

# BRIAN M. SCHILDER



Passionately pursuing multi-disciplinary research to improve human lives.

**Imperial College London**  
**PhD Candidate**  
**ScB, MPhil**

## EDUCATION

2024



**Imperial College London**

**PhD:** Clinical Medical Research; Computational Neurogenomics 📍 [London, UK](#)

**Supervisors:** Nathan G. Skene, PhD; Paul M. Matthews, PhD

**Thesis:** Multi-omic medicine: dissecting the cell-type-specific and pleiotropic mechanisms underlying disease genomics at scale

- *Aim 1)* Dissect the multi-scale mechanisms (e.g. genes, pathways, cell-types, phenotypes) underlying Mendelian and complex disease genomics. 📄
- *Aim 2)* Decompose multi-trait disease genomics and identify the multi-scale mechanisms underlying each latent component.
- *Aim 3)* Demonstrate reproducibility and make reproducible best practices accessible to others. 📄

2017



**The George Washington University**

**MPhil:** Human Paleobiology; Evolutionary Neuroscience & Genomics

📍 [Washington, DC, USA](#)

**Supervisors:** Chet C. Sherwood, PhD; Brenda J. Bradley, PhD

**Thesis:** The evolution of the hippocampus and adult neurogenesis: Novel insights into the origins of human memory

- *Aim 1):* Identify human-specific features of hippocampal subfield organization, adult neurogenesis, and their ecological correlates. 📄
- *Aim 2)* Identify human-specific patterns of hippocampal subfield gene expression. 📄
- *Aim 3)* Identify the genetic mechanisms mediating the evolution of human hippocampal neuroanatomy and gene expression. 📄

2011



**Brown University**

**ScB:** Cognitive Neuroscience; Neurological Diseases & Disorders

📍 [Providence, RI, USA](#)

**Supervisors:** Sheila E. Blumstein, PhD; David L. Sheinberg, PhD

## CONTACT

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## SUMMARY

📅 **14+ years of research**

📄 **22 publications**

📄 **3 preprints**

🔧 **39 software packages**

🗄 **11 databases & apps**

🗣 **20 talks**

👤 **12+ years of teaching & team management**

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## ✓ CORE SKILLS

### Research

**14+** years of highly multidisciplinary research experience. Creative and rapid hypothesis generation, project design, and problem solving.

- **Fields:** Including but not limited to: Neuroscience, systems biology, bioinformatics, machine learning, multi-omics, biomedicine, rare diseases, complex diseases, cognition, statistics, computer science, phylogenetics, paleoanthropology biomechanics, primatology, histology/microscopy.
- **Publications:** Strong writing skills as evidenced by **22** peer-reviewed scientific publications, **23** international conference posters and **13** successful grant applications.

### Programming

Extensive experience in developing highly reproducible scripts and software packages to interrogate large and diverse data.

- **Bioinformatics:** Including but not limited to: GWAS, QTL, bulk/scRNA-seq & epigenomics, machine learning, high-performance computing, GitHub, GitHub Actions, Docker/Singularity containers, DockerHub, conda, Nextflow, reproducibility.
- **R:** Created **36** R packages to date, including on Bioconductor and CRAN. Experienced in created Shiny Apps and Rmarkdown reports.
- **Python:** Regularly uses ML packages (e.g. sklearn, tensorflow, Keras). Developed and own IP for PubReporter, a software for extracting and conducting topic modelling/NLP on relevant scientific literature at scale.
- **Javascript/HTML/CSS:** Created **6+** websites, web apps, and interactive reports. Developed templates to automatically render websites on-the-fly from CSVs using Javascript.

### Communication

Effective and engaging scientific presentations to a variety of audiences.

- **Peers:** Extensive experience presenting research proposals/findings to both internal and external labs/conferences. Invited speaker at leading research institutions. Diverse, multi-disciplinary and global collaborative network.
- **Students:** Teaching assistant and/or guest lecturer for courses in diverse fields (biological anthropology, neuroscience, computational biology).
- **Public:** Developed and delivered numerous community engagement programs for a wide variety of stakeholders, including students (preschool through postgraduate), community members, and patients (e.g. Children's National Hospital, Parkinson's UK).

### Project Management

Coordinates multiple independent projects at once with researchers of varying degrees of education and research experience. Effective handling of many projects at once.

- **Documentation:** Detailed and understandable in-code documentation is second-nature.
- **Supervision:** Supervises numerous student research projects.
- **Version control:** Extensive and daily use of git, GitHub Issues, GitHub Projects.



## PUBLICATIONS

2023

### Artificial intelligence for neurodegenerative experimental models

*Alzheimer's & Dementia* (2023) <http://doi.org/10.1002/alz.13479>

SJ Marzi, **BM Schilder**, A Nott, C Sala Frigerio, S Willaime-Morawek, M Bucholc, DP Hanger, C James, PA Lewis, I Lourida, W Noble, F Rodriguez-Algarra, JA Sharif, M Tsalenchuk, LM Winchester, U Yaman, Z Yao, DEMON Network, JM Ranson, DJ Llewellyn






2023

### Artificial intelligence for dementia genetics and omics

*Alzheimer's & Dementia* (2023) <http://doi.org/10.1002/alz.13427>

C Bettencourt, NG Skene, S Bandres-Ciga, E Anderson, LM Winchester, IF Foote, J Schwartzentruber, JA Botia, M Nalls, A Singleton, **BM Schilder**, J Humphrey, SJ Marzi, CE Toomey, A Al Kleifat, EL Harshfield, V Garfield, C Sandor, S Keat, S Tamburin, C Sala Frigerio, I Lourida, DEMON Network, JM Ranson, DJ Llewellyn

