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Degrees

- 2006/9 - 2009/9 Doctorate, Basic Behavioural Sciences, University of Saskatchewan
Degree Status: Completed
- 1999/9 - 2005/5 Bachelor's, Arts and Science, University of Saskatchewan
Degree Status: Completed

Recognitions

- 2024/5 - 2024/5 Innovative Teaching Award
Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine
- 2020/4 - 2025/3 Canada Research Chair Tier 2: Neuroscience in Literacy
Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)
- 2018/1 - 2018/12 Rehabilitation Medicine Students Association Excellence in Teaching
University of Alberta
- 2018/1 - 2018/12 Graduate Students' Association: Graduate Student Supervisor Award. 2018
University of Alberta
- 2018/1 - 2018/12 Faculty of Graduate Studies and Research Great Supervisor Award
University of Alberta

Employment

- 2022/7 Professor
Communication Sciences and Disorders, Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Alberta
- 2020/3 Adjunct Professor in Psychology
Psychology, Biological Sciences, University of Alberta
- 2013/7 Associate Professor
Communication Sciences and Disorders, Faculty of Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Alberta
- 2009/8 - 2013/6 Assistant Professor
Speech Pathology and Audiology, Rehabilitation Medicine, University of Alberta

Affiliations

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- (*) 2009/8 Member Deputy Graduate Coordinator, Faculty of Medicine and Dentistry, Neuroscience and Mental Health Institute

Leaves of Absence and Impact on Research

- 2024/9 - 2025/7 Medical, University of Alberta
I was diagnosed with breast cancer in October 2024. I then underwent surgery (Jan. 2025), chemotherapy (Feb. 2025 - May 2025) and radiation (June - July 2025). The impact of these treatments on my output (i.e., delayed publications, inability to attend conferences, fewer grant applications, etc.) were notable as I navigated the complex side effects associated with each of the treatments (i.e., fatigue, nausea, etc.). The immunocompromised nature of my health also meant that I had to work almost exclusively from home. As such, the incidental learning that happens in the day-to-day lab environment has also been stunted and slowed, which has impacted the dissemination of experiments, the generation of new ideas/experiments, and the general lab morale.
- 2012/9 - 2013/2 Parental, University of Alberta
I was away on Maternal Leave from Sept. 1, 2012 - Feb. 22, 2013 due to the birth of a child. As a result, I had to ramp down or pull back on research projects prior to my leave that would have required my direct and immediate attention. Upon my return, I had to ramp up these same research projects, which took time.

Research Funding History

Awarded [n=2]

- 2025/5 - 2030/4
Principal Investigator Testing the efficacy of skill-based and goal-based interventions for adults with reading impairments
Funding Sources:
Social Sciences and Humanities Research Council of Canada (SSHRC)
Insight Grant
Total Funding - 211,220
Funding Competitive?: Yes
- 2022/1 - 2026/2
Co-applicant Towards improved fittings, better outcomes and increased cognitive capacity with bone conduction devices
Funding Sources:
Audmet Canada Ltd
MITACS Accelerate
Total Funding - 330,000
Funding Competitive?: Yes

Completed [n=6]

- 2024/7 - 2025/8
Principal Investigator Towards an understanding of the role of the brain stem in speech production: An MRI approach
Funding Sources:
Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)
Alliance
Total Funding - 24,711
Funding Competitive?: Yes
- 2018/4 - 2025/3
Principal Investigator Towards an understanding of the neural networks associated with word recognition
Funding Sources:
Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)
Discovery Grant
Total Funding - 177,362

