TONY KABILAN OKEKE

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EDUCATION

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Drexel University Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

Master of Science in Biomedical Engineering
Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering

Anticipated Graduation: June 2024 Cummulative GPA: 4.00

Concentrations: Bioinformatics & Neuroengineering

EXPERIENCE

IVIVT - Non-Clinical Safety - Global Investigative Safety, GSK

April 2022 - September 2022

Collegeville, Pennsylvania

Scientific Student Worker

- Utilized the Dash and Flask libraries in python to develop an interactive web application for performing statistical analysis
 on data generated in high-content imaging toxicology studies. Also utilized Dask to parallelize computations on larger
 data sets to improve efficiency. The web application was then deployed via RStudio Connect on the internal HPC.
- Trained the *Noise2Void* deep neural network on HPC to perform noise reduction in microscopy images in order to improve the accuracy of CellProfiler pipelines for image segmentation and feature extraction.
- Developed a python package with tools for performing statistical analysis, visualization, and machine learning on high-content imaging data sets.
- Implemented pipelines in *CellProfiler* and *Columbus* to perform feature extraction for high-content images generated via cell painting assays.
- Utilized *Scikit-learn* to implement decision tree, random forest, and support vector machine models for biomarker discovery on high-content imaging datasets.

Invenio Lab, Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania

March 2021 - August 2022

Immunology Research Assistant

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

- Utilized Scikit-learn, Pandas and NumPy to apply unsupervised learning algorithms to clinical and multi-omic datasets, and presented results to colleagues using Seaborn in Jupyter notebooks.
- Developed R scripts for analyzing protein expression and clinical data from electronic medical records.
- Performed differential methylation, KEGG pathway enrichment, and Gene Ontology analysis on microarray results for patients who underwent cardiopulmonary bypass surgeries using *bash* and *R* scripts.

Zhou Lab, Children's Hospital of Philadelphia

May 2020 - June 2021

Undergraduate Research Intern

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

- Contributed to the development of R packages for analyzing DNA methylation levels in data from Illumina microarrays.
- Validated R package performance using GEO public datasets.

PROJECTS

ELISA Analysis Tool | *R, Shiny*

September 2021

- Processed Optical Density values from microplate readers using tidyverse packages.
- Developed *R* script for fitting OD values for ELISA standards to a 5-Parameter logistic regression model to estimate unknown sample concentrations.
- Built interactive web-application for ELISA curve fitting using the RShiny framework.

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming Languages: Python, R, Bash, C++, MATLAB, SQL, AWK, Git, PHP

Software: CellProfiler, Columbus Imaging Software, Microsoft Office, LoggerPro, Simulink, Fusion 360, Ultimaker Cura

PUBLICATIONS

- Longitudinal urinary biomarkers of immunological activation in COVID-19 patients without clinically apparent kidney disease versus acute and chronic failure. Scientific Reports 11, 19675 (2021).
- Unbiased Analysis of Temporal Changes in Immune Serum Markers in Acute COVID-19 Infection With Emphasis on Organ Failure, Anti-Viral Treatment, and Demographic Characteristics. Frontiers in Immunology 12:650465 (2021).

ACTIVITIES

- Vice President, Drexel Computational Design, March 2021 Present
- Member, Tau Beta Pi, December 2021 Present
- Member, Drexel Society of Artificial Intelligence, September 2022 Present