## **Naveen Duhan**

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## Summary

- > Experienced bioinformatics and computational biology professional with a successful track record of combining biology and big data analytics to support organismal enhancement and genomics-enabled research.
- > Knowledge and experience with tools and techniques for Next generation sequencing data analysis, including genome assembly and annotation, RNA-Seq, small RNA sequening, Digenome, etc.
- > Strong foundation in machine learning techniques including Support Vector Machines, deep learning, and Artificial Neural Networks for predictive modeling in bioinformatics.
- > Ability to develop and implement algorithms for bioinformatics applications using Linux/Unix environments, command-line tools programming languages such as Python, R, and Perl for data analysis and manipulation.
- > Strong problem-solving and critical thinking skills for complex data analysis and interpretation.

## **Academic Appointments and Professional Experience**

Nov,2023 – present	Research Associate III Bioinformatics, Animal Disease Research & Diagnostic
	Laboratory, South Dakota State University, Brookings, SD, USA
Jan, 2019 – Nov, 2023	Graduate Research Assistant, Utah State University, Logan, UT, USA
Aug, 2011 – Dec, 2018	Teaching Assistant Bioinformatics, School of Agricultural Biotechnology, Pun-
	jab Argicultural University, Ludhiana, India
Jul, 2010 – Aug, 2011	Lecturer Bioinformatics, Guru Nanak Girls College, Ludhiana, India

### **Education**

2019 – 2023	Ph.D., Utah State University
	Plant Sciences (Bioinformatics and Computational biology)
	<b>Thesis:</b> Machine learning and Data mining in complex genomics big data: developing efficient tools to advance computational systems biology
2008 – 2010	M.Sc. Bioinformatics, Punjabi University Patiala, India Thesis: In silico prediction of microRNA in Catharanthus roseus and their role in metabolomics
2005 – 2008	B.Sc. Biology, Kurukshetra University Kurukshetra, India Subject: Zoology, Botany, Chemistry
2007 – 2008	Add-on Certificate Diplom, Kurukshetra University Kurukshetra, India Subject: Bioinformatics

## **Awards**

- **Q** USU Robins Awards finalist for Doctoral Student Researcher of the academic Year 2022-2023, Utah State University, Logan, UT, USA
- **Doctoral Student Researcher of the academic Year 2022-2023**, College of Agriculture and Applied Sciences Utah State University, Logan, UT, USA
- **Q Doctoral Student Researcher of the academic Year 2022-2023**, Department of Plants, Soils and Climate Utah State University, Logan, UT, USA

## Awards (continued)

**Young Scientist Award**, National Conference on Technological Challenges in Social, Environmental, and Agricultural Reforms (TECHSEAR-2017) 9th and 10th September 2017 at IIRR Hyderabad

## **Grants/Proposals**

#### Current

**Title:** Emerging avian metapneumovirus subgroup A and B in US poultry: development of diagnostic assays and control strategies; **Funding Agency:** Foundation for Food & Agriculture Research; **Role:** Co-PI; **Total Amount:** \$300,000; **Time:** 1 Year

#### **Submitted**

- ☐ Title: Development of viral vectored vaccines to protect US poultry against avian reovirus infections;Funding Agency: USDA-NIFA; Role: Co-PI; Total Amount: \$649,907; Time: 3 Year
- Title: To study the evolution of emerging avian metapneumovirus subgroups A and B in US poultry and to develop novel virus vectored vaccines against them; Funding Agency: USDA-NIFA; Role: Co-PI; Total Amount: \$649,936; Time: 3 Year

## **Softwares and Webserver Developed**

### Softwares / Tools (5)

- → miPyRNA (https://github.com/navduhan/mipyrna): an automated python package for small RNA sequencing data analysis.
- → **SNVguru** (https://github.com/usubioinfo/snvguru): an automated python package for single nucleotide variation (SNV) analysis.
- → **pySeqRNA** (https://github.com/navduhan/pyseqrna): an automated python package for next-generation sequencing data analysis.
- → **MINpred** (https://bioinfo.usu.edu/minpred/download/minpred.tar.gz): a standalone alignment-free deep learning based tool for nitrogen mineralization enzyme classification.
- → **deepNEC** (https://navduhan@bitbucket.org/navduhan/deepnec.git): a standalone alignment-free deep learning based tool for nitrogen metabolism enzyme classification.

### Webserver / Databases (13)

- → **HPInet** (http://bioinfo.usu.edu/hpinet/): a Cereal crops and pathogen prote-protein interaction database. (accessed by ≈ 20 users)
- → **HuPoxNET** (http://bioinfo.usu.edu/hupoxnet/): a database for Human-Monkeypox virus interactome. (accessed by ≈ 20 users)
- → myDockDB (http://bioinfo.usu.edu/myDockDB/): a Multiple Myeloma Proteins and Natural Compounds Docking WEB-resource. (accessed by ≈ 20 users)
- → **pySeqRNA** (http://bioinfo.usu.edu/pyseqrna/): complete documentation website for pySeqRNA package. (accessed by ≈ 112 users)
- → ranchSATdb (http://bioinfo.usu.edu/ranchSATdb/): a database of ranch animals microsatellite markers (accessed by ≈ 30 users)
- → **TritiKBdb** (http://bioinfo.usu.edu/tritikbdb/): a Host-Pathogen interaction database for understanding Karnal Bunt disease infection mechanisms in Wheat. (accessed by ≈ 540 users)
- → **HuCoPIA** (http://bioinfo.usu.edu/hucopia/): an Atlas of Human vs. SARS-CoV-2 interactome and the comparative analysis with other Coronaviridae family viruses. (accessed by ≈ 60 users)

