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Education and Qualifications

2002	PhD, Cognitive Psychology, University of California, Los Angeles, USA
1999	MA, Cognitive Psychology, University of California, Los Angeles, USA
1996	BA, <i>summa cum laude</i> , Pomona College

Professional Appointments

10/16 - present	Affiliated Lecturer, Department of Psychology, University of Cambridge (currently on maternity leave)
10/07 - 06/18	College Research Associate, Clare College, Cambridge
10/15 - 12/17	Visiting Researcher, University of Cambridge
10/10 - 10/15	Project Manager, Cambridge Centre for Ageing and Neuroscience (Cam-CAN; cam-can.com)
04/12 - 10/15	Senior Research Associate, Department of Psychology, University of Cambridge
10/10 - 10/14	Affiliated Lecturer, Department of Psychology, University of Cambridge
04/04 - 03/12	Research Associate, Department of Psychology, University of Cambridge
10/02 - 09/06	Junior Research Fellow, Christ Church College, Oxford

Funding Support

2010 - 2015	Named Project Manager BBSRC Longer and Larger Grant BB/H008217/1; <i>"Systems Cognitive Neuroscience of Healthy Ageing: Population-representative studies of Functional Plasticity and Neural Change."</i> Held at University of Cambridge, £5 million
2009 - 2013	Co-applicant research grant from the Dunhill Medical Trust, <i>"The role of neural flexibility in successful ageing: Maintaining language function across the lifespan."</i> Held at University of Cambridge, £274,048
2006 - 2010	Research into Ageing (now Age UK) 30 th Anniversary Fellowship, <i>"The relationship between age-related word-finding problems and neural change."</i> Held at University of Cambridge, £147,944
2005	Travel Award, Committee on Women in Neuroscience (C-WIN), \$1000
2005 - 2006	Research Small Grant SG-40847, British Academy, <i>"Orthographic error monitoring in older adults"</i> Held at University of Cambridge, £3504
2003 - 2004	Research Small Grant SG-35664, British Academy, <i>"Proofreading in old age: why do older adults fail to notice errors?"</i> Held at University of Oxford, £7487
2003	Lockey Bequest travel award, Life and Environmental Sciences Division, University of Oxford, £579
1996 - 2001	National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship. Held at University of California, Los Angeles, USA
1996 - 1997	Fulbright Post Baccalaureate Fellowship, <i>"Memory in Western Samoans: literacy and oral traditions."</i> Held at the University of Samoa, Apia, Samoa

Management and Supervising Experience

10/10 - 10/15	Manager, research staff for Cambridge Ageing and Neuroscience (Cam-CAN), including 8 Research Assistants and 13 postdoctoral Research Associates.
06/09 - 09/14	Supervisor, student Research Assistants (4 students), University of Cambridge
10/09 - 06/13	Co-supervisor to PhD candidate, Jingting Zhang, University of Cambridge
03/12 - 02/13	Co-supervisor to Research Assistant, University of Cambridge
05/11 - 02/13	Supervisor, postdoctoral Research Associates, University of Cambridge
10/08 - 06/10	Advisor to MSc candidate, Shannon Chiu, University of Cambridge
07/04 - 07/10	Supervisor to Research assistants (2 employees), CLSB, University of Cambridge

Undergraduate Teaching Experience

12/04 – present	Lectures, seminar and demonstrations, Department of Psychology, University of Cambridge. Topics: Language and Ageing; Neuropsychology of Language; Psycholinguistics; Language, Mind, and Brain; Neurocognitive Aging.
10/04 - 06/15	Supervisor for >10 final-year undergraduate projects, Department of Psychology, University of Cambridge
10/07 - 05/08	College supervisor, Psychology, University of Cambridge

- 10/02 - 03/03 College tutor, University of Oxford. Topics: Language and Cognition, Social Psychology, Individual Differences, Topics in Psycholinguistics.
- 10/02 - 03/03 Departmental lectures, Department of Psychology, University of Oxford. Topics: Psycholinguistics, Language and the Brain, Language Development; Language, Attention, and Memory.

