Devang Thakkar

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EDUCATION

Duke University

Durham, NC

PhD in Computational Biology and Bioinformatics

Aug 2018 - Present

Email: devang.thakkar@duke.edu

• Second year PhD student in the Dave Lab studying the cell of origin in cancers

Indian Institute of Technology Bombay

Mumbai, India

Bachelor and Master of Technology in Mechanical Engineering

Jul 2013 - Jul 2018

- o Minor in Biosciences and Bioengineering
- o Masters Thesis: A Study on the Application of Multi-Agent Systems for Managing Returns

CentraleSupélec Paris, France

Échange Académique Ingénieur (Semester Exchange Program)

Aug 2016 - Jan 2017

RESEARCH

Clonal analysis of cardiomyocyte growth and regeneration

Advisors: Ed Iversen and Ravi Karra

May 2019 - Aug 2019

- o Created a statistical model to identify the distribution of proliferating cardiomyocyte cells in injured hearts
- Worked on understanding the relationship between cardiomyocyte proliferation and the vasculature of the heart

Computational Reconstruction of Human Immunoglobulin Sequences

Advisor: Sandeep Dave

Jan 2019 - Apr 2019

- o Compared existing tools for clonotype detection from Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS) data
- o Created a pipeline for identification of tumor clonotype from WGS data of 101 Burkitt Lymphoma samples

Understanding non coding transcripts in yeast

Advisor: Alex Hartemink

Sep 2019 - Dec 2019

- o Classified non coding transcripts based on their relative chromosomal position to adjacent protein coding genes
- Worked on understanding whether the expression of non coding transcripts is dependent on neighbouring genes

Modeling the optimal propensity of lysogeny for coexisting populations

Advisor: Supreet Saini

Jun 2017 - May 2018

• Estimated the optimal lysogenic propensity for phages as a function of the environmental stresses for individual species and the multiplicity of infection in order to maximize coexistence

Selecting Features from Sample Specific Coexpression Networks

Advisor: Chloé-Agathe Azencott

Dec 2016 - Mar 2017

o Reviewed algorithms for constructing networks that incorporate gene expression with protein interaction networks

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- Panea RI, Love CL, Shingleton JR, Reddy A, Bailey JA, Moormann AM, Otieno JA, Ong'echa JM, Oduor CI, Schroeder KMS, Masalu N, Chao NJ, Agajanian M, Major MB, Fedoriw Y, Richards KL, Rymkiewicz G, Miles RR, Alobeid B, Bhagat G, Flowers CR, Ondrejka SL, Hsi ED, Choi WWL, Au-Yeung RKH, Hartmann W, Lenz G, Meyerson H, Lin YY, Zhuang Y, Luftig MA, Waldrop A, Dave T, Thakkar D, Sahay H, Li G, Palus BC, Seshadri V, Kim SY, Gascoyne RD, Levy S, Mukhopadhyay M, Dunson DB, Dave SS. (2019) The whole genome landscape of Burkitt lymphoma subtypes. Blood DOI: 10.1182/blood.2019001880
- Shingleton JR, Wang J, Baloh C, Dave T, Davis N, Happ L, Jadi O, Kositsky R, Li X, Love CL, Panea RI, Qin Q, Reddy A, Singhi N, Smith E, **Thakkar D**, and Dave SS. (2020) Non-Hodgkin Lymphomas: Malignancies Arising from Mature B Cells. Leukemia and Lymphoma: Molecular & Therapeutic Insights (In press)