

# GIACOMO FANTONI

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I am an energetic and highly motivated person. I was able to develop a strict and reactive approach to achieve objective on time and with excellence. My primary interests are in the field of Computational Biology, in particular Computational Neuroscience. I have developed great communication and leadership skills thanks to the several group project, both personal and done during my Master and Bachelor studies.

## EDUCATION

### Università degli studi di Trento

Master of Quantitative and Computational Biology

Trento, Italy

Sept. 2021 - Present

- Relevant coursework: Bioinformatics, Data mining, Mathematical Modeling, Computational Biophysics, Function and plasticity of the Central Nervous System.

### Università degli studi di Trento

Bachelor of Computer Science

Trento, Italy

Sept. 2018 - Sept. 2021

BA Thesis: "Analysis of transcriptomic RNA-seq data from polisomial and total fraction from an epithelial cancer cellular line". Supervisor: Prof. A. Inga. Final grade 108/110.

## EXPERIENCE

### Università degli studi di Trento, Department of CIBIO

Analysis of transcriptomic RNA-seq data

March 2021 - August 2021

*Trento, Italy*

- Implemented a pipeline to process RNA-seq data on a remote server.
- Analysed processed data using a combination of R and python to gain biological insights regarding their involvement in cancer.
- The work is accessible at <https://github.com/giacThePhantom/Tesi>

### Università degli studi di Trento, Department of CIMEC

Computational modelling and simulation of the antennal lobe of the Honey Bee to uncover neuronal correlates of sleep

March 2023 - Present

*Rovereto, Italy*

- Implemented a gpu-accelerated computational model of the antennal lobe in python.
- The work is accessible at <https://github.com/giacThePhantom/genn-network-model>

## PROJECTS

**Personal coursework collection** I have written in L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X all the material regarding the content of my university courses, making it accessible at <https://github.com/giacThePhantom>. This has provided easily accessible quality material for my colleagues and it has encouraged some people to join this project, creating a small community of maintainers.

**Smith Waterman implementation** I have implemented in python a version of the alignment algorithm by Smith-Waterman available at <https://github.com/giacThePhantom/smith-waterman>.

**Identification and validation of a vitamin D-related prognostic signature in colorectal cancer** A group project dealing with biological cancer data implemented in R. We implemented a normalization procedure to avoid batch effects in microarray data and performed a Cox proportional hazard regression model to them. Source code is available at: <https://github.com/giacThePhantom/BioDataMining>.

**Implementation of the Morris-Lecar neuron model** A group project dealing with neuron dynamics implemented in Matlab. The code models the dynamics of a neuron using an hybrid stochastic model in which the membrane potential evolves according to a deterministic differential equation and the opening and closing of ion channels are modelled as a stochastic process. Source code is available at: <https://github.com/giacThePhantom/mathematical-modeling-and-simulation-project>.

## SKILLS

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**Programming:** Python (numpy, pandas, scikit-learn, pytorch), R, C/C++, Java, bash, Matlab, Javascript, Linux systems, Git,  $\text{\LaTeX}$

**Languages:** Fluent in Italian and English