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Education

2005–2009	Doctor of Philosophy , Computational Biology and Bioinformatics Duke University, Durham, NC
2001–2005	Bachelor of Science , <i>summa cum laude</i> , Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Bachelor of Science , <i>summa cum laude</i> , Computer Science Mississippi State University, Starkville, MS

Academic Appointments

2014–present	Assistant Professor , Department of Computational Medicine & Bioinformatics Member , Program in Biomedical Sciences Member , Bioinformatics Training Program
2015–present	Assistant Professor , Department of Human Genetics Member , Genome Science Training Program (GSTP) Member , Michigan Predoctoral Training Program in Genetics (GTP)
2016–present	Member , Center for RNA Biomedicine
2017–present	Member , Cellular and Molecular Biology Program University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI
2010–2014	Postdoctoral Scholar , Genetics Stanford University, Stanford, CA; Advisor: Dr. Michael Snyder
Spring 2010	Postdoctoral Associate , Computational Biology Duke University, Durham, NC; Advisor: Dr. Terrence S. Furey

Scholarships, Fellowships, and Honors

2017	NSF CAREER Award
2016	Institutional nominee for W.M. Keck Foundation Medical Science Research Program
2016	Institutional nominee for Searle Scholar Award
2015–2017	Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Fellowship in Computational & Evolutionary Molecular Biology
2013–2014	NIH Pathway to Independence Award (K99/R00) [1K99HG007356-01]
2012	AAAS/Science Program for Excellence in Science
2005–2008	NSF Graduate Research Fellowship
2005–2009	James B. Duke Fellowship
Summer 2004	Mayo Clinic Summer Undergraduate Research Fellow
2003	Barry M. Goldwater Memorial Scholarship
Summer 2003	The Institute for Genomic Research (TIGR) Summer Fellow
2001	Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship
2001	Mississippi State University Presidential Scholarship
2001	National Merit Scholarship

Grant Support

Active

2017–2020	U41 HG009293 NIH/NHGRI RegulomeDB: A Resource for the Human Regulome This project seeks to expand and support a RegulomeDB, a database for prioritizing and predicting functional variants in the human genome.	(Multi PI: Cherry, Boyle; Genomic Research Project PI: Boyle) Total Costs: \$2,171,753
2017–2022	DBI-1651614	(PI: Boyle)

	NSF/BIO/DBI	Total Costs: \$979,984
	CAREER: Conservation of cohesin-containing cis regulatory modules in the human and mouse lineages	
	The goal of this project is the study of the turnover of cohesin binding sites in the human and mouse genomes.	
2017–2018	Eleanor and Larry Jackier U-M/Technion and Weizmann Collaborative Research Grant	(PI: Boyle, Mandel-Gutfreund)
	Michigan - Israel Partnership for Research & Education	Total Costs: \$50,000
	Identifying novel disease related mutations in the genomic environments around Transcription Factor binding sites	
	The goal of this project is to identify variants in the proximity of TF binding sites that have an indirect effect on their binding.	
2017–2024	R35 HL135824	(PI: Willer; Co-I with Effort)
	NIH/NHLBI	Total Costs: \$4,650,000
	Using Genetics to Inform Mechanism of Cardiovascular Disease	
	The goal of this project is to uncover novel genetic discoveries and biological mechanisms underlying association with devastating cardiovascular diseases.	

Completed

2013–2017	R00 HG007356 Pathway to Independence Award (K99/R00)	(PI: Boyle)
	NIH/NHGRI	Total Costs: \$987,771
	Global Discovery and Validation of Functional Regulatory Elements	
	This project seeks to extend current assays demonstrating function of genomic regions into an equivalent genome-wide assay.	
2015–2017	FG-2015-65465	(PI: Boyle)
	Alfred P. Sloan Foundation	Total Costs: \$50,000
	Fellowship in Computational & Evolutionary Molecular Biology	
2016–2020	R01 HL130705	(PI: Willer; Co-I with Effort)
	NIH/NHLBI	Total Costs: \$2,784,005
	Large-scale human genetics to understand molecular mechanisms of atrial fibrillation and related traits	
	This project seeks to provide new insights into atrial fibrillation mechanisms through whole-genome screening.	

Professional Service

Service

2018–current	DCM&B Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion representative
2018–current	Lab Safety Liason for DCM&B
2017–current	DCM&B Preliminary Exam Abstract Review Committee (PARC) [Chair 2018–current]
2017–current	EBS Faculty IT Committee
2017–current	DHG Faculty Recruitment and Promotions Committee
2016–current	DCM&B Faculty Recruitment Committee
2016–current	DCM&B Seminar Series Committee [Chair 2016–current]
2015–current	DCM&B Admissions Committee
2015–2017	DHG Computational Support Committee
2015–2016	DCM&B Retreat Planning Committee Chair (including 1st annual)
2014	Ad hoc admissions reviewer, University of Michigan DCM&B
2013–current	Member, International Society for Computational Biology (ISCB)
2012–current	Member, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)
2008–2009	Duke Computational Biology & Bioinformatics student committee
2005–current	Member, Gamma Sigma Delta Agricultural Honor Society

Reviewing Activity

Since 2009	<i>Ad hoc</i> reviewer for the journals: <i>Nature Genetics</i> , <i>Genome Research</i> , <i>Genome Biology</i> , <i>Nature Neuroscience</i> , <i>Nature Communications</i> , <i>Nature Protocols</i> , <i>Bioinformatics</i> , <i>Nucleic Acids Research</i> , <i>BMC Bioinformatics</i> , <i>Oncotarget</i> , <i>Scientific Reports</i> , <i>Atherosclerosis</i> , <i>BioEssays</i> , <i>Gene</i>
2015–current	Program Committee, Great Lakes Bioinformatics and Canadian Computational Biology Conference (GLBIO/CCBC)
2015–2016	Program Committee, Algorithms for Computational Biology (ALCOB)
2015	Reviewer for UK Medical Research Council (RCUK MRC)
2015	Reviewer for UK Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (RCUK BBSRC)
2015	Reviewer for Michigan Institute for Clinical & Health Research (MICHR) Postdoctoral Translational Scholars Program
2013–current	Program Committee, Gene Regulation and Transcriptomics, ISMB/ECCB
2012–2015	DNA Day Essay Contest Detailed Review Judge for ASHG
2012	Distinguished contributor as a leading reviewer for the journal <i>Bioinformatics</i>

Teaching and Mentorship

Teaching

2019–current	Bioinformatics Concepts and Algorithms (BIOINF 529) [Course Director]
2017	Panel member, U. Michigan “New Faculty Orientation to Corporate & Foundation Relations” [70 attendees]
2017	Experimental Genetics Systems (HUMGEN 632) [Course Director]
2016	Experimental Genetics Systems (HUMGEN 632) [1 discussion]
2015–current	Gene Structure and Regulation (HUMGEN 541) [3 lectures + 2 discussions / yr.]
2015–current	Bioinformatics Journal Club (BIOINF 602/603) [Course Director Fall 2018]
2015–2017	Introduction to Bioinformatics & Computational Biology (BIOINF 527) [2 lectures + 3 labs / yr.]
2015–2017	Basic Biology for Graduate Students with Quantitative Training (BIOINF 523) [2 lectures / yr.]
2014	Panel memnber, BIOINF 527 “Challenges in Biology, Biomedicine, Data & Analysis”
2010	Co-taught Cold Spring Harbor Systems Biology Pre-meeting Workshop
2009	Duke student panelist for “How to prepare for and get into graduate school”
2008	Taught Duke mini-course on Genome Browsers & Databases
Fall 2003	Lab TA for Isotopes Tech I (MS. State, BCH 4414)

