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EDUCATION

- 2023 - Ph.D., Cognitive Science of Language, McMaster University
Supervisor: Dr. Victor Kuperman
- 2019 - 2022 M.Sc. Psychology, Institute of Psychology, Chinese Academy of Sciences
Supervisor: Dr. Xingshan Li
- 2013 - 2017 B.A., Management, School of Public Administration, Dongbei University of Finance and Economics

PUBLICATIONS

Bao, Y.B., Li, X. & Kuperman, V. (2025). The eye movement database of passage reading in vertically written traditional Mongolian. *Scientific Data*, 12, 499. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41597-025-04771-w>

Borjigin, B., Zhang, G., Hou, Y., & Li, X. (2024). Perceptual span in Mongolian text reading. *Current Psychology*, 1-8. <https://doi.org/10.1007/s12144-024-06074-6>

Chen, R., **Bao, Y.**, Huang, L., & Li, X. (2023). An Introduction to the Chinese Reading Model (CRM). *Studies of Psychology and Behavior*, 21(6): 725-735. <https://doi.org/10.12139/j.1672-0628.2023.06.002>

Gu, J., Zhou, J., **Bao, Y.**, Liu, J., Perea, M., & Li, X. (2022). The effect of transposed-character distance in Chinese reading. *Journal of Experimental Psychology: Learning, Memory, and Cognition*. <https://doi.org/10.1037/xlm0001180>

Zhang, G., Yao, P., Ma, G., Wang, J., Zhou, J., Huang, L., Xu, P., Chen, L., Chen, S., Gu, J., Wei, W., Cheng, X., Hua, H., Liu, P., Lou, Y., Shen, W., **Bao, Y.**, Liu, J., Lin, N., & Li, X. (2022). The database of eye-movement measures on words in Chinese reading. *Scientific Data*, 9(1), 411. <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41597-022-01464-6>

SCHOLARLY PRESENTATIONS

Bao, Y. & Kuperman, V. (2024). Comparative analysis of saccadic main sequence in horizontal and vertical reading. *European Conference on Eye Movements*, Ireland, **August 25-29, 2024**.

👉 *won the Keith Rayner Memorial Award for best oral presentation* 🏆

Bao, Y. (2023). Perceptual Span in Mongolian Text Reading. *Words in the World International Conference*, Canada, **December 1-2, 2023**.

Bao, Y., Zhang, G., Hou, Y., & Li, X. (2022). How to read the vertical text: Eye movement characteristics in Mongolian reading. *The 1st “Rising Stars” Forum on Cognitive and Developmental Psychology*, Beijing, China, **November 18 – 19, 2021**.

Bao, Y., Zhang, G., Hou, Y., & Li, X. (2022). Perceptual span and visual attention deployment during Mongolian reading. *The 23rd National Academic Conference of Psychology*, Hohhot, China, **October 29 – 31, 2021**.

TEACHING ASSISTANT

McMaster University

LING 2DD3 Statistics for Language Research Winter 2025
LING 1EE3 Structure of Modern English Winter 2024
LING 1E03 Introductions to English Linguistics Fall 2023

Institute of Psychology, Chinese Academy of Science

Psycholinguistics Spring 2019

WORK/ RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Data Scientist 2024.9 – 2025.4

Statistics Canada | Statistique Canada

Research Assistant 2022.7 – 2023.7

Reading and Visual Cognition Lab, Institute of Psychology, Chinese Academy of Sciences,
Project: *Individual Differences in Reading Comprehension*.

Data Analyst 2017.5 – 2019.5

Shanghai Financial Consulting Co., Ltd.

EXPERTISE

Language Skills: Native in **Mongolian**, Native-like in **Chinese**, Proficient in **English**

Software Skills: **R, Python, Matlab**, Photoshop, etc.

Experimental Skills: Proficient in **Eye-tracking, EEG, Psycholinguistic** experiments and **Behavioral** experiments