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Biological Sciences: Genetics, Computational Biology, Neuroscience and Cancer Biology
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SUMMARY

Skilled Cancer Molecular Biologist & Biomedical Data Scientist/Engineer with a focus on cross-species spatiotemporal patterns in anatomy and precision medicine in neuroimmunogenetics. Experienced in computational systems biology/bioinformatics and medicine that leverages diverse datasets that integrate and create novel solutions for diagnosis, interventions, and therapeutics, with a specialized knowledge in spatial omics technologies and microscopy techniques.

RESEARCH ACTIVITIES

Research Focus

1. Computational biology and predictive modeling using deep learning for precision medicine.
2. Multiomics and multi-modal omics analysis integrated with spatial mapping for comprehensive understanding.
3. Inter-cellular communication analysis and representation learning in omics data for biological insights.
4. Exerkine mapping and precision exercise medicine for optimizing fitness and health outcomes.
5. Human BioMolecular Atlas Program (HuBMAP) and Human Tumor Atlas Network (HTAN) data utilization for disease understanding.
6. Molecular Transducers of Physical Activity Consortium (MoTrPAC) insights integrated with Genotype-Tissue Expression (GTEx) Project data for predictive biomedicine.
7. Digital pathology for disease diagnosis and prognosis in multi-tissue architecture analysis.
8. Single cell multiomics and spatial analysis with the PsychENCODE Consortium (PEC).

Education and Training

Postbaccalaureate/Graduate

2022- M.S., Biological Sciences: Genetics & Spatial Bioinformatics
Department of Biological Sciences
California State University, Hayward, CA

Department of Genetics
Stanford University School of Medicine, Palo Alto, CA
(Thesis Advisor: Prof. Michael Snyder)

- 2024- HuBMAP Visible Human MOOC
Luddy School of Informatics, Computing, and Engineering
Cyberinfrastructure Network for Science Center
Indiana University
- 2024 Certificate, Bioinformatics in Precision Medicine
Fundamentals of Data Science in Precision Medicine and Cloud Computing
Department of Genetics, Stanford University School of Medicine
Stanford Data Ocean, Stanford Deep Data Research Center
- 2023 2nd Annual Spatial Biology Workshop (Angelo Lab)
Department of Pathology, Stanford School of Medicine
- 2023 Graduate Student Intern (SCI Faculty Support)
Department of Structural Biology, Department of Chemical and Systems Biology
Stanford Cancer Institute, Stanford University School of Medicine
(Advisor: Prof. Kacper Rogala)
- 2023 Image Processing Workshop for Cryo-Electron Microscopy
S2C2 | Stanford-SLAC Cryo-EM Center
- 2023 Biological cryogenic microscopy and tomography (BioE 320)
Stanford Bioengineering, Schools of Engineering & Medicine
(Advisor: Prof. Wah Chiu)
- 2023 Certificate, SSRL RapiData 2023: Data Collection and Structure Solving: A
Practical Course in Macromolecular X-Ray Diffraction
Measurement Structural Molecular Biology (SMB) Division,
Macromolecular Crystallography, Stanford Synchrotron Radiation
Lightsource (SSRL), SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory
(Advisor: Dr. Aina Cohen)
- 2012-13 Neurosciences, Neurovirology Graduate Courses
Department of Cell and Molecular Biology (CMB)
Department of Tropical Medicine, Medical Microbiology, and Pharmacology
(DTMMMP), John A. Burns School of Medicine (JABSOM), Honolulu, HI
(Advisor: Prof. Dr. Bruce Shiramizu, Prof. Vivek Nerurkar)
- 2012 Translational Research in NeuroAIDS and Mental Health
Neuroimmune Pharmacology Graduate Course
Department of Neurology and Neurosurgery
Division of Neuroimmunology and Neurological Infections
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine
(Advisor: Dr. Avindra Nath, Prof. Amanda Brown, Prof. Dr. Bruce Shiramizu)