Published manuscripts

- Shafto, M. A.**, Henson, R.N, Matthews, F.E., Taylor, J.R, Emery, T....& Tyler, L.K. (in press). Cognitive diversity in a healthy aging cohort: Cross-domain cognition in the Cam-CAN project. *Journal of Aging and Health*.
- Fuhrmann, D., Nesbitt, D., **Shafto, M.**, Rowe, J. B., Price, D., Gadie, A., ... & Cusack, R. (2019). Strong and specific associations between cardiovascular risk factors and white matter micro-and macrostructure in healthy aging. *Neurobiology of Aging*, 74, 46-55..
- Shafto, M. A.**, James, L. E., Abrams, L., & CAN, C. (2019). Age-related changes in word retrieval vary by self-reported anxiety but not depression symptoms. *Aging, Neuropsychology, and Cognition*, 1-14.
- Chan, D., **Shafto, M.**, Kievit, R.A., Matthews, F.E., Spink, M., Valenzuela, M., Cam-CAN, Henson, R. (2018). Lifestyle activities in mid-life contribute to cognitive reserve in late-life, independent of education, occupation and late-life activities. *Neurobiology of Aging*, 70, 180-183.
- Shafto, M.A.**, James, L. E., Abrams, L., Tyler, L. K., & Cam-CAN. (under revision). Age-Related Changes in Word Retrieval Vary by Self-Reported Anxiety but Not Depression. Manuscript submitted to *Aging, Neuropsychology, and Cognition*.
- Gadie, A., **Shafto, M.**, Leng, Y., Cam-CAN, Kievit, R. A. (2017). Age-related differences in self-reported sleep quality predict healthy ageing across multiple domains: a multi-modal cohort of 2406 adults. *BMJ Open*. doi: <https://doi.org/10.1101/060145>
- Samu, D., Campbell, K.L., Tsvetanov, K.A., **Shafto, M.A.**, Cam-CAN, and Tyler, L.K (2017). Preserved cognitive functions with age are determined by domain-dependent shifts in network responsivity. *Nature Communications*, 8. doi: [10.1038/ncomms14743](https://doi.org/10.1038/ncomms14743)
- Shafto, M. A.**, James, L. E., Abrams, L., Tyler, L. K., & Cam-CAN. (2017). Age-Related Increases in Verbal Knowledge Are Not Associated With Word Finding Problems in the Cam-CAN Cohort: What You Know Won't Hurt You. *The Journals of Gerontology Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*, 72.1, 100-106. <http://doi.org/10.1093/geronb/gbw074>
- Taylor, J.R., Williams, N., Cusack, R., Auer, T., **Shafto, M.A.**, Dixon, M., Tyler, L.K., Cam-CAN, & Henson, R.N. (2017). The Cambridge Centre for Ageing and Neuroscience (Cam-CAN) data repository: Structural and functional MRI, MEG, and cognitive data from a cross-sectional adult lifespan sample. *NeuroImage*, 144, 262-269. doi: [10.1016/j.neuroimage.2015.09.018](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuroimage.2015.09.018)
- Campbell, K.L., **Shafto, M.A.**, Wright, P., Tsvetanov, K.A., Geerligs, L., Cusack, R., Cam-CAN, & Tyler, L.K. (2015). Idiosyncratic responding during movie-watching predicted by age differences in attentional control. *Neurobiology of Aging*, 36 (11), 3045–3055. doi: [10.1016/j.neurobiolaging.2015.07.028](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neurobiolaging.2015.07.028)
- Green, E., **Shafto, M.A.**, Matthews, F.E., Cam-CAN, White, S.R. (2015). Lifespan cognitive variability in the cross-sectional Cam-CAN cohort. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 12 (12) 15516-15530. doi: [10.3390/ijerph121215003](https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph121215003)
- Shafto, M.A.** (2015) Proofreading in young and older adults: The effect of error category and comprehension difficulty. *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, 12(11), 14445-14460. doi: [10.3390/ijerph121114445](https://doi.org/10.3390/ijerph121114445)
- Tsvetanov, K. A., Henson, R. N., Tyler, L. K., Davis, S. W., **Shafto, M. A.**, Taylor, J. R., Williams, N., Cam-CAN, & Rowe, J. B. (2015). The effect of ageing on fMRI: Correction for the confounding effects of vascular reactivity evaluated by joint fMRI and MEG in 335 adults. *Human brain mapping*, 36(6), 2248-2269. doi: [10.1002/hbm.22768](https://doi.org/10.1002/hbm.22768)
- Shafto, M.A.**, & Tyler, L.K. (2014). Language in the aging brain: The network dynamics of cognitive decline and preservation. *Science*, 346(6209), 583-587. doi: [10.1126/science](https://doi.org/10.1126/science)
- Shafto, M.A.**, Tyler, L.K., Dixon, M., Taylor, J.R., Rowe, J.B., Cusack, R., Calder, A.J., Marslen-Wilson, W.D., Duncan, J., Dalgleish, T., Henson, R.N., Brayne, C., Cam-CAN, & Matthews, F.E. (2014). The Cambridge Centre for Ageing and Neuroscience (Cam-CAN) study protocol: a cross-sectional, lifespan, multidisciplinary examination of healthy cognitive ageing. *BMC Neurology*, 14(1), 204. doi: [10.1186/s12883-014-0204-1](https://doi.org/10.1186/s12883-014-0204-1)
- Shafto, M.A.**, Randall, B., Stamatakis, E.A., Wright, P., and Tyler, L.K. (2012). Age-related neural reorganization during spoken word recognition: The interaction of form and meaning. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*, 19(12) 1-11. doi: [10.1162/jocn_a_00218](https://doi.org/10.1162/jocn_a_00218)
- Stamatakis, E.A., **Shafto, M.A.**, Williams, G., Tam, P., & Tyler, L.K. (2011). White Matter Changes and Word Finding Failures with Increasing Age. *PLoS ONE*, 6(1), e14496. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0014496>
- Shafto, M.A.** (2010). Orthographic error monitoring in old age: Lexical and sublexical availability during perception and production. *Psychology and Aging*, 25,991-1001. doi: [10.1037/a0020117](https://doi.org/10.1037/a0020117)

