Dana Rocha

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EDUCATION

Northeastern University

Boston, MA

Master of Science in Bioinformatics and Graduate Certificate in Data Analytics (3.66/4.0)
Relevant Coursework: Algorithms, Bioinformatics Programming, Data Mining/Machine Learning

Dec 2020

Northeastern University

Boston, MA

Bachelor of Science in Biochemistry

Aug 2018

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Languages: Python, R, SQL, HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript

Tools: PyCharm, Git, RStudio, IntelliJ, Spotfire, Pipeline Pilot, DBeaver, Oracle SQL Developer

Databases: Oracle, MySQL

TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE

Merck & Co.

Boston, MA

Informatics Co-op – MRL Computational and Structural Chemistry

Jan - Aug 2020

- Trained machine learning models to identify relationships between chemical compounds, genes, and disease
- Queried chemical data from public and internal databases using Pipeline Pilot, Pilot Script, and SQL
- Delivered compound sets to three drug discovery research programs in Chemical Biology for initial testing
- Created interactive Spotfire data visualization dashboards for over 140,000 compounds and genes
- Presented data insights to chemists and data scientists within Chemical Biology and Informatics
- Led weekly meetings with co-workers to promote an inclusive virtual community during global pandemic

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Orig3n Inc.

Boston, MA

Research Assistant Co-op

Jul – Dec 2017

- Maintained stem cell cultures for internal assays and animal studies
- Characterized stem cell cultures with fluorescence microscopy and flow cytometry
- Represented Orig3n as a brand ambassador at events in New York City, Baltimore, and Lake Tahoe

Brigham and Women's Hospital

Boston, MA

Lab Technician Co-op – CCI Specimen Processing Lab

Jun – Dec 2016

- Processed specimens for clinical studies conducted by the CCI Units and Emergency Department
- Completed all documentation required for individual specimens according to research protocol requirements
- Maintained laboratory instrumentation to performance standards

PROJECTS

Heart Failure Prediction

Dec 2020

- Created classification models to predict survival of heart failure patients using R with over 81% accuracy
- Trained, tested, tuned classification models using k-NN, Support Vector Machines, and ANN algorithms
- Built a bootstrapped ensemble model with 86.66% prediction accuracy

Mapping Manhattan

Jun 2020

- Created Python script to compute distance to nearest subway stations using Pandas, Scikit-learn, and Numpy
- Visualized data with an interactive choropleth map using the Plotly library in Python
- Processed data from NYC MapPLUTO dataset and New York City Capital Planning Platform