Matthew Williams

Computational Biologist

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- SKILLS-

Languages Python; R; Jupyter Notebook; Julia; JavaScript; PostgresSQL; Linux

Frameworks & Libraries Pandas; SciKit-learn; Django; Tensorflow; Pytorch; Matplotlib; SciPy; particles; D3.js; Langchain

Developer Tools & Misc. Docker; Git; AWS; JMP; Microsoft Excel; Agile project management

-TECHNICAL EXPERIENCE -

Lanzatech
Artificial Intelligence and Computational Biology Intern

Skokie, IL

January 2024 – June 2024

Executed deep learning cofactor specificity screen of 60k+ sequences, curating <100 enzyme homologs for in-vitro assaying

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- Implemented generative AI pipeline to predict protein structure using ESMFold and screen sequences for expression probability, reducing experimental time by months
- Identified target for metabolic pathway optimization using flux balance analysis with a C. Auto genome-scale model
- Employed polynomial regression and Bayesian optimization to train metabolic growth model on experimental data

Bluestem Biosciences Remote (NE)

Full Stack Software Development Intern

June 2023 – December 2023

- Developed internal web application with Django and PostgreSQL for processing experimental data and performing modeling
- Created Jupyter Notebooks for bioinformatics projects including sequence alignment, enzyme cofactor prediction, and strain growth modeling, accelerating ad-hoc strain engineering efforts
- Built RAG LLM agent using Langchain to gain insights from internal documents and datasets, expediting grant writing
- Partnered with the commercial team to identify opportunities for commodity chemical bioproduction and compose grant proposals which secured six-figure non-dilutive funding for innovative projects

HealthPhi (Health Data Mobile Application)

Remote (NJ)

Development Intern

August 2021 – January 2023

- Strategized UX improvements for agile iOS app development and bug tested prototypes with 15+ beta users
- Presented research on competitor services and market trends in consumer wearable technology at weekly board meetings

Ortho Clinical Diagnostics

Raritan, NJ

Bioformulation Scientist II

January 2022 – August 2022

- Formulated components of the Hepatitis B and Hepatitis C ELISA Test System Kit and conducted 4-step in-process testing to validate functionality and safety prior to consumer release
- Eliminated documentation redundancies to improve workflow efficiency by 66% across donor screening teams

– PROJECTS-

Enzyme By Design — Provided consulting for pre-clinical stage oncology therapeutic startup; performed competitive analysis and advising on go-to-market strategy

Anther — Led Agile development of music clustering application, leveraging D3 to visualize song similarity data in dashboard

-EDUCATION -

Northwestern University

June 2024

Master of Science in Biotechnology; Graduate Minors in Synthetic Biology & Entrepreneurship

GPA: 3.93/4.00

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June 2020

Bachelor of Arts in Biology with a focus on Molecular Biology

- LEADERSHIP ACTIVITIES -

Association of Biotechnology Students

Evanston, IL

Industry and Alumni Relations Chair

January 2023 – January 2024

- Created internships for the biotechnology program via career development events with Deloitte and Lanzatech
- Coordinated logistics and found speakers for Biotech Nexus, a networking event with over 50 attendees, including students, faculty, and industry professionals