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EDUCATION

Master of Science in Bioinformatics | Ghent University

2022 - Present

Minor in Computer Science, Additional Mathematics coursework

Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Sciences | Ghent University

2019 - 2023

• Thesis: The development of cerebral organoids from stem cells using bioreactors.

WORK EXPERIENCE

Visiting Researcher | Stanford University

Jan. 2025 - Present

 Research on foundational models and deep learning for 2D and 3D medical image analysis and segmentation.

Machine Learning Research Scientist | Stealth Startup

Jul. 2024 - Jan. 2025

- Architected production computer vision pipelines utilizing CNNs, Vision Transformers, and segmentation models for high-throughput image classification.
- Developed end-to-end ML infrastructure including data pipelines, model training, and deployment systems for multiple deep learning architectures.
- Conducted statistical analysis on data streams to extract complementary insights.

Bioinformatics Intern | Galapagos

Jul. 2024 - Aug. 2024

- Created a new method and pipeline that captured novel molecular subtypes within a specific cancer type, leveraging pathway-based transcriptome data analysis.
- Collaborated with R&D to integrate the pipeline into ongoing drug discovery programs.
- Presented and discussed the novel findings with oncology specialists and senior management.

Software Engineer Intern | BioLizard

Jul. 2023 - Sept. 2023

- Developed a toolset for neoantigen prediction using ML models with integrated database.
- Features a user-friendly GUI and a versatile CLI for both lab professionals and researchers.
- Presented research findings and software capabilities to internal and external stakeholders.

Microbiology Intern | Friesland Campina

Jul. 2020 - Sept. 2020

- Physicochemical and microbiological analyses on dairy samples.
- Collaborated with the quality control team to maintain high standards of product quality.

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

Data Consultant | Everest Analytics

Jan. 2024 - Jun. 2024

- Developed a BI dashboard for Red Cross Flanders to enhance their campaign strategies.
- Analyzed volunteer data to provide insights into demographics and engagement patterns.

Representative Roles | Ghent University

2022 - Present

- IT Committee: Oversaw security initiatives, HPC operations, and BYOD policies.
- Bioinformatics Program: Managed student applications and curriculum development.

Finalist at Open Sea Lab Hackathon | EMODnet

2023

Developed a windfarm placement analysis tool with proprietary data for the European Commission.

SKILLS

- Programming & ML: Python, R, PyTorch, TensorFlow, Bash, SQL, HTML/CSS, MATLAB
- Tools & Cloud: Git, OpenCV, Docker, Google Cloud, Power BI
- Languages: Dutch (Native), English (Full Professional), French (Elementary)