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EDUCATION

Columbia University New York, NY

Mailman School of Public Health, Master of Science in Biostsatistcs Sep. 2021 - (Expected) May. 2023

Sichuan University Chengdu, China

Bachelor of Science in Biotechnology; GPA: 3.86/4.0; Rank: 1/45 Sep. 2017 - Jun. 2021

University of California, Berkeley Berkeley, CA

Summer Session; GPA: **4.0/4.0 University of California, Los Angeles**Los Angeles, CA

Participant of Cross-Disciplinary Scholars in Science and Technology (CSST) Program May. 2020 - Jan. 2021

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

Down-sampling Effects on RNA Sequencing of Prostate Cancer

Aug. 2020-Present

Jonsson Comprehensive Cancer Center, University of California, Los Angeles

Principle Investigator: Prof. Paul Boutros

- Down-sampled a set of pair-end RNA-sequencing data of CPC-GENE samples by the gradient of reads
- Aligned down-sampled FASTQs with STAR and HISAT2 methods, using align-RNA pipeline
- Quantified RNA abundance by running Kallisto on FASTQs and RSEM on aligned BAMs
- Called fusions by running FusionCatcher using Dockers
- Used R to compare outputs of number of transcripts detected and correlations between sets
- Conducted Differential Gene Expression Analysis by DESeq2 on samples with/without ERG fusions

Influence of Common Gene Fusion Sites on Tumorigenesis

Sep. 2019-Jan. 2020

State Key Laboratory of Biotherapy, West China Hospital, Sichuan University Principle Investigator: **Prof. Heng Xu**

- Mastered the interpretation of the Next Generation Sequencing data
- Used Python to sort out cancer-related circular-RNAs concerning to a dataset of fusion genes

Mechanism of Brefeldin A Inhibiting the Growth of Hepatoma Cells

Sep. 2018-Sep. 2019

Selected as a Nation-level College Student Innovation and Entrepreneurship Training Program

State Key Laboratory of Biotherapy, West China Hospital, Sichuan University

Principle Investigator: Prof. Canhua Huang

- Cultured and passaged cells of Huh7 cell line in a series of petri dishes
- Optimized the gradient of drug concentration and applied to the treatment of cells
- Conducted MTT assay and Clonogenic assay to measure cell viability
- Prepared protein sample from cells and conducted Western Blot to detect autophagy-related proteins

Improvement on Protein Purification Method for Molecular Neurobiology

Aug. 2018-Sep. 2018

State Key Laboratory of Biotherapy, West China Hospital, Sichuan University

Principle Investigator: Prof. Bo Xiao

- Optimized the experimental conditions of HIS-Tag purification
- Extracted pET-23 plasmids from E. coli K12 and conducted SDS-PAGE on them

PAPER STUDY and REPORTS

An Overview of Entamoeba Histolytica

• Reviewed *Entamoeba histolytica* based on morphological structure, taxonomic characteristics, living habits, and latest research progress and human relationships

Tamiflu and Influenza

• Introduced the anti-influenza drug Oseltamivir, also known as Tamiflu, from the aspects of development history, mechanism of action, and synthetic process etc.

His-Tag Affinity Purification

- Introduced a chromatography method for protein purification based on theory and practical experiences **Humanization of Monoclonal Trophoblast Glycoprotein Antibody**
- Designed a synthetic route of Trophoblast Glycoprotein (5T4) antibody with CDR implantation
- Discussed the feasibility and explored the potential of 5T4 as a tumor treatment target

PAK4 Inhibitor Drives Efficacy of B7-H3-Targeted CAR-T Cells Against Solid Tumors

• Suggested and designed experiments to combine the using of PAK4 inhibitor and CAR-T to solve the difficulties of CAR-T infiltration in solid tumors

A Review of Single-cell Transcriptomic Analysis of Alzheimer's Disease

A Review of A Single-Nucleotide Polymorphism Tagging Set for Human Drug Metabolism and Transport

INTERNSHIP EXPERIENCE

Technical Support Dept, GenScript Technology Co., Ltd | Technical Account Associate Aug. 2020-Oct. 2020

- Answered biological and medical research related questions of Catalog Products
- Prepared quotes and placed orders upon customer needs
- Created and maintained the Confluence Workspace of department's contact and product information
- Updated product inventory daily and reported hot products such as SARS-CoV-2 Surrogate Virus Neutralization Test Kit

HONORS AND AWARDS

Outstanding Student of Sichuan University

Oct. 2018

First Prize Scholarship by Sichuan University twice for two consecutive years 2018 &2019

First Prize Scholarship by State Key Laboratory of Biotherapy twice for two consecutive years 2018 &2019

National Special Prize, in National English Contest for College Students

May. 2018

Second Prize, in "Foreign Language Teaching and Research Press" Cup English Contest

Oct. 2018

Second Prize, in Liaoning Provincial Chemistry Olympic Contest

Dec. 2017

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Team Leader, 2020 First Digital Sichuan Innovation Competition

Jul. 2020

- Led a group of five to design an automatic identification tool for medical insurance fraud based on health big data, and conducted feasibility analysis of the tool
- Entered the finals (100 out of 642)

President, Culture and Art Department Committee, Sichuan University

2017-2018

- Planned and organized school-wide activities like Debate Competitions, Singing Contest, etc.
- Hosted lectures about literature and art

Minister, Arts Department, School of Life Sciences, Sichuan University

2017-2018

- Planned and organized activities like Welcome Party and Talent Show
- Represented School of Life Sciences, joined in the Dance Competition and be awarded second prize

Skills

Programming Skills: R, Python, LaTex