- Shafto, M.A.**, & MacKay, D.G. (2010). Miscomprehension, meaning and phonology: The Unknown and Phonological Armstrong Illusions, *European Journal of Cognitive Psychology*, 22, 529-568.
<https://doi.org/10.1080/09541440902941967>
- Shafto, M.A.**, Stamatakis, E.A., Tam, P.P., & Tyler, L.K. (2010). Word retrieval failures in old age: The relationship between structure and function. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*, 22, 1530-1540. doi: 10.1162/jocn.2009.21321
- Tyler, L.K., **Shafto, M.A.**, Randall, B., Wright, P., Marslen-Wilson, W.D., Stamatakis, E.A. (2010). Preserving Syntactic Processing across the Adult Life Span: The Modulation of the Frontotemporal Language System in the Context of Age-Related Atrophy. *Cerebral Cortex*, 20(2), 352-364. doi: 10.1093/cercor/bhp105
- Shafto, M.A.**, Burke, D.M., Stamatakis, E., Tam, P., & Tyler, L. (2007). On the tip-of-the-tongue: Neural correlates of increased word-finding failures in normal aging. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*, 19, 12, 1-11.
- Burke, D.M., & **Shafto, M. A.** (2004). Aging and language production. *Current Directions in Psychological Science*, 13, 21-24.
- MacKay, D.M., **Shafto, M.A.**, Taylor, J.K., Marian, D.E., Abrams, L., & Dyer, J.R. (2004). Relations between emotion, memory and attention: Evidence from taboo Stroop, lexical decision, and immediate memory tasks. *Memory and Cognition*, 32, 474-488.
- Shafto, M.A.**, & MacKay, D.M. (2000). The Moses and Armstrong Illusions: Implications for Language Comprehension and Semantic Memory. *Psychological Science*, 11, 372-378.

