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Research Experience_

Bioinformatician Immunity & Cancer

Supervisor: Dr Dinis Calado, The Francis Crick Institute

Jun 2023 - Present

Topics – B-cell lymphomagenesis, chemotherapy resistance, plasma cell longevity, vaccine efficacy

- Performed NGS processing & analysis across 6 projects; analysed >20 T- & B-cell single-cell datasets
- Developed advanced R packages to pipeline single-cell and JH4 amplicon sequencing analysis
- Self-host CELLxGENE portal and GitHub Pages to enable user-friendly visualization of outputs for lab members
- Validate lymphomagenesis in novel mouse genetic models by the inference of copy number variation & trajectory analysis
- Establish novel prognostic gene signatures from mouse single-cell datasets for B-cell lymphoma patients
- Integrate epigenome, transcriptome and proteome data to identify targets for antibody staining & gene manipulation
- Characterization of antigen-specific plasma cells during infections & vaccination via scRNAseq & VDJ clonotype analysis

Bioinformatician

Cancer Bioinformatics

Supervisor: Prof Anita Grigoriadis, King's College London

Oct 2022 - Mar 2023

Project - Role of plasma cells in triple-negative breast cancer (TNBC) metastasis

- Collaborated between UK Biobank, Francis Crick Institute & Lund University
- Retrieved and analysed clinical and pathological data of four TNBC study cohorts consisting of ~600 patients
- Derived mature B-cell subset signatures from human paired tumour & lymph node single-cell transcriptomic datasets
- Deconvoluted tumour-infiltrating immune cells in patient RNAseq data for multivariate survival analysis
- Performed tumour differential expression, pathway enrichment and copy number variation analyses

MRes Student

Cancer Research, Immunology and Haematology

Supervisor: Dr Shahram Kordasti, King's College London

Apr 2022 - Sep 2022

Project – Characterise T_{reg} subset under hypoxia and inflammation in aplastic anaemia (AA)

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- $\bullet \quad \textit{Performed GSEA and IPA analysis of AA single-cell data to pinpoint central transcription regulators in T_{reg}, myeloid cells and HPSCs}$
- Set up hypoxic cell culture of CD4+ CD25+ T_{reg} from PBMCs with Dr James Arnold
- Applied multi-panel flow cytometry to phenotype naïve and effector Treg subsets

MRes Student

Cancer Bioinformatics

Supervisor: Dr Anita Grigoriadis, King's College London

Sep 2021 - Mar 2022

- Project Regulations of T_{reg} and T_{fh} during lymph node metastasis of breast cancer

 Analysed T_{reg} and T_{fh} from 250k tumour, stromal and immune cell 10X scRNA-seq data
 - Deciphered ligand-receptor interactions between immune cells with LIANA, NicheNet and CellChat
 - Data management and shell-scripting on HPC platforms across institutions (KCL, UCL, CoLCC)

BSc Student

Vascular Therapeutics

Supervisor: Dr Beata Wojciak-Stothard, Imperial College London

Sep 2020 - Mar 2021

Project – Role of KLF2 on endothelial dysfunction in pulmonary arterial hypertension

- Manipulated gene expression with shRNA and microfluidic flow simulation on human pulmonary arterial endothelial cells (HPAECs)
- Performed immunofluorescence, confocal imaging and luciferase reporter assay to study cell morphology, alignment, and proinflammatory response

Skills

Language	R, Python, Bash, Perl, SQL, CSS
Data Analysis	RNAseq, ATACseq, Single-cell CITEseq & VDJseq (TCR/BCR), JH4 amplicon-seq, Mass-spectrometry, High-dimensional flow/mass-cytometry analysis, Survival analysis
Development	GitHub/Git, Quarto, Jupyter, VScode, Singularity, Nextflow
Pipelines	R: Seurat, Immcantation, DESeq2, Spectre, InferCNV, LIANA, NicheNet, scRepertoire, Slingshot Python: Scanpy, Dandelion, Tensor, Cell2Cell, PAGA, scVelo, CellRank
Wet-Lab	CRISPR-Cas9, Flow cytometry, Microfluidics, Mammalian cell culture, Western blot, RT-qPCR, Immunofluorescence, Luciferase reporter assay, Adenovirus transfections

Publications

 Li M, Quintana A, Alberts E, Hung MS, Boulat V, Ripoll MM, Grigoriadis A. B Cells in Breast Cancer Pathology. Cancers (Basel). 2023 Feb 28:15(5):1517. doi: 10.3390/cancers15051517

Conferences

Dec 2024 (Upcoming) 66th ASH Annual Meeting and Exposition – San Diego, California, US

Oral presentation – "Characterizing and Targeting Follicular Lymphoma's Common Progenitor Cells" by Dr Dinis Calado

Oct 2024

8th UK & Germany Lymphoma Retreat – Peak District, UK

Oral presentation - "Germinal Centre B Cell Autonomy Through Aberrant MYC Overexpression Drives Lymphomagenesis" by myself

Jul 2024

EMBO Workshop: Lymphoid Tissues and Germinal Centres in Immune Reactions – Galway, Ireland, UK Poster presentation – "Timestamping of plasma cells reveals diverse gene signatures determining longevity potential" by Dr Angi Xu

West German Lymphoma Symposium: Clinic meets Biology – Essen, Germany

Poster presentation – "Unveiling Follicular Lymphoma's Common Progenitor Cells" by Dr Oscar Atkins; 3rd Place

Dec 2023

May 2024

BSI Congress 2023 – Belfast, Northern Ireland, UK

Oral & poster presentation – "MYC overexpression promotes germinal centre B cell independency from T cell help" by Dr Baizhi Chen

Qualifications

MRes Translational Cancer Medicine

King's College London, UK

Grade: Distinction Sep 2021 – Oct 2022

Thesis 1

Single-cell RNA sequencing revealed distinct molecular interactions involving Treg & Tfh between metastatic & cancer-free lymph nodes from breast cancer patients (72%)

Thesis 2

The role of IL-18, IFN-y and hypoxia in Trea modulation and its implications in the pathogenesis of aplastic anaemia (85%)

Coursework

The significance of translational research on immune checkpoint inhibitors for combination chemotherapy in triple negative breast cancer patients (71%)

BSc Medical Biosciences

Imperial College London, UK

Grade: First-Class Sep 2018 – Jul 2021

Modules

Cancer Biology (73%), Immunology & Inflammation (68%), Genetics & Genomics (64%), Molecular Cellular Biology (74%), Statistics (67%), Microbiome in Health & Diseases (76%)

Thesis

Silencing of KLF2 augments endothelial dysfunction associated with pulmonary arterial hypertension (73%)

GCE A-Levels

Abingdon School, Oxfordshire, UK

Grade: A*A*AAA Sep 2016 – Jul 2018

Subjects

Maths (A*), EPQ (A*), Further Maths (A), Biology (A), Chemistry (A)

Achievements

GitHub Repositories

- https://github.com/cancerbioinformatics/BLESS
- https://github.com/hungms/scUnify
- https://github.com/hungms/scworkbook