# Curriculum Vitae

Sept 2019-Current

Sept 2015-June 2019

June 2018-Sept 2018

**Pittsburgh** 

Shenzhen

**Baltimore** 

# Li Sun

University of Pittsburgh Intelligent Systems PhD Student

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**EDUCATION** University of Pittsburgh

PhD student in Intelligent Systems

GPA: 3.92/4.00, advisor: Prof. Kayhan Batmanghelich

Southern University of Science and Technology

B.Sc. in Bioinformatics

GPA: 3.86/4.00, ranking: 2/22

Johns Hopkins University

Visiting student

Undergraduate research assistant in Prof. Yun Chen's lab

**AWARDS** China National Scholarship Award (Top 0.5%)

First-Class Undergraduate Scholarship, SUSTech (Top 5%)

Outstanding Volunteer of XIX International Botanical Congress (Top 10%)

PUBLICATIONS Sun, L., Zhang, S., Chen, H., & Luo, L. (2019). Brain Tumor Segmentation

and Survival Prediction Using Multimodal MRI Scans With Deep Learning.

Frontiers in neuroscience, 13, 810.

Zhang, S.\*, Sun, L.\*, Wang, R., Tang, H., Zhang, J., and Luo, L., Structure-aware staging for breast cancer metastases. In: Image Analysis for Moving Organ, Breast, and Thoracic Images. LNCS vol 11040. Springer, Cham

Bakas, S., Reyes, M., Jakab, A., Bauer, S., Rempfler, M., Crimi, A., ... & Prastawa, M. (2018). Identifying the best machine learning algorithms for brain tumor segmentation, progression assessment, and overall survival prediction in the BRATS challenge. arXiv preprint arXiv:1811.02629.

WORK EXPERIENCE Microsoft Research Asia

Research Intern, manager: Dr. Eric I-Chao Chang

•Developed fine-grained model that make used of anatomical structure for chest radiograph interpretation

•Achieved improved results on thoracic diseases that are subtle and require close observation

•Developed reinforcement learning model for interpretable life support device detection and tracing

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE Brain Tumor Segmentation and Survival Prediction with Deep Learning

Mentor: Prof. Lin Luo, Peking University

•Developed an ensemble model of 3D CNNs to segment brain tumor from multimodal MRI scans, then extracted radiomic features from segmented tumor combined with clinical features to predict patients' overall survival

•Ranked 2nd place and 5th place out of 60+ teams in 2018 MICCAI BraTS challenge on survival prediction task and segmentation task respectively, received prize from Intel AI

•Paper accepted by MICCAI BrainLes 2018 workshop and was invited for spotlight presentation

**Structure-aware Staging for Breast Cancer Metastases** 

Mentor: Prof. Lin Luo, Peking University

- •Developed a deep learning approach to determine the stage of for breast cancer metastases using gigapixel pathology images
- •Introduced lymph structure information to guide training patch selection and design of features for survival prediction
- Paper accepted by 4th MICCAI Workshop on Breast Image Analysis and was invited for spotlight presentation

March 2019-Aug 2019

Beijing

May 2018-Aug 2018

Nov 2017-June 2018

# **Investigating Cis Elements in Alternative Splicing with Deep Learning**

Mentor: Prof. Wei Chen, SUSTech & Prof. Xin Gao, KAUST

- •Use synthetic DNA library to systematically study Cis-regulatory element in alternative splicing
- •Developed CNN model to predict PSI level based on DNA sequence
- •Use Activation Maximization/ Minimization to find sequence pattern corresponding to high/low PSI
- •One research paper currently in preparation

# **Investigating Species-specific Gene Expression Regulation using Mouse-rat Fusion Cell**

Mentor: Prof. Wei Chen, SUSTech

- •Identified genes and alternative splicing events that show cis/transdivergent regulation between mouse and rat using RNA-seq
- •Discovered that the regulation of alternative splicing is under more predominant contribution of cis-divergence than gene expression
- •Poster presentation on Otto Warburg International Research Symposium, 2017

#### **CONFERENCE**

# Otto Warburg International Research Symposium

"Investigating Species-specific Regulation of Gene Expression Using Mouse-rat Allodiploid Cell", Poster presentation

# 4th MICCAI Workshop on Breast Image Analysis

"Structure-aware staging for breast cancer metastases", Spotlight presentation

### International MICCAI Brainlesion Workshop 2018

"Prediction of Survival in Glioma with Deep Learning-Based Segmentation and Radiomics: 2nd Place Solution to Survival Prediction Task", Spotlight presentation

# RELEVANT

**COURSES** 

GE105: Basic Computer Programming

GE106: Computer System Design and Application EE207: Data Structures and Algorithm Analysis

BIO309: Computational Biology

MA333: Introduction to Big Data Science

MA307: Numerical Analysis CS303: Artificial Intelligence BIO304: Systems Biology **BIO306: Bioinformatics** 

# **COMPUTER**

**SKILLS** 

Languages: C++, Python, JAVA, R, MATLAB Software: Photoshop, Illustrator, ImageJ

Operating Systems: Windows, Mac OS X, Linux

#### EXTRA-**CURRICULARS**

# **Peer Mentor of International Students**

Provided life and academic support to Cambodian students

Students' Union of Zhixin Residential College

Active member

**Peking University** Email: luol@pku.edu.cn

Kayhan Batmanghelich, Assistant Professor

University of Pittsburgh Email: kayhan@pitt.edu

Eric I-Chao Chang, Senior Director

Microsoft Research Asia Email: echang@microsoft.com Sept 2016-Aug 2017

Sept 2018-June 2019

Aug 2017

Shanghai

Sept 2018 Granada

Sept 2018

Granada

Sept 2016-June 2019

Shenzhen

Sept 2016-Sept 2017

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#### REFERENCES Lin Luo, Vice Dean, Associate Researcher

Beijing Institute of Collaborative Innovation