- 2023 • **Artificial intelligence for dementia research methods optimization**  
*Alzheimer's & Dementia* (2023) <http://doi.org/10.1002/alz.13441>  
 M Bucholz, C James, A Al Khleifat, A Badhwar, N Clarke, A Dehsarvi, CR Madan, SJ Marzi, C Shand, **BM Schilder**, S Tamburin, HM Tantiangco, I Lourida, DJ Llewellyn, JM Ranson
- 2023 • **EpiCompare: R package for the comparison and quality control of epigenomic peak files**  
*Bioinformatics Advances* (2023) 13(1):vbad049; <https://doi.org/10.1093/bioadv/vbad049>  
 S Choi, **BM Schilder**, L Abbasova, AE Murphy, NG Skene
- 2022 • **Dissecting the Shared Genetic Architecture of Suicide Attempt, Psychiatric Disorders, and Known Risk Factors**  
*Biological Psychiatry* (2022) 91(3):313-327; <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biopsych.2021.05.029>  
 N Mullins, J Kang, AI Campos,...**BM Schilder**, et al.
- 2022 • **Genetic analysis of the human microglial transcriptome across brain regions, aging and disease pathologies**  
*Nature Genetics* (2022) <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41588-021-00976-y>  
 K de Paiva Lopes, G JL Snijders, J Humphrey, A Allan, M Sneeboer, E Navarro, **BM Schilder**...T Raj  
 📖 News  
 - Microglial transcriptomics meets genetics: new disease leads (Nature Reviews Neurology, 2022)  
 - Mighty MiGA: Microglial Genomic Atlas Zeros in on Causal AD Risk Variants (ALZFORUM, 2022)  
 - Can a Human Microglial Atlas Guide Brain Disorder Research? (Mount Sinai Health System, 2022)  
 - Polygenic Scores Paint Microglia as Culprits in Alzheimer's (ALZFORUM, 2021)
- 2021 • **Multi-omic insights into Parkinson's Disease: From genetic associations to functional mechanisms**  
*Neurobiology of Disease* (2021) 105580; <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nbd.2021.105580>  
**BM Schilder**, E Navarro, T Raj
- 2021 • **Fine-Mapping of Parkinson's Disease Susceptibility Loci Identifies Putative Causal Variants**  
*Human Molecular Genetics* (2021) ddab294; <https://doi.org/10.1093/hmg/ddab294>  
**BM Schilder**, T Raj
- 2021 • **echolocator: An Automated End-to-End Statistical and Functional Genomic Fine-Mapping Pipeline**  
*Bioinformatics* (2021) btab658; <https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>  
**BM Schilder**, J Humphrey, T Raj
- 2021 • **MungeSumstats: A Bioconductor Package for the Standardisation and Quality Control of Many GWAS Summary Statistics**  
*Bioinformatics* (2021) 37(23):4593-4596; <https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab665>  
 A Murphy, **BM Schilder**, NG Skene
- 2021 • **Dysregulation of mitochondrial and proteo-lysosomal genes in Parkinson's disease myeloid cells**  
*Nature Genetics* (2021) <https://doi.org/10.1101/2020.07.20.212407>  
 E Navarro, E Udine, K de Paiva Lopes, M Parks, G Riboldi, **BM Schilder**...T Raj  
 📖 News  
 - Mount Sinai: Fighting Neurodegenerative Disorders (Mount Sinai Health System, 2019)
- 2021 • **Phenome-wide and eQTL Associations of COVID-19 Genetic Risk Loci**  
*iScience* (2021) <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.isci.2021.102550>  
 C Moon, **BM Schilder**, T Raj, K-I Huang

- 2021 • **Genome-Wide Association Study of over 40,000 Bipolar Disorder Cases Provides Novel Biological Insights**  
*Nature Genetics* (2021) 53:817-829; <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41588-021-00857-4>  
 N Mullins, AJ Forstner, KS O'Connell, B Coombes, JRI Coleman...**BM Schilder**... et al.  
 **News**  
 - Researchers identify 64 regions of the genome that increase risk for bipolar disorder (EurekAlert, 2021)  
 - Largest Bipolar Disorder Genetics Study Doubles Genetic Risk Factors (Nordic Society of Human Genetics and Precision Medicine, 2021)
- 2020 • **Tensor decomposition of stimulated monocyte and macrophage gene expression profiles identifies neurodegenerative disease-specific trans-eQTLs**  
*PLOS Genetics* (2020) 16(9):e1008549; <https://doi.org/10.1101/499509>  
 S Ramdhani, E Navarro, E Udine, AG Efthymiou, **BM Schilder**, M Parks, A Goate, T Raj
- 2019 • **Evolutionary shifts dramatically reorganized the human hippocampal complex**  
*Journal of Comparative Neurology* (2019) 528(17):3143-3170; <https://doi.org/10.1002/cne.24822>  
**BM Schilder**, HM Petry, PR Hof
- 2019 • **FAIRshake: Toolkit to Evaluate the Findability, Accessibility, Interoperability, and Reusability of Research Digital Resources**  
*Cell Systems* (2019) 9; <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cels.2019.09.011>  
 D Clarke, L Wang, A Jones, M Wojciechowicz, D Torre, K Jagodnik, S Jenkins, P McQuilton, Z Flamholz, M Silverstein, **BM Schilder**...A Ma'ayan  
 **News**  
 - Chosen as 'Featured Frontmatter' article in *Cell Systems*
- 2019 • **Geneshot: search engine for ranking genes from arbitrary text queries**  
*Nucleic Acids Research* (2019) 47(W1):W571-W577; <https://doi.org/10.1093/nar/gkz393>  
 A Lachmann, **BM Schilder**, ML Wojciechowicz, D Torre, MV Kuleshov, AB Keenan, A Ma'ayan  
 **News**  
 - Geneshot: Piercing the Literature to Identify and Predict Relevant Genes (University of Pittsburgh Health Sciences Library System Update, 2019)  
 - The Future of AI at the Hasso Plattner Institute for Digital Health at Mount Sinai (Mount Sinai Health System, 2020)
- 2018 • **eXpression2Kinases (X2K) Web: linking expression signatures to upstream cell signaling networks**  
*Nucleic Acids Research* (2018) 46(W1):W171-W179; <https://doi.org/10.1093/nar/gky458>  
 DJB Clarke, MV Kuleshov, **BM Schilder**, D Torre, ME Duffy, AB Keenan, A Lachmann, AS Feldmann, GW Gundersen, MC Silverstein, Z Wang  
 **News**  
 - Mount Sinai Faculty Spotlight: Ma'ayan Lab (Mount Sinai Health System, 2018)
- 2015 • **Defining elemental imitation mechanisms: A comparison of cognitive and motor-spatial imitation learning across object- and computer-based tasks**  
*Journal of Cognition and Development* (2015) 17(2):221-243; <https://doi.org/10.1080/15248372.2015.1053483>  
 F Subiaul, L Zimmerman, E Renner, **BM Schilder**, R Barr
- 2015 • **Take the monkey and run**  
*Journal of Neuroscience Methods* (2015) 248:28-31; <http://doi.org/10.1016/j.jneumeth.2015.03.023>  
 KA Phillips, MK Hambricht, K Hewes, **BM Schilder**, CN Ross, SD Tardif  
 **News**  
 - Monkeys on a Treadmill? A Conversation with Dr. Kimberley Phillips (Why Social Science?)
- 2014 • **Becoming a high-fidelity - super - imitator: what are the contributions of social and individual learning?**  
*Developmental Science* (2014) 18(6):1025-1035; <http://doi.org/10.1111/desc.12276>  
 F Subiaul, EM Patterson, **BM Schilder**, E Renner, R Barr
- 2014 • **Working memory constraints on imitation and emulation**  
*Journal of Experimental Child Psychology* (2014) 128:190-200; <http://doi.org/10.1016/j.jecp.2014.07.005>  
 F Subiaul, **BM Schilder**

## PREPRINTS

- 2023 • **Identification of cell type-specific gene targets underlying thousands of rare diseases and subtraits**  
*medRxiv* (2023) <https://doi.org/10.1101/2023.02.13.23285820>  
KB Murphy, R Gordon-Smith, J Chapman, M Otani, **BM Schilder**, NG Skene
- 2023 • **The rworkflows suite: automated continuous integration for quality checking, documentation website creation, and containerised deployment of R packages**  
*Research Square* (2023) <https://doi.org/10.21203/rs.3.rs-2399015/v1>  
**BM Schilder**, AE Murphy, NG Skene
- 2022 • **CUT&Tag recovers up to half of ENCODE ChIP-seq peaks**  
*bioRxiv* (2022) <https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.03.30.486382>  
D Hu, L Abbasova, **BM Schilder**, A Nott, NG Skene, SJ Marzi

## ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

- 2021 • **eQTL Catalogue: a compendium of uniformly processed human gene expression and splicing QTLs.**  
*Nature Genetics* (2021) 53:1290-1299; <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41588-021-00924-w>  
N Kerimov, JD Hayhurst, K Peikova et al.
- 2020 • **Functionally-informed fine-mapping and polygenic localization of complex trait heritability**  
*Nature Genetics* (2020) <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41588-020-00735-5>  
O Weissbrod...AL Price
- 2019 • **Wayfinding: The science and mystery of how humans navigate the world.**  
*St. Martin's Press* (2019) ISBN-13: 978-1250096968; <https://www.amazon.co.uk/Wayfinding-Science-Mystery-Humans-Navigate/dp/1250096960>  
MR O'Connor
- 2012 • **EEG oscillations reveal neural correlates of evidence accumulation**  
*Frontiers in Decision Neuroscience* (2012) 6(106):Jan-13; <https://doi.org/10.3389/fnins.2012.00106>  
M van Vugt, P Simen, L Nystrom, P Holmes, J Cohen
- 2011 • **Trial-by-trial adaptation of decision making performance: a model-based EEG analysis**  
*Interdisciplinary Perspectives on Cognition, Education, and the Brain* (2011) 7; <https://www.semanticscholar.org/paper/Trial-by-trial-adaptation-of-decision-making-a-EEG-Vugt-Simen/330371d08842ecd1bda332dd22351a7135b5cb1f>  
M van Vugt, P Simen, J Cohen

## REVIEWERSHIPS

- 2023 • **[Unpublished article]**  
*Neuron* (2023)
- 2022 • **[Unpublished article]**  
*Bioinformatics* (2022)
- 2021 • **Most Pathways Can Be Related to the Pathogenesis of Alzheimer's Disease**  
*Alzheimer's Research & Therapy* (2021) <https://doi.org/10.3389/fnagi.2022.846902>  
SL Morgan, P Naderi, K Koler, Y Pita-Juarez, D Prokopenko, IS Vlachos, RE Tanzi, L Bertram, WA Hide

- 2021 • **CLIP: accurate prediction of disordered linear interacting peptides from protein sequences using co-evolutionary information**  
*Bioinformatics* (2021) <https://doi.org/10.1093/bib/bbac502>  
 Z Peng, Z Li, Q Meng, B Zhao, L Kurgan
- 2020 • **Single-Cell Transcriptomics and In Situ Morphological Analyses Reveal Microglia Heterogeneity Across the Nigrostriatal Pathway**  
*Neurobiology of Disease* (2020) <https://doi.org/10.3389/fimmu.2021.639613>  
 O Uriarte Huarte, D Kyriakis, T Heurtaux, Y Pires-Afonso, K Grzyb, R Halder, M Buttini, A Skupin, M Mittelbronn, A Michelucci
- 2019 • **Deconstructing cerebellar development cell by cell**  
*PLOS Genetics* (2019) <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pgen.1008630>  
 MJ van Essen, S Nayler, EBE Becker, J Jacob
- 2019 • **[Unpublished article]**  
*Nature Neuroscience* (2019)



## INVITED TALKS

- 2023 • **Multi-omics medicine: investigating shared genetic risk factors to better understand neurodegenerative disease**  
 Turing Omics Meeting  
 Omics Data Generation & Analysis Group  
 The Alan Turing Institute
- 2022 • **Decomposing the phenotype: learning the latent genomic structure underlying thousands of diseases and traits**  
 Neuroepidemiology of Aging Webinar  
 RUSH Alzheimer's Disease Center (RADC)  
 RUSH University
- 2022 • **Drug (re)discovery in the age of genomics: multi-omic strategies for identifying disease treatments**  
 Department Seminar  
 3D (Drug, Disease, Delivery) Center / Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences  
 University of South Dakota
- 2020 • **Statistical and functional genetic fine-mapping across multiple disease**  
 Seminar  
 Alzheimer's Disease Sequencing Project  
 Columbia University / Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai
- 2020 • **Statistical and functional genetic fine-mapping across multiple disease**  
 Laboratory of Neurogenetics Friday Workshop  
 National Institute on Aging  
 National Institutes of Health



## CONFERENCE TALKS

- 2023 • **rworkflows: taming the Wild West of R packages**  
 EuroBioC2023  
  
 Bioconductor  
[45-minute workshop.](#)
- 2023 • **rworkflows: taming the Wild West of R packages**  
 BioC2023  
  
 Bioconductor  
[10-minute talk within the Infrastructure Track.](#)

- 2023 • **Navigating the rare diseases landscape: A comprehensive approach to identify gene therapy targets based on cell type-phenotype associations**  
Intelligent Systems For Molecular Biology / European Conference on Computational Biology (ISMB/ECCB)  
  
International Society for Computational Biology (ISMB)  
20-minute talk within the Bio-Ontologies COSI Track.
- 2022 • **Systematic quantification of animal model viability across human diseases**  
Informatics-Synapse Joint Early Career Researcher Meeting  
  
UK Dementia Research Institute (UK DRI)
- 2020 • **Automated genetic fine-mapping of neurological disorders**  
London Genetics Network  
  
The Genetics Society
- 2019 • **Parkinson's disease derived monocytes show alteration in the phago-lysosomal pathway**  
American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Annual Meeting  
  
American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG)  
Co-contributor
- 2016 • Marmoset Social  
  
Society for Neuroscience (SfN)
- 2016 • JB Johnston Club for Evolutionary Neuroscience  
  
Society for Neuroscience (SfN)
- 2014 • JB Johnston Club for Evolutionary Neuroscience  
  
Society for Neuroscience (SfN)



## CONFERENCE POSTERS

- 2023 • **Navigating the rare diseases landscape: A comprehensive approach to identify gene therapy targets based on cell type-phenotype associations**  
*Intelligent Systems For Molecular Biology / European Conference on Computational Biology (ISMB/ECCB) (2023)* <https://www.iscb.org/ismbeccb2023>  
**BM Schilder**, KB Murphy, R Gordon-Smith, J Chapman, M Otani, NG Skene
- 2023 • **Identification of cell type-specific gene targets underlying thousands of rare diseases and clinical phenotypes**  
*Genomics of Rare Diseases (2023)* <https://coursesandconferences.wellcomeconnectingscience.org/event/genomics-of-rare-disease-20230424/>  
**BM Schilder**, KB Murphy, R Gordon-Smith, J Chapman, M Otani, NG Skene
- 2023 • **Statistical and Functional Fine-Mapping as a Powerful Tool to Unravel the Biological Etiology of Bipolar Disorder**  
*Biological Psychiatry (2023) 93(9):S18*; <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biopsych.2023.02.063>  
M Koromina, A Ravi, **BM Schilder**, B Muller, J Coleman, T Raj
- 2023 • **Systematic quantification of animal model viability across human disease**  
*UK Dementia Research Institute Scientific Advisory Board (2023)*  
**BM Schilder**, NG Skene
- 2022 • **Systematic quantification of animal model viability across human disease**  
*Rising Scientist Day at Imperial College London (2022)*  
**BM Schilder**, NG Skene



