

# USC v. Dr. Hao Li

## Truth Challenge

### Background

I, Dr. Iman **Sadeghi**, filed a verified complaint<sup>1</sup> on June 11, 2018, and the verified amended complaint<sup>2</sup> on October 5, 2018, in the Superior Court of California against **Pinscreen Inc.** and its CEO Dr. Hao **Li** who is an assistant professor at University of Southern California (**USC**). I allege and support by conclusive evidence that Li perpetrated **Fraud and Deceit, Data Fabrication, and Academic Misconduct**:

<http://sadeghi.com/dr-iman-sadeghi-v-pinscreen-inc-et-al>

Li responded on his social media on July 19, 2018 and alleged that I fabricated communications and evidence for the lawsuit.<sup>3,4</sup>

I appealed to the scientific community on October 8, 2018 to challenge Li to identify any communication or item of evidence within the verified amended complaint that he alleges to be “fabricated.”<sup>5</sup>

USC Annenberg Media reported<sup>6</sup> on October 30, 2018 that “**Li doesn't refute the existence of the screenshotted messages**, but said in a recent email to Annenberg Media that they are **easy to misinterpret**.” Li also stated that “the messages and screenshots are presented in a manner that allows them to be **taken out of context** quite easily.”

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Since Li claimed to USC Annenberg Media that *context* gives the screenshots a meaning other than the obvious, I appeal to USC, USC Viterbi School of Engineering, USC Viterbi Department of Computer Science, USC Graphics, USC Institute for Creative Technologies (ICT), USC ICT Vision and Graphics Lab, USC News, and USC Annenberg Media as well as USC students, alumni, faculties, and affiliates to challenge Li to **explain the context for his use of the word “cheating,” which he used to characterize Pinscreen’s conduct**:

E7: Li’s group Skype messages dated March 27, 2017, leading up to SIGGRAPH Real-Time Live (RTL) submission due on April 4, 2017, authenticated by Li through USC Annenberg Media on October 30, 2018:

- [March 27, 2017] Li: “The reconstruction part we probably have no choice but to cheat”

Dr. Hao Li:

Authentic

Context?

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<sup>1</sup> <http://sadeghi.com/Dr-Iman-Sadeghi-v-Pinscreen-Inc-et-al-Jun-11-2018.pdf>

<sup>2</sup> <http://sadeghi.com/Dr-Iman-Sadeghi-v-Pinscreen-Inc-et-al.pdf>

<sup>3</sup> <https://www.facebook.com/li.hao/posts/10155807188858753>

<sup>4</sup> <https://www.linkedin.com/feed/update/urn:li:activity:6425942503987511297>

<sup>5</sup> <http://sadeghi.com/Scientific-Integrity-v-Pinscreen-Truth-Challenge.pdf>

<sup>6</sup> <http://www.uscannenbergmedia.com/2018/10/30/viterbi-professor-embattled-in-lawsuit-with-his-former-employee/>

 <p>new HTML from Iman <span style="float: right;">Monday, March 27, 2017</span></p> <p><b>Hao Li</b></p> <p>it s even better to have not good looking hair real-time than good looking non real-time hair but we should try to have some hair if we want to try to aim for it the reconstruction part we probably have no choice but to cheat</p> <p style="text-align: right;">10:39 PM</p>	<p>Dr. Hao Li:  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Authentic  <input type="checkbox"/> Context?</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>
<p>E5: Li’s group Skype messages dated June 29, 2017, leading up to SIGGRAPH Real-Time Live (RTL) public demo’s rehearsal on July 7, 2017, authenticated by Li through USC Annenberg Media on October 30, 2018:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>[June 29, 2017] Li: “I m really worried that nothing will work by tje rehearsal and we have to some shitty cheating again”</li> </ul>  <p>Will have all the steps for getting the hairs to the server and front end documented too so we can make it semi automatic.  <span style="float: right;">Thursday, June 29, 2017</span></p> <p><b>Hao Li</b></p> <p>Okay let s push for full pipeline first And not fine tune I m really worried that nothing will work by tje rehearsal and we have to some shitty cheating again</p> <p style="text-align: right;">12:51 AM</p>	<p>Dr. Hao Li:  <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Authentic  <input type="checkbox"/> Context?</p> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/> <hr/>

I appeal to all individuals who value [#science](#), [#integrity](#), and the [#truth](#) to invite USC to challenge Li and to invite Li to accept the challenge<sup>7</sup>. [#truthchallenge](#)

Dated: November 5, 2018

Very truly yours,



By: .....  
 Dr. Iman Sadeghi

<sup>7</sup> <http://sadeghi.com/USC-v-Dr-Hao-Li-Truth-Challenge.pdf>