

Curriculum Vitae 2024

1 Personal Data

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2 Chronology

- In 2016 as a postdoc I wrote a R-Shiny app to show chromosomal numbers and genome size of plant species, and also some statistical analyses such as regressions (9.2).
- Around 2019 also as a postdoc, I wrote a R-Shiny app to plot idiograms which are representations of chromosomes (10.4).
- In 2021 I took the Data Science 'ds4a' course from CorrelationOne. See 10.2 and 14.3
- Starting 2022 I worked 16 months for Appsilon; one year of it I worked for an important pharmaceutical, adding features and resolving bugs in their shiny apps (6.1).
- The rest of the time in Appsilon, I worked in a biological app with maps of distributions of species in the project mbaza and I also refactored a Natural Language Processing app, that I had developed previously in a data science course, to use modules and to show it in the Appsilon Conference (10.2).
- During my time at Appsilon, I learnt how to use properly git and github, how to code in a team, the use of SCRUM, and I also learnt how to write modularized code (14.2).
- Recently I worked on several R personal projects, such as, ShinyInvoice (10.1) and gbif Taxon Distribution

3 Summary

I have worked as a contractor (B2B) building R-Shiny Apps for 1.5 years, including apps that generate reports from SQL data (mostly pharmaceutical - 6.1).

In addition, I have developed R-Shiny apps and packages related to biological research (Doctorate, Postdoc), including: idiogramFISH (10.4), CytoEvo (10.3) and Rmarkdown related (shinyInvoice - 10.1), more recently. Regarding Javascript, I used frequently to improve R-Shiny apps, and I took the RocketSeat course, solving the challenges (5.3).

I have designed and worked with databases (mongo, SQL), and used web-scraping of online html/json data by scripts (R, python). I have programmed in R, R-shiny, excel VBA, bash and python. I have several years of experience of data analysis during doctorate, Postdoc and more recently I took Data Science courses (14.1, 14.3).

I speak English (see TOEFL), Portuguese (lived > 10 y. in Brazil), Spanish (Native - Colombia) and some German (german highschool) (8.1, 8.2, 8.3).

4 Personal links

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Stackoverflow: [ferroao](#)

5 Skill Development Period

5.1 Python 2024

Libraries: math, itertools

Challenges: [github h_rank_challenges](#)

Platform: Hacker_Rank

Begin: 02-2024 End: present

5.2 R 2024

Libraries: dplyr, fs, ggplot2, gridExtra, gtools, jsonlite, knitr, latex, lazyeval, lubridate, magrittr, quantmod, readr, rhino, rjson, rlang, Rmarkdown, rsconnect, scales, shiny modules, shinyAce, shinyjs, stats, stringr, tibble, tidyr, tidyselect

Products: [github invoice-public](#), [gitlab dotsViolin](#), [github gbif_map_shiny](#)

Begin: 06-2024 End: present

5.3 JavaScript 2023

Libraries: express, method-override, multer, nunjucks, pg-promise, pg, gulp

Challenges: [github foodfy_rs_challenge](#), [github async_rs_challenge](#)

Platform: Rocketseat

Begin: 07-2023 End: 11-2023

6 Professional experience

6.1 B2B - Full-time Shiny Developer - Home-Office - Appsilon 2022-2023

Main roles: Shiny Interfaces and Backend

Projects: - Shiny Apps using Shiny modules

- Backend and Frontend development for production of .pdf .docx reports, from SQL queries (support/fixes and adding features)

Technologies: docker, Jenkins, SQL, sass, Quarto

Libraries: dplyr, DT, ggplot2, glue, kableExtra, knitr, latex, lubridate, modules, ODBC, officedown, purrr, R6, Rmarkdown, scales, shiny, shiny.semantic, shinyAce, shinyBS, shinyjs, stats, stringr, testthat, tibble, tidyr, yaml

Company: B2B -> Appsilon -> Pharmaceutical

Begin: feb-2022 End: may-2023

6.2 Freelance R tutor

2020-2021

Main activity: R Teaching, Support

Platform: superprof.com.br

Begin: feb-2020 End: dec-2021

6.3 Freelance Translator

2020-2021

Main activity: Translation

Platform: proz.com

Begin: feb-2020 End: dec-2021

6.4 Post-doc

2014-2020

Main roles: Researcher; Database development and management;
dashboard (R-shiny) development

Scholarship:
CAPES

(5 years on scholarship + 1 year voluntary)

Projects: - Plant cytogenetics database of Cerrado

- Reconstruction of ancestral characters in the phylogeny of Fabaceae and *Callisia* -
Genome size of plants of Cerrado