Undergraduate

- 2020-22 B.S., Cell and Molecular Biology, San Francisco State University, CA
(Advisor: Prof. Michael Goldman, Prof. Nicole Salazar-Velmeshev)
- 2010-13 Molecular Cell Biology, University of Hawaii at Manoa, HI
(Advisor: Prof. Paul Patek, Prof. Dr. Bruce Shiramizu)
- 2008-10 Communication Studies (Honors, Sigma Chi Eta Chapter), Ohlone College, CA
- 2003-09 Dual Credit (Study Abroad), Modesto Junior College, CA

Professional Experience

- 2023- Graduate Student Researcher, Snyder Lab, Stanford Genetics
- 2023 Neuroimaging Data Scientist, Steinberg Lab, Stanford Neurosurgery
- 2023- Vice President of STEM Programs, Myplaceisahappy1 (MPH1)
- 2023 Graduate Student Intern, Stanford Cancer Institute (SCI), Stanford Medicine
- 2022-23 Visiting scientist “User”, SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory
- 2022-23 Teaching Associate of Biological Sciences, CSU East Bay
- 2022 Virtual Volunteer Associate Fellow, Microbiology & Immunology,
Neurobiology and Anatomy, Drexel University College of Medicine
- 2022 Lab Assistant II of Operations, Roche Diagnostics (Roche Molecular Systems)
- 2021-22 Formulations Operator II, Robotics, Thermo Fisher Scientific
- 2020 Research Assistant of Physiological Sciences, Toxicology, University of Florida
- 2019 Manufacturing Associate Technician, Custom Primers, Thermo Fisher Scientific
- 2018 Client Relationship Manager, Poshprofiles
- 2015-16 R&D Coordinator, dosist
- 2015 Assistant General Manager, Amoura International Inc.
- 2014 Research Assistant of Anesthesia/Neuroanesthesia, UCSD SoM
- 2013 Research Assistant of DTMMMP, JABSOM
- 2012-13 Biology Assistant of DTMMMP, JABSOM
- 2011 Teaching Assistant of Chemistry, University of Hawaii at Mānoa

SCHOLARLY PUBLICATIONS:

Peer Reviewed Publications: *Co-Authors

1. **D.J. Gomez***, T.H. Mulherkar*, G. Sandel, P. Jain. “Co-infection and cancer: Host-Pathogen Interaction between Dendritic Cells and HIV-1, HTLV-1, and Other Oncogenic Viruses.” *Viruses*. 2022 Sep 14;14(9):2037. doi: 10.3390/v14092037. PMID: 36146843; PMCID: PMC9503663.
2. **D.J. Gómez***. “Untangling the Microscopic World of Organelles, Cells, Tissues, and Organs: A Focus on the Dysfunctional Golgi Apparatus in Disease Research.” *Biology and Life Sciences Forum*. 2023; 21(1):15. <https://doi.org/10.3390/blsf2023021015>

Non peer-reviewed journal articles

1. **D. Gomez***. Pioneering Organelle Structural Biology: Golgi apparatus dysfunction in Parkinson’s Disease, Neurodevelopmental Disorders, and Cancer. *Preprints*, 2022, 2022100383.

2. **D. Gomez***, Unraveling the Structural Dynamics of Human Pegivirus-1 RNA- Dependent RNA Polymerase Using Computational Methods. *ResearchGate*, 2022.

CONFERENCE ABSTRACTS

1. **Gomez D.J.**, Mulherkar T., Sandel G., Jain P. “Co-infection and cancer: Viral oncogenesis in humans result in liver, blood, and brain cancer by host-pathogen interactions” 12th Annual American Association Cancer Research, Japanese Cancer Associate (AACR-JCA) Joint Conference. (2022)

SYMPOSIUM POSTERS

1. **Gomez D.J.**, Mulherkar T., Sandel G., Jain P. “Co-infection and Human Cancer: Viral Oncogenesis leads to Host-Pathogen-Tumor-Body Interactions” 22nd Microbiology Student Group Symposium in Krutch Theater at Clark Kerr UC Berkeley Campus (2023)