Mentorship

Graduate Students

2017–current	Melissa Englund (Ph.D. Student, Human Genetics, University of Michigan) <i>NIH Human Genetics Training Program (T32)</i>
2017–current	Samuel Zhao (Ph.D. Student, Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2016–current	Haley Amemiya (Ph.D. Student, Cellular and Molecular Biology, University of Michigan) <i>NIH Cellular & Molecular Biology Training Program (T32)</i> <i>PIBS Excellence in Service Award</i> <i>Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant (pre-candidate)</i> <i>Maas Professional Development Award</i> <i>Rackham Graduate School Scholar-Activist Award</i>
2016–current	Shriya Sethuraman (Ph.D. Student, Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2016–current	Shengcheng Dong (Ph.D. Student, Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2016–current	Christopher Castro (Ph.D. Student, Bioinformatics, University of Michigan) <i>NIH Bioinformatics Training Program (T32)</i> <i>Rackham Merit Fellow</i> <i>Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant (pre-candidate)</i>
2015–current	Ningxin Ouyang (Ph.D. Student, Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2015–current	Torrin McDonald (Ph.D. Student, Human Genetics, University of Michigan) <i>NIH Human Genetics Training Program (T32)</i> <i>Rackham Graduate Student Research Grant (pre-candidate)</i>
2015–2017	Greg Farnum (Ph.D. Student, Cellular and Molecular Biology, University of Michigan)
2015–current	Sierra Nishizaki (Ph.D. Student, Human Genetics, University of Michigan) <i>NIH Genome Science Training Program (T32)</i> <i>Rackham Merit Fellow</i>

Rackham Summer Award

Additional Graduate Rotation Students

2017	Amanda Moccia (Rotation Student, Human Genetics, University of Michigan)
2017	Stephen Carney (Rotation Student, Human Genetics, University of Michigan)
2016	Tingyang Li (Rotation Student, Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)

Undergraduate and High School Students

2016–2018	Cody Morterud (Undergraduate, UROP Computer Science, University of Michigan)
2016–2017	Colten Williams (Undergraduate, UROP Computer Science, University of Michigan)
2016–2017	Courtney Asman (Undergraduate, Neuroscience, University of Michigan)
2014–2017	Maxwell Spadafore (Undergraduate, LS&A Honors Informatics, University of Michigan)
2013–2014	Natalie Ng (High School, Stanford Institutes of Medicine Summer Research)
2013–2014	Dana Wyman (Undergraduate, Biology, Stanford University)
2013	Justin Young (High School, Stanford Institutes of Medicine Summer Research)
2012	Melanie Connick (Undergraduate, Biology, University of New Mexico)
2012	Edward Dai (Undergraduate, Computer Science, Stanford University)

Doctoral Thesis Committees

2018–current	Marcus Sherman (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2018–current	Christopher Lee (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2018–current	Negar Farzaneh (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2018–current	Rucheng Diao (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2017–current	Steven Romanelli (Molecular & Integrative Physiology, University of Michigan)
2017–current	Amanda Moccia (Human Genetics, University of Michigan)
2017–current	Christopher Lee (Biostatistics, University of Michigan)
2016–current	Mohd Hafiz Bin Mohd Rothi (Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology, University of Michigan)
2015–current	Ari Allyn-Feuer (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2015–2017	Raymond Cavalcante (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2015–2017	Zhengting Zou (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)

Preliminary Exam Committees

2018	Kevin Hu (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2018	Siyu Liu (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2018	Alexandra Weber (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2018	Mitch Fernandez (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2017	Tingyang Li (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2017	Marcus Sherman (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2017	Adrienne Shami (Human Genetics, University of Michigan)
2017	Trenton Frisbie (Human Genetics, University of Michigan)
2017	Melissa Englund (Human Genetics, University of Michigan)
2017	Peter Orchard (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2017	Li Guan (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2016	Shriya Sethuraman (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)
2016	Jed Carlson (Bioinformatics, University of Michigan)

Industry Experience

2013–2014	Consultant, Color Genomics Personalized medicine / genomics startup
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Publications

* Indicates co-first authorship † Indicates co-senior authorship
underscore indicates lab members

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Patents

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