Book chapters and other publications

- Williams, C., Thwaites, A., Buttery, P., Geertzen, J., Randall, B., **Shafto, M.**, Devereux, B., & Tyler, L. K. (2010). The Cambridge Cookie-Theft Corpus: A corpus of directed and spontaneous speech of brain-damaged patients and healthy individuals. In Calzolari, N., Choukri, K., Maegaard, B., Mariani, J., Odjik, J., Piperidis, S., Rosner, M., & Tapias, D. (Eds.) *Proceedings of the Seventh Conference on International Language Resources and Evaluation (LREC'10)* Valletta, Malta: European Language Resources Association (ELRA)
- Burke, D.M., & **Shafto, M.A.** (2008). *Language and Aging*. Book chapter for F.I.M. Craik and T.A. Salthouse (Eds.), *The Handbook of Aging and Cognition*, Psychology Press.
- Shafto, M.A.** & Tyler, L. K. (2007). Can Old Brains Learn New Tricks? Invited article for *Horizons*, magazine of Research Services Division, University of Cambridge.
- Shafto, M.A.** (2007). Word comprehension in younger and older adults: When is a difference a deficit? Invited article for *British Academy Review*, issue 10.
- Shafto, M.A.** (2002). Orthographic error monitoring in older adults. *Dissertation Abstracts International*, 63 (03), 1584. (UMI No. 3045605).

Published abstracts

- Shafto, M. A.**, Randall, B., Wright, P., & Tyler, L. K. (2010). Lexical access in young, younger-old and older-old adults: Age-related changes in the contribution of phonology and semantics. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*
- Shafto, M. A.**, Randall, B., Tam, P. P., Burke, D. M., & Tyler, L. K. (2008). Hemispheric changes in the fronto-temporal language system in younger and older adults. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*, 20.
- Stamatakis, E. A., Burke, D. M., **Shafto, M. A.**, Tam, P. P., Williams, G. B., Harding, S., & Tyler, L. K. (2006). The role of white matter integrity in age-related word-finding difficulties. *NeuroImage*, 26(S1): 258.
- Shafto, M. A.**, Stamatakis, E. A., Tam, P. P., Burke, D. M., & Tyler, L. K. (2006). Age-related changes in activation during tip-of-the-tongue: An event-related fMRI study. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*, 18, Suppl. D35.
- Burke, D. M., Stamatakis, E. A., Broderick, C., Finan, V., **Shafto, M. A.**, Osborne, G., & Tyler, L. K. (2005). Aging, tip-of-the-tongue experiences, and atrophy of the insula: A voxel-based morphometry study. *Journal of Cognitive Neuroscience*, 17, Suppl. B195.

Conference Presentations

- Shafto, M.A.**, Cam-CAN, Tyler, L.K. (2014). *Diverse Cognitive Aging: Cross-Domain Performance in the Cam-CAN Project*. Paper presented at the meeting of the Psychonomics Society, Long Beach, USA.
- Shafto, M.A.**, White, S., Cam-CAN, Tyler, L.K. (2014). *Word Finding Failures in the Cam-CAN Cohort: Lifespan Interaction of Domain-General and Domain-Specific Factors*. Paper presented at the Experimental Psychology Society Cognitive Ageing Workshop, Pershore, UK.
- Shafto, M.A.**, White, S., Cam-CAN, Tyler, L.K. (2013). *Word Finding Failures in the Cam-CAN Cohort: Lifespan Interaction of Domain-General and Domain-Specific Factors*. Paper presented at the meeting of the Psychonomics Society, Toronto, Canada
- Shafto, M.A.** (2010). *Language and memory: Impact of normal cognitive ageing*. Paper presented at the meeting of the British Society of Gerontology Conference, Brunel University, UK

