I excel in applying machine learning tools (newly published or custom built) to high-resolution and multimodal data, such as single-cell RNA-seq, spatial transcriptomics or EHR data, to deliver high-quality analytics, interpretability and interactive visualizations. My interest is to use vast amount of published and private multimodal data via novel machine learning models to improve our understanding of common diseases and factors that determine patient individual outcomes.

Technical expertise

Machine learning

Deep learning frameworks (torch, jax), large language models, multimodal fusion, embedding representations, bayesian modeling

Software & tools

Python, R, SQL, Linux, computational clusters, interactive visualizations, pipelines

Healthcare data

Electronic health records (EHR), clinical notes analysis, single-cell RNA-seq, spatial transcriptomics, imaging data, statistics

Leadership

Cross-functional collaboration, project management, team management, mentorship, scientific communication

Education

Ph.D. in Computational Biology, Northwestern University, Chicago, USA Driskill Graduate Program in Life Sciences

2022–2025 (anticipated in August)

M.S. in Bioinformatics, Newcastle University, Newcastle upon Tyne, UK With distinction

2017-2018

Undergraduate coursework in Biology, Genetics, Moscow State University, Moscow, Russia

2003-2006

Work Experience

Ph.D. researcher, Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine,

2022-present

- Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University, Chicago, USA Analyzed scRNAseq and EHR data jointly to understand patient response to severe pneumonia, including COVID-19
 - Acquired external funding for the project (competitive AHA predoctoral fellowship)
 - Consulted Northwestern students and faculty on deep learning, data science and data visualization
 - Presented and published our research in 3 peer-reviewed papers

Post-baccalaureate research fellow, bioinformatics, Division of Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, Feinberg School of Medicine, Northwestern University, Chicago, USA

2019-2022

- Analyzed scRNAseq and other high-throughput data from human samples and mouse experiments Cleaned and analyzed clinical EHR data from patient cohorts
- Delivered analytical insights to principal investigators in presentations and data exploration tools
- Developed and maintained data processing pipelines, data exchange and management infrastructure

Head of maintenance tools development group, Yandex, Moscow, Russia

2014-2017

- Managed a team of 6 engineers: hiring, mentoring, resolving conflicts, improving performance
- Developed, designed and supported tools for system administrators and other employees

Full-stack software engineer, Yandex, Moscow, Russia

2007-2014

- Identified employees' workflows bottlenecks for automation
- Developed, designed and supported web-services and console tools for system administrators and other employees

Software engineer, Art. Lebedev Studio, Moscow, Russia

2006-2007

2024

2023

2023

Developed and supported web-sites and a content management system

Key publications

(* denotes equal contribution)

- Markov NS, [...], Budinger GRS, Singer BD, Morales-Nebreda L, NU SCRIPT Study Investigators. A distinctive evolution of alveolar T cell responses is associated with clinical outcomes in unvaccinated patients with SARS-CoV-2 pneumonia. Nature Immunology. 10.1038/s41590-024-01914-w &
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- Sikkema L, Ramírez-Suástegui C, Strobl DC, Gillett TE, Zappia L, Madissoon E, Markov NS, [...], Theis FJ. An integrated cell atlas of the lung in health and disease. Nature Medicine. 10.1038/s41591-023-02327-2 ♂
- Speir ML, Bhaduri A, **Markov NS**, [...], Pollen AA, Raney BJ, Seninge L, Kent WJ, Haeussler M. 2021 UCSC Cell Browser: visualize your single-cell data. Bioinformatics. 10.1093/bioinformatics/btab503 &
- Grant RA*, Morales-Nebreda L*, Markov NS*, [...], Budinger GRS, Misharin AV, Singer BD, Wunderink RG. Circuits between infected macrophages and T cells in SARS-CoV-2 pneumonia. Nature. 10.1038/s41586-020-03148-w @

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