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#### **Education**

University of Edinburgh

Edinburgh, United Kingdom

PhD in Quantitative Biology, Biochemistry, and Biotechnology

2019 – expected 2023

Thesis: Single-cell time-series analysis of flavin-based yeast metabolic rhythms

University of Cambridge (Homerton College)

CAMBRIDGE, UNITED KINGDOM

**BA Hons Natural Sciences** 

2016 – 2019

3rd year − 2.1: Biochemistry, with research project;

Dissertation: Sequence Preferences of the Nucleosome and PCR Enzymes, 5,000 words, marked 80.0/100

#### **Publications**

Nikolados, E.-M., Wongprommoon, A., Aodha, O. M., Cambray, G. & Oyarzún, D. A. (2022). Accuracy and data efficiency in deep learning models of protein expression. *Nature Communications*, 13(1), 7755. https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-022-34902-5

Jia, B. & Wongprommoon, A. (2018). Synthetic biology: Engineering order in organisms across scales and species. *BioTechniques*, 65(3), 113–119. https://doi.org/10.2144/btn-2018-0121

Tipgomut, C., Wongprommoon, A., Takeo, E., Ittiudomrak, T., Puthong, S. & Chanchao, C. (2018). Melittin Induced G1 Cell Cycle Arrest and Apoptosis in Chago-K1 Human Bronchogenic Carcinoma Cells and Inhibited the Differentiation of THP-1 Cells into Tumour- Associated Macrophages. *Asian Pacific journal of cancer prevention: APJCP*, 19(12)pmid 30583665, 3427–3434. https://doi.org/10.31557/APJCP.2018.19. 12.3427

# Computational skills

**Programming concepts:** machine learning (tensorflow, scikit-learn), flux balance analysis & genome-scale models (cobra, roadrunner, libsbml) data analysis & visualisation (Python pandas, seaborn, R ggplot2), scientific computing (scipy), object-oriented programming, CI/CD, secure research environments.

**Programming languages:** Python, MATLAB, R, C

**Software:** Git/GitLab (version control & collaborative coding), Docker (virtualisation) LaTeX, Inkscape (graphic design), Linux (Arch and Ubuntu distributions)

#### Research experience

Biomolecular Control Group (Dr Diego Oyarzún) & Prof Peter Swain's Group,

Centre for Engineering Biology, University of Edinburgh

Edinburgh, United Kingdom

PhD project

Oct 2019 – present

Characterised and classified time series of metabolic cycles and cell division cycles in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* in response to gene deletions and nutrient conditions. Part of a team to develop an image analysis software pipeline. Full funding by Edinburgh Global and the School of Biological Sciences. *Computational techniques: time series analysis, supervised/unsupervised classification, image segmentation Laboratory techniques: CRISPR-Cas9, single-cell microfluidics, yeast cell culture* 

Alan Turing Institute Data Study Group

LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM

**Participant** 

Dec 2022

Five-day collaborative hackathon: worked with a team of 12 researchers and data scientists to engineer a machine learning model to predict sound annoyance of 2,980 urban sound recordings; my focus was on development infrastructure and final presentation. Found that a pre-trained audio neural network trained on high-resolution spectrograms had best prediction ability.

Prof Jussi Taipale's group,

Department of Biochemistry, University of Cambridge

CAMBRIDGE, UNITED KINGDOM

Final-year undergraduate research project,

under the supervision of Dr Fangjie Zhu

*Jan 2019 – Mar 2019* 

Used nucleosome EMSA-SELEX to confirm rules for nucleosome positioning and showed that C-methylation aligns phases of dinucleotides with cytosines. Showed that enzyme-introduced biases were most responsible for PCR bias by comparing k-mer fold changes of sequencing libraries.

Prof Steve Oliver's group,

Cambridge Systems Biology Centre, University of Cambridge

Cambridge, United Kingdom

Internship, under the supervision of Dr Jorge Júlvez

Jun 2018 – Aug 2018, Jul 2019 – Sep 2019

Extended a kinetic model for *E. coli* metabolism to investigate reaction fluxes and used this information to enrich a stoichiometric model. Used a genetic algorithm to optimise parameters.

Computational techniques: deterministic metabolic simulations, flux balance analysis

#### Conferences

Microbiology Society Annual Conference

Belfast, United Kingdom

Poster presentation

Apr 2022

Awarded Society Grant (£360), partly covering registration and travel expenses

British Yeast Group Meeting on the Future of Yeast Research

CAMBRIDGE, UNITED KINGDOM

Poster presentation

Dec 2021

Formedium Best Poster (Graduate Student) Prize (3 recipients out of 43 posters), £150.

Cold Spring Harbor Laboratories Symposium

on Quantitative Biology – Biological Timekeeping

Laurel Hollow, New York, United States

Poster presentation

Jun 2021

## **Teaching**

Practical Systems Biology

EDINBURGH, UNITED KINGDOM

Demonstrator, Marker

Jan 2023 – Apr 2023

Masters-level course on modelling biological systems using differential equations and stochastic simulations via Python.

Biology 1A: Variation

Edinburgh, United Kingdom

Demonstrator

Sep 2022 – Dec 2022

First-year undergraduate course on genetics and evolution; covered scientific skills, hypothesis testing, and Python.

Genes and Gene Action 2

Edinburgh, United Kingdom

Demonstrator

Jan 2022 – Mar 2022

Second-year undergraduate course on genetics; covered basic bench biology.

### Leadership experience

International Genetically Engineered Machine (iGEM) competition

Advisor, University of Edinburgh - UHAS Ghana team

Edinburgh, United Kingdom

Jun 2022 – Oct 2022

Advised a nine-member undergraduate team that constructed and modelled cell-free solutions to mitigate plastic and heavy metal pollution in bodies of water in Ghana. Part of a three-advisor team; my focus was on structural modelling of proteins, documentation, and webpage development with version control. *Team won gold medal and was nominated for best environmental project.* 

Graduate School Staff-Student Liaison Committee

Edinburgh, United Kingdom

PhD Student Representative, Institute of Quantitative Biology

Sep 2021 – Sep 2022

One of two representatives of 77 PhD students in my institute among a team of 14 across the School of Biological Sciences (333 students). Organised community-building events, e.g. board games.

Cambridge University Synthetic Biology Society

CAMBRIDGE, UNITED KINGDOM

Project titled Evolving spatially-defined ecological interactions

Jan 2019 – Nov 2019

Supervised small student teams and encouraged them to work independently to engineer sets of physical and social interactions in *E. coli*. Verified aggregation of adhesion strains described by Glass & Riedel-Kruse (2018). This evolved into a funded (£3,000) project under the Cambridge-JIC Biomaker Challenge 2019. In this framework, teams verified the auxotrophy of ecological strains from the Ackermann Lab (Eawag, Switzerland).

Elected one of two project managers for 2018-19

May 2018 – May 2019

Project on bacterial edge detection

Oct 2017 – Mar 2019

Engineered a double genetic circuit in *E. coli* that enabled photography and edge detection, reproducing 'A Synthetic Genetic Edge Detection Program' (Tabor et al., 2009). The project evolved into five weekly workshops on molecular techniques in Oct-Nov 2018. 10-30 participants with biological, chemical, medical, and engineering backgrounds participated in each workshop.