- Shafto, M. A.**, Randall, B., Wright, P., & Tyler, L. K. (2010). *Lexical access in young, younger-old and older-old adults: Age-related changes in the contribution of phonology and semantics*. Paper presented at the biannual meeting of the Cognitive Aging Conference, Atlanta, USA.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Kim, T., Griffiths, J., & Tyler, L.K. (2009). *When did it all go wrong? Identifying the locus of age-related word-finding failures*. Poster presented at the 15th annual meeting of Architectures and Mechanisms of Language, Barcelona, Spain.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Stamatakis, E. A., Tam, P. P., & Tyler, L. K. (2008, September). *Senior moments and the brain: Convergent measures and an aging network*. Paper presented at the 14th annual Conference on Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing, Cambridge, UK.
- Shafto, M.A.** (2008, September). *Understanding word finding problems in old age: the interaction between space and time in the brain*. Paper presented at the annual Grantholder's Conference sponsored by Research into Ageing, Birmingham, UK.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Tyler, L. K., Stamatakis, E. A., Burke, D. M., & Tam, P. P. (2007, September). *Word finding problems in ageing: how does the brain cope?* Paper presented at the Strategic Promotion of Ageing Research workshop Understanding the ageing brain: linking cognitive and neural change across the lifespan.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Stamatakis, E. A., Tam, P. P., Burke, D. M., & Tyler, L. K. (2007, July). *Word-finding failures in old age: combining behavioural, functional, and structural data*. Paper presented at the meeting of the Experimental Psychology Society, United Kingdom.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Stamatakis, E. A., Tam, P. P., Burke, D. M., & Tyler, L. K. (2006, June). *Word-finding failures in old age: evidence from neuroimaging*. Paper presented at the Neuropsychology of Ageing Meeting, Crophorne, United Kingdom.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Burke, D.M., Stamatakis, E., Tam, P., Osborne, G., & Tyler, L.K. (2006, March). *Insula atrophy contributes to word-finding deficits in older adults*. Paper presented at the Meeting of the British Neuropsychological Society, Cambridge, United Kingdom.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Burke, D.M., Stamatakis, E., Broderick, C., Finan, V., Osborne, G., & Tyler, L.K. (2005, March). *Regional atrophy and language deficits in older adults*. Paper presented at the Neuropsychology of Ageing Meeting, Crophorne, United Kingdom.
- Shafto, M.A.** (2003, May). *Orthographic error monitoring in older adults*. Paper presented at the Neuropsychology of Ageing Meeting, Crophorne, United Kingdom.

Conference Posters

- Shafto, M.A.**, Abrams, L., James, L.E., and Cam-CAN (2018, November). *The effect of emotional responsivity on name retrieval varies across the lifespan*. Poster presented at the meeting of the Psychonomics Society, New Orleans, USA.
- James, L.E., **Shafto, M.A.**, Abrams, L., and Cam-CAN (2018, April). *Age-Related Changes in Word Retrieval Vary by Self-Reported Symptoms of Anxiety*. Poster presented at the Cognitive Aging Conference, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Fuhrmann, D., Nesbitt, D., **Shafto, M.**, Cam-CAN, and Kievit, R.A. (2017, September). *Cardiovascular Problems Predict Poorer White Matter Health in the Cam-CAN Adult Lifespan Cohort*. Poster presented at Cambridge Neuroscience Symposium, Cambridge UK.
- Henson, R., Tyler, L., Kievit, R., Nesbitt, D., Chan, D., CamCAN and **Shafto, M.** (2017, April) *Modifiable contributors to cognitive reserve and their neural correlates*. Poster presented at BNA Festival of Neuroscience, Birmingham, UK.
- James, L.E., **Shafto, M.A.**, Abrams, L., Tyler, L.K., and Cam-CAN (2016, April). *The relationship between crystallized knowledge and word retrieval: What you know won't hurt you*. Poster presented at the Cognitive Aging Conference, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Cam-CAN & Tyler, L.K. (2015, April) *Tip-of-the-tongue states across the lifespan: Different problems for different ages?* Poster presented at the Annual Meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society (CNS2015), San Francisco.
- Campbell, K.L., **Shafto, M.A.**, Wright, P., Tsvetanov, K.A., Cusack, R., Cam-CAN, & Tyler, L.K. (2014). *Beyond the resting state: Age differences in neural networks identified during naturalistic viewing*. Poster session presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Organization for Human Brain Mapping, Hamburg, Germany.
- Shafto, M. A.** & Tyler, L. K. (2014) *Diversity in successful aging: Deep cognitive phenotyping of the Cam-CAN cohort*. Poster presented at the biannual meeting of the Cognitive Aging Conference, Atlanta, USA.
- Campbell, K.L., **Shafto, M.A.**, Wright, P., Cam-CAN, & Tyler, L.K. (2013) *Beyond the resting state: Age differences in neural networks identified during naturalistic viewing*. Poster session presented at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the British Society for Research on Ageing, Norwich, UK.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Randall, B., & Tyler, L.K. (2012, November). *Proper Name Retrieval Across the Lifespan: The Impact of Semantic and Phonology Availability*. Poster presented at the meeting of the Psychonomics Society, Minneapolis.

