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RESEARCH Interests Biomedical Informatics, Large Language Models, Computational Biology, Machine Learning, Data

Science

**EDUCATION** 

City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR

PhD Computer Science, Sep 2020 – Aug 2025

Thesis: Transfer Learning for Mitigating Data Inequalities and Bias in Biomedical Informatics

Supervisor: Ka-Chun Wong

South China University of Technology, Guangzhou, China

MS Software Engineering, Sep 2018 – Aug 2020

83% - CGPA 3.4

Thesis: A Novel Sentiment Analysis approach based on CPSO-LSTM

Supervisor: Qian Tao

University of Bradford, United Kingdom

BEng Software Engineering, Sep 2010 – June 2014

2:1 - CGPA 3.7

Thesis: Intelligent Framework for Diagnosis of Crop Diseases using Fuzzy Inference System

Supervisor: Malik Jahan Khan

Academic Positions

EMPLOYMENT AND Harvard Medical School - Brigham and Women's Hospital, Boston, MA, USA December, 2023 - June, 2024 Visiting Research Trainee

- Worked under the supervision of Martin Hemberg, for the analysis of spatial transcriptomics (ST) datasets such as NanoString, 10x Visium.
- Studied and analyzed the perineural invasion (PNI) (cancer malignant cells and nerve cells interaction) for PDAC patients.

Department of Computer Science - City University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong SAR Teaching Assistant January, 2021 - Aug 2024

Undergraduate and postgraduate level courses

- CS3422 Software Design Spring 2023, Spring 2022, Spring 2021
- CS4480 Data-Intensive Computing Fall 2022, Fall 2021
- CS5488 Big Data Algorithms and Techniques Fall 2022, Fall 2021

Department of Computer Science - Namal University, Mianwali, Pakistan Senior Software Engineer February, 2017 - January, 2018

- Worked on an intelligent disease diagnosis system for livestock in rural Pakistan.
- Easy-to-use localized web and Android-based applications to timely diagnose livestock diseases.
- Leveraged hybrid fuzzy-Case Based Reasoning (fuzzy-CBR) technique for inferences.

# Department of Computer Science and Information Technology – University Of Sargodha, Pakistan

Visiting Faculty

February, 2016 - June, 2016

Taught Software Engineering and Information Systems, and other departmental duties.

# Department of Computer Science – Namal University, Mianwali, Pakistan Research Associate July, 2014 - March, 2016

- 1. Optimized crop distribution for enhanced productivity
  - developed an Android application in English and Urdu language to help the rural farmer communities using Linear Programming (LP).
- 2. Disease diagnosis system of crop using Fuzzy Inference System
  - developed an Android app for disease diagnosis using English and Urdu Language for the crop disease diagnosis using Fuzzy Fuzzy Inference System in MATLAB.

## Namal University, Mianwali, Department of Computer Science

Intern Research Assistant

June, 2013 - May, 2014

# PUBLICATIONS (SORTED BY RELEVANCE)

- Muhammad Toseef, Li, X., & Wong, K. C. (2022). Reducing healthcare disparities using multiple multiethnic data distributions with fine-tuning of transfer learning. *Briefings in Bioinformatics*, 23(3), bbac078.
- Muhammad Toseef, Olayemi Petinrin, O., Wang, F., Rahaman, S., Liu, Z., Li, X., & Wong, K. C. (2023). Deep transfer learning for clinical decision-making based on high-throughput data: comprehensive survey with benchmark results. *Briefings in Bioinformatics*, bbad254.
- Muhammad Toseef, Malik Jahan Khan, Saifur Rahaman, Atta Ullah, Olutomi-layo Olayemi Petinrin, Xiangtao Li, Ka-Chun Wong, "Addressing Capture Biasin Tomato Disease Classification with Deep Transfer Learning", accepted in ICONIP, 2025.
- Muhammad Toseef, Olutomilayo Olayemi Petinrin, Xiangtao Li, Ka-Chun Wong (2024), "Malignant cell annotations via domain generalization for brain cancer spatial transcriptomics", *The International Conference on Neural Information Processing (ICONIP)*, 2024.
- Fuzhou Wang, Tingxiao Gao, Jiecong Lin, Zetian Zheng, Lei Huang, **Muhammad Toseef**, Xiangtao Li, and Ka-Chun Wong. "GILoop: robust chromatin loop calling across multiple sequencing depths on Hi-C data." *iScience* (2022): 105535.
- Rahaman, Saifur, Peter Wang, Jun Yu, Tania Rahman, **Muhammad Toseef**, Ibrahim Mohammed Sayem, Xiangtao Li, and Ka-Chun Wong. "Precision oncology informatics for anticancer drug combination responses: A systematic review." *Computers in Biology and Medicine* 196 (2025): 110788.
- Petinrin, O. O., Saeed, F., Muhammad Toseef., Liu, Z., Basurra, S., Muyide, I. O., Li, X & Wong, K. C. (2023). Machine Learning in Metastatic Cancer Research: Potentials, Possibilities, and Prospects. Computational and Structural Biotechnology Journal.
- Liu, Z., Petinrin, O. O., **Muhammad Toseef**, Chen, N., & Wong, K. C. (2023). Construction of Immune Infiltration-Related LncRNA Signatures Based on Machine Learning for the Prognosis in Colon Cancer. Biochemical Genetics, 1-28.
- Petinrin, O. O., Saeed, F., Salim, N., Muhammad Toseef., Liu, Z., & Muyide, I. O. (2023).
   Dimension Reduction and Classifier-Based Feature Selection for Oversampled Gene Expression Data and Cancer Classification. Processes, 11(7), 1940.
- Solyman, A., Zhenyu, W., Qian, T., Elhag, A. A. **Muhammad Toseef**, and Aleibeid, Z. (2021). Synthetic data with neural machine translation for automatic correction in Arabic grammar. *Egyptian Informatics Journal*, 22(3), 303-315.
- Muhammad Toseef and Khan, M. J. (2018). An intelligent mobile application for diagnosis of crop diseases in Pakistan using fuzzy inference system. *Computers and Electronics in Agriculture*, 153, 1-11

 Muhammad Toseef, Malik Jahan Khan, Saifur Rahaman, Atta Ullah, Olutomilayo Olayemi Petinrin, Xiangtao Li, Ka-Chun Wong, "Addressing Capture Bias in Tomato Disease Classification with Deep Transfer Learning", ICONIP, 2025.

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Programming Languages: Python, R, Java
- Tools: Slurm, Hadoop, Weka, UML Tools
- Operating Systems: Linux, macOS, Windows

## Professional Services

#### Review Service

- Computational and Structural Biotechnology Journal
- Heliyon
- BioData Mining
- PeerJ Computer Science
- IEEE BigData Conference (2022)
- International Conference on Intelligent Systems, Metaheuristics & Swarm Intelligence (ISMSI 2021, ISMSI 2020)

# Scholarships / Awards

- 4 years UGC funded studentship for PhD degree at City University of Hong Kong
- 4 years merit scholarship at Namal University Mianwali Pakistan
- PEEF (Government of Punjab, Pakistan) Scholarship at SSC level

# Reference

# Martin Hemberg, PhD

Assistant Professor of Immunology Harvard Medical School mhemberg@bwh.harvard.edu

# Malik Jahan Khan, PhD

Associate Professor Lahore University of Management Sciences jahan@lums.edu.pk

### Shahid Hussain, PhD

Assistant Professor Penn State Behrend sjh6561@psu.edu