GRANTS

Prior Funding

Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program (UROP)

04/22/2013 Office of the Vice Provost for Research and Scholarship (OVPRS)

University of Hawaii at Manoa

John A. Burns School of Medicine (PI: Bruce Shiramizu)

Role: Co-Investigator

IL-17 Production in CNS by Infiltrating T Cells and Glial Cells in the HIV-1-Infected Brain

The goal of this study to gain mechanistic insights into fronto-striatal brain wiring of neuroinflammatory pathways in HIV-Associated Neurocognitive Disorders (HAND) for the purpose of overcoming translational mental health roadblocks in precision medicine.

EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES

Teaching

Classroom Instruction

Cal State East Bay

Fall 2022 BIOL 230 (Clinical Microbiology) – 2 sections

Fall 2022 BIOL 270 (Human Anatomy & Physiology I) – 1 section

University of Hawaii at Manoa

Spring 2011 CHEM 161L (General Chemistry I Laboratory) – 2 sections

Modesto Junior College

Summer 2005 English Language – Thailand, Laos (Study Abroad)

Tutoring

2011 Private Organic Chemistry Tutor

2011 Chemistry, Biology, Organic Chemistry (Learning Emporium)

Mentoring (Advisees) — Graduate Students

2022 Daniil Mudrov, Cell and Molecular Biology, BS, CSUEB
Biochemistry, Next-generation sequencing, Pharmacogenetics
Now at MEDGENOME, Genentech, Biochemistry MS Student at St. Joseph's

Mentoring (Advisees) — Undergraduate Students

2023 Andreea Radu, Nursing Program, (CSUEB)
Premed; Pathophysiology; Pediatrics

2023 UF Minority Health Professional Mentorship Program (MHPMP)
Emmanuel Espinoza, Biochemistry, University of Florida (UF)
Inorganic chemistry; Quantitative Chemistry, Biochemistry

2022 Courtney-Jane Lopez, CNA, Pre-Nursing (CSUEB)
Clinical Microbiology; Nursing

2022 Anika Acharya, Pre-Nursing (CSUEB)
Human Anatomy and Physiology; Nursing

2022 Yongtao Guan (Pre-med, CSUEB, Ohlone College)
Clinical Microbiology; Nursing

Workshops/Seminars/Users' Meetings/Symposiums/Conferences/Series

05/24 AI in IO: Computational Immuno-oncology SITC-NCI Webinar Series

05/24 2nd Annual Stanford RNA Program Symposium, Stanford Medicine

05/24 Genomics and Personalized Medicine Symposium, Stanford Genetics

04/24 Pediatric & Maternal Innovation Showcase 2024, Stanford Medicine Children's
Health

03/24 Metabolic Health Center Annual Symposium, Stanford

03/24 National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH) 75th Anniversary Symposium
NIMH's symposium Amplifying Voice and Building Bridges: Towards a More
Inclusive Future

11/23 IEDB Virtual User Workshop. La Jolla Institute for Immunology. Immune
Epitope Database and Analysis Resource

09/23 Stanford Genetics Structural Variants and DNA Repeats

05/23 Image Processing for Cryo-EM at S2C2-Stanford-Cryo-EM Center (SLAC)

10/22 5th Annual Cal State East Bay Hack Day (Hack the Outbreak)

10/22 IEDB Virtual User Workshop. La Jolla Institute for Immunology. Immune
Epitope Database and Analysis Resource. Funded by the National Institute
of Allergy and Infectious Diseases (NIAID)

09/22 Predicting cancer immunotherapy response by highly multiplexed tumor
imaging (Certified)

09/22 SSRL/LCLS Users' Meeting (Stanford-SLAC)

06/22 UW-Madison, 42nd Steenbock Symposium, "Opening Doors to Cryo-EM"
Titan Krios G3 and G4 workshop, Cryo-electron tomography, SerialEM.

