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Education

Ph.D. (*expected*), Biostatistics, Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, 2015.
Advisor: Jeffrey Leek

B.A. *summa cum laude*, Mathematics, with distinction in Statistics, St. Olaf College, 2010

Honors, Awards, Scholarships

[Hopkins Sommer Scholar](#), 2012-2015

[Delta Omega Poster Competition](#), First Prize (Applied Research), 2014

[Helen Abbey Award](#) for Excellence in Teaching, 2012

[Gertrude M. Cox Scholarship](#) Winner, 2010

Phi Beta Kappa, 2010

[Barry M. Goldwater Scholarship](#), Honorable Mention, 2009

NSF Undergraduate Research Fellowship, 2007-2010

[Buntrock Academic Scholarship](#), St. Olaf College, 2006-2010

National Merit Scholar, 2006

Publications

Published

Frazee AC, Sabuncuyan S, Hansen KD, Irizarry RA, Leek JT (2014). "Differential expression analysis of RNA-seq data at single-base resolution." *Biostatistics*. doi: 10.1093/biostatistics/kxt053. **[most-read article in *Biostatistics*, January 2014; 2nd-most read in February 2014]**

Frazee AC, Langmead B, Leek JT (2011). "ReCount: A multi-experiment resource of analysis-ready RNA-seq gene count datasets." *BMC Bioinformatics* 12:449. **[highly accessed]**

Frazee AC, Collado Torres L, Jaffe AE, Langmead B, Leek JT (2014). "Measurement, Summary, and Methodological Variation in RNA-sequencing" in S. Datta and D. Nettleton (Eds.), *Statistical Analysis of Next Generation Sequencing Data* (pp. 115-128): Springer.

Submitted

Frazee AC, Pertea G, Jaffe AE, Langmead B, Salzberg SL, Leek JT (2014). "Flexible isoform-level differential expression analysis with Ballgown." Submitted. [Preprint available on bioRxiv](#).

Frazee AC, Jaffe AE, Langmead B, Leek JT (2014). "Polyester: simulating RNA-seq datasets with differential transcript expression." Submitted. [Preprint available on bioRxiv](#).

Teaching

Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Department of Biostatistics:

Statistical Methods in Public Health I-II (*Lab Instructor and Lead TA*), Fall 2013

[Masters' in Public Health Capstone Projects](#) (*Statistical Consultant*), Spring 2013 and Spring 2012

Data Analysis Workshop I-II (*Lead TA*), January 2013

Statistical Reasoning in Public Health I-II (*Lead TA*), Fall 2012 and Fall 2011

Coursera:

[Statistical Reasoning for Public Health](#): Estimation, Inference, and Interpretation (*TA and forum moderator*), Spring 2014

St. Olaf College, Department of Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science:

Advanced Statistical Modeling (*TA*), Spring 2010

Peer Review Activities

Peer Reviewer for *Nucleic Acids Research* and *BMC Genomics*; assisted with peer reviews for *Genome Biology* and *Nature Protocols*

Presentations

[**upcoming**] Invited talk, RADIANT Workshop at the European Conference on Computational Biology, Strasbourg, France, September 2014: "Engineering annotation-agnostic tools for differential expression analysis"

[**upcoming**] Topic-Contributed research talk, Joint Statistical Meetings, Boston MA, August 2014: "Flexible isoform-level differential expression analysis with *Ballgown*"

[**upcoming**] Invited "short talk", Bioconductor Conference, Boston MA, July 2014: "Flexible analysis of RNA-seq data with *Ballgown*"

Invited talk, high school outreach program ([MBGR](#)), Johns Hopkins Biology Department, July 2014: "Adventures in Computational Biology"

Invited talk, James Madison University, Harrisonburg VA, June 2014: "Using statistics to untangle the mysteries of gene expression"

Contributed paper/talk, ENAR Spring Meeting, Baltimore MD, March 2014: "*Ballgown*: a general statistical framework for transcript assemblies"

Contributed poster, Statistical and Quantitative Genetics Conference, Seattle WA, November 2013: “*Ballgown*: A general statistical framework for transcript assemblies”

Invited talk, St. Olaf College, Northfield MN, November 2013: “Statistical methods for untangling the mysteries of gene expression”

Invited talk, Johns Hopkins University Young Investigators Symposium on Genomics and Bioinformatics, October 2013. “Downstream analysis of transcript expression with *Ballgown*”

Contributed paper/talk, ENAR Spring Meeting, Orlando FL, March 2013: “Differential expression analysis of RNA-seq data at single-base resolution.”

Contributed poster, Statistical Methods for Very Large Datasets Conference, Baltimore MD, June 2011: “Cloud-scale differential gene expression from RNA-seq.”

Other Research Activities

Research Assistant, Johns Hopkins Department of Biostatistics, 2011 - present. (Trainee; NIH predoctoral training program for genetics/genomics, 2010-2011)

NSF Undergraduate Researcher, [Center for Interdisciplinary Research](#), St. Olaf College, 2007-2010

NSF-REU Summer Researcher, James Madison University, 2009

St. Olaf Mathematics Practicum student, January 2009

Service

Session Chair, Joint Statistical Meetings, 2012

Mentor to Baltimore City high school student through [Incentive Mentoring Program](#), 2012 - 2014.

Coordinator, Johns Hopkins Biostatistics Tea Time (Thursday afternoon social hour/weekly seminar discussion), 2012 - 2013

Coordinator, Johns Hopkins Biostatistics [Student Computing Club](#), 2011-2012

Employment

Technical Aide at 3M Company, Corporate Research Materials Laboratory, 2007-2008

Computing

Proficient: R, Python (including some experience with the Flask web framework), Git, Bash, LaTeX

Familiar: Stata, SQLite, Sun Grid Engine, HTML, CSS, D3.js

Cursory Knowledge: SAS, C++, Scheme

Additionally: Student in Summer 2013 batch of [Hacker School](#), a three-month, immersive school for becoming a better programmer

Code for academic and side projects available on [GitHub](#)

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