- Zhang, J., Randall, B., Devereux, B., **Shafto, M.**, Zhuang, J., Tyler, L.K.(2010). *Age-related changes in the neural language system non-linear?* Poster presented at 16th Annual Meeting of the Organization for Human Brain Mapping, Barcelona, Spain.
- Shafto, M. A.**, Randall, B., Wright, P., & Tyler, L. K. (2010). *Lexical access in young, younger-old and older-old adults: Age-related changes in the contribution of phonology and semantics.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society, Montreal.
- Geertzen, J., Randall, B., Williams, C., **Shafto, M.** & Tyler, L.K.(2010). *Age-related effects of syntactic complexity in spontaneous speech production.* Poster at Architectures and Mechanisms for Language Processing (AMLAP), York, UK.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Kim, T., Griffith, J., & Tyler, L.K. (2008, November). *Phonological availability and word finding failures across the lifespan.* Poster presented at the meeting of the Psychonomics Society, Chicago.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Randall, B., Tam, P.P., & Tyler, L.K. (2008, April). *Hemispheric changes in the fronto-temporal language system in younger and older adults.* Poster presented at the Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society, San Francisco.
- Shafto, M. A.**, Stamatakis, E. A., Tam, P. P., & Tyler, L. K. (2007, November). *Word retrieval in old age: Integrating functional and structural neuroimaging.* Poster presented at the meeting of the Psychonomics Society, Long Beach, USA.
- Shafto, M.A.** (September, 2007). *Understanding word finding problems in old age: the interaction between space and time in the brain.* Poster presented at the annual Grantholder's Conference sponsored by Research into Ageing.
- Tam, P.P., **Shafto, M.A.**, Randall, B., & Tyler, L.K. (2006, November). *Do semantic and associative priming effects show age-related change?* Poster presented at the meeting of the Psychonomics Society, Houston, USA.
- Shafto, M. A.**, Stamatakis, E. A., Tam, P. P., Burke, D. M., & Tyler, L. K. (2006, April). *Age-related changes in activation during tip-of-the-tongue: An event-related fMRI study.* Poster presented at the Cognitive Aging Conference, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Stamatakis, E.A., Tam, P.P., Burke, D.M., & Tyler, L.K. (2006, April). *Age-related changes in activation during Tip-of-the-Tongue: An event-related fMRI study.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society, San Francisco.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Burke, D.M., Stamatakis, E., Tam, P., Osborne, G., & Tyler, L.K. (2005, November). *Older adults' tip-of-the-tongue states associated with region-specific grey matter atrophy.* Poster presented at the meeting of the Psychonomics Society, Toronto, Ontario.
- Shafto, M.A.**, Burke, D.M., Stamatakis, E., Tam, P., Osborne, G., & Tyler, L.K. (2005, November). *Insula atrophy contributes to word-finding deficits in older adults.* Poster presented at the meeting of the Society for Neuroscience, Washington, D.C.
- Burke, D.M., Stamatakis, E., Broderick, C., Finan, V., **Shafto, M.A.**, Osborne, G., & Tyler, L.K. (2005, April). *Ageing, Tip-of-the-Tongue Experiences, and Atrophy of the Insula: A Voxel-based Morphometry Study.* Poster presented at the annual meeting of the Cognitive Neuroscience Society, New York.
- Shafto, M.A.** (2004, November). *Older adults' proofreading ability varies by error type and difficulty.* Poster presented at the meeting of the Psychonomics Society, Minneapolis, Minnesota.
- MacKay, D.G., & **Shafto, M.A.** (2003, November). *The role of semantic anomaly in Moses-like illusions.* Poster presented at the meeting of the Psychonomics Society, Vancouver, British Columbia.
- Mackay, D.G., **Shafto, M.A.**, Taylor, J.K., Marian, D.E., Abrams, L.A., & Dyer, J. (2002, November). *The Taboo Stroop and Related Effects of Emotion on Memory & Attention.* Poster presented at the meeting of the Psychonomics Society, Kansas City, Missouri.
- Shafto, M.A.**, & MacKay, D.M. (2002, April). *Age-linked asymmetries in detecting and correcting spelling errors: Empirical and theoretical implications.* Poster presented at the Cognitive Aging Conference, Atlanta, Georgia.
- MacKay, D.M., & **Shafto, M.A.** (2000, November). *Disruptive effects of emotion on cognition: The taboo Stroop.* Poster presented at the meeting of the Psychonomics Society, New Orleans, Louisiana.
- Shafto, M.A.**, & MacKay, D.M. (2000, April). *Improved procedures show how aging affects sentence comprehension in the Moses and Armstrong Illusions.* Poster presented at the Cognitive Aging Conference, Atlanta, Georgia.
- Shafto, M.A.**, & MacKay, D.M. (1999, November). *The Moses and Armstrong Illusions: Language Comprehension and Semantic Memory.* Poster presented at the meeting of the Psychonomics Society, Los Angeles, California.
- Shafto, M.A.**, & MacKay, D.M. (1998, July). *The Moses and Armstrong Illusions: Implications for language comprehension and the structure of semantic memory.* Poster presented at the meeting of the Cognitive Science Association for Interdisciplinary Learning, Hood River, Oregon.
- Shafto, M.A.**, & MacKay, D.M. (1998, April). *Effects of Aging on the Moses Illusion and Related Conceptual Errors.* Poster presented at Cognitive Aging Conference, Atlanta, Georgia.

