The journey after PhD

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2009

B. Sc degree in Electronics – Electrical Engineering – Automatics Systems

2011

M. Sc degree in Multimedia Data Processing Engineering

Professional goal: Engineer in Research & Development for Medical application



(La Roche-sur-Yon, France)



Software engineer of software suite for quality control of medical imaging systems



(Reims, France)

PhD project: "New developments in IR spectral histology: application to colon tissue"- collaboration with Strasbourg, France

2016

Ph.D. degree in *Science Technology & Health*, discipline: *Informatics & Biophysics*

- PhD = beginning of the research career
- ❖ It's ok to make mistake, because we learn better from it
- The more you practice, the better you become
- Listen and follow the suggestions of your supervisor(s)

Why do I want to be Postdoc? and ... why NOT?



2016

(Didcot-Chilton, UK)

Postdoctoral Research Associate, Marie Skłodowska-

Project: "Hyperspectral Imaging in Biomedicine: a combined software approach using visible and Synchrotron-based InfraRed micro-images for the analysis of Histological Tissue Sections"- collaboration with Reims, France

Postdoc project application:

Curie COFUND fellow

- ❖ Talk to your supervisor, ask for suggestions
- Start your ideas using your own knowledge
- Postdoc in a different institution : it's better!



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- Starting to learn managing multiple research project
 - *** Your main research project ***
- Learn more mistakes/problems and "How to solve them!"
- Extend your professional network

2018



(Dublin, Ireland)



Postdoctoral Researcher

Project: "Developing imaging techniques and data mining methods surrounding a Raman and FTIR spectroscopic imaging approach for objective histopathology and other applications"



(Dublin, Ireland)

& Entertainment (ICE)research institute



2020

Senior Research Fellow

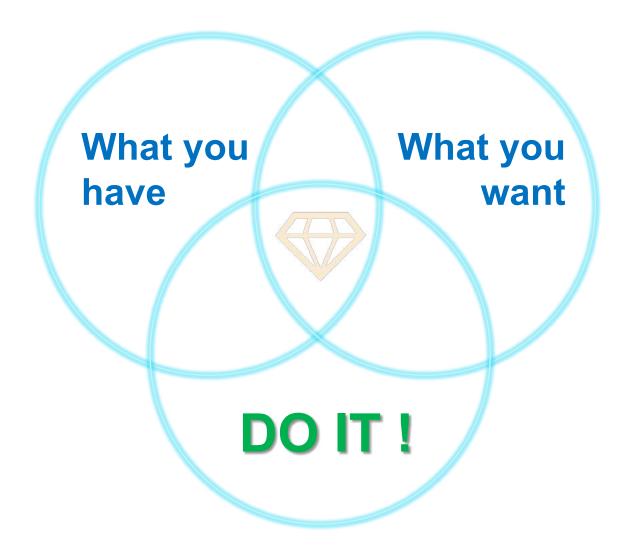
Project: "PRECISE4Q - Personalised Medicine by Predictive Modeling in Stroke for better Quality of Life"

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- Learn new things (e.g., paperwork, ethics, GDPR)
- Learn to start from scratch: not really!

My message to you:

- Knowledges are transferable
- "The more you practice, the better you get, the more freedom you create" Jocko Willink
- Be open-minded
- Love yourself!
- Don't be scared to fail

For your next step...



Thank you for your attention

Question?