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Education

Aug 2015 – July 2021

New York University, Graduate School of Arts and Science, New York, NY

PhD in Computational Biology

Thesis: "Cell fate and function during brain development revealed by systems biology methods" under the supervision of Prof. Richard Bonneau and Prof. Gordon Fishell

GPA: 3.75

Sep 1998 – Jun 2003

Haute École de la Province de Liège Rennequin Sualem, Liège, Belgium

Bachelor in Industrial Informatics and Real time computing

Internship: "A study of genetic linkage related to animal genomics" under the supervision of Prof.

Michel Georges

Work Experience

Jun 2017 - Present

Broad Institute of MIT and Harvard, Stanley center - Cambridge MA Associate Member

 Developed and applied computational methods to investigate neuron progenitor priming, and derive critical insight of microglia synapse pruning.

Jan 2013 - Aug 2015

New York University Abu Dhabi, Center for Genomics and Systems Biology (CGSB) - Abu **Dhabi UAE** Full Stack Developer & Research Assistant

- Provided support for the analysis of a variety of large datasets obtained by next generation DNA and RNA sequencing.
- · Conceptualized, implemented and deployed a Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS) for the Core Sequencing Facilities using Django, AJAX, REST, service redundancy, automated database backup, Shibboleth Single Sign-on architecture, Apache2 setup) The LIMS is currently in production at NYU.

Jul 2010 - Dec 2012

EGOWEB – Belgium Web developer

 Converted graphic designs into working websites using PHP, AJAX, CSS, HTML5, JavaScript, wordpress and FLASK.

Mar 2007 - Dec 2012

GIGA University of Liège (ULG) - Belgium System Administrator

- Complete setup and management of high performance computing (HPC) related to bioinformatics analysis
- IT support hardware and software, including network management and security, data backup and recovery, OS (Linux, Macos, Windows)

Jul 2006 - Feb 2007

Synerglass Soft S.A. – Belgium *Analyst Programmer*

• Implemented various Synerglass functions using Windev

Oct 2005 - Jul 2006

LabSET IFRES University of Liège - Belgium Web developper

• PHP portal development and administration

Feb 2005 - Oct 2005

Sony Service Center Europe – Belgium Customer Support Analyst

• Provided IT and network support in French, English and Italian.

Jun 2003 - Dec 2004

Faculty of Veterinary Medicine University of Liège - Belgium Programmer

 Database and Software development applied to data collection and curation for genomic analysis. PERL, bash, JAVA, MySQL.

Skills

- Language: English (fluent); French (native); Italian (Fluent).
- Programming: Python, R, C/C++, Java, Javascript, Django, HTML, CSS, PHP, REST, PERL, AJAX, SQL, bash, MATLAB, FLASK.
- Software: Illustrator, Photoshop, Linux, Macos, Windows, Jupyter.
- Domain Expertise: Machine Learning, Neuroscience, Gene regulation, Single Cell Genomics data analysis and integration, Server administration, Web development, High Performance Computing, Kubernetes, Dask.

Publications

2021

- 1. Favuzzi, E., Huang, S., **Saldi, G.-A.**, Binan, L., Ibrahim, L. A., Fernández-Otero, M., Cao, Y., Zeine, A., Sefah, A., Zheng, K., *et al.* GABA-receptive microglia selectively sculpt developing inhibitory circuits. *Cell* **184**, 4048–4063 (2021).
- 2. Gibbs, C. S., Jackson, C. A., **Saldi, G.-A.**, Shah, A., Tjärnberg, A., Watters, A., De Veaux, N., Tchourine, K., Yi, R., Hamamsy, T., *et al.* Single-cell gene regulatory network inference at scale: The Inferelator 3.0. *bioRxiv* (2021).
- 3. Tjärnberg, A., Mahmood, O., Jackson, C. A., **Saldi, G.-A.**, Cho, K., Christiaen, L. A. & Bonneau, R. A. Optimal tuning of weighted kNN-and diffusion-based methods for denoising single cell genomics data. *PLoS computational biology* **17**, e1008569 (2021).

2020

- 4. Jackson, C. A., Castro, D. M., **Saldi, G.-A.**, Bonneau, R. & Gresham, D. Gene regulatory network reconstruction using single-cell RNA sequencing of barcoded genotypes in diverse environments. *Elife* **9**, e51254 (2020).
- 5. Vormstein-Schneider, D., D Lin, J., Pelkey, K. A., Chittajallu, R., Guo, B., Arias-Garcia, M. A., Allaway, K., Sakopoulos, S., Schneider, G., Stevenson, O., Vergara, J., Sharma, J., Zhang, Q., Franken, T. P., Smith, J., Ibrahim, L. A., Kevin, J., Sabri, E., Huang, S., Favuzzi, E., Burbridge, T., **Saldi, G.-A.**, Gorissen, B. L., Yuan, X., Zaghloul, K. A., Devinsky, O., Sabatini, B. L., Batista-Brito, R., Reynolds, J., Feng, G., Fu, Z., McBain, C. J., Fishell, G. & Dimidschstein, J. Viral manipulation of functionally distinct interneurons in mice, non-human primates and humans. *Nature neuroscience* **23**, 1629–1636 (2020).

2016

- 6. Dimidschstein, J., Chen, Q., Tremblay, R., Rogers, S. L., **Saldi, G.-A.**, Guo, L., Xu, Q., Liu, R., Lu, C., Chu, J., *et al.* A viral strategy for targeting and manipulating interneurons across vertebrate species. *Nature neuroscience* **19**, 1743–1749 (2016).
- 7. Perry, M., Kinoshita, M., **Saldi, G.-A.**, Huo, L., Arikawa, K. & Desplan, C. Molecular logic behind the three-way stochastic choices that expand butterfly colour vision. *Nature* **535**, 280–284 (2016).