05/22 Invited Speaker, CSU Northridge, “Data-Driven Discovery of Computational Oncology and Modern Molecular Biology”

Professional Societies

2024- Society for Immunotherapy of Cancer (SITC)
2023 Genetics Society of America (GSA)
2023- American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG)
2022- ISCB: International Society for Computational Biology
2022 ACA: The Structural Science Society
2022- American Associate for Cancer Research (AACR)
2022 Society for Neuro-Oncology (SNO)
2022 American Society for Virology (ASV)
2020 American Society Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB)
2013- The American Association of Immunologist (AAI)
2012 Society of NeuroImmune Pharmacology (SNIP)

RECOGNITION

Invited Talks, Panels

04/23 Speaker, Grand Slam Graduate Research Presentation, “Virophysics and Structural Dynamics of HPgV-1 NS5B Using Computational Methods,” Hayward, CA
03/23 Speaker, Cells 2023 Conference of MDPI/sciforum, “Pioneering organelle structural biology: Golgi apparatus dysfunction and cascades of fatal pathways in cancer,” Virtual.
01/23 Speaker, Drexel Medicine, “Landscape of myeloid and astrocyte phenotypes in acute MS lesions and future technological directions,” Virtual. (Jain Lab)
10/22 Speaker, Chemistry 2022: Global Virtual Summit on Chemistry & Pharmaceutical Chemistry, “Ribozyme mechanisms and Clinical Gene Therapy,” Virtual.
10/22 Speaker, Cancer Webinar 2022: 5th International Webinar on Cancer Research and Oncology, “A human retrovirus in Neuro-Oncology, interventional conductome studies, and theranostics in Nuclear Medicine,” Virtual.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Data Science & Analysis in Omics

- Biomedical Data Science
- Data Analysis
- Computational Biology
- Bioinformatics
- Bioimage Informatics
- Integration of Omics Data
- Precision Medicine
- Spatial Omics
- Single-cell Analysis
- Deep Profiling and Multiomics
- Multimodal DL/ML
- Predictive modeling
- Data integration

Biological Understanding

- Molecular Cell Biology
- Neuroscience
- Immunology
- Exercise Biology
- Physiological Sciences
- Cellular-level Understanding
- Spatial Biology
- Biomarker Discovery
- Genetics and Genomics
- Developmental Biology
- Embryology (Maternal-Fetal Interface)
- Aging
- Cancer Biology

OTHER PROFESSIONAL ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Oral Presentations

- 10/22 Microbiology Control, Microbiology & Immunology, Neurobiology & Anatomy, Drexel Medicine, Philadelphia, PA; **Gomez D.J.** Cancers: PCNSL outcome in EBV+/HIV Coinfection and HTLV connection in HIV/AIDS patients.
- 10/22 California State University, East Bay, Hayward, CA; **Gomez D.** HTLV-1: From neuroimaging to neurosurgery and biomarkers of neuroinflammation and neurodegeneration in HAM/TSP progression.
- 10/22 Hack the Outbreak. California State University, East Bay, Hayward, CA; **Gomez D.** PathAR.
- 09/22 California State University, East Bay, Hayward, CA; **Gomez D.** Deltaretrovirus: HTLV.
- 09/22 California State University, East Bay, Hayward, CA; **Gomez D.** “An intasome story: Structural basis of host protein hijacking in human T-cell leukemia virus integration.

Certifications

- 2024 Fundamentals of Data Science in Precision Medicine and Cloud Computing
- 2023 SSRL RapiData 2023: Data Collection and Structure Solving: A Practical Course in Macromolecular X-Ray Diffraction Measurement (Stanford/SLAC)
- 2022 Predicting cancer immunotherapy response by highly multiplexed tumor imaging
- 2022 Cyber Security for Lab Users, SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory
- 2019 IRB Training
- 2019 Life Sciences Responsible Conduct of Research Course (RCR)
- 2018 Medical School Pathology (192 hours)
- 2017 Python for Data Science and Machine Learning Bootcamp
- 2017 Data Science and Machine Learning Bootcamp with R