2020/4 - 2025/3 Principal Applicant	Funding Competitive?: Yes Neuroscience in Literacy Canada Research Chair Tier II Funding Sources: Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC) Canada Research Chair Tier 2 Total Funding - 325,000 Funding Competitive?: Yes
2023/11 - 2024/10 Principal Investigator	Relating to others: Minimizing negative bias using empathy-evoking vignettes Funding Sources: Killam Trusts Cornerstone Grant Total Funding - 26,200 Funding Competitive?: Yes
2023/10 - 2024/9 Co-applicant	Investigating empathy and implicit bias in autistic and non-autistic adults. Funding Sources: Autism Edmonton and the Autism Research Centre Graduate Student Grant Committee Total Funding - 3,300 Funding Competitive?: Yes
2021/6 - 2023/8 Principal Applicant	Towards an Understanding of Best Practices in Goal Attainment Scaling Implementation and Feasibility Funding Sources: ARDEA Outcomes Inc MITACS Accelerate Total Funding - 30,000 Funding Competitive?: Yes
Under Review [n=1]	
2025/11 - 2027/10 Principal Applicant	The impact of repeated trans-cranial Direct Current Stimulation (tDCS) on the auditory cortex as a treatment modality for tinnitus via functional near-infrared spectroscopy and tinnitus questionnaires: a longitudinal study Funding Sources: Global Partnerships for Research and Innovation Canadian Hearing Services Total Funding - 98,870 Funding Competitive?: Yes

Publications

Journal Articles

1. Chouinard, B., *Cheuk, M., Hodgetts, B., Cummine, J. (2026). Facing empathy: Reducing facial differences bias through a story. The Cleft Palate Craniofacial Journal. 0: 0.
Accepted
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No

2. *Mitchell Holmes, Liz Dennett, *Liliane Raftus, Jacqueline Cummine. (2026). How should we talk about Dyslexia? A scoping review of identity-first vs. person-first language. *Dyslexia*. 0: 0.
Submitted
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
3. *Cassandra Cowan, Amberley V. Ostevik, *Kathleen Jones, *Thi K. T. Huynh, Alex Gascon, William Hodgetts, Jacqueline Cummine. (2026). The Longitudinal Impact of Bone Anchored Hearing Aid Adoption on Resting-State Functional Connectivity Using fNIRS: A Multiple Single-Case Experimental Approach. *Journal of Otorhinolaryngology, Hearing and Balance Medicine*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
4. Sean F. Ellis, *Praveen Prem, Maik Kecinski, Kent D. Messer, Jacqueline Cummine, Kyle Nash, Debra J. Davidson, and Jayson L. Lusk. (2026). Neural Basis of Behavior Change in Choosing Stigmatized Foods. *Journal of Behavioral and Experimental Economics*. 0: 0.
Submitted
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
5. *Kathleen Jones, Amberley Ostevik, Jacqueline Cummine, Liz Dennett, William Hodgetts,. (2026). Ecological Momentary Assessment in Hearing Aid Outcomes: A Scoping Review. *International Journal of Audiology*. 0: 0.
Revision Requested
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
6. *Mitchell Holmes, Daniel Aalto, *Dev Patel, Amberley Ostevik, Caroline C. Jeffery, Jacqueline Cummine. (2026). Perturbing the pathway: The impact of lollipops and lidocaine on supramarginal gyrus activity during silent reading tasks. *Brain and Language*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
7. *Raftus, Liliane; *Beaudry, Josee; *Holmes, Mitchell; Cummine, Jacqueline NSE contributions: The genesis of this work stems from our basic reading studies that show that reading performance is impacted by psychosocial factors. As such, we hypothesized that people with reading challenges would face barriers in day-to-day functioning that went beyond basic reading skills. (2026). **The Psychosocial Experience of Living with Dyslexia: A Qualitative Study**. *Learning Disabilities Research & Practice*. 0: 0.
Submitted
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
8. Jacqueline Cummine, *Dev H. Patel, *Mitchell Holmes, Amberley Ostevik, Daniel Aalto. (2026). Towards an understanding of somatosensory perturbation on covert speech production: A functional near infrared spectroscopy (fNIRS) study. *Frontiers in Human Neuroscience*. 0: 0.
Accepted
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
9. *Holmes, Mitchell; Pritchard, Lesley; Cummine, Jacqueline NSE Contributions: Our basic reading work has identified several areas of processing that are critical to successful reading (i.e., phonological awareness, morphological awareness, reading speed). We were interested to see the extent to which people with dyslexia experienced intervention that focused on these core reading skills and their perceptions of such interventions. (2026). **Lived experiences and intervention outcomes: Dyslexic adults' perspectives on meaningful support**. *Annals of Dyslexia*. 0: 0.
Accepted
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
10. *St. Jean C., Cummine J., Singh G., Hodgetts W. (2025). Exploring the influence of online price anchoring and attribute framing on the likelihood of hearing aid purchases. *Audiology Research*. 0(0): 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes

11. Al-Zanoon, N., Cummine, J., Jeffery, C.C., Aalto, D. (2025). Compensatory behaviours of oral cancer: Stretch reflex improves simulated tongue protrusion. *Computer methods in biomechanics and biomedical engineering*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
12. *Czobor, E., Striemer, C.L., *Cheema, K., *Prem, P., Aalto, D., Cummine, J. NSE Contributions: The work outlined in this paper brings together our current understanding of how reading is represented in the cerebral cortex with what we know about how the cerebellum supports reading processes. Using functional connectivity, we advance our understanding of the strong role that the cerebellum plays in successful reading. (2025). Examining the cerebral-cerebellar connectivity during spelling tasks. *The Cerebellum*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
13. *Prem, P.; *Boadu A.; *Saju, S.; Nisbet, K.; Cummine, J. (2025). Functional Brain Activation during Statistical Learning is Related to Rapid Automatized Naming of Digits and Objects (but not Letters): An fMRI Study. *Scientific Studies of Reading*. 0: 0.
Revision Requested
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
14. Wehnke, B.; Smolarek, D.; Soppa, R.; Dennett, L.; Reinecke, K.; Cummine, J.; Armijo-Olivo, S. (2025). Effects of Exercise on Neuroplasticity in Chronic Low Back Pain: A Systematic Review. *The Journal of Pain*. 0: 0.
Submitted
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
15. *Saggu, S.K., *Huynh, T., Cummine, J. NSE Contribution: This publication advances NSERC's mandate by deepening our understanding of the structural neural mechanisms underlying reading ability through quantitative analysis of cortical thickness across key brain regions, contributing to the natural sciences through cognitive neuroscience and brain morphology research. By applying rigorous structural imaging and statistical techniques, the study supports engineering and computational advancements in neuroimaging analysis pipelines. (2025). **An examination of cortical thickness relationships within the reading network of adults.** *Brain Structure and Function*. 230: 1-16.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
16. *Holmes, Mitchell; Aalto, Daniel; *Patel, Dev; Ostevik, Amberley; Jeffery, Caroline C.; Cummine, Jacqueline NSE Contribution: In this work, we replicated our behavioural work that showed peripheral perturbations impact silent reading. We also tested the neural signatures associated with perturbations to the speech mechanism during silent reading. Importantly, this work applies basic science principles to further our understanding of the print-to-speech network, both behaviourally and via brain function. (2025). **The impact of lollipops and lidocaine on supramarginal gyrus activity during silent reading tasks.** *Brain and Language*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
17. *Prem, P., *Saggu, S.K., *Boadu, A., *Saju, S., Nisbet, K., Cummine, J. NSE Contribution: This paper advances the NSE mandate by using quantitative neuroimaging methods to explore how domain-general and domain-specific statistical learning mechanisms—across both visual and auditory modalities—relate to the structural properties of cortical and subcortical brain regions. By identifying neuroanatomical correlates of statistical learning, a foundational cognitive process in reading acquisition, this work informs basic models of reading and supports the development of biologically grounded theories of language and literacy. (2025). **Neuroanatomical correlates of auditory and visual statistical learning: Cortical and subcortical volume predictors.** *Neuroscience*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes

18. *Holmes, M., Aalto, D., Cummine, J. NSE Contribution: This work exemplifies basic science advancements as we develop ways to measure the brain-based impacts of peripheral perturbations on reading (i.e., lollipops and lidocaine) which have not been explored given the safety (i.e., choking) hazards for testing in MRI. In this work, we document the strengths and limits of functional near infrared spectroscopy (fNIRS), an optical imaging technology that measures light absorption (between pairs of transmitter and receiver optodes) at the cortical level. It has several advantages: i. fNIRS is inexpensive, thus affords the capacity to collect larger datasets, ii. fNIRS allows for a natural reading environment (i.e, sitting upright), iii. fNIRS has good temporal resolution, allowing for detailed information about brain activity over time (i.e., preparation (i.e., before production) vs. execution (i.e., during/after production) phases of reading. (2024). **Documenting challenges in fNIRS data collection with a focus on hair color, hair cleanliness, light, and motion.** PloS One. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
19. Cummine, J., *Alsaigh, D. *Hasanni, T., *Holmes, M., *Cheema, K., *Huynh, T., *Saju, S., Loucks, T., Aalto, D. (2024). **Investigating functional connectivity during overt vs. covert speech production: An fNIRS approach.** Neuropsychologia. 0: 0.
Submitted
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
20. *Cowan, C., *Jones, K., Ostevik, A.V., *Al Souqi, S., Hodgetts, W., Cummine, J. (2024). **A Practical Guideline to Capturing and Documenting the Real-Time Consequences of Fluctuating Hearing Loss in School-Age Children.**Journal of Otorhinolaryngology, Hearing and Balance Medicine. 5(2): 1-19.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
21. *Jones, K., Côté, D.W.J., Cummine, J., Hodgetts, W. (2024). **Sudden Sensorineural Hearing Loss: A Case Study and Pilot Project.** Nurse Practitioner. 0: 5.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
22. Cummine, J., Ostevik, A., *Song, Q, *Kim, Y., Hodgetts, W. (2024). **Tissue classification following bone anchored hearing implant surgery: A machine learning approach to monitoring skin response.**Otology & Neurotology. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
23. Jacqueline Cummine & *Angela Cullum. (2024). Literacy Research and the Role of our Senses. Open Access Government. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: No, Open Access?: Yes
24. *Eze, P., *Omorotionmwan, E., Cummine, J. NSE Contributions: This study advances foundational knowledge in cognitive neuroscience by empirically testing competing models of language processing through white matter tractography, providing new evidence about the functional role of the inferior fronto-occipital fasciculus (IFOF). By applying quantitative diffusion imaging methods to assess structure-function relationships, it contributes to the NSE mandate by deepening our understanding of brain structure and its role in higher-order cognitive functions such as reading and language. (2024). **Moving Towards an Understanding of the Role of the Inferior Fronto-Occipital Fasciculus in Language Processing.** NeuroSci. 5: 39-58.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes

25. Milburn, T., Auch, L., *Henderson, A., Chan, A., & Cummine, J. (2024). **Comparison of the Efficiency and Reliability for Two Methods of Coding Language Samples: SALT Versus The ObserverXT.** International Journal of Language & Communication Disorders.0: 0.
Revision Requested
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
26. Al-Zanoon N., Cummine J., Jeffery C.C, Westover L., Aalto D. (2024). **The effect of simulated radiation induced fibrosis on tongue protrusion.** Biomechanics and Modeling in Mechanobiology. 23: 1649-1660.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
27. *Reed, A., *Huynh, T., Ostevik, A.V., *Cheema, K., *Sweneya, S., *Craig, J., Cummine, J. NSE Contributions: This study contributes to the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council (NSERC) mandate by advancing our understanding of the neurobiological mechanisms underlying reading processes through diffusion tensor imaging (DTI). Specifically, it identifies how structural properties of ventral and motor white matter pathways relate to phonological, orthographic, and morphological skills in adults with and without reading impairments, thereby informing and refining theoretical models of reading and neural connectivity. (2024). **Phonological, Orthographic and Morphological Skills are Related to Structural Properties of Ventral and Motor White Matter Pathways In Skilled and Impaired Readers.** Applied Neuropsychology: Adult. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
28. Cummine, J., *Ngo, T., & Nisbet, K. NSE Contribution: This publication contributes to NSERC's mandate by advancing our understanding of the neural correlates of reading by examining the relationship between cortical thickness in reading-related regions and performance on word and nonword reading tasks. The findings refine theoretical models of reading by highlighting how specific structural brain features support different components of reading, thereby strengthening basic cognitive neuroscience research in language and literacy. (2023). **Characterization of Cortical and Subcortical Structural Brain Asymmetry in Adults with and without Dyslexia.** Brain Sciences. 13: 1622.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
29. Nisbet, K., *Kostiw, A., *Huynh, T., *Saggu, S., *Patel, D., Cummine, J. NSE Contribution: This publication contributes to NSERC's mandate by employing advanced neuroimaging methods to investigate hemispheric asymmetries in gray matter volume associated with varying reading ability, thereby enhancing foundational knowledge in cognitive neuroscience and brain structure. The study supports natural sciences and engineering priorities by integrating image analysis techniques with neurodevelopmental research, providing critical insights into brain-behavior relationships that inform models of reading. (2023). **Differential grey matter structure of the pars orbitalis, triangularis and opercularis in individuals with dyslexia: A volumetric asymmetry study.** Journal of Neuroscience Research. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
30. Cummine, J., Ostevik, A., *Cheema, K., *Cullum, A. (2023). **Adult Learner Perspectives on Skill- and Life-Based Outcomes Following Literacy Remediation.** Social Sciences. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes

31. *Cheema, K., *Fleming, C., *Craig, J., Hodgetts, W., & Cummine, J. NSE Contribution. This study advances foundational knowledge in cognitive science by identifying how phonological, orthographic, and morphological components contribute differentially to reading and spelling in adults with and without reading impairments. Through systematic behavioral analysis of core language processing skills, the research contributes to the NSE mandate by elucidating the cognitive mechanisms that underlie literacy development and guiding evidence-based approaches for improving language proficiency. (2022). **Reading and spelling profiles of adult poor readers: Phonological, orthographic and morphological considerations.** *Dyslexia*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
32. *Budd, A.S., *Huynh, T., Seres, P., Beaulieu, C., Armijo-Olivo, S., & Cummine, J. (2022). **White Matter Diffusion Properties in Chronic Temporomandibular Disorders: An Exploratory Analysis.** *Frontiers in Pain Research*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
33. *Cheema, K., *Sweneya, S., *Craig, J., *Huynh, T., Ostevik, A.V., *Reed, A., & Cummine, J. NSE Contributions: This publication contributes to NSERC's mandate by advancing fundamental understanding of the neural mechanisms supporting spelling through the integration of structural and functional imaging, thereby refining theoretical models of reading and written language processing. By mapping cerebral–cerebellar connectivity associated with sublexical and lexical spelling tasks, the study offers novel insights into distributed brain networks involved in literacy, strengthening basic science in cognitive neuroscience and language research. (2022). **An investigation of white matter properties as they relate to spelling behaviour in skilled and impaired readers.** *Neuropsychological Rehabilitation*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
34. *Zabian, S., *Fleming, C., Ostevik, A., & Cummine, J. (2022). **The Crisis Study: COVID-19 & Reading Impairments - Survey Investigating Socializing.** *Papers of 4th Canadian International Conference on Humanities & Social Sciences 2022 (978-1-988652-50-4)*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
35. *Cheema, K., Hodgetts, W., & Cummine, J. NSE Contribution: This publication contributes to NSERC's mandate by examining functional connectivity within cerebral language networks during spelling tasks, advancing our understanding of the neural architecture supporting sublexical and lexical processing. By identifying distinct patterns of connectivity associated with different spelling strategies, the study refines cognitive models of reading and written language, contributing to foundational research in the natural sciences. (2021). **Is the letter 't' in the word 'gourmet'? A characterization of spelling networks between skilled and impaired readers.** *NeuroSci*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
36. Hodgetts, W., *Song, Q., *Xiang, X., & Cummine, J. (2021). **On a Vector towards a Novel Hearing Aid Feature: What Can We Learn from Modern Family, Voice Classification and Deep Learning Algorithms.** *Applied Sciences*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes

37. Cummine, J., *Huynh, T., *Cullum, A., Ostevik, A., Hodgetts, W. NSE Contribution: The study explores the sensorimotor underpinnings of reading by examining how oral stereognosis (the ability to perceive and recognize shapes in the mouth) predicts visual word recognition. This contributes to NSERC's focus on understanding the fundamental mechanisms of cognition, perception, and motor integration, aligning with its support for research that deepens theoretical models in natural sciences. By extending the DIVA (Directions Into Velocities of Articulators) computational model—originally developed in speech motor control—into a “print-to-speech” framework, this work innovatively applies engineering principles to understand reading. This bridges computational modeling, neuroscience, and psycholinguistics. (2021). **Chew on this! Oral stereognosis predicts visual word recognition in typical adults.** *Current Psychology*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
38. *Reed, A., Cummine, J., Bhat, N., Jhala, S., Bakhtiari, R., & Boliek, C.A. (2021). **Changes in Intermuscular Coherence as a Function of Age and Phase of Speech Production During an Overt Reading Task.** *Motor control*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
39. *Cheema, K., Westover, L., Ostevik, A., Hodgetts, W., & Cummine, J. NSE Contributions. This study advances knowledge of intrinsic brain organization by using resting-state functional connectivity to explore both domain-specific (reading) and domain-general (e.g., default mode, salience) networks in skilled and impaired readers. By identifying differential network integration patterns and their relationships to reading behavior, the research contributes to the NSE mandate through its use of advanced neuroimaging methodologies to investigate the neural basis of cognitive variability and basic reading processes. (2021). **Resting-state networks and reading in adults with and without reading impairments.** *Journal of Neurolinguistics*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
40. Cummine, J., *Cullum, A., Aalto, D., *Sereda, T., *Fleming, C., *Reed, A., Ostevik, A., Jeffery, C., & Hodgetts, W.E. NSE Contributions: Through a series of three experiments, this publication advances NSERC mandates through a systematic inquiry into how perturbations to the mouth (including lollipops, lidocaine and bite bars), change silent reading performance in adults. Most notably, this is the first study to use lidocaine to specifically test how sensations (and the lack of them) in the mouth can contribute to silent reading processes in a targeted way. With careful controls, via experimental paradigms and stimuli, we could disentangle how perturbations impact the subprocesses of reading (i.e., sublexical components), independent of their effect on attention. (2021). **From Lollipops to Lidocaine: Changes in Somatosensory Feedback Modifies Silent Word Recognition Performance in Adults.** *Canadian Journal of Experimental Psychology*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
41. *St. Jean, C., Cummine, J., Singh, G., Hodgetts, W. (2020). **Be Part of the Conversation: Audiology Messaging During a Hearing Screening.** *Ear and Hearing*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
42. *McKenzie, C., Hodgetts, W., Ostevik, A., & Cummine, J. (2020). **Listen Before You Drive: The Effect of Voice Familiarity on Listening Comprehension and Driving Performance.** *International Journal of Audiology*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No