Technologies: R, iqtree, revBayes, RepeatExplorer, mongodb

Libraries: badger, bib2df, bookdown, clipr, crayon, data.table, dplyr, DT, GGally, ggplot2,
ggpubr, ggtree, grid, gridExtra, gtools, gtools, kableExtra, knitr, lazyeval, mongolite,
network, phytools, plyr, rclipboard, Rcurl, readxl, RefManageR, rentrez, rhandsontable,
rlang, Rmarkdown, rmdformats, robustHD, rvcheck, scales, shiny, shinydashboard, shinyjs,
sna, stringr, tidyr, treeio

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Begin: feb-2014 End: jan-2020

7 Main Degrees

7.1 Doctorate

2007-2011

Title: Plant Biology

Emphasis: Systematics

Diploma date: jul-02-2012

Scholarship: CNPq - Research funding agency - Brazil

Universidade Federal de Pernambuco, Recife, Brazil

Thesis: Analysis of the distribution of 5S and 45S rDNA sites in plant karyotypes

Keywords: database, ribosomal DNA, FISH, molecular cytogenetics. Supervisor: Marcelo Guerra

Language: portuguese

Grade average: 4.3 (from 0.0 to 5.0)

7.2 College

1997-2005

Title: Biology

Emphasis: Genetics

Diploma date: sept-15-2005

Universidad Nacional de Colombia

Thesis: Cytogenetic analysis with 4MV X-radiation of cells of early onset Alzheimer patients and

controls (Instituto de Genética Humana, PUJ) Supervisor: Gloria Osorio, Marta Lucía Bueno
 Keywords: cytogenetics, Alzheimer. Language: spanish
 Grade average: 4.0 (from 0.0 to 5.0) Distinctions: with honors, tuition payment exemption

8 Language proficiency

8.1 English 2018; 2012
 TOEFL-ITP; TOEFL 657/677; 103/120
 C1; C1

8.2 Portuguese 2011
 CELPE-BRAS Higher intermediate
 B2

8.3 German 1995
 Sprachdiplom II Passed
 B2-C1

9 Articles

9.1 Heterochromatic patterns of Citrus revisited: a new look at species origins and karyotype evolution 2023
 Montenegro, Claudio; Roa, Fernando; dos Santos Soares Filho, Walter; Barros e Silva, Ana Emília. Tree Genetics & Genomes. v19. p36
 doi [10.1007/s11295-023-01610-0](https://doi.org/10.1007/s11295-023-01610-0)

9.2 The Cerrado (Brazil) plant cytogenetics database 2017
 Roa, Fernando; Telles, Mariana Pires de Campos. Comparative Cytogenetics. v11. p285-297
 Repo(s): [gitlab cerradocytomu](#)
 Web-page: [shinyapps.io](#)
 doi [10.3897/CompCytogen.11\(2\).11395](https://doi.org/10.3897/CompCytogen.11(2).11395)

9.3 Non-Random Distribution of 5S rDNA Sites and Its Association with 45S rDNA in Plant Chromosomes 2015
 Roa, Fernando; Guerra, Marcelo. Cytogenetic and Genome Research. v146. p243-249
 doi [10.1159/000440930](https://doi.org/10.1159/000440930)

9.4 Distribution of 45S rDNA sites in chromosomes of plants: structural and evolutionary implications. 2012
 Roa, Fernando; Guerra, Marcelo. BMC Evolutionary Biology. v12. p225
 doi [10.1186/1471-2148-12-225](https://doi.org/10.1186/1471-2148-12-225)

9.5 Karyotype differentiation in three species of Tripogandra Raf. (Commelinaceae) with different ploidy levels 2010
 Marques, André; Roa, Fernando; Guerra, Marcelo. Genetics and Molecular Biology. v33. p731-738
 doi [10.1590/S1415-47572010005000085](https://doi.org/10.1590/S1415-47572010005000085)

9.6 Cytotaxonomy of diploid and polyploid Aristolochia (Aristolochiaceae) species based on the distribution of CMA/DAPI bands and 5S and 45S rDNA sites 2009

Berjano, Regina; Roa, Fernando; Talavera, Salvador; Guerra, Marcelo. Plant Systematics and Evolution. v280. p219-227

doi [10.1007/s00606-009-0184-6](https://doi.org/10.1007/s00606-009-0184-6)

10 Software: packages, scripts, pages

10.1 shinyInvoice: Shiny App - Generate a Pdf Invoice with 'Rmarkdown'
R package/ Shiny App

Repo(s): [github invoice-public](#), [CRAN shinyInvoice](#)

Web-page: shinyapps.io



10.2 NLP for classifying community feedback

Python/R code; Shiny-App

Repo(s): [gitlab nlpfeedback](#), [github NLPShiny_rhino_mod](#)



10.3 Cytogenetics characteristic evo modeling

Shiny-App

Repo(s): [gitlab cytoevopri](#)

Web-page: shinyapps.io



10.4 idiogramFISH: plot Idiograms and Karyotype indices

R-package; Shiny-App

Repo(s): [gitlab idiogramFISH](#), [CRAN idiogramFISH](#)