- 2022 • **A comprehensive statistical and functional fine-mapping pipeline applied to Bipolar Disorder GWAS risk loci**  
*European Neuropsychopharmacology* (2022) 63:e14; <http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.euroneuro.2022.07.037>  
M Koromina, A Ravi, **BM Schilder**, B Muller, J Coleman, T Raj, N Mullins
- 2021 • **Genetic Effects on Human Microglia Transcriptome in Neuropsychiatric Diseases**  
*Biological Psychiatry* (2021) 89(9):S84-S85; <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.biopsych.2021.02.225>  
G Snijders, K de Paiva Lopes, J Humphrey, S Allan, M Sneeboer, R Navarro, **BM Schilder**, R Vialle, M Parks, R Missall, W van Zuiden, F Gigase, R Kubler, AB van Berlekom, C Bottcher, J Priller, R Kahn, L de Witte, T Raj
- 2020 • **Cell-type-specific reconstruction of primate evolution from genomic positive selection**  
*Rising Scientist Day at Imperial College London* (2020)  
K Murphy, **BM Schilder**, NG Skene
- 2019 • **Automated genetic and functional fine-mapping of Parkinson's Disease Loci.**  
*American Society of Human Genetics* (2019)  
**BM Schilder**, T Raj
- 2019 • **Parkinson's disease derived monocytes show alteration in the phago-lysosomal pathway**  
*American Society of Human Genetics* (2019)  
E Udine, E Navarro, ...**BM Schilder**, ...T Raj
- 2018 • **Learning X2K: Parameter Optimization via Genetic Algorithms to Calibrate the Expression2Kinases Pipeline**  
*Illuminating the Druggable Genome* (2018)  
**BM Schilder**, A Lachmann, M Kuleshov, A Ma'ayan
- 2018 • **Learning X2K: Parameter Optimization via Genetic Algorithms to Calibrate the Expression2Kinases Pipeline**  
*Big Data 2 Knowledge - Library of Integrated Network-Based Cellular Signatures (LINCS)* (2018)  
**BM Schilder**, A Lachmann, M Kuleshov, A Ma'ayan
- 2017 • **The evolution of the human hippocampus and neuroplasticity**  
*Association for American Physical Anthropologists* (2017) <https://www.abstractsonline.com/pp8/index.html#!/4071/presentation/4471>  
**BM Schilder**, BJ Bradley, CC Sherwood
- 2016 • **The molecular evolution of plasticity and the human hippocampus**  
*Society for Neuroscience* (2016) <https://www.abstractsonline.com/pp8/index.html#!/4071/presentation/4471>  
**BM Schilder**, BJ Bradley, CC Sherwood
- 2015 • **Effects of exercise on disease progression and cognition in the marmoset EAE model**  
*JB Johnston Club for Evolutionary Neuroscience* (2015)  
KA Phillips, MK Hambright, K Hewes, **BM Schilder**, B Jagessar, B t'Hart, SD Tardif
- 2015 • **The effects of climatic trends, variability, and rates of change on mammalian brain evolution**  
*Association for American Physical Anthropologists* (2015)  
**BM Schilder**, WA Barr, R Bobe, CC Sherwood
- 2015 • **Individual, Observational, and Imitation Learning in Orangutans and Children**  
*Association for American Physical Anthropologists* (2015)  
E Renner, **BM Schilder**, F Subiaul
- 2014 • **The helper hinderer task revisited: an infant eye tracking study**  
*The George Washington University Research Day* (2014)  
A Gokhale, **BM Schilder**, F Subiaul



- 2013 • **Dendritic morphology of pyramidal neurons across the visual stream: A direct comparison of chimpanzees and humans**  
*Society for Neuroscience* (2013)  
 BM Schilder, O Adeyo
- 2013 • **The striatum in the evolution of learned vocalizations: Understanding the neurobiological precursors to human speech using a chimpanzee model**  
*Society for Neuroscience* (2013)  
 S Bianchi, T Duka, G Muntane, **BM Schilder**, CD Stimpson, WD Hopkins
- 2013 • **Imitation & emulation in a novel box task**  
*Association for Psychological Science* (2013)  
 L Zimmerman, N Brito, C Mendelson, R Barr, E Renner, **BM Schilder**, F Subiaul
- 2013 • **A study of imitation and working memory in 2- to 4- year-olds**  
*Association for Psychological Science* (2013)  
 R Barr, F Subiaul, L Zimmerman, L Renner, **BM Schilder**, C Mendelson, L Goljuch
- 2013 • **The impact of wealth on sharing preferences in children**  
*Child Development Society* (2013)  
 J Miller, **BM Schilder**, L Peizer, F Subiaul










## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- |  
2019 • **Lead Data Scientist**  
 120/80 MKTG 📍 New York, NY, USA
  - Offered data-driven consultation services to a wide portfolio of high-profile digital healthcare, pharmaceutical and biotech companies.
  - Developed a suite of proprietary softwares to extract customised business intelligence from the published literature. Generated customised and interpretable reports to clients.
  - Provided clients guidance on strategic data analysis, publication and transparency.
- 2020  
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2018 • **Bioinformatician II**  
 Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (Department of Neuroscience / Department of Neurology / Department of Genetics & Genomics / Ronald M. Loeb Center for Alzheimer's Disease) 📍 New York, NY, USA
  - Developed machine learning systems to integrate large-scale multi-omics datasets (e.g. whole-genome sequencing, bulk and single-cell RNA-seq, epigenomics, clinical data) to uncover the molecular mechanisms underlying neurodegenerative diseases (e.g. Alzheimer's, Parkinson's, ALS).
  - Computationally identified specific disease-causal variants, pathways and cell-types for subsequent functional wet lab validation (e.g. CRISPR-cas9 editing in patient-derived cell cultures, iPSCs and cerebral organoids).
- 2018  
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2017 • **Bioinformatician II**  
 Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (Department of Pharmacological Sciences) 📍 New York, NY, USA
  - Conducted computational systems biology research. Integrated and analyzed large-scale genomic and biomedical data (e.g. Python, R, JavaScript).
  - Developed evolutionary algorithm to optimize gene network kinase regulator prediction (eXpression2Kinases).
  - Developed and deployed computational tools, software, databases and web applications for basic and clinical research, resulting in 3 peer-reviewed publications.
- 2017 • **Participant**  
 Technische Universität Dresden / eMed (Summer School in Systems Medicine) 📍 Frauenchiemsee, Germany
  - Attended lectures and extended skills in extraction and analysis of big data from biomedical and neurogenomic resources.
  - Developed, performed and wrote manuscript for collaborative bioinformatics research project in less than one week.
- 2016 • **Participant**  
 Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (Scientific Computing & Data Science) 📍 New York, NY, USA
  - Intensive summer school in high-performance computing, coding, genome database utilization and bioinformatics methods including transcriptomics and genetic association testing.

