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## EDUCATION

**University of California, Davis** BSc, Biotechnology-Bioinformatics 2013-2017

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

### Willsey Laboratory – Institute for Neurodegenerative Diseases, UCSF

*Bioinformatics Programmer II* 01/2018 - 03/2019  
*Bioinformatics Programmer III* 03/2019 – present

- Advisor: A. Jeremy Willsey, Ph.D.
- Responsible for complete processing and interpretation of high-throughput sequencing datasets including RNA-seq (8), AmpliSeq (42), single-cell RNA-seq (1), ATAC-seq (2), ChIP-seq (1), and Methyl-Seq (1)
- Integrate multiple data modalities across model systems to identify if similar pathways are affected by risk genes identified in Autism spectrum disorder or Tourette syndrome. Specialize in network-level analyses.
- Familiar with multiple model systems and accompanying databases including *Xenopus* (XenBase), *Drosophila* (FlyBase), mouse (MGI, Allen Atlas), vole (Ensembl), and various cell-cultures (UCSC Genome and Cell Browser, BrainSpan, GTEx)
- Manage computational pipelines, data storage, billing, and cloud formation (via AWS) for large-scale studies
- Collaborate extensively with more than six groups, resulting in two publications with two in review and three in preparation

### Viome

*LIMS consultant* 01/2018 – 03/2018  
*Software Engineer* 10/2017 – 12/2017

- Collaborated with engineering, bioinformatics, and laboratory teams to improve functionality and local structure of Labware LIMS
- Streamlined the collection, curation, and migration of datasets (e.g. customer data, metatranscriptomics, metabolomics) into an integrated central database
- Developed a custom program to implement quality control measures which navigates cloud computing and Google Sheets API using SQL and Python

### Vector Genetics Laboratory – UC Davis School of Veterinary Medicine

*Undergraduate Research Assistant* 07/2015 - 04/2017

- Advisor: Bradley Main, Ph.D. & Dr. Gregory Lanzaro

- Investigated the genetic variation associated with the increased insecticide resistance in malaria-transmitting mosquitoes with a specific haplotype. Performed differential gene expression and identified structural variants. Published 2018.
- Prepared RNAseq libraries, dissected and sexed mosquitoes, maintained mosquito colonies, performed gel electrophoreses and various insecticide assays

### **Eisen Laboratory, UC Davis**

*Bioinformatics Intern*

07/2015 - 04/2017

- Advisor: Prof. Jonathan Eisen and Guillaume Jospin
- Investigated the potential presence of unexpected microorganisms in seagrass metagenomic data by mapping, reassembling, and classifying unused reads
- Pre-processed metagenomic data, assisted in data storage, and converted software from Perl to Python

### **iGEM (International Genetically Engineered Machine)**

*Undergraduate Researcher*

04/2016 – 10/2016

- Advisors: Justin Siegel, Ph.D., Marc Facciotti, Ph.D. and Matthias Hess, Ph.D.
- Our project was a proof-of-concept that proteins could be used as food dyes, rather than synthetic petroleum-based dyes, in response to consumer demands
- Designed and evaluated the statistical efficiency of a pipeline that uses the protein sequence pattern of a known “color” domain to search through metagenomes for homologs and predict a color phenotype –allowing our team to efficiently allocate time and financial resources
- Responsible for protein purification, bacterial culture, web-site design, poster design, and 20-minute presentation

### **PEER-REVIEWED RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS**

1. Shah PS, Link N, Jang GM, Sharp PP, Zhu T, Swaney DL, Johnson JR, Von Dollen J, Romage HR, Satkamp L, Newton B, Huttenhain R, Petiti MJ, Baum T, **Everitt A**, Laufmain O, Tassetto M, Shales M, Stevenson E, Iglesias GN, Shokat L, Tripathi S, Balasubramaniam V, Webb LG, Aguirre S, Willsey AJ, Garcia-Sastre A, Pollard KS, Cherry S, Gamarnik AV, Marazzi I, Taunton J, Fernandez-Sesma A, Bellen HJ, Andino R, and Krogan NJ. (2018). Comparative Flavivirus-Host Protein Interaction Mapping Reveals Mechanisms of Dengue and Zika Virus Pathogenesis. *Cell*, 175(7), 1931-1945.
2. Darbandi SF, Schwartz SER, Qi Q, Catta-Preta R, Pai E. LL, Mandell JD, **Everitt A**, Rubin A, Krasnoff RA, Katzman S, Tastad D, Nord AS, Willsey AJ, Chen B, State MW, Sohal VS, and Rubenstein JLR. (2018). Neonatal Tbr1 Dosage Controls Cortical Layer 6 Connectivity. *Neuron*, 100(4), 831-845.
3. Main BJ, **Everitt A**, Cornel AJ, Hormozdiari F, and Lanzaro GC. (2018). Genetic variation associated with increased insecticide resistance in the malaria mosquito *Anopheles coluzzii*. *Parasites & Vectors* 11, 225.

