# Kelly Sovacool

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Bioinformatician seeking to build open source software for reproducible data science

#### Skills

Languages R, Python, C++, Bash, Snakemake, git, GitHub, R Markdown, Jupyter, Quarto, LaTeX,

& Tools conda/mamba, Docker, Singularity, SLURM, Unix CLI

Research supervised machine learning pipelines, data visualization, reproducible reports & manuscripts

Software package maintenance, test-driven development, continuous integration, documentation, collab-

oration & peer review, high performance computing

### Education

2018-2023 **PhD Bioinformatics**, *University of Michigan*, Advisor: Patrick D. Schloss

2014-2018 BS Biology, University of Kentucky, Minor: Computer Science

## Experience

2019- Graduate Student Researcher, Schloss Lab, University of Michigan

present O Develop, benchmark, and maintain bioinformatics workflows and software packages in R & Python.

O Build machine learning pipelines for human gut microbiome classification and prediction problems in colorectal cancer and *C. difficile* infection.

Collaborate with other scientists on microbiome projects and mentor junior lab members.

Jan-Apr Graduate Student Instructor, Dept. of Computational Medicine & Bioinformatics, University

2023 of Michigan, BIOINF 576: Tool Development for Bioinformatics

Develop curriculum and teach students the principles of software development in R & Python. Topics: software design, implementation, testing, documentation, issue tracking, peer review, and release.

2019-2022 Executive Committee Member: Open Source Technical Lead, Girls Who Code at U-M

Facilitated collaborative design, development, and maintenance of our curriculum on Python for data science to teach young women+ in Girls Who Code clubs.

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2015-2018 **Undergraduate Lab Assistant**, *Moseley Bioinformatics Lab*, University of Kentucky Developed a Python package to identify homologous gene products for comparative genomics.

## Open Source Contributions

Maintainer mikropml. User-Friendly R Package for Supervised Machine Learning Pipelines

Maintainer mikropml snakemake workflow. Snakemake template for building reusable and scalable

machine learning pipelines with mikropml (Python + R)

Maintainer schtools. Schloss Lab tools for reproducible microbiome research (R)

Contributor mothur. Command-line tool for processing microbial amplicon sequence data (C++)

Co-author **mothur snakemake workflow**. Template for mothur workflows (Python + R)

Co-author Python for Data Science curriculum via live-coding for Girls Who Code clubs

Co-author Workshop curriculum on reproducible research with R, the Unix shell, & git/GitHub

# Continuing Education

Jan 2020 Building Tidy Tools workshop at rstudio::conf. RStudio, PBC. San Francisco, CA

Dec 2019 Winter School in Research Software Engineering. URSSI. Seattle, WA

Jun 2019 **Software Carpentry Instructor Training**. The Carpentries. University of Michigan

Publications see list here: sovacool.dev/pubs