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Bioinformatics | Genomics

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Summary

I am a biologist with expertise in bioinformatics, genomic analysis, and modern techniques to visualise data. My scientific research focuses on discovering the genetic features underlying traits of interest in insects and other organisms. I integrate genome-wide data using reproducible workflows and communicate findings to the scientific community, the general public, and stakeholders.

Experience

Marie Skłodowska-Curie Actions Fellow

Queen Mary University of London

2019 - 2022

London, UK

- Analysed population genomic data to understand the origin of a social supergene in ants
- Co-authored a responsive mode research grant proposal successfully funded by the Biotechnology and Biological Sciences Research Council (BBSRC) (ref. BB/T015683/1)
- Published research papers in high-impact journals
- Actively participated in research projects of graduate students and contributed to their mentoring

Postdoctoral researcher

Queen Mary University of London

2018 - 2019

London, UK

- Analysed hundreds of RNA-seq samples of bees to investigate the effects of exposure to various insecticides
- Wrote shell and R scripts to identify differentially expressed genes and visualise results
- Disseminated findings in poster format at an international
- Assisted graduate students in their research projects

Gerstner Scholars Program (Biology) Fellow

American Museum of Natural History

2016 - 2018

New York, NY, USA

- Designed, managed, and developed a comparative genomics study of social wasps
- Collected field samples and sequenced genomes and transcriptomes of wasp species
- Developed bioinformatics workflows for de novo assembly of genomes and transcriptomes, annotating genomes, finding differentially expressed genes, orthology inference, and phylogenomics
- Presented findings in talks at international conferences
- Wrote progress and final reports

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Ph.D. in Biology University of Vermont

Aug. 2010 - May 2016

Dissertation: Phylogenetics and molecular evolution of highly eusocial wasps

B.Sc. in Biology

Universidad Industrial de Santander

2009

🚨 Skills

Bioinformatics

- Analysis of high-throughput genomic
- Quality control of genome-scale assays
- Genome and transcriptome assembly, including non-model organisms
- Structural and functional genome annotation
- Orthology inference and phylogenomics
- Differential gene expression and transcript usage (RNA-seq)
- Variant calling and analysis
- Metagenome assembly and taxonomic profiling

△ Data Analysis

- Data visualisation (e.g., ggplot2)
- Linear models (e.g., GLM, GLMM)
- Data normalisation and transformation
- Unsupervised learning (e.g., PCA)
- Experimental design
- Effective reporting with aesthetic appeal

Programming

- R, Tidyverse, Shiny
- Shell scripting
- Unix systems, high-performance computing
- git, GitHub
- LaTeX, R Markdown, Quarto
- Workflow management (e.g., Snakemake)
- Package management (e.g., Conda)
- Python

A Z Languages

English (fluent) | Spanish (native)

Journal Articles

- Witwicka, A., **López-Osorio**, **F.**, Patterson, V., & Wurm, Y. (2023). Expression of subunits of an insecticide target receptor varies across tissues, life stages, castes, and species of social bees. *Molecular Ecology*, 32(5), 1034–1044. doi:10.1111/mec. 16811
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 Convergent reversion to single mating in a wasp social parasite. The American Naturalist, 189 (6), E138–E151. doi:10.1086/691405
- **López-Osorio**, **F.**, Pickett, K. M., Carpenter, J. M., Ballif, B. A., & Agnarsson, I. (2017). Phylogenomic analysis of yellowjackets and hornets (Hymenoptera: Vespidae, Vespinae). *Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution*, 107, 10–15. doi:10.1016/j.ympev.2016.10.006
- Perrard, A., **López-Osorio**, **F.**, & Carpenter, J. M. (2016). Phylogeny, landmark analysis and the use of wing venation to study the evolution of social wasps (Hymenoptera: Vespidae: Vespinae). *Cladistics*, 32 (4), 406–425. doi:10.1111/cla.12138
- López-Osorio, F., Perrard, A., Pickett, K. M., Carpenter, J. M., & Agnarsson, I. (2015). Phylogenetic tests reject Emery's rule in the evolution of social parasitism in yellowjackets and hornets (Hymenoptera: Vespidae, Vespinae). Royal Society Open Science, 2(9), 150159. doi:10.1098/rsos.150159
- López-Osorio, F., Pickett, K. M., Carpenter, J. M., Ballif, B. A., & Agnarsson, I. (2014). Phylogenetic relationships of yellowjackets inferred from nine loci (Hymenoptera: Vespidae, Vespinae, Vespula and Dolichovespula). Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution, 73, 190–201. doi:10.1016/j.ympev.2014.01.007

Book Chapters

 Lopez-Osorio, F. (2021). Emery's Rule (C. K. Starr, Ed.). doi:10.1007/978-3-030-28102-1 42

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