MARGARET DONOVAN

Bioinformatics and Systems Biology Doctoral Candidate



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EDUCATION

PhD in Bioinformatics and Systems Biology

University of California, San Diego

Sept 2015 - exp. Dec 2019

La Jolla, CA

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Kelly Frazer

Thesis: Understanding the cellular heterogeneity of fetal-like

and adult tissues to identify cell-type-specific eQTLs

National Library of Medicine Fellow (2015 - 2018)

ARCS Scholar (2019)

BS in Bioengineering

University of California, Santa Cruz

Sept 2009 - Aug 2013

Santa Cruz, CA

Concentration in molecular biology, minor Bioinformatics

Graduated with Honors

Thesis Advisor: Dr. Amy Ralston

Thesis: Developing a wound-healing assay to evaluate the effects of age on the function of iPSC-derived fibroblasts*

*selected for Dean's Award; Top 5% of Undergraduate Thesis within Jack Baskin School of Engineering

EXPERIENCE

Graduate Student Researcher

University of California, San Diego I Frazer Laboratory

June 2016 - ongoing

La Jolla, CA

Bioinformatics Research Associate

Illumina inc. I Protein Engineering Group

Dec 2013 - June 2015

La Jolla, CA

Undergraduate Student Researcher

University of California, Santa Cruz I Ralston Laboratory

June 2012 - Aug 2013

Santa Cruz, CA

Advanced Technology Intern

BD Biosciences I Advanced Technology Group

June 2011 - Sept 2011

San Jose, CA

SUMMARY

I'm currently a graduate student interested in understanding how genetic variation impacts genome function and disease. When not in lab, you can find me eating an unnecessary amount of Sriracha, traveling, and writing sci-fi stories.

SKILLS

Genomics Python Data visualization Google

Publications

Bioinformatic Algorithms (UCSD)

Principles of Biomedical Informatics (UCSD)

Statistical Methods in Bioinformatics (UCSD)

Statistical Learning in Bioinforamtics (UCSD)

Genomics, Proteomics, and Network Biology (UCSD)

Technical Writing for Computer Engineers (UCSC)

Organizations

Graduate Bioinformatics Council

VP Internal Affairs 2017-2018

Scientista Foundation

Co-director 2018-2019

Website Developer, Webmaster 2017-2019

Biomedical Informatics

Pre-doctoral Representative 2017-2018