## Softwares and Webserver Developed (continued)

- **deepNEC** (http://bioinfo.usu.edu/deepNEC/): an integrated web server platform for the prediction of nitrogen metabolism-related enzymes using deep learning. (accessed by ≈ 700 users)
- → **deepHPI** (http://bioinfo.usu.edu/deepHPI/): a Deep Learning framework for the prediction of host-pathogen protein interactions and visualization. (accessed by ≈ 1.03K users)
- → **GreeningDB** (http://bioinfo.usu.edu/GreeningDB/): a database of host-pathogen interactions and studying comparatomics of citrus and citrus greening disease (HLB). (accessed by  $\approx$  828 users)
- → covidTracker (http://bioinfo.usu.edu/covidTracker/): a COVID 19 disease infection statistics tracker. (accessed by ≈ 8200 users)
- → **legumeSSRdb** (http://bioinfo.usu.edu/legumeSSRdb/): a Legume species microsatellite markers database. (accessed by ≈ 712 users)
- → **citSATdb** (http://bioinfo.usu.edu/citSATdb/): a Citrus species microsatellite markers database. (accessed by ≈ 530 users)

### **Research Interests**

To achieve my research goals in **Biological Foundations of One Health** theme, I intend to follow a multidisciplinary research strategy combining computational and molecular biology. My interests are divided into the following categories:

- Integrating multi-omics data to improve animal, plant and human health / response to environmental changes:
  - Next-generation sequencing (NGS) data analysis: Genome assembly, RNA-seq, ChiP-seq, Single Cell RNA-seq, Var-seq, Digenome, metagenomes *etc*.
  - Genome-scale functional annotation: develop novel algorithms to predict biochemical pathways and structure/function analyses
  - Development of new pipelines, tools and improvement for existing pipelines for NGS data analysis
- Artifical Intelligence (Machine Learning) based computational modeling to analyze large-scale sequence data
- System biology (integrating phenotypic, genotypic, and environmental data):
  - Host-pathogen interactions
  - Protein-protein interactions: both at intra- and inter-species level
  - Metabolic pathway analysis, gene regulatory networks
- Develop prediction tools / web servers / databases to aid research community in the above areas of interest.

## **Teaching Experience**

Uath State University, Logan, UT, USA

• PSC 4150/6150: Bioinformatics and Big Data Mining

#### Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, India

#### Graduate Level

- Biotech 509: Bioinformatics Tools and Their Application in Agriculture
- Biotech 607: Advances in Bioinformatics

#### Undergraduate Level

- Biotech 307: Introduction to Bioinformatics
- Biotech 401: Introduction to Genomics and Proteomics
- Biotech 404: Computational Biology
- Biotech 499: In-house Training

### **Research Publications**

I have **28 publications** in international peer-reviewed journals, including **10 first author** articles. My **h-index** = **8, i10-index** = **7,** and **total citations** = **185** (as per Google Scholar Citations).

#### **Journal Articles**

- 1 Kataria, R., **Duhan, N.**, & Kaundal, R. (2024). Navigating the human-monkeypox virus interactome: Hupoxnet atlas reveals functional insights. *Frontiers in Microbiology*, Accepted.
- Kaur, S., Seem, K., **Duhan, N.**, Kumar, S., Kaundal, R., & Mohapatra, T. (2024). Comparative mirnome and transcriptome analyses reveal the expression of novel mirnas in the panicle of rice implicated in sustained agronomic performance under terminal drought stress. *Planta*, 259(6), 128.

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- Luqman, M., **Duhan, N.**, Temeeyasen, G., Selim, M., <u>Jangra, S.</u>, & Mor, S. (2024). Geographical expansion of avian metapneumovirus subtype b: First detection and molecular characterization of avian metapneumovirus subtype b in us poultry. *Viruses*, 16, 508.

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- **Duhan, N.** & Kaundal, R. (2024a). AtSubP-2.0: An integrated web server for the annotation of arabidopsis proteome subcellular localization using deep learning. *Plant Genome*, Accepted.
- **Duhan, N.** & Kaundal, R. (2024). RSLpred2: An integrated web server for the annotation of Rice proteome subcellular localization using deep learning. *Rice,* Accepted.
- Kaur, S., Seem, K., **Duhan, N.**, Kumar, S., Kaundal, R., & Mohapatra, T. (2023). Transcriptome and physio-biochemical profiling reveals differential responses of rice cultivars at reproductive-stage drought stress. *International Journal of Molecular Sciences*, 24(2), 1002.

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- **Duhan, N.**, Kaur, S., & Kaundal, R. (2023). ranchSATdb: A genome-wide simple sequence repeat (SSR) markers database of livestock species for mutant germplasm characterization and improving farm animal health. *Genes*, 14(2), 1481. https://doi.org/10.3390/genes14071481
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- Kaundal, R., Loaiza, C. D., **Duhan, N.**, & Flann, N. (2022). deepHPI: A comprehensive deep learning platform for accurate prediction and visualization of host–pathogen protein–protein interactions. *Briefings in Bioinformatics*, 23(3), bbac125. Ohttps://doi.org/10.1093/bib/bbac125

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- Mahalingam, R., **Duhan, N.**, Kaundal, R., Smertenko, A., Nazarov, T., & Bregitzer, P. (2022). Heat and drought induced transcriptomic changes in barley varieties with contrasting stress response phenotypes. *Frontiers in Plant Science*, 13, 4652. https://doi.org/10.3389/fpls.2022.1066421
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- **Duhan, N.**, Kataria, R., & Kaundal, R. (2022). TritiKBdb: A functional annotation resource for deciphering the complete interaction networks in wheat-karnal bunt pathosystem. *International Journal of Molecular Sciences*, 23(13), 7455. https://doi.org/10.3390/ijms23137455
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- Malhotra, P. K., Verma, G., Sidhu, G. S., & **Duhan, N.** (2020). