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A. PERSONAL DATA

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B. RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Computational methods of single-cell sequencing data
- Single-cell sequencing data interpretation and visualization
- Genetics and Evolution methods and their application
- Biological/medical data interpretation and visualization
- Bio-statistical methods and their application

C. EDUCATION

Ph.D. , System Engineering	Xiamen University , Xiamen China	09/2011-07/2015	2015
M.S. , Control Engineering	Xi'an Jiaotong University , Xi'an China	09/2009-06/2011	2011
B.S. , Automation	Xi'an Jiaotong University , Xi'an China	09/2005-06/2009	2009

D. POSTDOCTORAL TRAINING

Postdoctoral Scholar Bioinformatics and System biology	University of Chicago , Chicago, IL	03/2019 – 08/2021
Postdoctoral Scholar Bioinformatics and System biology	Mississippi State University , Starkville, MS	08/2015 – 08/2018

E. PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS & EMPLOYMENT

Senior Bioinformatics Research Scientist	St. Jude Children's Research Hospital , Memphis, TN	12/2022 – Present
Assistant Professor of Bioinformatics Research in Pediatrics	Weill Cornell Medicine , New York, NY	10/2022 – 12/2022
Senior Bioinformatics Analyst	Weill Cornell Medicine , New York, NY	08/2021 – 10/2022
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F. BIBLIOGRAPHY

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Selected Publications:

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6. Zhang, Xiaojian#, Hailiang Sun#, Fred L Cunningham#, **Lei Li#**, Katie Hanson-Dorr, Matthew W Hopken, Jim Cooley, Li-Ping Long, John A Baroch, Tao Li, Brandon S Schmit, Xiaoxu Lin, Alicia K Olivier, Richard G Jarman, Thomas J DeLiberto, Xiu-Feng Wan. "Tissue tropisms opt for

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6. Dong-Hun Lee, Mary Lea Killian, Thomas J Deliberto, Xiu-Feng Wan, **Li Lei**, David E Swayne, Mia Kim Torchetti. "H7N1 Low Pathogenicity Avian Influenza Viruses in Poultry in the United States During 2018." **Avian Diseases** 65, no. 1 (2021): 59-62. Doi: 10.1637/aviandiseases-D-20-00088
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Reviews and Editorials:

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G. PRESENTATIONS

1. **Lei Li**, "Understanding B cell dynamics using single-cell sequencing". Invited by Dr. Yong Cheng, **Oral** presentation at The Department of Hematology, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, Sep 15, 2022
2. **Lei Li**, "A hybrid demultiplexing strategy for single-cell populations that increases both recovery rate and accuracy". Invited by Dr. Yifei Xu, **Oral** presentation at Shandong University, China, Online-meeting, Sep 6, 2022
3. **Lei Li**, "Understanding B cell dynamics using single-cell sequencing". Invited by Dr. Yiping Fan, **Oral** presentation at Center for Applied Bioinformatics, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis, Sep 2, 2022
4. **Lei Li**, Jiayi Sun, Jenna J. Guthmiller, Yanbin Fu, Siriruk Changrob, Joshua JC McGrath, Nai-Ying Zheng, Min Huang, Patrick C. Wilson. Comprehensive and multimodal analyses of B cell and T cell receptor repertoire using VGenes, **Oral** presentation at Pediatrics Research Day 2022, Weill Cornell Medicine, New York, NY, Jun 2, 2022

5. **Lei Li**, Jiayi Sun, Jenna J. Guthmiller, Yanbin Fu, Siriruk Changrob, Joshua JC McGrath, Nai-Ying Zheng, Min Huang, Patrick C. Wilson. Comprehensive and multimodal analyses of B cell and T cell receptor repertoire using VGenes, **Poster** presentation at 2nd Intercampus Immunology Symposium of Cornell University, New York, NY, Apr 19, 2022
6. **Lei Li**, “Bioinformatics in vaccine development against viral pathogens”. Invited by Dr. Chun Liang, **Oral** presentation at Choose Ohio First Seminar, Online-meeting. Feb 10, 2022
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10. Marc Moore, Xiaojian Zhang, Fred Cunningham, **Lei Li**, Katie Hanson-Dorr, Andy Perkins, Qiang He, Larry Hanson, and Xiu-Feng Wan, “Identifying potential agents causing fish disease outbreaks in Mississippi Delta Using Metagenomics”. **Poster** presentation at MCBIOS 2018 Meeting, Starkville, MS, April 2018
11. **Lei Li**, Lei Han, and Xiufeng Wan, “Identification of glycosylation sites and mutations determining antigenic drift events for influenza A viruses using sparse group lasso regression”. **Poster** presentation at 2016 SFG Annual Meeting, New Orleans, LA, November 2016.
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