

# Curriculum Vitae - Tammar Truzman-Solomon

## Personal information

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*I am a Speech & Language therapist and a PhD student, specializing in people with language impairment following acquired brain damage. Methodic, autodidact, independent.*

## Education

2016 - today PhD candidate at the direct PhD program under the supervision of Prof. Tali Bitan and Dr. Michal Biran at the University of Haifa. Working at the Language and Brain Plasticity Lab, University of Haifa. [www.talibitan.com](http://www.talibitan.com)  
Dissertation topic: Changes in brain activity and connectivity following language treatment in aphasia: an fMRI study

2012 - 2016 B.A. Communication Sciences and Disorders, University of Haifa.  
Graduated *summa cum laude*.

2011 Academic preparatory program, University of Haifa

## Professional Experience

2020 - present Speech & Language Pathologist (SLP) at Sheba medical center. Online language rehabilitation for people with acquired brain damage.

2017 - 2019 SLP at the Shoham Geriatric Rehabilitation Center  
Diagnosis and treatment of aphasia, dysphagia, dysphonia, and dysarthria following acquired brain damage (strokes, TBI, etc.)

2016 - 2017 SLP at the Fliman Geriatric Center. Same as above  
Audiologist at the Medtechnica Orthophone Ltd. hearing institute  
Hearing tests & hearing aids fitting

2014 - 2017 Psychometric Coordinator  
Managing the interface between the Academic Planning Unit at the University of Haifa and The National Institute for Testing & Evaluation (NITE)

## Research Experience & Training

2018 - Today Functional MRI – brain activity and connectivity analysis, using the Statistical Parametric Mapping toolbox (SPM) for MATLAB

2018 - 2019 Behavioral and fMRI Data acquisition

2018 Good Clinical Practice (GCP) course, June 2018. Tel Aviv University, Israel

### **Awards and Honors**

- 2020 The Prof. Rahamimoff Travel Grant for Young Scientists of the US-Israel Binational Science Foundation (BSF)
- 2017 - today University of Haifa President's Scholarship for outstanding students
- 2017 Prof. Mano-Ricola scholarship for data analysis assistant
- 2013 Dean Prize of Excellency, The Faculty of Social Welfare and Health Sciences, University of Haifa
- 2013 - 2016 Suzan Goldstein Fund for academic excellence and socioeconomic status
- 2011 Excellence award in the Academic preparatory program, University of Haifa

### **Volunteering and Educational work**

- 2017 - today Volunteer at the research team of Yozaim Leshinuy association. Promoting evidence-based studies about individuals who leave the ultra-orthodox (Haredi) community, their academic and social needs. In addition, I managed the research archive of the Yozim Leshinuy: <https://www.leshinuy.org/research>
- 2016-today Volunteering as a tutor and mentor for students from weakened socio-academic status, by guiding them through the academic demands and pushing to achieve personal and academic goals.

### **Languages**

- Hebrew Mother tongue
- English Professional proficiency
- Spanish Basic

### **Publications**

Bitan, T., Weiss, Y., Katzir, T., & Truzman, T. (2020). Morphological decomposition compensates for imperfections in phonological decoding. Neural evidence from typical and dyslexic readers of an opaque orthography. *Cortex*, 130, 172-191.

### **Poster and Oral Presentations at Conferences**

- 2020: Poster presentation at the Society for Neurobiology of Language (SNL), annual meeting
- 2020: Poster presentation at the Academy of Aphasia 58<sup>th</sup> annual meeting
- 2019: Oral presentation at the Palliative Medicine Conference, Ramat Gan, Israel.

- 2019: Oral presentation at the 55<sup>th</sup> annual conference of The Israeli Speech Hearing and Language Association (ISHLA), Tel-Aviv, Israel
- 2018: Poster presentation at the 12<sup>th</sup> Israel Association for Literacy and Language conference, Tel-Aviv, Israel
- 2018: Poster presentation at the 27<sup>th</sup> annual meeting of the Israeli Society for Neuroscience, Eilat, Israel.
- 2018: Poster presentation at the International Workshop on Literacy and Writing Systems: Cultural, Neuropsychological, and Psycholinguistic Perspectives, Haifa, Israel.