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Professional and Academic Experience

- **Cedars-Sinai Medical Center** — Los Angeles, CA, USA
  Research Data Scientist at Department of Computational Biomedicine — *Jul. 2023 - present*
  Mentor: Dr. Kyoung Jae Won

  ○ **Develop AI/statistical tools**
  - Develop an agentic AI using multi-agent frameworks to analyze spatial omic data.
  - Develop novel statistical methods for single-cell genetics datasets (sc-eQTL).

  ○ **Large-scale integrative analysis of complex traits**
  - Perform multi-omic data analysis for complex diseases.
  - Perform spatiotemporal transcriptomic data analysis for complex diseases.

- **University of Southern California** — Los Angeles, CA, USA
  Postdoctoral Researcher at Center for Genetic Epidemiology, Keck School of Medicine — *Aug. 2020 - Jun. 2023*
  Mentor: Dr. Nicholas Mancuso

  ○ **Large-scale integrative analysis of complex disease**
  - Perform integrative analysis using GWAS with molecular QTL (molQTL) data for TWAS analysis.
  - Perform Single-cell RNA/ATAC/TCR-seq data analysis.

  ○ **Inference of negative selection in the evolutionary architecture**
  - Develop a novel statistical method using Variational Bayesian methods.
  - Understand the landscape of evolutionary architectures across many molecular phenotypes.

- **University of Southern California** — Los Angeles, CA, USA
  Postdoctoral Researcher at Department of Clinical Pharmacy, School of Pharmacy — *Aug. 2020 - Jul. 2021*
  Mentor: Dr. Serghei Mangul

  ○ **Genome/Exome-wide association study to identify common/rare variants influencing COVID-19 outcomes using Middle Eastern cohort**
  - Analyze Whole-Exome seq (WES) data to identify rare variants using the Saudi Human Genome Program cohort.
  - Perform GWAS analysis to identify common variants using the Saudi Human Genome Program cohort.

  ○ **Rigorous benchmarking of HLA callers for RNA sequencing data**
  - Evaluate performances of multiple HLA callers using gold standard data.
  - Consensus HLA typing based on multiple HLA callers using Genotype-Tissue Expression (GTEx) data.
  - HLA typing using multiple ancestry data.

- **Dongguk University** — Seoul, Korea
  Postdoctoral Researcher at Department of Computer Science and Engineering — *Mar. 2020 - Jul. 2020*
  Mentor: Dr. Jong Wha J. Joo

  ○ **Set-based analysis to increase the power of association testing**
  - Develop a statistical method to improve statistical power using multiple causal variants.
  - Multivariate phenotype analysis by analyzing many phenotypes simultaneously.

- **Dongguk University** — Seoul, Korea
  Instructor at Convergence Software Institute Dongguk — *Mar. 2018 - Aug. 2020*
  (Biological Information Software Convergence)

- **Dongguk University** — Seoul, Korea
  Teaching assistant at Department of Life Science — *Sept. 2012 - Aug. 2013*

EDUCATION

- **Dongguk University**　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　Seoul, Korea
  Ph.D. in Life Science　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　*Sept. 2014 – Feb. 2020*
  Mentor: Dr. Wonhee Jang
  Dissertation project: Bioinformatics-based approaches for identifying novel genetic markers

- **Dongguk University**　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　Seoul, Korea
  M.S. in Life Science　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　*Mar. 2012 – Aug. 2014*
  Mentor: Dr. Wonhee Jang
  Dissertation project: Studies on the *in silico* analyzing methods related to toxic effects and mechanisms of chemicals

- **Dongguk University**　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　Seoul, Korea
  B.S. in Life Science　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　　*Mar. 2007 – Feb. 2012*

PUBLICATIONS

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[2] J. Song, D. Kim, **J. Jung**, E. Choi, *et al.*, "Elucidating immunological characteristics of the adenoma-carcinoma sequence in colorectal cancer patients in South Korea using a bioinformatics approach," *Scientific reports*, vol. 14, no. 10105, 2024.

