Multilingual Aphasia and Dementia Research Lab, University of Texas, Austin
Postdoctoral Position

The Multilingual Aphasia and Dementia Research Lab at the University of Texas, Austin (MADR Lab, PI: Stephanie Grasso, PhD, CCC-SLP) is seeking an individual to fill a postdoctoral research position. This position will be directly involved with an NIH-funded clinical trial in collaboration with Hospital de Sant Pau’s Memory Unit (Barcelona; co-PI: Miguel Ángel Santos Santos, MD, PhD). Research in the MADR Lab focuses on developing treatment approaches for bilingual adults (Spanish-Catalan; English-Spanish) with progressive aphasia, on better characterizing the manifestation of aphasia and neurodegenerative disorders in individuals from culturally and linguistically diverse backgrounds, and addresses bilingualism as a contributor to cognitive and neural reserve. Both research sites utilize current approaches in cognitive neuroscience, neuroimaging, and cognitive rehabilitation to address these issues. This position is based in Austin, Texas and includes the possibility of working for some time in Barcelona, Catalonia.

Responsibilities will include:
- generation of presentations and manuscripts from research findings
- organization of data and managing databases shared across labs
- conducting data analyses
- participant screening, assessment, and possibly treatment for studies examining the nature and management of progressive aphasia and related disorders
- supervision of undergraduate and Master's level students

Requirements for the positions include:
- a doctoral degree in speech-language pathology or a related field
- English proficiency
- a publication record and/or clinical record that reflects experience with cognitive neuroscience, neurorehabilitation, neurogenic communication disorders, bilingualism or related areas
- experience with collecting and analyzing behavioral data

Preferred skills include:
- strong or native-like Spanish
- strong or native-like Catalan
- prior experience interacting with individuals with aphasia in a research or clinical setting (in person or teletherapy)
- experience managing multi-site data collection workflows
- experience using R for data analyses and experience specifically with linear-mixed effects regression models
- experience conducting neuroimaging analyses
- experience applying for external funding

- The position may be used to fulfill requirements for the Clinical Fellowship in speech-language pathology.
- Preferred start date is Spring 2023, but alternative dates will certainly be considered including Summer 2023 and Fall 2023.
- Our lab is committed to diversity, equity, and inclusion. We strongly encourage applications from candidates who are committed to contributing to this goal and to applicants from groups historically underrepresented to apply.

If interested, please send a cover letter, CV, and three listed references to:
Drs. Stephanie Grasso and Miguel Ángel Santos Santos. (smgrasso@austin.utexas.edu; MSantosS@santpau.cat)