André F. Rendeiro

Curriculum Vitae

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Current position

2014-Present **PhD Fellow**, CeMM - Research Centre for Molecular Medicine of the Austrian Academy of Sciences, Vienna, Austria, Christoph Bock's lab.

Education

2012-2014 Masters in Molecular and Cell Biology, University of Aveiro, Portugal.

Thesis

Title Regulation of Oikopleura dioica's alternative cell cycle modes

Supervisor Professor Eric Thompson

2008-2012 Bachelor in Biology, University of Aveiro, Portugal.

Experience

Scientific Activity

2013-2014 The role of E2F regulation and H3K79 methylation in *Oikopleura dioica*'s cell cycle modes, Sars International Centre for Marine Molecular Biology, Bergen, Norway, Eric Thompson's lab.

I investigated the molecular mechanisms of alternative cell cycle modes (particularly endocycles) in the chordate *Oikopleura dioica* by performing ChIP-seq on transcription factors involved in cell cycle regulation (E2F). I also studied the role of histone 3 lysine 79 methylation on cell cycle regulation through functional studies on its methyltransferase, Dot1.

2011-2012 Identification of cis-regulatory elements in *Nematostella vectensis* using ChIP-seq, Dept. of Molecular Evolution and Development, University of Vienna, Austria, Uli Technau's lab.

I performed ChIP-seq of chromatin modifications and other regulatory proteins over several developmental stages of *Nematostella vectensis*, constructed a map of chromatin states and predicted cis-regulatory elements genome-wide. I also tested the function of some of these regions *in vivo* in a reporter assay.

2010-2011 **Tol2-mediated zebrafish transgenesis for studies in protein mistranslation**, RNA Biology Laboratory, Biology Department, University of Aveiro, Portugal, Manuel Santos' lab.

I created transgenic zebrafish that were used as a model for studies in neurodegeneration through protein aggregation. This was caused by increasing the level of translational error (mistranslation) during endogenous protein synthesis. I learned to build plasmid constructs, microinject them in zebrafish and screen for phenotypes.

2009-2010 Transciptome studies with microarrays in heat-shocked yeast, RNA Biology Laboratory, Biology Department, University of Aveiro, Portugal, Manuel Santos' lab.

I was involved in the analysis of microarray expression data from yeast under various treatments. I learned to pre-process, normalize and explore data programmatically to detect significant differential gene expression, clustering genes and exploring their gene ontology across treatments.

Awards/Scholarships

2013-2014 Erasmus studies mobility program scholarship.

European Commission

2011-2012 Erasmus intership mobility program scholarship.

European Commission

2009-2010 'Integration into Research' Grant.

Science and Technology Foundation - Portugal

Publications

-Peer reviewed

1. Michaela Schwaiger, Anna Schönauer, <u>André F. Rendeiro</u>, Carina Pribitzer, Alexandra Schauer, Anna Gilles, Johannes Schinko, David Fredman, and Ulrich Technau. **Evolutionary conservation of the eumetazoan gene regulatory landscape**. Genome Research, 1–12. doi:10.1101/gr.162529.113

Technical papers

1. <u>André F. Rendeiro</u>, Pavla Navratilova, Eric Thompson (2014). **Chromatin preparation for ChIP-seq in** *Oikopleura dioica*. figshare. http://dx.doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.884562

Communications

Conference

1. Michaela Schwaiger, Anna Schönauer, <u>André F. Rendeiro</u>, Carina Pribitzer, Alexandra Schauer, Anna Gilles, Johannes Schinko, David Fredman, and Ulrich Technau. **Evolutionary conservation of the eumetazoan gene regulatory landscape**. *XVIII Portuguese Genetics Society Meeting*, June 2013. Porto, Portugal

Conference posters

1. Anna Schönauer, <u>André F. Rendeiro</u>, Michaela Schwaiger, Ulrich Technau. **Identification of cis-regulatory elements in the sea anemone** *Nematostella vectensis*. *Evonet Symposium*, September 2012, Vienna Austria. http://dx.doi.org/10.6084/m9.figshare.107026

Skills

Computational

Programming Python, R, Perl, C/C++

In this order of proficiency

languages

Web HTML, CSS, PHP, Javascript, Django, Wordpress

development

Bioinformatics ChIP-seq data analysis; gene expression data analysis (microarray and RNA-seq);

de novo transcriptome assembly and annotation; genetic variant detection and annotation; implementation of Hidden Markov Models (HMM) methods

Molecular Biology

Techniques Chromatin imunoprecipitation (ChIP), Illumina library preparation, PCR, qRT-

PCR, SDM PCR, molecular cloning, zebrafish and Nematostella microinjection, immunohistochemistry/fluorecence and confocal microscopy, Western and North-

ern blotting

Advanced courses

2011 Scientific writing course (Maria Dornelas - University of St. Andrews)

Associative/Administrative positions

2010-2012 Member of the Biology department counsel, University of Aveiro

2009-2011 Member of the undergraduate Biology committee, University of Aveiro

Languages

Portuguese Mothertongue

English Very good Fluent

Spanish Conversational

German Basic Basic words and phrases only

French Basic Basic words and phrases only

Other interests

• Classical singing

o Opera

• Choir conducting

o Piano

• Literature

• Cinema

• Coding websites and web apps