Invited Talks and Guest lectures

- 2012 Invited presenter, BBSRC Showcase for Industry. *Cam-CAN project*
- 2010 Invited departmental talk. Department of Psychology, Royal Holloway, University of London. Topic: Language and Aging.
- 2007 Invited seminar. *Age-Related Deficits in Word Retrieval: Integrating Functional and Structural Neuroimaging*. NASA Ames Research Centre.
- 2004 Invited colloquium. Department of Psychology, University of Warwick. Topic: Aging and Written Language.
- 2003 Invited colloquium. Department of Psychology, Royal Holloway, University of London. Topic: Language and Anomaly Detection.
- 2003 Invited colloquium. Department of Experimental Psychology, University of Oxford. Topic: Language and Anomaly Detection.
- 2002 Invited colloquium. MRC Cognition and Brain Unit, Cambridge, UK. Topic: Language and Anomaly Detection.
- 2002 Invited colloquium. Department of Psychology, University of California, Los Angeles. Topic: Emotion and Cognition.
- 2000 Cognitive Psychology Forum. Department of Psychology, University of California, Los Angeles. Topic: Emotion and Cognition.
- 2000 Seminar on Cognitive Aging. Department of Psychology, University of California, Los Angeles. Topic: Aging, and Amnesia.
- 1999 Language and Memory Symposium. Department of Psychology, Pomona College. Topic: Emotion and Cognition.
- 1998 Seminar on Cognitive Aging. Department of Psychology, University of California, Los Angeles. Topic: Cognitive Illusions and Aging.

Public Engagement

- 2016 Invited speaker, Joint Kent U3A Science Groups Study Day, Your Ageing Brain: Use It or Lose It? (9 June, 2016). *Age-related changes in cognitive functioning*.
- 2016 Guest on BBC Radio 4 Programme "Word of Mouth", *Tip of the Tongue*, <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b071tqc0>
- 2015 Invited speaker at Canterbury Festival, 26 Oct 2015. *The secrets of a successful ageing brain*
- 2011-15 Contributor to Cambridge Centre for Ageing and Neuroscience Newsletters (www.cam-can.com)
- 2004-13 Presenter at Cambridge Science Festival, Department of Psychology, University of Cambridge.
- 2011 Invited speaker at Cheltenham Science Festival, 8 June 2011. *Your Ageing Brain*.
- 2009 Prepared materials for Channel 4 dispatches taping, "Too old to work"
- 2009 Interview with Strategic Promotion of Ageing Research Capacity (download page: http://www.sparc.ac.uk/downloads_audio.asp)
- 2007 Invited speaker for Cambridge Help the Aged event, 11 Oct 2007. *The Ageing Mind and Brain: Looking at language, it's not all downhill*

Reviewing and Editorial Experience

Action Editor, *Language, Cognition, and Neuroscience*

Co-Editor, *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health* Special issue "Aging and Cognition" (finished December, 2015)

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