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Education

SUNY Upstate Syracuse, NY 2009

Ph.D. Department of Pharmacology

Dissertation Title: Bioinformatic Identification of Putative Regulatory Motifs

Johns Hopkins University Baltimore, MD 2003

BS. Biomedical Engineering

Research & Work Experience

Assistant Professor Baker Institute/ Department of Biomedical Sciences July 1st 2014-

Cornell University, Ithaca NY

Postdoctoral Fellow Dep. Biological Statistics & Computational Biology 2009-2014

Cornell University, Ithaca NY

Software Developer SUNY Microarray Core Facility 2007-2008

Syracuse, NY

Graduate Student Department of Pharmacology, SUNY Upstate 2003-2008

Syracuse, NY; Dr. Arkady Pertsov, Advisor

Research Assistant Kennedy Krieger Institute, Johns Hopkins 2002-2003

Baltimore, MD; Dr. Walter Kaufmann, Advisor

Distinctions & Awards

Genome Research Poster Prize: The Biology of Genomes (Cold Spring Harbor Labs) 2014

Best Poster: Reproductive Genomics Retreat, 2012, Poster Session 2012

Professional and Public Service Award: SUNY Upstate Medical University 2008

Judiciary and Ethical Committee: SUNY Upstate Medical University 2006-2008

Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award 1999

Open Source Software Contributions

1. **Rtfbs-db**. Parse TF binding motifs from public databases. 2015-

Languages: R, Shell GitHub

2. **dREG/ dREG-HD**. Detection of Regulatory Elements using GRO-seq Data. 2014-

Languages: R, C GitHub

- 3. **GroHMM**. R package for GRO-seq data analysis, HMM implementation. 2009-Languages: R, C *Bioconductor*
- 4. **Affytiling**. Easy extraction of individual probes in Affymetrix tiling arrays. 2007-2016 Languages: R, C *Bioconductor*

Publications

(* equal contribution) (¥ corresponding author) (Danko lab members underlined)

Preprints Submitted for Peer-Review

- 1. Horibata A, <u>Rice EJ</u>, Zheng H, Anguish LJ, Mukai C, Marks BA, <u>Chu T</u>, Coonrod S*, <u>Danko CG*</u> (2017). RET Ligands Mediate Endocrine Sensitivity via a Bi-stable Feedback Loop with ERα. *BioRxiv*. doi: http://biorxiv.org/content/early/2017/01/06/098848
- 2. <u>Danko CG[¥]</u>, <u>Wang Z</u>, <u>Rice EJ</u>, <u>Chu T</u>, Martins AL, Tait-Wojno E, List JT, Kraus WL, Siepel A[¥] (2016). *Natural Selection has Shaped Coding and Non-coding Transcription in Primate CD4+ T-cells. <i>bioRxiv*. doi: https://doi.org/10.1101/083212

Peer-reviewed Publications

- 3. Blumberg A, Rice EJ, Kundaje A, **Danko CG**, Mishmar D (2017). *Initiation of mtDNA transcription is followed by pausing, and diverge across human cell types and during evolution.* **Genome Research.** Jan 3. pii: gr.209924.116. doi: 10.1101/gr.209924.116.
- 4. Mahat DB, Kwak H, Booth GT, Jonkers I, <u>Danko CG</u>, Patel R, Waters CT, Munson K, Core LC, Lis JT (2016). *Base-Pair Resolution Genome-Wide Mapping Of Active RNA polymerases using Precision Nuclear Run-On (PRO-seq)*. *Nature Protocols*. Aug;11(8):1455-1476.
- 5. Wang Z, Martins AL, **Danko CG*** (2016). *RTFBSDB: an integrated framework for transcription factor binding site analysis.* **Bioinformatics**. Jun 10. pii: btw338.
- 6. Mahat DB, Salamanca H Duarte FM, <u>Danko CG</u>, Lis JT (2016). *Mammalian heat shock response and mechanisms underlying its genome-wide transcriptional regulation*. *Molecular Cell.* Apr 7;62(1):63-78. Mar 24.
- 7. Welsh IC, Kwak H, Chen FL, Werner M, Shopland LS, <u>Danko CG</u>, Lis JT, Zhang M, Martin JF, Kurpios NA (2015). *Embryonic gut laterality is mirrored by asymmetric chromatin architecture at the Pitx2 locus dependent on Pitx2 and CTCF. Cell Reports. Oct* 13;13(2): 337-49.
- 8. Chae M, <u>Danko CG</u>, Kraus WL (2015). groHMM: a computational tool for identifying unannotated and cell type-specific transcription units from global run-on sequencing data. *BMC Bioinformatics*, Jul 16;16:222.
- 9. Andersson R*, Sandelin A, <u>Danko CG*</u> (2015). *A Unified Architecture of Transcriptional Regulatory Elements.* **Trends in Genetics.** Jun 11. pii: S0168-9525(15)00104-3.
- 10. Fuda NJ, Guertin MJ, Sharma S, <u>Danko CG</u>, Martins AL, Siepel A, Lis JT (2015). *GAGA Factor Maintains Nucleosome-free Promoters Allowing RNA Polymerase II Recruitment and Promoter-proximal Pausing. PLoS Genetics*. Mar 27;11(3):e1005108.

- 11. <u>Danko CG[¥]</u>, Hyland SL, Core LJ, Martins AL, Waters CT, Lee HW, Cheung VG, Kraus WL, Lis JT[¥], and Siepel A[¥] (2015). *Accurate Identification of Active Transcriptional Regulatory Elements from Global Run-On and Sequencing Data. Nature Methods*. Mar 23.
- 12. Core LJ*, Martins AL*, <u>Danko CG</u>, Waters C, Siepel A, Lis JT (2014). Analysis of transcription start sites from nascent RNA identifies a unified architecture of initiation regions at mammalian promoters and enhancers. **Nature Genetics.** Nov 10. doi: 10.1038/ng.3142. **Featured in a perspective piece**
- 13. Luo X, Chae M, Krishnakumar R, <u>Danko CG</u>, Kraus WL (2014). *Dynamic reorganization of the AC16 cardiomyocyte transcriptome in response to TNFalpha signaling revealed by integrated genomic analyses. BMC Genomics*. Feb 24;15(1):155.
- 14. Oxford EM, **Danko CG**, Fox P, Kornreich B, Moise NS (2014). *Change in* β -catenin localization suggests involvement of the canonical Wnt pathway in Boxer dogs with arrhythmogenic cardiomyopathy. **J Vet Intern Med.** Jan;28(1):92-101.
- 15. Hah N, Murakami S, Nagari A, <u>Danko CG</u>, Kraus WL (2013). *Enhancer Transcription Marks Active Estrogen Receptor Binding Sites*. *Genome Res.* May 1. PMID: 23636943.
- 16. <u>Danko CG</u>, Hah N, Luo X, Martins AL, Core L, Lis JT, Siepel A, Kraus WL (2013). *Signaling Pathways Differentially Affect RNA Polymerase II Initiation, Pausing, and Elongation Rate in Cells. Molecular Cell.* Apr 25;50(2):212-22. *Cover article*

Featured in a perspective piece Recommended by Faculty of 1000

- 17. Zeng L, Sang Chul C, <u>Danko CG</u>, Siepel A, Stanhope MJ, Burne RA (2013). *Gene Regulation by CcpA and Catabolite Repression Explored by RNA-Seq in Streptococcus mutans. PLoS One. 8(3):e60465.*
- 18. Gronau I, Hubisz MJ, Gulko B, <u>Danko CG</u>, Siepel A. (2011). *Bayesian inference of ancient human demography from individual genome sequences*. *Nature Genetics*, 18;43(10):1031-4.
- 19. Oxford EM, <u>Danko CG</u>, Kornreich BG, Maass K, Hemsley SA, Raskolnikov D, Fox PR, Delmar M, Moïse NS (2011). *Ultrastructural changes in cardiac myocytes from Boxer dogs with arrhythmogenic right ventricular cardiomyopathy*. *J Vet Cardiol*, 13(2):101-13.
- 20. Hah N*, <u>Danko CG*</u>, Core L, Waterfall JJ, Siepel A, Lis JT, Kraus WL (2011). *A rapid, extensive, and transient transcriptional response to estrogen signaling in breast cancer cells. Cell*, 13;145(4):622-34. * Equal Contribution

Featured in a perspective piece

- 21. Schuster SC, et. al. (2010). Complete Khoisan and Bantu genomes from southern Africa.

 Nature, 18;463(7283):943-7.

 Cover article
- 22. <u>Danko CG</u>, Pertsov AM (2009). *Identification of co-regulatory modules and associated cis-elements involved in degenerative heart disease. BMC Medical Genomics*, 28;2:31.
- 23. Danko CG, McIlvain VA, Qin M, Knox BE, Pertsov AM (2007). Bioinformatic

- identification of novel putative photoreceptor specific cis-elements. **BMC Bioinformatics**, Oct 22;8(1):407.
- 24. Jarrar MH, <u>Danko CG</u>, Reddy S, Lee YJ, Bibat G, Kaufmann WE (2003). *MeCP2 expression in human cerebral cortex and lymphoid cells: immunochemical characterization of a novel higher-molecular-weight form.* **J Child Neurol**, 18(10):675-82.

Invited Publications

25. Choate LA, Danko CG* (2016). Poised for development. Nature Genetics. Jul 27;48(8):822-823.

Talks & Conference Participation

Invited Talks

- 1. <u>Danko CG</u> (2016). Mapping multiple 'layers' of gene regulation using ChRO-seq. Host: *Mike Guertin LisFest, July 2016*
- 2. <u>Danko CG</u> (2016). Widespread stabilizing and positive selection govern primate enhancer evolution.

Host: Paula Cohen NCTRI Male Res. Focus Group Meeting, April 2016

- 3. <u>Danko CG</u> (2016). Glioblastoma Multiforme epigenomics through the lens of ChRO-seq. Host: *Lawrence Chin SUNY Upstate Neuroscience Grand Rounds, Feb. 2016*
- 4. <u>Danko CG</u> (2015). Positive Selection in Regulatory Elements Drives Changes in Gene Expression in the Adaptive Immune System of Primate Species.

 Host: *Arkady Pertsov* SUNY Upstate Biomedical Sciences Retreat, 2015
- 5. <u>Danko CG</u> (2014). Evolutionary Changes in Gene Expression and Regulatory Element Usage Quantified in Primate CD4+ T-Cells. *3CPG Annual Symposium*
- 6. <u>Danko CG</u> (2014). Toward a Systems Understanding of the Genetic Basis of Disease.

 Baker Institute Advisory Council, Cornell Club, New York, NY
- 7. <u>Danko CG</u> (2014). Transcriptional Regulation through the Lens of GRO-seq. *Baker Institute Faculty Search*

Talks Selected from Abstracts

- 8. <u>Danko CG</u> (2016). Widespread stabilizing and positive selection govern primate enhancer evolution. *Systems Biology: Global Regulation of Gene Expression, March 2016*
- 9. <u>Danko CG</u> (2015). Positive Selection in Regulatory Elements Drives Changes in Gene Expression in the Adaptive Immune System of Primate Species. *SMBE 2015*
- 10. <u>Danko CG</u> (2012). Variation in RNA Polymerase II Transcription Rate in Human Cells. *Mountain Lake Elongation and Termination Meeting*

Selected Posters

1. **Danko CG**, Martins A, Lis JT, Siepel A, Kraus WL (2014). Evolutionary Changes in Gene

Expression and Active Regulatory Element Usage Quantified in Primate CD4+ T-Cells using GRO-seq.

Biology of Genomes; Poster

Winner, Poster competition (top 3 of 324)

2. <u>Danko CG</u>, Hah N, Luo X, Martins A, Core L, Lis JT, Siepel A, Kraus WL (2012). Variation in the RNA Polymerase II Transcription Rate in Human Cells. *Reproductive Genomics Retreat; Poster*

Winner, Poster competition (top 1 of 30)

3. <u>Danko CG</u>, Hah N, Kraus WL, Siepel AS. (2009). Primate-specific expansions of putative sex-hormone response elements.

Biology of Genomes; Poster Honora

Honorable Mention, Verge poster competition

Research Support		
Current		
Harry N. Zweig Memorial Fund Functional Gene Annotation in the Horse	Danko (co-PI)	1/1/17-12/31/18
Genetech (CLL-13977 PO#4001955607) <i>Understanding Resistance to Endocrine Agents in Breast</i>	Danko (PI) Cancer Cells	10/1/16-9/30/17
Cornell University Intramural Development of Single Cell Sequencing Technology to Ide Canine B- and T-cell Receptors during Viral Infection	Danko (co-PI) ntify Paired Vario	, , , ,
Research Grants in Animal Health <i>Genetic Mapping of Canine ARVC in the English Bulldog</i>	Danko (PI)	7/1/16-6/30/18
Walbridge Fund	Chin	1/1/16-12/31/17
Cornell University Intramural Development of Novel Targeted Therapies for Treating M	• •	1/1/16-12/31/17 umors in Dogs
Cornell University Intramural <i>Identifying the Molecular Basis of Canine Genetic Disorder Therapies</i>		12/1/15-11/31/17 g Preventative
NIH-NHLBI U01 (UHL129958A) Di-Hi-C: Creating Photo-activated X-linkers to define Nuc	Lis (co-I) lear Architecture	9/1/15-8/31/20
NIH-NIA R01 (2R01AG024425-11) Genetic and Epigenetic Determinants of Longevity	Lee (co-I)	9/1/15-8/31/20
Baker Institute Startup Funds	Danko (PI)	7/1/14-6/30/17
Pending		
NIH-NHGRI R01 Mapping RNA polymerase in tissue samples with ChRO-se	Danko (PI)	9/1/16-8/31/21