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[7] W. group lead Andrews Shea J. 6 Kanai Masahiro 3 Cordioli Mattia 7, M. analyses team lead, M. analyses team members: PHEWAS Polimanti Renato 1, M. analyses team members: Mendelian randomization Harerimana Nadia 8, M. analyses team members: methods development Pirinen Matti 7, g. p. Manuscript analyses team members: PC projection, P. management lead Liao Rachel G. 3, P. managment support Chwialkowska Karolina 9 Trankiem Amy 3 Balaconis Mary K. 3, H. Nguyen, *et al.*, "A first update on mapping the human genetic architecture of COVID-19," *Nature*, vol. 608, no. 7921, pp. E1–E10, 2022.

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[9] J. Song, D. Kim, S. Lee, **J. Jung**, J. W. J. Joo, and W. Jang, "Integrative transcriptome-wide analysis of atopic dermatitis for drug repositioning," *Communications biology*, vol. 5, no. 1, pp. 1–13, 2022.

[10] J. L. Wiemels, R. Wang, M. Zhou, H. Hansen, R. Gallant, **J. Jung**, N. Mancuso, A. J. De Smith, C. Metayer, S. C. Kogan, *et al.*, "Cytomegalovirus proteins, maternal pregnancy cytokines, and their impact on neonatal immune cytokine profiles and acute lymphoblastic leukemogenesis in children," *Haematologica*, 2022.

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Conference Presentations - Oral presentation

- Z. Zhang, **J. Jung**, N. Suboc, S. Gazal, N. Mancuso. A variational Bayesian approach to characterize pleiotropic components across thousands of human diseases and complex traits using GWAS summary statistics. ASHG, Los Angeles, CA, USA, 2022

- **J. Jung**, G.W. Kim, B. Lee, J.W.J. Joo., W. Jang. Integrative genomic and transcriptomic analysis for genetic markers in Dupuytren's disease. TBC/BIOINFO 2018. Seoul, Korea, 2018

- **J. Jung**, G.W. Kim, J.H. Park, S.H. Chung, W. Jang . Meta-analysis of insulin resistance based on gene expression datasets in human adipose tissues. The 13th international congress on obesity (ICO). Vancouver, Canada, 2016.

- G.W. Kim, **J. Jung**, H.K. Jo, K.J. Jeong, W. Jang, S.H. Chung. Elucidation of suppressive mechanism of betulinic acid on adipogenesis using global gene expression profiling. The 13th international congress on obesity (ICO). Vancouver, Canada, 2016.

Conference Presentations - Poster presentation

- **J. Jung**, Z. Lu, N. Mancuso. Novel insight into the etiology of ischemic stroke gained by integrating human transcriptome-wide association study with rodent expression data. ASHG, Virtual, 2021

- Z. Zhang, **J. Jung**, N. Suboc, S. Gazal, N. Mancuso. A variational Bayesian approach to characterize latent genetic components using GWAS summary statistics. ASHG, Virtual, 2021

- Z. Lu, **J. Jung**, S. Gazal, N. Mancuso. Residual proteome-wide association study identifies genes for blood-related traits. ASHG, Virtual, 2021

- **J. Jung**, R. Brown, W. Jang, B. Pasaniuc, J.W.J. Joo and E. Eskin. GGmend: A Mendelian randomization method for finding gene-on-gene regulatory effects in the presence of unobserved confounders. 23th RECOMB, Washington, D.C., USA, 2019.

- F. Hormozdiari, **J. Jung**, E. Eskin and J.W.J. Joo. Leveraging allelic heterogeneity to increase the power of association testing. 23th RECOMB, Washington, D.C., USA, 2019.

- J. Song, W. Jang, J. Jung, D.E. Kim and J.Y. Hong W. Jang. Meta-analysis of polymyositis and dermatomyositis microarray data sets. 23th RECOMB, Washington, D.C., USA, 2019.