2017   2014	<b>Collaborator</b> Trinity University / Southwestern National Primate Research Center (Department of Neuroscience) San Antonio, TX, USA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Investigated the neurobiological mechanisms underlying the ameliorating effects of exercise on relapse-remitting Multiple Sclerosis.</li> </ul>
2014	<b>Teaching Assistant / Project Leader</b> The George Washington University / Rutgers University (Department of Anthropology) Ileret, Kenya <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Served as Teaching Assistant while excavating Lower Paleolithic hominin sites (Homo, Paranthropus).</li> <li>As Project Leader, investigated the running biomechanics of local Daasanach tribespeople while mentoring undergraduate students.</li> </ul>
2013   2011	<b>Research Assistant</b> The George Washington University (Department of Anthropology) Washington, DC, USA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Performed dissection, histology, microscopy and quantitative stereology in post-mortem primate brain tissues.</li> <li>Trained junior and senior personnel on lab protocols.</li> </ul>
2013   2011	<b>Senior Lab Manager</b> The George Washington University (Department of Speech, Language & Hearing Sciences) Washington, DC, USA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Organized and trained dozens of undergraduates to conduct weekly cognitive development research; designed and/or directly contributed to over 15 research projects in two years.</li> </ul>
2012	<b>Volunteer Researcher</b> University of Winnipeg / University of Belgrade (Department of Anthropology / Department of Archaeology) Sicevo, Serbia <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Excavated Paleolithic fossils and tools (H. heidelbergensis, H. neanderthalensis) at Mala Balanica, Velika Balanica, and Pešturina sites.</li> </ul>
2011	<b>Volunteer Researcher</b> Universidad de Murcia (Department of Zoology & Physical Anthropology) Murcia, Spain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Excavated Paleolithic fossils and tools from Cueva Negra (H. heidelbergensis) and Sima de las Palomas (H. neanderthalensis) with an international research team.</li> </ul>
2011	<b>Volunteer Research Intern</b> American Museum of Natural History (Division of Anthropology) New York, NY, USA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Contributed to paleoanthropological research on primate fossils using 3D morphometry imaging equipment including Minolta, Microscribe and CT.</li> </ul>
2010	<b>Paid Research Intern</b> Princeton University (Princeton Neuroscience Institute) Princeton, NJ, USA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Investigated the neural basis of decision-making in humans.</li> <li>Recruited participants, recorded EEG and analyzed data in MATLAB.</li> </ul>
2010   2009	<b>Student Researcher</b> Brown University (Department of Cognitive, Linguistic & Psychological Sciences) Providence, RI, USA <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Experimental Analysis of Animal Behavior &amp; Cognition: Conducted various operant conditioning experiments on rats. Gained experience in animal behavioral training, data collection, and data analysis in MATLAB.</li> <li>Laboratory in Genes and Behavior: Tested transgenic mice with modified N-type voltage-gated calcium channel subunits in a battery of cognitive and sensorimotor tasks. Results were published.</li> </ul>



## TEACHING / MENTORING EXPERIENCE

- 2020  
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2020
- Research Mentor**  
Imperial College London (Department of Brain Sciences / Department of Life Sciences)  [London, UK](#)
- Mentored students and affiliated projects:
  - Kitty Murphy (PhD): 'Evolutionary pressures on cell types: leveraging species differences to gain insight into neurodegenerative disease risk'
  - Sheen Lei (BSc): 'Benchmarking cell-type-specific enrichment of genome-wide disease signatures'
  - Ted Reese (MSc): 'Computational cell-type annotation of single-cell epigenomics data'
  - Xindong Sun (MSc): 'Benchmark of Targeted insertion of promoters sequencing (TIP-seq) on histone modification H3K27ac and H3K27me3 in K562 cell line'
  - Shuhan Shen (MSc): 'Evaluation and optimisation of methods for identifying the cell types underlying genetic disease signatures'
  - Lusheng Li (MSc): 'Genetic identification of cell types underlying mammalian phenotypes'
  - Sera Choi (BSc): 'EpiCompare: R package for QC and benchmarking epigenetic datasets'
  - Emilie Cottard (MSc) & Will Lunt (BSc): 'A meta-analysis of selective cell-type vulnerability in Parkinson's Disease neuropathology'
  - Jai Chapman (BSc): 'Expression Weighted Cell Type Enrichment as a Tool for Identifying Cell Types Underlying Rare Disease Phenotypes'
  - Bobby Gordon-Smith (MSc): 'Identification of cell types involved in rare disease-associated human phenotypes'
  - Leyla Abbasova (MSc): 'Analysis and optimisation of CUT&Tag for epigenomic profiling of the brain'
  - Barney Hill (BSc): 'Identification of cell-types associated with latent factors inferred from phenome-wide GWAS summary statistics'
- 2020  
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2019
- Research Mentor**  
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (Department of Neuroscience / Department of Neurology / Department of Genetics & Genomics / Ronald M. Loeb Center for Alzheimer's Disease)  [New York, NY, USA](#)
- Mentored MS, MD, and PhD students in projects focused on computational exploration of phenotype clustering and genomic regulation of neurodegenerative diseases.
- 2018
- Research Co-mentor**  
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (Department of Pharmacological Sciences)  [New York, NY, USA](#)
- Mentored students and affiliated projects:
  - Vivian Utti (BSc): 'ChEA3: Transcription Factor Enrichment Analysis' as part of the Summer Research Training Program in Biomedical Big Data Science.
  - Mary Duffy (PhD): 'Predicting upstream kinase regulators from interaction network databases'
  - Zach Flamholz (BSc): 'modEnrichr: a suite of gene set enrichment analysis tools for model organisms'
- 2018
- Guest Lecturer**  
Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai (Department of Pharmacological Sciences)  [New York, NY, USA](#)
- Lectured on data visualization in Python and Jupyter notebooks in the PhD/MD course 'Programming for Big Data Biomedicine'.
- 2017  
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2016
- Research Mentor**  
The George Washington University (Department of Anthropology)  [Washington, DC, USA](#)
- Mentored students and affiliated projects:
  - Jamie Kleiner (BSc): 'Animal model simulating MS and exercise's impact on adult hippocampal neurogenesis'
- 2015
- Teaching Assistant**  
The George Washington University (Department of Anthropology)  [Washington, DC, USA](#)
- Course: 'Human Brain Evolution'
  - Guest lectured, graded all assignments and exams, and provided additional educational support during office hours.
- 2014
- Teaching Assistant**  
The George Washington University (Department of Psychology)  [Washington, DC, USA](#)
- Course: 'Biological Psychology'
  - Led undergraduates in article discussions, graded all assignments and exams, and provided additional educational support during office hours.

- 2014  
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2013

**Teaching Assistant**

The George Washington University (Department of Anthropology)

  - Course: 'Biological Anthropology'
  - Led undergraduate students in two, 2-hour lab sessions per week, graded lab assignments and exams, and provided additional educational support during office hours.