43. Cummine, J., *Villarena, M., *Onysk, T., & Devlin, J. NSE Contribution: By manipulating cortical excitability during reading tasks, this study tests the functional roles of specific brain regions (e.g., left inferior frontal gyrus or temporo-parietal areas) in reading performance. This directly contributes to NSERC's mandate to support discovery-based research in cognitive neuroscience by moving beyond correlational findings to test mechanistic hypotheses about brain-behavior relationships in reading. The integration of tDCS with behavioral training reflects a methodological approach that aligns with NSERC's support for innovative tools and technologies in neuroscience. It demonstrates how non-invasive brain stimulation can be used to explore neural plasticity and individual variability in reading outcomes. The findings refine theoretical models of reading by distinguishing which neural systems are essential for, specific reading components. (2020). **A study of null effects for the use of transcranial direct current stimulation (tDCS) plus skill-based training in adults with and without reading impairment.** *Neurobiology of Language*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes
44. *Reed, A., Cummine, J., Bhat, N., Jhala, S., & Boliek, C.A.,. (2020). **Measuring Intermuscular Coherence of Speech Motor Control in Younger and Older Adults on an Overt Reading Task.** *Motor Control*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
45. Westover, L., Ostevik, A.V., Aalto, D., Cummine, J., & Hodgetts, W. (2020). **Evaluation of Word Recognition and Word Recall with Bone Conduction Devices: Do Directional Microphones Free up Cognitive Resources?.** *International Journal for Audiology*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
46. Amberley V. Ostevik Lindsey Westover, *Haley Gynane *Jordan Herst Jacqueline Cummine William E. Hodgetts. (2019). Comparison of Health Insurance Coverage for Hearing Aids and Other Services in Alberta. *Healthcare Policy*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
47. *Angela Cullum, William Hodgetts, Trelani Chapman, Jacqueline Cummine. (2019). Cerebellar Activation During Reading Tasks: Exploring the Dichotomy between Motor vs. Language Functions in Adults of Varying Reading Proficiency. *The Cerebellum*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: No
48. *Julia Craig, Amberley V. Ostevik, Lindsey Westover, Bill Hodgetts, Jacqueline Cummine. (2019). To Go or Not to Go: Exploring brain activation during response inhibition reading tasks. *Spectrum*. 0: 0.
Published
Refereed?: Yes, Open Access?: Yes

Conference Publications

1. D Aalto, M Fenner, M Haarstad, A. Ostevik, W. Hodgetts, J. Cummine. Speaking upside down: Manipulation of vowel formants with an inversion table. *Annual Acoustical Society of America*, Conference Date: 2020/8
Abstract
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No
2. N. Al-Zoon, A. Cullum, J Cummine, C. Jeffery, B. Hodgetts, D. Aalto. The role of somatosensory feedback in the production of English vowels. *The Annual Acoustical Society of America*, Conference Date: 2020/8
Abstract
Refereed?: Yes, Invited?: No

Presentations

1. (2024). Neuroplasticity following bone conduction amplification. Canadian Academy of Audiology, Canada
Main Audience: Researcher
Invited?: Yes, Keynote?: No
2. (2023). The Use of Machine Learning for Tissue Classification Following Bone Conduction Abutment Implantation. OSSEO, United States of America
Main Audience: Researcher
Invited?: No, Keynote?: No
3. (2023). An fNIRS investigation of neuroplasticity following bone conduction amplification: A multiple single-case experimental approach. OSSEO, United States of America
Main Audience: Researcher
Invited?: No, Keynote?: No
4. (2019). "From Brains to Behaviours and Lollipops to Lidocaine: A Multifaceted Approach to Studying Skilled and Impaired Reading". Banff Annual Seminars in Cognitive Science, Canada
Main Audience: Researcher
Invited?: Yes, Keynote?: Yes
5. (2019). From theoretical pathways to functional roadways: Avenues for understanding reading ability and disability. Boystown National Research Hospital, United States of America
Main Audience: Knowledge User
Invited?: Yes, Keynote?: No

