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PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Data science and analytics leader with PhD in Mathematics and 10+ years of experience in pharmaceutical and biotech organizations developing advanced analytics, machine learning, and AI solutions that drive strategic decision-making. Proven track record building and deploying production ML models (LLM classifiers, predictive analytics, ensemble methods) that deliver measurable business impact. Deep expertise in Python, R, SQL, and modern data platforms (Snowflake, Databricks) with extensive hands-on experience across the ML technology stack. Strong leadership experience managing data science teams, influencing executive stakeholders, and effectively communicating complex technical concepts to diverse audiences in regulated pharmaceutical environments.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Redica Systems

2024 – Present

Director, Data Strategy & Analytics

Remote

- Led development and implementation of data-driven solutions using advanced analytics, machine learning, and AI-powered tools (production LLM classifier using OpenAI API) to extract actionable insights driving strategic decisions for pharmaceutical clients including Eli Lilly and Merck
- Influenced end-to-end delivery of data science insights from framing business questions through designing solutions to delivering recommendations—built risk-scoring models from scratch that enabled clients to optimize resource allocation in quality operations and proactively identify compliance risks
- Provided enterprise view of insights across multiple pharmaceutical clients on key topics including regulatory intelligence, quality analytics, risk management, and predictive modeling—consolidated insights and actionable recommendations ensuring alignment with strategic objectives
- Broke down technical ML/AI concepts into digestible insights for diverse stakeholders including client executives, quality leaders, and regulatory teams—presented at industry conferences (CHPA, ISPE) effectively communicating value proposition of data science to senior audiences
- Built reference data architecture and data catalogs in Snowflake supporting advanced analytics and ML workloads, implementing modern data stack with distributed systems ensuring scalability and performance for enterprise analytics

Gilead Sciences

2023 – 2024

Director, Data & Analytics (Medical Affairs)

Foster City, CA

- Led team of ~5 data scientists and analysts generating data-driven insights for Medical Affairs organization supporting strategic initiatives across therapeutic areas—managed and mentored team to deliver high-quality analytics results driving innovation
- Developed and implemented enterprise analytics strategy aligned with Medical Affairs business goals, building centralized data lake and BI platform from scratch that delivered actionable insights to commercial and medical stakeholders
- Defined and tracked key performance indicators measuring success and impact of analytics solutions—built dashboards tracking HCP/HCO engagement metrics, affiliations, and relationship networks enabling data-driven decision-making
- Built strong relationships with key stakeholders across Commercial, Medical Affairs, Regulatory, and IT organizations, effectively communicating value proposition of data science and fostering culture of data-driven decision-making
- Managed budgets, resource allocation, and timelines for analytics projects—developed vendor relationships and led cross-functional collaboration ensuring seamless integration of insights into strategic initiatives

Takeda Pharmaceuticals

2021 – 2022

Associate Director, Digital & Data Science

Lexington, MA

- Led data science and analytics team driving innovation and delivering data-driven solutions using machine learning techniques (random forest, ensemble models, PLS, PCA) and predictive algorithms to optimize manufacturing and quality operations
- Developed and deployed predictive models that extracted actionable insights from manufacturing data—models for quality risk detection, process optimization, and automated limit calculations drove measurable business impact including reduced batch failures and improved operational efficiency
- Stayed current with latest advancements in data science and AI, evaluating emerging technologies and applying them to improve processes and outcomes—drove adoption of advanced analytics methodologies across manufacturing and quality organizations
- Collaborated within analytics team and with cross-functional partners (Manufacturing, Quality, Supply Chain, IT) to develop and execute comprehensive analytics plans ensuring alignment with strategic objectives
- Continuously evaluated and enhanced existing data science capabilities, identifying opportunities for optimization and innovation to drive greater business impact and ROI from analytics investments

Tidal Wave Analytics LLC

2023 – Present

Consulting Data Scientist

Saratoga Springs, NY

- Led development and implementation of machine learning solutions for multiple clients using Python, SQL (Snowflake, Databricks), and modern ML technology stack including scikit-learn, TensorFlow, and PyTorch
- Built production random forest model on Databricks for Paradigm that delivered predictive insights driving business decisions—worked directly with VP of Product and cross-functional teams translating business requirements into technical solutions
- Developed RAG system using advanced AI techniques (HuggingFace, PyTorch) that extracted insights from complex data sources to support strategic decision-making for tax compliance advisory

Regeneron Pharmaceuticals

2016 – 2021

Senior Process Data Scientist

Rensselaer, NY

- Developed and implemented data-driven solutions using advanced analytics and machine learning techniques (ensemble methods, PLS, PCA) that extracted actionable insights driving manufacturing strategy and quality improvements
- Led execution and interpretation of predictive models from problem framing through solution design to recommendation delivery—automated limit calculations reduced manual effort by 80%, feed optimization improved yields, and quality prediction models reduced batch failures
- Influenced business partners across Manufacturing, Quality, Process Development, and Regulatory Affairs by communicating clear and impactful data-driven insights—presented complex technical concepts to senior leadership in digestible format guiding strategic decisions
- Built automated data pipelines processing large-scale distributed data from manufacturing systems, implementing modern data engineering practices ensuring data quality and accessibility for advanced analytics

EDUCATION**Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Mathematics**

2014

Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University

Dissertation: Optimization and control methods for agent-based models in biological systems. Research focused on advanced analytical methods and optimization algorithms.

SKILLS & TECHNOLOGIES

Advanced Analytics & Machine Learning: Machine Learning • Predictive Modeling • Random Forest • Ensemble Models
• PLS • PCA • Deep Learning • LLM/GenAI • Statistical Analysis • Optimization Algorithms

AI & ML Technology Stack: Python (Advanced) • R • Scikit-Learn • TensorFlow • PyTorch • HuggingFace • OpenAI API • Production ML Deployment • Model Monitoring

Data Engineering & Platforms: SQL (Advanced) • Snowflake • Databricks • AWS • Hadoop-style Distributed Systems • ETL/ELT Pipelines • Data Lakes • Data Warehouses • NoSQL (Awareness)

Analytics & Visualization: Spotfire • Sigma • Dashboard Development • Data Visualization • BI Platforms • KPI Tracking • Performance Measurement

Pharmaceutical Industry Expertise: Biotech/Pharmaceutical Operations (10+ years) • Therapeutic Area Knowledge • Regulatory Environment (FDA, GxP) • Cross-Functional Collaboration • Stakeholder Influence

Leadership & Strategy: Team Leadership & Mentorship • Data Science Team Management • Strategic Vision • Executive Communication • Business Acumen • Resource Allocation • Budget Management • Vendor Management

PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS

- CHPA Regulatory, Scientific & Quality Conference (2025) — Solo Presenter: The Impact of AI on FDA-Regulated Industries
- Redica Systems Webinar (2025) — Solo Presenter: From Reactive to Proactive: Leveraging AI/ML to Improve the Quality Unit
- ISPE Annual Meeting & Expo (2025) — Solo Presenter: Navigating FDA Compliance - Outsourcing Facility Inspections

PUBLICATIONS

- "Optimization and control of agent-based models in biology: a perspective" — Bulletin of Mathematical Biology, 2017
- "A computational model of invasive aspergillosis in the lung and the role of iron" — BMC Systems Biology, 2016