📍 Washington, DC, USA
  
- 2013  
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2012

**Research Mentor**

The George Washington University (Department of Psychology)

  - Mentored students and affiliated projects:
  - Anushka Gokhale (BSc): 'Infants' Social Assessment of Characters Through Eye Gaze'

📍 Washington, DC, USA
  
- 2013  
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2011

**Lab Protocol Trainer**

The George Washington University (Department of Anthropology)

  - Trained undergraduate, graduate, and post-doctoral researchers in Social Cognition Lab and Lab for Evolutionary Neuroscience in a variety of methodological research protocols.

📍 Washington, DC, USA



## SOFTWARE PACKAGES

1.

**anndataR**

Bring the power and flexibility of AnnData to the R ecosystem, allowing you to effortlessly manipulate and analyze your single-cell data.

<https://github.com/scverse/anndataR>
  
2.

**gptPhD**

Query Large Language Models for the purposes of systematically extracting biomedical knowledge.

<https://github.com/neurogenomics/gptPhD>
  
3.

**ThreeWayTest**

Summary statistics-based association test for identifying the pleiotropic effects with set of genetic variants

<https://github.com/bschilder/ThreeWayTest>
  
4.

**SCAVENGE**

Variant to function mapping at single-cell resolution through network propagation

<https://github.com/sankaranlab/SCAVENGE>

<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41587-022-01341-y>
  
5.

**rworkflows**

Continuous integration for R packages. Automates testing, documentation website building, and containerised deployment

<https://github.com/neurogenomics/rworkflows>

<https://doi.org/10.21203/rs.3.rs-2399015/v1>
  
6.

**TIPseeker**

R package for post-processing [single-cell] TIP-seq data

<https://github.com/neurogenomics/TIPseeker>
  
7.

**PeakFinders**

R package for mining, calling, and importing epigenomic peaks

<https://github.com/neurogenomics/PeakFinders>
  
8.

**graphiti**

Extract colour palettes from graffiti artworks.

<https://github.com/bschilder/graphiti>
  
9.

**SkillNet**

Creates user-specific contribution networks from GitHub Organization repositories

<https://github.com/neurogenomics/SkillNet>
  
10.

**phenoRx**

















Make cell type-specific predictions for patients based on clinical phenotypes and/or risk genes.


















<https://github.com/neurogenomics/phenomix>
  
11.


**phenomix**

R package for the exploration and analysis of many genotype-phenotype datasets at once














<https://github.com/neurogenomics/phenomix>

12. **MAGMA\_Celltyping**   
Identify cell types underlying the associations found in GWAS summary statistics  
[https://github.com/neurogenomics/MAGMA\\_Celltyping](https://github.com/neurogenomics/MAGMA_Celltyping)
13. **EWCE**   
Expression Weighted Celltype Enrichment  
<https://github.com/NathanSkene/EWCE>
14. **EpiCompare**   
R package for QC and benchmarking epigenetic datasets  
<https://github.com/neurogenomics/EpiCompare>  
<https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.07.22.501149>
15. **MultiEWCE**   
R package for analysing multiple gene lists using EWCE  
<https://github.com/neurogenomics/MultiEWCE>  
<https://doi.org/10.1101/2023.02.13.23285820>
16. **HPOExplorer**   
Functions for working with the Human Phenotype Ontology data  
<https://github.com/neurogenomics/HPOExplorer>  
<https://doi.org/10.1101/2023.02.13.23285820>
17. **orthogene**   
Interspecies gene mapping  
<https://github.com/neurogenomics/orthogene>
18. **MungeSumstats**   
Standardise the format of summary statistics from GWAS  
<https://github.com/neurogenomics/MungeSumstats>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab665>
19. **scNLP**   
Tools for applying natural language processing (NLP) techniques to single-cell (sc) omics data  
<https://github.com/neurogenomics/scNLP>
20. **scKirby**    
Automated ingestion and conversion of various single-cell data formats  
<https://github.com/neurogenomics/scKirby>
21. **geneshotR**   
R package for querying and processing results from [Geneshot](#).  
<https://github.com/bschilder/geneshotR>
22. **templateR**   
Self-updating template for developing R packages  
<https://github.com/neurogenomics/templateR>  
<https://doi.org/10.21203/rs.3.rs-2399015/v1>
23. **echoverseTemplate**   
Self-updating template for creating echoverse R packages.  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/echoverseTemplate/>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
24. **echolocator**    
R package for end-to-end statistical and functional fine-mapping with extensive dataset access  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/echolocator>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
25. **echodata**   
Examples of fine-mapped GWAS summary statistics, data formatting functions, and API access to the echolocator Fine-mapping Portal  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/echodata>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>





26. **echoannot**  Functions for annotating genomic data with annotations and epigenomic data  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/echoannot>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
27. **echoplot**  R package for LocusZoom-inspired GWAS/QTL visualization, with API access to LD panels  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/echoplot>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
28. **echoconda**   Various utility functions to find, build, and use conda environments from within R  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/echoconda>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
29. **echotabix**   Tabix indexing and querying  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/echotabix>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
30. **echoLD**   LD downloading and processing.  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/echoLD>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
31. **echofinemap**   Statistical and functional fine-mapping functions.  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/echofinemap>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
32. **echodeps**  Creates interactive dependency networks for R packages  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/echodeps>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
33. **echogithub**  Access and process metadata from GitHub  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/echogithub>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
34. **devoptera**  Practical tools for R developers  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/devoptera>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
35. **downloadR**  Single- and multi-threaded downloading functions  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/downloadR>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
36. **catalogueR**  R package for rapid API-access and colocalization of summary statistics from eQTL Catalogue  
<https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/catalogueR>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
37. **TopicModeler**  Proprietary Python package to run advanced topic modeling on text corpuses.
38. **JobReporter**  Proprietary Python package to extract job postings and company employee listings and generate interactive business intelligence reports.

39. **PubReporter**   
Proprietary Python package for extract relevant scientific literature, gather citations, and generate interactive business intelligence reports.

