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Education

PhD in Curriculum for Bioinformatics and Computational Biology

2020, University of
North Carolina at
Chapel Hill
Advisor(s): Terrence S.
Furey PhD and
Shehzad Z. Sheikh MD,
PhD

MS in Statistics

2013, University of
Maryland, Baltimore
County
Advisor: DoHwan Park

SB in Mathematics

2010, Massachusetts
Institute of Technology

Programming Languages

R
Python, bash,
MySQL, SAS,
JAVA, QIIME2
HTML5
L^AT_EX

Certificates

Graduate certificate in
Translational Medicine
from the University of
North Carolina at
Chapel Hill.

Experience

- 2015-2020 **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill** Chapel Hill, NC
Graduate Research Assistant
- Performed exploratory analysis and association studies of the mucosa-adherent microbial populations of the human colon and terminal ileum in Inflammatory Bowel Disease (IBD) and surgical controls.
 - Performed predictive functional analyses on 16S rRNA sequencing data
 - Developed bioinformatic workflow for microbiome analysis for use on high performance computing clusters
 - Presented research at local and national conferences
- 2015 **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill** Chapel Hill, NC
Teaching Assistant: Statistical Modeling
- Served as a guest lecturer for the class
 - Collaborated on curriculum development.
 - Held regular office hours and met with students upon request.
 - Graded all written work.
- 2015 **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill** Chapel Hill, NC
Coding Instructor: R
- Collaborated on curriculum and pre-test development.
 - Lead small group lectures on topics and concepts in R.
 - Served as a guest lecturer for main lecture portion of class.
- 2014 **University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill** Chapel Hill, NC
Graduate Research Assistant (Rotations)
Research areas:
- Development of an informatics approach for the analysis of human exome sequencing data to augment newborn screening
 - Computational identification of RNA splice junctions in SERPINA1, a serine protease inhibitor.
- 2012 **Genetics and Molecular Biology Branch, NHGRI** Bethesda, MD
Summer Fellow Mentors: Dr. Julie Segre, Dr. Sean Conlan
- Piloted a study on the viral diversity of the human skin through the use of metagenomic datasets acquired from the human microbiome project.
 - Assisted with fungal speciation of *Malassezia* species through bioinformatic tools
 - Applied various bioinformatic tools including: Clustal, BioPython, BioPerl, and Bowtie
 - Extracted full viral genomes from metagenomic datasets
- 2009 **Medical Genetics Branch, NHGRI** Bethesda, MD
Summer Fellow Mentors: Dr. Ellen Sidransky, Dr. Nahid Tayebi
- Worked on defining the association between glucocerebrosidase mutations and Parkinsons disease.
 - Learned and applied biological methods: including sequencing, PCR, westerns, RNA and protein extractions.
 - Performed statistical analysis on gene expression data via Excel
 - Trained incoming fellows in lab protocols
 - Presented research at NHGRI and NIH poster sessions