Web-page: shinyapps.io

Docs: gitlab.io



10.5 Curriculum

Rmarkdown

Repo(s): [gitlab curriculumpu](#)

Web-page: gitlab.io



10.6 Reading databases

R Scripts

Repo(s): [gitlab getdatabase](#)



10.7 linkScraping: Creating a .bib library from journal html pages

Python/R scripts

Repo(s): [gitlab linkscraping](#)



11 Courses taught

11.1 Cytogenetics

Level: Graduate

Universidade Federal de Goiás. Language: portuguese

2015.I

40h

11.2 Cytogenetics	2014.I
Level: College	64h
Universidade Federal de Goiás. Language: portuguese	

12 Talks in Events

12.1 NLP modularized app for classifying community feedback	25-04-2022
Appsilon 2022 meeting	
Technologies: R, python, tensorflow, keras	
online	

12.2 Poliploidy and genome duplication Brazilian legumes	25-10-2019
70 Congresso Nacional de Botânica. Language: portuguese	
Technologies: R, iqtree, revBayes, MAFFT, StableTraits	
Maceió, AL, Brazil	

12.3 Cytogenetics for resolving evolutionary questions	27-04-2018
Encontro da liga acadêmica de genética. Language: portuguese	
Technologies: R, iqtree, MAFFT	
UFG. Goiânia, Brasil	

12.4 Reconstruction of ancestral states of cytogenetic characters in Leguminosae	20-10-2017
XI Workshop de Genética da PUC Goiás. Language: portuguese	
Technologies: R, iqtree, revBayes, MAFFT, StableTraits	
PUC. Goiânia, Brasil	

12.5 Database of Plant Cytogenetics. Current situation of the field	08-12-2016
Reunião de citogenética do Brasil Central. Language: portuguese	
Technologies: R, mongoDB	
PUC. Goiânia, Brasil	

12.6 Distribution of 5S and 45S rDNA sites and implications	28-05-2012
II Simposio de Genética. Language: spanish	
Technologies: R	
Universidad del Quindío. Armenia, Colombia	

12.7 Trends on the distribution of the 45S ribosomal DNA in plants	02-07-2010
Society for Experimental Biology Main Meeting	
Technologies: R	
Prague, Czech Republic	

12.8 Cytogenetics and Molecular cytotaxonomy of species of genus Callisia Loeft. (Commelinaceae)	17-08-2007
II simposio Latinoamericano de citogenética y evolución. Language: spanish	
UN, Palmira, Colombia	

13 Abstracts in Annals

13.1 Splitting is the answer. Cytogenetics and systematics analyses of *Callisia* Loefl. (Commelinaceae) Poster

Roa F, Pellegrini MOO, Vaio M, Guerra M 21-24 05/2019

VI Reunião Brasileira de Citogenética e Citogenômica. Goiânia

Technologies: R, mongoDB, MAFFT, iqtree, revBayes, StableTraits, FISH

13.2 The Cerrado Plant cytogenetics database Poster

Roa, F; Telles, MPC 08-11/11/2016

IV Congresso Brasileiro de Recursos Genéticos. Curitiba

Technologies: R, mongoDB, cytometry

Anais do IV Congresso Brasileiro de Recursos Genéticos. Language: portuguese

13.3 Distribution of 5S and 45S rDNA sites in plant chromosomes Talk

Guerra M, Roa F 23-25 04/2012

Gatersleben Research Conference. IPK Gatersleben, Germany

Technologies: R

Annals of the Gatersleben Research Conference. p: 53

13.4 Trends on the distribution of the 45S ribosomal DNA in plants Talk

Roa F, Guerra M 30-03 07/2010

Society for Experimental Biology Main Meeting. Prague, Czech Republic

Technologies: R

Annals of the SEB Meeting. p: 262

14 Courses and Workshops Taken

14.1 Mathematics for Data Science and Machine Learning using R 05 2024

udemy - Eduonix 10h

Theoretical and Practical Course

14.2 Git and Github Bootcamp 05 2023

udemy 17h

Theoretical and Practical Course

14.3 Data Science for All (ds4a) 20/05-10/09 2021

Correlation One 375h

Focused on python libraries, and also using Jupyter notebooks, making data visualizations for exploratory data analysis and database management. The course also included the use of AI, natural language processing, Decision Trees, k-nearest neighbors and convolutional neural networks among others. My certificate was honorific and my group's project involved NLP and

was among the 10 best (from 90 groups).

Theoretical and Practical Course

14.4 Linux Course

23/01-24/02 2020

[Geek University](#)

Theoretical Course

14.5 Introducing python

28/07-09/08 2019

Universidade Federal de Goiás, Goiânia, Brasil

90h

Theoretical and Practical Course. Language: Portuguese

15 Personal references

15.1 Oriol Senan

Workplace: Appsilon

15.2 Michal Parkola

Workplace: Appsilon (previously)