

# Uri Laserson

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## Education

- Sep 2005–present     **Massachusetts Institute of Technology / Harvard Medical School**, Cambridge, MA  
Division of Health Sciences and Technology and Department of Mathematics  
PhD Candidate in Biomedical Engineering and Applied Mathematics
- Sep 2001–Jan 2005     **New York University**, New York, NY  
BA, *magna cum laude*, in Mathematics and Biology

## Experience

- Jan 2007–present     **Harvard Medical School**, Department of Genetics, Boston, MA  
Graduate Researcher, Advisor: George Church  
Development of high-throughput sequencing technologies for immune receptors
- Dec 2007–Sep 2010     **Good Start Genetics**, Cambridge, MA  
Founder and Director  
Genetic diagnostics start-up utilizing next-generation sequencing technology
- Jul 2002–Aug 2005     **New York University**, Departments of Chemistry and Mathematics, New York, NY  
Undergraduate Researcher, Advisor: Tamar Schlick  
Development of methods for RNA structural bioinformatics

## Prizes/Awards/Fellowships

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| 2012 | Forbes 30 Under 30 Science & Innovation                       |
| 2012 | MIT-Lemelson Student Prize Finalist                           |
| 2006 | NIH Bioinformatics and Integrative Genomics Fellowship        |
| 2005 | NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Honorable Mention            |
| 2004 | Phi Beta Kappa  |
| 2004 | Hollis Cooley Prize for Excellence and Promise in Mathematics |
| 2004 | NSF VIGRE Research Fellowship                                 |
| 2003 | George Granger Brown Scholarship Award in Chemistry           |
| 2003 | Howard Hughes Honors Summer Institute Research Fellowship     |
| 2002 | Susumu Okamura Research Scholarship                           |
| 2001 | Intel Science Talent Search Semifinalist                      |

## Publications

- Larman HB, Zhao Z, **Laserson U**, Li MZ, Ciccio A, Gakidis MAM, Church GM, Kesari S, LeProust EM, Solimini NL, Elledge SF (2011) Autoantigen discovery with a synthetic human peptidome, *Nature Biotech* **29**: 535
- Laserson U**, Gan HH, Schlick T (2006) Exploring the connection between synthetic and natural RNAs in genomes: a novel computational approach, *New Algorithms for Macromolecular Simulation*, Springer Berlin Heidelberg, 35-56
- Laserson U**, Gan HH, Schlick T (2005) Predicting candidate genomic sequences that correspond to synthetic functional RNA motifs, *Nucleic Acids Research* **33**: 6057

Fera D, Kim N, Shiffeldrim N, Zorn J, **Laserson U**, Gan HH, Schlick T (2004) RAG: RNA-As-Graphs web resource, *BMC Bioinformatics* **5**: 88

**Laserson U**, Gan HH, Schlick T (2004) Searching for 2D RNA geometries in bacterial genomes, *Proceedings of the Twentieth Annual Symposium on Computational Geometry*, ACM, 373-377

Gan HH, Fera D, Zorn J, Shiffeldrim N, Tang M, **Laserson U**, Kim N, Schlick T (2004) RAG: RNA-As-Graphs database—concepts, analysis, and features, *Bioinformatics* **20**:1285

## Patents

Church GM, Bachelet I, **Laserson U**, Vigneault F (2011) High-throughput immune sequencing, Patent application WO PCT/US2011/055801

Porreca G, **Laserson U**, Li JB, Wassman ER (2010) Methods and compositions for evaluating genetic markers, Patent application W02010126614

## Selected Talks/Posters

Invited talk	“Technologies for immune repertoire characterization”, IBC Life Sciences Conference on Drug Discovery & Diagnostic Development, San Francisco, 1-3 Aug 2011
Invited talk	“High-throughput technologies for immune receptor characterization and manipulation”, Gordon Research Conference on Antibody Biology & Engineering, Ventura, CA, 7-12 Mar 2010
Poster	“The Personal VDJ-ome”, Centers for Excellence in Genomic Science Grantee Meeting, Pasadena, CA, 15-17 Oct 2008