Knowledge and Technology Translation

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| 2026/5 - 2026/5 | Primary PI - Lead, Community Engagement
Activity Description: Organized and hosted a community-facing knowledge mobilization event designed to disseminate recent dyslexia research findings in an engaging and accessible format. The event combined a brief research presentation with interactive trivia activities focused on dyslexia, literacy, and popular culture to promote public understanding of reading research. The event also provided mentorship and outreach opportunities by connecting prospective students with current trainees in Rehabilitation Medicine and Speech-Language Pathology (SLP). The initiative emphasized inclusive community engagement, accessible science communication, and public awareness of literacy-related research. |
| 2023/1 - 2023/12 | Primary Author/Investigator, Community Engagement
Activity Description: Article published in <i>Futurum</i> (2023). How we read: the neuroscience behind literacy. A package that includes an article describing literacy, activities for teachers to use in the classroom. |
| 2023/1 - 2023/12 | Primary Author/Investigator, Community Engagement
Activity Description: An article published in <i>Open Access Government: Cullum, A.* & Cummine, J. (2023). "SENSORY ROLES IN READING SKILLS: THE PRINT-TO-SPEECH MODEL". https://doi.org/10.56367/OAG-041-11237</i> |

2011/1 - 2023/12 Member/Primary Presenter, Technology Transfer and Commercialization
 Activity Description: I am a member of a neuroimaging group at the Peter S. Allen Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Imaging Centre at the University of Alberta. We hold regular fMRI Workshops on Experimentation and Data Analysis. In these workshops, I provide a step-by-step demonstration of the analysis protocols that my lab uses to analyze functional magnetic resonance imaging data for both healthy adults and clinical populations. These demonstrations are meant to assist other researchers in facilitating data analysis, translate our pilot findings and potentially establish new collaborations with individuals in the health sector.

Student/Postdoctoral Supervision

Master's Thesis [n=6]

2026/9 - 2028/8 Labiba Raisa, University of Alberta
 Co-Supervisor Thesis/Project Title: An eye-tracking study on cognitive load effects in dyslexic and typical readers.
 Present Position: Student

2026/9 - 2028/8 Linette Anyiacha, University of Alberta
 Principal Supervisor Thesis/Project Title: Towards an understanding of emotional content and language status as they impact reading performance and cognitive load in multilingual individuals.
 Present Position: Student

2026/9 - 2028/8 Hannah Farbin, University of Alberta
 Principal Supervisor Thesis/Project Title: The role of somatosensory information in the silent reading of children.
 Present Position: Student

2025/9 - 2027/8 Praveen Prem, University of Alberta
 Co-Supervisor Thesis/Project Title: Exploring the relationship between reading and statistical learning.
 Present Position: Student

2024/9 - 2026/8 Liliane Raftus, University of Alberta
 Principal Supervisor Thesis/Project Title: Executive Functioning Barriers of Adult Dyslexia: A Qualitative Descriptive Study of Daily Lived Experiences
 Present Position: Student

2023/9 - 2026/4 Dima Alsiagh, University of Alberta
 Principal Supervisor Thesis/Project Title: Impact of the Comprehensive Stuttering Program on Neural Patterns in Adults who Stutter
 Present Position: Student

Doctorate [n=4]

2023/9 - 2025/8 Cassandra Cowan, University of Alberta
 Principal Supervisor Thesis/Project Title: Towards an understanding of TDCS as a treatment approach for chronic tinnitus.
 Present Position: Student

2022/9 - 2026/8 Mitchell Holmes, University of Alberta
 Principal Supervisor Thesis/Project Title: Exploring the impact of lidocaine on reading via fNIRS.
 Present Position: Student

2021/1 - 2026/4 Kathleen Jones, University of Alberta
 Principal Supervisor Thesis/Project Title: In house Out comes for individuals with hearing impairment.
 Present Position: Student

2018/1 - 2023/12
Co-Supervisor

Craig St.Jean, U of Alberta

Thesis/Project Title: Examining the role of meaning responses in health care.

Present Position: student