12-824460-9 (edited by Andre J. W. van der Kouwe and Jalal B. Andre). [↗](#)

### Journals (IF: Impact factor)

#### Published

1. **R. Z. Rusho**, A. H. Ahmed, S. Kruger, W. Alam, D. Meyer, B. Story, M. Jacob, S. G. Lingala, "Prospectively accelerated dynamic speech magnetic resonance imaging at 3 T using a self-navigated spiral-based manifold regularized scheme," *NMR in Biomedicine*.2024; e5132. (IF: 2.9) [↗](#)
2. W. Alam, S. Reineke, M. R. Viswanath, **R. Z. Rusho**, D. V. Daele, D. Meyer, J. Liu, S. G. Lingala, "A flexible 16 channel custom coil array for accelerated upper and infra glottic airway MRI at 3 Tesla," *Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (MRM)*, 2022. (IF: 3.3) [↗](#)
3. D. Meyer, **R. Z. Rusho**, W. Alam, G.E. Christensen, D.M. Howard, J. Atha, E.A. Hoffman, B. Story, I.R. Titze, S.G. Lingala, "High-resolution three-dimensional hybrid MRI + low dose CT vocal tract modeling: A cadaveric pilot study," *Journal of Voice*, 2022, ISSN 0892-1997. (IF: 2.3) [↗](#)

4. M. Asaduzzaman, T. Solaiman, **R. Z. Rusho**, M. S. Alam, and M. A. Hossain, “Combined FIM-PHI-Based Wearable Biosensor,” in IEEE Sensors Journal, vol. 21, no. 2, pp. 2176-2183, 15 Jan.15, 2021. (IF: 3.073) [↗](#)

## Conference Proceedings/ Abstracts

### Accepted

1. **R. Z. Rusho**, M. R. Hoffman, C. S. Apfelbach, W. Alam, H. Oya, M. A. Howard, D. Meyer, M. Jacob, S. G. Lingala, “Characterizing laryngeal dynamics during voicing and breathing with real-time multi-slice variational manifold learning,” accepted to annual meeting of ISMRM, May 2024, Singapore.

### Published

1. **R. Z. Rusho**, B. H. Story, D. Meyer, M. Jacob, and S. G. Lingala, “Synthesizing speech through a tube talker model informed by dynamic MRI-derived vocal tract area functions,” (oral presentation), annual meeting of ISMRM, June 2023, Toronto, Canada. “Selected as one of 100 abstracts to be displayed in AMPC selection area at ISMRM 2023 annual meeting”
2. **R. Z. Rusho**, B. H. Story, D. Meyer, M. Jacob, and S. G. Lingala, “Towards High Spatio-Temporal Resolution Pseudo-3D Dynamic Imaging of Vocal Tract Shaping During Speech Production,” ISMRM Workshop on Data Sampling & Image Reconstruction in Sedona, AZ, USA, Jan 2023.
3. W. Alam\*, **R. Z. Rusho**\*, J. Liu, D. V. Daele, M. Jacob, and S. G. Lingala, “Accelerated Imaging of Airway Collapse in Obstructive Sleep Apnea with Variable Density Spirals & Variational Manifold Learning,” ISMRM Workshop on Data Sampling & Image Reconstruction in Sedona, AZ, USA, Jan 2023. \*equal contribution
4. **R. Z. Rusho**, Q. Zou, W. Alam, S. Erattakulangara, M. Jacob, S. G. Lingala, “Accelerated pseudo 3D dynamic speech MR imaging at 3T using unsupervised deep variational manifold learning,” In Medical Image Computing and Computer Assisted Intervention–MICCAI 2022: 25th International Conference, Singapore, September 18–22, 2022, Proceedings, Part VI, pp. 697-706. 2022.
5. **R. Z. Rusho**, Q. Zou, M. Jacob, S.G. Lingala, “Joint recovery of time aligned multi-slice dynamic speech MR images from under-sampled data using a deep generative manifold model,” (digital poster presentation), annual meeting of ISMRM, May 2022.
6. **R. Z. Rusho**, W. Alam, A. Ahmed, S. Kruger, M. Jacob, S. G. Lingala, “Rapid dynamic speech imaging at 3Tesla using combination of a custom airway coil, variable density spirals and manifold regularization,” (oral presentation), annual meeting of ISMRM, May 2021. “Recipient of an ISMRM summa cum laude merit award”
7. W. Alam, **R. Z. Rusho**, S. Reineke, M. Raja, S. Kruger, J.M. Reinhardt, J. Liu, D.V.Daele, S.G. Lingala, “A novel 16 channel flexible coil for highly accelerated upper-airway MRI” (digital poster presentation), annual meeting of ISMRM, May 2021.
8. M. R. Islam, **R. Z. Rusho** and S. M. R. Islam, “Design and Implementation of Low Cost Smart Syringe Pump for Telemedicine and Healthcare,” 2019 Int’l Conference on Robotics,Electrical and Signal Processing Techniques (ICREST), 2019, pp. 440-444, doi: 10.1109/ICREST.2019.8644373.
9. **R. Z. Rusho** and M. A. Kadir, “Subcutaneous vein detection using pigeon hole imaging: Simulation study,” 2017 IEEE Region 10 Humanitarian Technology Conference (R10-HTC), 2017, pp. 363-366, doi: 10.1109/R10-HTC.2017.8288975.
10. **R. Z. Rusho** and M. A. Kadir, “Reconstruction algorithm for Pigeon Hole Imaging (PHI),” 2017 3rd Int’l Conference on Electrical Information and Communication Technology (EICT), 2017, pp. 1-6, doi: 10.1109/EICT.2017.8275137.
11. M. K. Hasan, **R. Z. Rusho**, T. M. Hossain, T. K. Ghosh and M. Ahmad, “Design and simulation of cost effective wireless EEG acquisition system for patient monitoring,” 2014 International Conference on Informatics, Electronics & Vision (ICIEV), Dhaka, 2014, pp. 1-5.
12. M. K. Hasan, **R. Z. Rusho** and M. Ahmad, “A direct noninvasive brain interface with computer based on steady-state visual-evoked potential (SSVEP) with high transfer rates,” 2013 2nd International Conference on Advances in Electrical Engineering (ICAEE), 2013, pp. 341-346, doi: 10.1109/ICAEE.2013.6750360.

## PROFESSIONAL REFERENCES

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