- **J. Jung**, G.W. Kim, J.H. Park, S.H. Chung, W. Jang. Cross-species analysis reveals molecular mechanisms of insulin resistance in white adipose tissues. 12th International Conference on Toxicogenomics (ICT), Seoul, Korea, 2016.

- **J. Jung**, G.W. Kim, J.H. Park, S.H. Chung, W. Jang. Integrative cross-species analysis of insulin resistance expression profile in white adipose tissues. 9th International Conference on Environmental Health Sciences (ICoEHS), Incheon, Korea, 2016.

- **J. Jung**, J.H. Park, W. Jang. Meta-analysis of microarray gene expression datasets for silver nanoparticles. 11th International Conference on Toxicogenomics (ICT), Seoul, Korea, 2015.

- **J. Jung**, J.H. Park, W. Jang. Meta-analysis of microarray and RNA-Seq gene expression datasets for carcinogenic risk assessment of Bisphenol A. 8th International Conference on Environmental Health Sciences (ICoEHS), Incheon, Korea, 2015.

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PATENTS

- Genetic markers for diagnosing juvenile idiopathic arthritis and diagnosis method using these markers. 2024.12.24. Korea (1027481570000)

- Composition for diagnosing Insulin Resistance and its uses. 2020.04.10. Korea (1021018070000)

- Diagnostic kit comprising biomarkers for bisphenol A exposure diagnosis. 2018.12.21. Korea (1019336950000)

- Diagnostic kit comprising biomarkers for genistein exposure diagnosis. 2018.12.21. Korea (1019336940000)

- Diagnostic kit comprising biomarkers for polychlorinated biphenyl 77 exposure diagnosis. 2018.12.21. Korea (1019336920000)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Dongguk Global Researcher Scholarship, *2014*

- 13th International Conference on Toxicogenomics (ICT), Best poster, The Korea Society of Toxicogenomics and Toxicoproteomics, *2016*

- 9th International Conference on Environmental Health Sciences (ICoEHS), Best poster, Society of Environmental Risk Assessment and Health Science, *2016*

- 6th International Conference on Environmental Health Sciences (ICoEHS), Best poster, Society of Environmental Risk Assessment and Health Science, *2013*

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **Invited lecturer on Statistical Methods in Human Genetics (PM 570)**
  University of Southern California (spring 2023)

  I introduce cutting-edge tools for genome-wide association and genetic perturbations analysis that have been recently published.

- **Workshop on Genomic Data Analysis and Deep Learning**
  LINC+ Donguk University (Winter 2019)

  A 1-month workshop introducing attendees to the basics of Omics data analysis. Topics include preprocessing of RNA-seq and expression microarray data, differentially expressed genes (DEGs) analysis and functional enrichment analysis.

- **Instructor for Big Data Processing/Analysis using Public Databases (BSI4002-01 and BSI4001-01)**
  Convergence Software Institute Dongguk (2018 - 2020)

  This course provides the basic principles of computer analysis programming and the basics of biological data analysis using Python and R.

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

- **Editorial Board Member**: BMC Genomics (May 2025 -)

- **Review Editor**: Frontiers in Molecular Bioscience (June 2023 -)

- **Reviews**: Genome medicine, The American Journal of Human Genetics, Translational Stroke Research, Cardiovascular Diabetology, BMC Medicine, BMC Genomics, Molecular Neurobiology, European Journal of Medical Research, Scientific Reports

RESEARCH TECHNIQUE

- **Computational Skills**
  - **NGS data analysis**: WES, RNA-seq, ATAC-seq, Chip-seq, and scRNA/scATAC/scTCR-seq data analysis
  - **Spatial omics analysis**: Spatial transcriptome data analysis
  - **Micoarray data analysis**: SNP and expression array data analysis
  - **High performance computing**: Slurm and Sun Grid Engine (SGE)
  - **Programming languages:**: R, Python, and Bash
  - **Other software applications**: Docker, Singularity, Git, LaTeX, SPSS, and ImageJ