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University of Chicago, Chicago, IL

EDUCATION & TRAINING

2021-present **Postdoctoral scholar. University of Chicago.**

Section of Genetic Medicine, Department of Medicine.

Research groups: Dr Yang I Li and Dr Matthew Stephens.

2021 **Ph.D in Computational Biology. University of California, Berkeley.**

Advisors: Dr Liana Lareau, Dr Nir Yosef.

2015 **Bachelor's Degree (Licenciatura) in Biology. National Autonomous University of Mexico.**

Gabino Barreda medal (equivalent to *Summa cum laude*).

RESEARCH PUBLICATIONS

* Indicates equal contribution. ^ indicates co-corresponding author.

2024 Buen Abad Najar CF, Xie D, Carbonetto P, Feng R, Wang G, Stephens M[^], Li YI[^]. Reference-free analysis of mRNA isoform variation in large-scale RNA-seq datasets. *In preparation*.

* Online manuscript:

2024 Fair BJ*, **Buen Abad Najar CF***, Zhao J, Lozano S, Reilly A, Mossian G, Staley JP, Wang J, Li YI. Global impact of aberrant splicing on human gene expression levels. ***Nature Genetics*** 56, 1851-1861.

2022 Buen Abad Najar CF, Burra P, Yosef N[^], Lareau LF[^]. Identifying cell-state associated alternative splicing events and their co-regulation. ***Genome Research*** 32, 1385.

2020 Buen Abad Najar CF, Yosef N[^], Lareau LF[^]. Coverage-dependent bias creates the appearance of binary splicing in single cells. ***eLife*** (9): e54603.

2015 Vohr S, Buen Abad Najar CF, Shapiro B, Green RE. A method for positive forensic identification of samples from extremely low-coverage sequence data. ***BMC Genomics*** 16: 1034.

2015 Sankoff D, Zheng C, Wang B, Buen Abad Najar CF. Structural vs. functional mechanisms of duplicate gene loss following whole genome doubling. ***BMC Bioinformatics*** 16 Suppl 17:S9. doi: 10.1186/1471-2105-16-S17-S9.

2013 Chen ECH, Buen Abad Najar CF, Zheng C *et al.* The dynamics of functional classes of plant genes in rediploidized ancient polyploids. ***BMC Bioinformatics***. 2013. 14(Suppl 15):S19 DOI: 10.1186/1471-2105-14-S15-S19.

PUBLICLY AVAILABLE SOFTWARE

Psix A computational tool for identifying cell-state-associated splicing and modules of co-regulation in single cells: <https://github.com/lareaulab/psix>.

FELLOWSHIPS & SCHOLARSHIPS

2015-2020 UC MEXUS-CONACYT Doctoral Fellowship.

2010-2014 Academic Excellence Scholarship from the National Academy of Sciences in Mexico.

SELECTED ACADEMIC PRESENTATIONS

Invited presentations

- 2023** Population and Statistical Genetics Seminar Series. New York Genome Center, New York.
- 2023** Rising Stars in Genetics and Genomics Symposium. University of Utah, Utah.
- 2019** RNA Club Seminar Series. University of California, Santa Cruz, California.

Scientific conferences (oral presentation)

- 2023** Genome Informatics, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, New York.
- 2021** 26th Annual Meeting of the RNA Society (virtual meeting).
- 2020** Systems Biology: Global Regulation of Gene Expression, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory (virtual meeting).
- 2019** The Bay Area RNA Club, University of California, San Francisco, California.
- 2019** RNA Informatics, Wellcome Genome Campus Advanced Courses + Scientific Conferences, Hinxton, UK.
- 2018** Genome Informatics, Wellcome Genome Campus Advanced Courses + Scientific Conferences, Hinxton, UK.

Posters

- 2024** The GREGoR Consortium Annual Meeting, Massachusetts (poster).
- 2023** Genome Informatics, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory, New York.
- 2022** American Society of Human Genetics Annual Meeting, California (poster).
- 2018** Systems Biology: Global Regulation of Gene Expression, Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory (poster).

TEACHING

- 2016-2020** **Center for Computational Biology Python Bootcamp.**
Instructor, organizer and class assistant.
- Spring 2019** **Doctoral Seminar in Computational Biology (CMPBIO293)**
Graduate student instructor. Class instructor: Dr Nir Yosef.
- Fall 2018** **Algorithms for Computational Biology (CS176)**
Graduate student instructor. Class instructor: Dr Nir Yosef.

MENTORING

- 2020-2021** Prakruthi Burra, Computational Biology PhD program (Lareau lab).
- 2019-2020** Helen Sakharova, Computational Biology PhD program (Lareau lab).

LEADERSHIP & OUTREACH

- 2024** **Leadership and Management in Action Program for postdocs.**
A six-week course in leadership and management offered by the Pritzker School of Molecular Engineering, University of Chicago.
- 2019** **Be a Scientist (BAS) program at Longfellow Middle School, Berkeley CA.**
Outreach program by the University of California, Berkeley. Mentored 7th-grade Spanish-speaking students to develop science projects for seven weeks.

2016-2018 **Northern California Computational Biology (NCCB) student symposium.**
Founding member and organizer of a student-led seminar bringing together students across the Bay Area to network and share their research.

OTHER ACADEMIC SERVICE

Reviewed articles for Cell Reports.