## IN REVIEW

1. Wojcechowskyj JA, Hultquist JF, Hiatt J, Jang GM, Li Y, Shales M, Mandell JD, Gordon DE, McGregor MJ, Chen Y, Weissman JS, Willsey AJ, **Everitt A**, Marson A, Frankel AD, Kampmann M, and Krogan NJ. (submitted 2018). The exonuclease PNPT1 genetically interacts with HIV-1 Rev and regulates interferon signaling.
2. Fazel Darbandi S, Robinson-Schwartz SE, Pai ELL, **Everitt A**, Turner M, Cheyette BNR, Davis G, Willsey AJ, State MW, Sohal VS, and Rubenstein JLR. (submitted 2019). LiCl Treatment Rescues Cortical Neuronal Spine Maturation and Synaptogenesis in Tbr1 Mutants.

## PRESENTATIONS AND POSTERS

1. **Everitt A**, Dohlman A. "Evaluating statistical methods for inferring directed microbial interaction networks". Oral presentation at: 2019 UCI Systems Biology Short Course; Irvine, CA.
2. Zaltsman Y, Gonzalez S, **Everitt A**, Xu J, Naing S, Teerikorpi N, Sun N, Morris M, Huttenhain R, Krogan N, Willsey AJ. "Human forebrain-patterned cells for functional analysis of autism spectrum disorder risk genes". Poster presentation at: 2019 Psychiatric Cell Map Initiative; San Francisco, CA.
3. Sun N, Tian R, Seyler M, **Everitt A**, Kampmann M, Willsey J. "Identifying Convergent Transcriptional Signatures of Autism Spectrum Disorder". Poster presentation at: 2019 Psychiatric Cell Map Initiative; San Francisco, CA.
4. Teerikorpi N, **Everitt A**, Baum T, Sun N, Huttenhain R, Krogan NJ, Willsey AJ. "Investigating the role of ASD-risk gene CUL3 in neurodevelopment using iPSC-derived neural cells". Poster presentation at: 2018 Molecular Psychiatry Association; Kauai, HI.
5. Sun N, Teerikorpi N, **Everitt A**, Arbelaez J, Baum T, Seyler M, Kampmann M, Jeremy Willsey AJ. "Identifying Convergent Transcriptional Signatures of Autism Spectrum Disorder". Poster presentation at: 2018 Molecular Psychiatry Association; Kauai, HI.
6. **Everitt A**, Caligiuri A, Chen J, Akre S, Weyers B. "Cyanobacteriochrome as a Viable Natural Alternative to Synthetic Food Dyes". Oral and poster presentation at: 2016 International Genetically Engineered Machine Competition; Boston, MA.  
- Received gold medal from a panel of judges; project nominated as a finalist

## AWARDS AND GRANTS

2019 System Biology Career Booster Award, UC Irvine (\$6,000)

2017 Winter, Dean's List College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, UC Davis

2016 Spring, Dean's List College of Agricultural and Environmental Sciences, UC Davis

### IN REVIEW

2020 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

### **Amazon Web Services Security Essentials**

October, 2019

Two-day workshop covering AWS cloud security and data encryption with a particular focus on electronic health records and complying with HIPAA encryption requirements

### **Single-Cell RNA-Seq Workshop—UC Davis Bioinformatics Core**

July, 2018

Topics covered included: single-cell platforms, experimental design, cost estimation, pre-processing platforms, and foundational downstream analyses

### **UCI Systems Biology Short Course**

May 2018, ongoing

Intensive 3-week long course focused on establishing interdisciplinary careers and foundational systems biology topics. Included lectures, laboratory exercises, mentoring, and project development.

- Awarded funding to lead a collaboration between four groups across three universities which will use simulated and novel 16s amplicon sequencing to evaluate directed microbial interaction networks

### **Center for Leadership Learning Development Program**

2015-2016

Set of 10 courses in topic categories: Foundations of Leadership, Dimensions of Diversity, Self-Awareness, Communication, Conflict Management, and Group Development

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

### **Scripting Languages:**

proficient in R, Python, Bash;  
experience in MatLab, Mathematica, Perl, SQL

### **Computing Resources:**

AWS cloud, HPC management systems (Slurm)

### **Wet Lab:**

RNA and DNA isolations, PCR, electrophoresis/Bioanalyzer,  
insect dissection, maintenance of mosquito colonies

### **Dry Lab:**

DNA related: Picard, samtools, bowtie2  
RNA related: FastQC, STAR, DESeq2, EdgeR, WGCNA  
Others: DiffBind, IDR, Seurat, MACS2, MAST, Bismark

## TEACHING AND VOLUNTEER EXPERIENCE

### **Data and Software Carpentry**

*Certified Instructor*

12/2018 - present

- Teach foundational data science and computing topics including basic UNIX, bioinformatics, and cloud computing

### **Institute for Neurodegenerative Diseases (IND) Software Carpentry Course**

*Organizer and Instructor*

02/2018

- Independently orchestrated and hosted two-day course for IND staff to teach basic computing skills as well as developed personalized lessons for attendees' projects

## **Data-Intensive Biology Summer Institute**

*Teaching Assistant*

Summer, 2017

- Director: Titus Brown, Ph.D.
- Helped instruct a workshop that covered foundational bioinformatics tools including Bash, R, markdown, Github, and cloud computing, as well as tutorials for RNA-seq, ChIP-seq, GWAS, variant calling, and *de novo* genome assembly
- Assisted students with workshop tutorials, guided classroom discussions, provided one-on-one help for students and installed software