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EDUCATION	University of California, Davis <i>Ph.D.</i> in Computer Science Advisor: Gerald Quon	2020
	Research Focus Developing and utilizing methods from machine learning and statistics to identify the genomic basis of disease and conditional response of cell populations. Currently, I am working on a deep learning method for unsupervised data harmonization on single cell RNA sequencing data to understand changes to cells due to conditions such as age, inflammation and small molecule perturbations. Previous works include the development of a shared information approach using markov chains to identify the genetic targets of drugs by leveraging recent large-scale transcriptomic perturbation studies. As well as predicting which combinations of drugs are combinations of drugs are optimal for targeting specific cells and cancers.	
	University of California, Davis <i>B.Sc.</i> in Computer Science	2015
INVITED TALKS	Characterizing cell type-specific responses to stimuli using single cell RNA sequencing. DSI Seminar Series Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory	2018
	Characterizing cell type-specific responses to stimuli using single cell RNA sequencing. NASA's Ames Research Center	2018
	Leveraging big data genomics for the inference of drug targets. 11th Annual Spotlight on Junior Investigators Cancer Research Symposium, UC Davis Comprehensive Cancer Center.	2017
	The role of big data in genomics and medicine: predicting combination therapies to target genetic vulnerabilities in cancer. 38th Annual Institute on Research and Statistics, CSU Sacramento.	2017

PANEL MEMBER	Deep Domain Adaption Networks Identify and Explain Cell State Changes after Stimulus. Artificial Intelligence & Machine Learning Symposium UC Davis medical center	2018
POSTER PRESENTATIONS	Characterizing cell type-specific responses to stimuli using single cell RNA sequencing. Nelson Johansen , Gerald Quon Beyond the Cell Atlas: Frontiers in Cell Biology Driven by New Technology. Chan Zuckerberg Initiative	2018
	Predicting combination therapies to target genetic vulnerabilities in cancer. Nelson Johansen , Gerald Quon UC Davis DEB Retreat, Napa.	2017
	Network based strategy for predicting combinations of compounds. Nelson Johansen , Gerald Quon 22nd Annual Cancer Research Symposium, UC Davis Cancer Center & 3rd UC Davis Human Genomics Symposium	2017
HONORS AND ACTIVITIES	Top Abstract at the inaugural AI & ML Symposium, UC Davis Med. Center UC Davis Dean's Honor List UC Davis Computer Science Tutor	
GRADUATE COURSEWORK	Graph Theory	2017
	Machine Learning	2017
	Computational Methods in Systems and Synthetic Biology	2016
	Artificial Intelligence	2015