## DATABASES / WEB APPS

1. **EpiArchives**   
Public archive for EpiCompare reports.  
<https://github.com/neurogenomics/EpiArchives>  
<https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.07.22.501149>
2. **Rare Disease Celltyping Portal**   
Web portal connecting to multiple R Shiny apps to explore, visualize, and download cell type-specific enrichment results and systematically prioritised gene targets for over 6,000 rare disease phenotypes.  
[https://github.com/neurogenomics/rare\\_disease\\_celltyping\\_apps](https://github.com/neurogenomics/rare_disease_celltyping_apps)  
[https://neurogenomics.github.io/rare\\_disease\\_celltyping\\_apps/home](https://neurogenomics.github.io/rare_disease_celltyping_apps/home)  
<https://doi.org/10.1101/2023.02.13.23285820>
3. **Parkinson's Disease Omics Review**   
Data and code associated with the Parkinson's Disease review paper by Schilder, Navarro & Raj (Neurobiology of Disease, 2021)  
[https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/PD\\_omics\\_review](https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/PD_omics_review)  
[https://rajlabmssm.github.io/PD\\_omics\\_review/](https://rajlabmssm.github.io/PD_omics_review/)  
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nbd.2021.105580>
4. **Selective Vulnerability Meta-analysis**   
Selective Vulnerability Meta-analysis: Shiny app dedicated to the exploration and dissemination of meta-analysed cell counts manually curated and harmonised from the Parkinson's Disease literature  
<https://github.com/neurogenomics/SelectiveVulnerabilityMetaAnalysis>
5. **MAGMA Files Public**   
Gene enrichment files for hundreds of GWAS generated with Multi-marker Analysis of GenoMic Annotation (MAGMA) for use in downstream analyses  
[https://github.com/neurogenomics/MAGMA\\_Files\\_Public](https://github.com/neurogenomics/MAGMA_Files_Public)
6. **echolocatoR Fine-mapping Portal**   
Access to interactive plots and fine-mapping results across many GWAS/QTL datasets using echolocatoR  
[https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/Fine\\_Mapping\\_Shiny](https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/Fine_Mapping_Shiny)  
[https://rajlab.shinyapps.io/Fine\\_Mapping\\_Shiny](https://rajlab.shinyapps.io/Fine_Mapping_Shiny)  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/bioinformatics/btab658>
7. **COVID-19 Patient Tracker**   
Web app for summarizing and visualizing real-time EHR data of COVID-19 patients within the Mount Sinai Health System
8. **Tensor Decomposition Shiny App**   
Interactive application to explore and download all results and plots from Ramdhani et al. (PLOS Genetics, 2020)  
[https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/Tensor\\_myeloid](https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/Tensor_myeloid)  
[https://rajlab.shinyapps.io/Tensor\\_myeloid](https://rajlab.shinyapps.io/Tensor_myeloid)  
<https://doi.org/10.1101/499509>
9. **Hippocampal Evolution**   
Interactive code, results and visualization for the manuscript "Evolutionary selective pressures dramatically expanded and reorganized the human hippocampal complex"  
[https://github.com/bschilder/Hippo\\_Eco](https://github.com/bschilder/Hippo_Eco)  
[https://bschilder.github.io/Hippo\\_Eco/HPsubfield\\_eco](https://bschilder.github.io/Hippo_Eco/HPsubfield_eco)  
<https://doi.org/10.1002/cne.24822>
10. **Geneshot**      
Flexible tool to identify genes associated with any biomedical term and to predict novel target genes  
<http://amp.pharm.mssm.edu/geneshot>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/nar/gkz393>





11. **X2K**      
 eXpression 2 Kinases (X2K) Web: Automated computational pipeline to infer kinase regulators from weighted or unweighted gene lists  
<http://amp.pharm.mssm.edu/X2K>  
<https://doi.org/10.1093/nar/gky458>

## WEBSITES

1. **Personal Website**     
<https://github.com/bschilder/BMSchilder>  
<https://bschilder.github.io/BMSchilder>
2. **Official Raj Lab Website**     
[https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/RajLab\\_website](https://github.com/RajLabMSSM/RajLab_website)  
<http://www.rajlab.org>

## \$ GRANTS






- Total (all grants): \$2,949,872**  
**Total (as primary applicant): \$311,382**
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- 2023 **EuroBioc2023 Scholarship, Bioconductor**  
**Project:** 'rworkflows: taming the Wild West of R packages'  
 **News**  
 - Awarded to support attending the [EuroBioc2023 meeting](#).  
 • **Role:** Primary applicant • **Amount:** \$250  
 • **PI:** BM Schilder
- 2023 **BioC2023 Scholarship, Bioconductor**  
**Project:** 'rworkflows: taming the Wild West of R packages'  
 **News**  
 - Awarded to support attending the [BioC2023 meeting](#). Additionally included free lodging.  
 • **Role:** Primary applicant • **Amount:** \$1500  
 • **PI:** BM Schilder
- 2023 **Junior Scientist Conference Grant, The Genetics Society**  
**Project:** 'Identification of cell type-specific gene targets underlying thousands of rare diseases and subtraits'  
 • **Role:** Primary applicant • **Amount:** £750  
 • **PI:** BM Schilder
- 2023 **Imperial UK Research Institute Impact Acceleration Account, Imperial College London**  
**Project:** 'Creating commercial kit solutions for single cell epigenetic profiling of histone marks and transcription factors'  
 • **Role:** Co-applicant • **Amount:** £80,000  
 • **PI:** NG Skene
- 2024  
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 2022 **Turing Community Award, Alan Turing Institute**  
**Project:** 'Multi-omic medicine: dissecting the cell-type-specific molecular mechanisms underlying neurodegenerative disease genomics'  
 • **Role:** Primary applicant • **Amount:** £1,500  
 • **PI:** BM Schilder

2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>National Institutes of Health</b>  <b>Project:</b> 'Statistical and functional fine-mapping of bipolar disorder genetic risk loci'            • <b>Role:</b> Co-applicant • <b>PI:</b> N Mullins         </li> </ul>
2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>Collaborative Single Cell and Spatial Transcriptomics Studies Award Programme, UK Dementia Research Institute</b>  <b>Project:</b> 'Amplifying genome coverage of single cell epigenetic profiling of the human brain'            • <b>Role:</b> Co-applicant • <b>Amount:</b> £12,790            • <b>PI:</b> D Hu, NG Skene         </li> </ul>
2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>National Institutes of Health</b>  <b>Project:</b> "Cognitive Systems Analysis of Alzheimer's Disease Genetic and Phenotypic Data"            • <b>Role:</b> Co-applicant • <b>Amount:</b> \$2,523,431            • <b>PI:</b> T Raj, D Knowles         </li> </ul>
2024   2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>UK Dementia Research Institute</b>  <b>Project:</b> 'UK DRI at Imperial Distinguished Studentship'            • <b>Role:</b> Primary applicant • <b>Amount:</b> £217,000            • <b>PI:</b> BM Schilder         </li> </ul>
2019   2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>The Michael J. Fox Foundation</b>  <b>Project:</b> "The Role of Peripheral Myeloid Cells in Parkinson's Disease"            • <b>Role:</b> Fundee • <b>PI:</b> T Raj         </li> </ul>
2020   2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>The Michael J. Fox Foundation</b>  <b>Project:</b> 'Functional Fine-Mapping of LRRK2 Locus'            • <b>Role:</b> Fundee • <b>PI:</b> T Raj         </li> </ul>
2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>National Science Foundation</b>  <b>Project:</b> 'The evolution of the hippocampus and adult neurogenesis: novel insights into the origins of human memory'            • <b>Role:</b> Primary applicant • <b>Amount:</b> \$31 543            • <b>PI:</b> BM Schilder         </li> </ul>
2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>Wenner-Gren</b>  <b>Project:</b> 'The evolution of the hippocampus and adult neurogenesis: insights into the origins of human memory'            • <b>Role:</b> Primary applicant • <b>Amount:</b> \$19,512            • <b>PI:</b> BM Schilder         </li> </ul>
2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>Leakey Foundation</b>  <b>Project:</b> 'The evolution of the hippocampus and adult neurogenesis: Novel insights into the origins of human memory'            • <b>Role:</b> Primary applicant • <b>Amount:</b> \$15,000            • <b>PI:</b> BM Schilder         </li> </ul>
2016	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>COSMOS Club</b>  <b>Project:</b> 'The evolution of adult neurogenesis across primates'            • <b>Role:</b> Primary applicant • <b>Amount:</b> \$3,250            • <b>PI:</b> BM Schilder         </li> </ul>