Trainee Support

James Lewis, postdoc (Reproductive Genomics T32)	1/1/17-12/31/17
Lauren Choate, grad student (CVG scholarship)	1/1/17-12/31/17
Tinyi Chu, grad student (Croucher Foundation Fellowship)	8/1/13-7/31/16
Teaching & Mentoring	
Student Advisees	
Shiao-Pei Chou, Genetics Genomics & Development	2016-
Paul Munn, Computational Biology	2016-
Lauren Choate, Genetics Genomics & Development	2015-
Tinyi Chu, Computational Biology	2014-
Thesis Committee	
Ying Qiao, Genetics Genomics & Development (Koren)	2016-
Kara Rode, Biochemistry, Molecular & Cell Biology (Lis)	2016-
Shing Hu, Comparative Biomedical Sciences (Kurpios)	2016-
Brooke Marks, Biological & Biomedical Sciences (Coonrod)	2016-
Charles Liang, Computational Biology (Yu)	2016-
Ian Rose, Genetics Genomics & Development (Nikitin)	2015-
Lina Bagepalli, Biochemistry, Molecular & Cell Biology (Lis)	2015-
Michelle White, Biological & Biomedical Sciences (Boyko)	2015-
Anyimilehidi Mazo-Vargas, Entomology (Reed)	2015-
Nate Tippens, Tri-I Computational Biology & Medicine (Lis, Yu)	2015-
Noah Dukler, Tri-I Computational Biology & Medicine (Siepel)	2015-
Digbijay Mahat, Biochemistry, Molecular & Cell Biology (Lis)	2014-
Joo Hyun Im, Genetics Genomics & Development (Lazzaro)	2014-
Wenke Wang, Biochemistry, Molecular & Cell Biology (Lee)	2014-
A-exam Committees	
Anyimilehidi Mazo-Vargas, Entomology (Reed)	2016
Ian Rose, Genetics Genomics & Development (Nikitin)	2016
Tina Tran, Biochemistry, Molecular & Cell Biology (Schimenti)	2016
Jacob Merle, Genetics Genomics & Development (Grimson)	2016
Lina Bagepalli, Biochemistry, Molecular & Cell Biology (Lis)	2016
Lauren Choate, Genetics Genomics & Development (Danko)	2016
Michelle White, Biological & Biomedical Sciences (Boyko)	2016
Noah Dukler, Tri-I Computational Biology & Medicine (Siepel)	2015

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Ravi Patel, Genetics Genomics & Development (Grimson)		
Joo Hyun Im, Genetics Genomics & Development (Lazzaro)	2014	
Wenke Wang, Biochemistry, Molecular & Cell Biology (Lee)	2014	
Teaching		
Molecular Basis of Disease (BioMG4390, Danko, Kwak)	2017-	
Guest Teaching		
Precision and genomic medicine (BME6120, De Vlaminck)	2016	
Problems in Genetics & Development (BioMG7810)	2015-2016	
Computational Genetics & Genomics (BTRY4840/6840, Williams	i) 11/5/2015	
3CPG Short Read Sequencing Workshop	2010	
Intra- & Extramural Service		
Intramural Service		
Bio-IT Advisory Board Advisory board to the Bio-IT core facility. 2016-		
Admissions Committee Tri-I grad program in computational biology & medicine 2016-		
Admissions Committee Genetics Genomics & Development graduate program 2016-		
GG&D Recruitment Faculty Coordinator <i>Organizes GG&D recruitment.</i> 2016		
Bio Honors Thesis Review Lydia Lam	2016	
BBS Recruitment Organizer Baker visit		
Admissions Committee Computational Biology Graduate Program	2015-	
Awards Committee Rank LPS/ Wellnitz Paper Awards (GG&D program) 2015		
Faculty Search in Computational Genomics Molecular Biology & Ge	netics 2014-2015	
Reviewing Activity (Academic Journals)		
Genome Research	BMC Bioinformatics	
Molecular Biology & Evolution	BMC Genomics	
Nature Protocols	PLoS One	
Nature Genetics	Cell	
Bioinformatics	Mol. Cancer Res.	

PLoS Computational Biology