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RESEARCH FOCUS

My long-term research interest is to deconvolute complex biological data using advanced and robust computational methods. I have developed a probabilistic model to study the temporal perturbational patterns and in single-cell experiments, as well as a user-friendly framework to disentangle multiplexed gene signatures in complex single-cell data. I'm also actively involved in single-cell analysis across multiple tissues, including cancer, lung, immune systems, and brain organoids. I aim to improve our understanding of emerging multi-omics data with the development of innovative computational methods.

EDUCATION

Cincinnati Children's Hospital, Cincinnati, USA	Ph.D. in Biomedical Informatics	2018-2023 (Expected)
Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China	B.Sc. in Biology	2014-2018

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Department of Biomedical Informatics, Cincinnati Children's Hospital

2018/09-Present

Ph.D. student in Dr. Bruce Aronow's lab

- Developed CellDrift, a generalized linear model to analyze single cell perturbation effects. Applied Gaussian process and function principal component analysis (fPCA) to infer temporal perturbational patterns (Manuscript in preparation, ProbGen22 poster).
- Interrogated temporal impact of NRXN1 deletion in schizophrenia patients using single-cell data from patient-derived brain organoids (*Manuscript in preparation*).
- Analyzed single cell data of human hepatoblastoma and mouse xenograft tumors. Identified tumor clusters with distinct transcriptional profiles.
- Developed ToppCell, a hierarchical differential analysis framework for single cell datasets with complex metadata. Constructed gene signature atlases for COVID-19 patients and multiple human tissues, including lung, brain, GI, and others.

Institute of Pharmaceutical Biotechnology, Zhejiang University Undergraduate Student in Dr. Xin Chen's lab

2016/11-2018/07

- Benchmarked Gene Set Linkage Analysis (GSLA), a gene set annotation tool in Arabidopsis.
- Participated in the design of decision support system for cancer patients based on gene mutations and transcriptional levels.

Department of Life Science, Zhejiang University

2015/07-2016/10

Undergraduate Student in Dr. Jun Chen's lab

 Selected scoliosis zebrafishes with genetic mutations. Used CRISPR technology in zebrafishes with double gRNAs to knock in long DNA fragments with higher precision and specificity.

SKILLS

Programming: Python, PyTorch, Pyro, R, Linux shell

Skills: Probabilistic modeling, single-cell analysis, bulk-RNA-seg analysis.

AWARDS

Second Place, Graduate Student Research Forum (GSRF), University of Cincinnati,	2020
Best Application Award of Zhejiang Bioinformatics Competition	2017
China National Award (1.8%)	2017
First Prize Scholarship for Excellent Students, Zhejiang University	2017
Tang Lixin Scholarship for Excellent Model Student	2017
Zhejiang Provincial Government Scholarship	2016
Second Prize, Physics Innovation Competition in Zhejiang Province	2015

PUBLICATIONS

Journal Publications:

Jin, K., Bardes, E.E., Mitelpunkt, A., Wang, J.Y., Bhatnagar, S., Sengupta, S., Krummel, D.P., Rothenberg, M.E. and Aronow, B.J., **2021**. An interactive single cell web portal identifies gene and cell networks in COVID-19 host responses. *Iscience*, 24(10), p.103115.

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Preprint:

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Gaddis, N., Fortriede, J., Guo, M., Bardes, E.E., Kouril, M., Tabar, S., Burns, K., Ardini-Poleske, M.E., Loos, S., Schnell, D., **Jin, K**.,, 2021. LungMAP Portal Ecosystem: Systems-Level Exploration of the Lung. bioRxiv.

Prates, E. T., Garvin, M. R., Pavicic, M., Jones, P., Shah, M., Alvarez, C., ... **Jin.K.**, ... Aronow. B.J. & Jacobson, D. (2020). Functional immune deficiency syndrome via intestinal infection in COVID-19. BioRxiv.