## AWARDS

2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li> <b>Prize for Computational Reproducibility in Dementia Research, UK Dementia Research Institute</b>  <b>Project:</b> 'MungeSumstats: A Bioconductor package for the standardisation and quality control of many GWAS summary statistics'  <b>News</b>            - <a href="#">Awarded honourable mention</a> </li> </ul>
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- 2022 • **Poster Competition, Rising Scientist Day**  
**Project:** 'Systematic quantification of animal model viability across human diseases'  
 **News**  
 - Awarded prize for research poster competition.
- 2022 • **Award for Outstanding Contribution, NEUROHACK, Deep Dementia Phenotyping Network (DEMON)**  
**Project:** 'Predicting ALS drug targets using integrative multi-modal deep learning'  
 **News**  
 - [Individually awarded](#) for outstanding contributions during the NEUROHACK 2022, a competitive 4-day hackathon to apply AI in finding ALS therapeutic solutions.
- 2021 • **Prize for Computational Reproducibility in Dementia Research, UK Dementia Research Institute**  
**Project:** 'echolocatoR: an automated end-to-end statistical and functional genomic fine-mapping pipeline'  
 **News**  
 - [Winners announced for UK DRI's first 'Prize for Computational Reproducibility in Dementia Research \(UK Dementia Research Institute, 2021\)](#)  
 - [Jointly awarded inaugural prize with Kitty Murphy.](#)
- 2021 • **Centre Photography Competition, UK Dementia Research Institute**  
**Project:** 'Wildfire Circle, Golden Brain, Wildfire, Geneshot, Geology of Biology, Neon Brain'  
 **News**  
 - [One of the winners of the scientific image competition.](#)
- 2019 • **Art of the Brain, Friedman Brain Institute, Icahn School of Medicine**  
**Project:** 'Wildfire'  
 **News**  
 - [Awarded 2nd place](#) and Featured on the [cover of Biological Psychiatry: Volume 87, Issue 12 \(2020\)](#). Exhibited and auctioned at the Grady Alexis Gallery (New York City), where all proceeds were voluntarily donated to the Diversity in Neuroscience Initiative.



## AFFILIATIONS



**UK Dementia  
Research Institute**

- Synapse Working Group
- Informatics Working Group



**DEMON Network**

Data science and AI for dementia

- Genetics & Omics Working Group
- Experimental Models Working Group
- Drug Discovery & Trials Optimisation Working Group

**The  
Alan Turing  
Institute**

- [Turing Enrichment Scheme](#)
- [Turing-Roche Strategic Partnership](#)

- Bipolar Disorder Working Group

- Bioconductor Cloud Methods Working Group
- Active developer



## DATA VISUALISATION / ARTWORK PORTFOLIO

2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>echoverse Dependency Graph</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Interactive graph showing the dependency structure of all packages within the <a href="#">echoverse</a> suite.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">London, UK</a></li> </ul>
2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Hex stickers</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All hex stickers for R packages I've helped develop.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">London, UK</a></li> </ul>
2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>3D Human Phenotype Ontology</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3D force-directed graph of the Human Phenotype Ontology (clouds above) with kernel density estimation projected from the x/y planes (mountains below). Connections represent the hierarchical relationships between rare diseases and their associated symptoms/phenotypes.</li> <li>• <a href="#">Associated preprint</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">London, UK</a></li> </ul>
2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Multi-scale Rare Disease Mechanisms</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Network of systematically prioritised gene therapy targets for rare diseases</li> <li>• <a href="#">Associated preprint</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">London, UK</a></li> </ul>
2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Curriculum Vitae Connexa</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Term co-occurrence network generated by analysing all data that went into this CV.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">London, UK</a></li> </ul>
2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Experiments with Generative AI</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">wombo.art</a>: 'Multi-omic medicine: dissecting the cell-type-specific mechanisms in neurodegeneration genomics'</li> <li>• <a href="#">wombo.art</a>: 'Multi-omic medicine: neurodegenerative disease genomics'</li> <li>• <a href="#">wombo.art</a>: 'Multi-omic medicine: neurodegeneration'</li> <li>• <a href="#">wombo.art</a>: 'Neurodegeneration'</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">London, UK</a></li> </ul>
2021	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Lights in the dark genome: the current state of Parkinson's research</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The majority of PD genetics research has focused on a relatively small number of genes. Above, are the top 75 most commonly mentioned genes in the PD literature, extracted using <a href="#">Geneshot</a>.</li> <li>• <a href="#">Associated study</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">London, UK</a></li> </ul>
2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Pacrophage</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Colocalised genetic loci ...but shaped as Pac-Man!</li> <li>• <a href="#">Associated study</a></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">London, UK</a></li> </ul>

- 2020 • **Circos**
  - Colocalised genetic loci across a variety of neurological disease GWAS and cell-type-specific QTLs.
  - [Associated study](#)

📍 London, UK
- 2019 • **Wildfire Circle**
  - Awarded 2nd place in the [2019 Art of the Brain](#) competition, put on by the Mount Sinai's Friedman Brain Institute.
  - Exhibited and auctioned at the [Grady Alexis Gallery \(New York City\)](#), where all proceeds were donated to the Diversity in Neuroscience Initiative .
  - [Featured on cover of Biological Psychiatry.](#)

📍 New York, NY, USA
- 2019 • **Wildfire**
  - Transcriptomic data from 16k+ individual brain cells (shown as points) after reducing the dimensionality with an autoencoder and UMAP. 5 million tracts are shown interconnecting these cells, where shorter tract length represents greater similarity in their molecular profiles.

📍 New York, NY, USA
- 2019 • **3D Brain Model**
  - 3D model of my brain generated from MRI scans.

📍 New York, NY, USA



## EXTRACURRICULAR EXPERIENCE

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2003 • **Competitive Running Career**
  - [8+ years of varsity and Division I cross country, winter track, and spring track throughout high school and college.](#)
  - Year-round, daily training and travel to weekly competitions necessitated a dedicated and regimented lifestyle in order to succeed as a student-athlete
  - Running remains a passion of mine and I enjoy training for ultra-marathons in my free time.
  - This passion, work ethic and self-insight have carried over to all aspects of my life, including my career as a researcher.

📍 Earth
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1995 • **Music Production**
  - Writes, records, produces and performs original music.
  - Instruments: keys, percussion, vocals, etc.
  - Proficient in Logic Pro X Digital Audio Workstation (DAW).
  - Experiments with generative AI.

📍 Earth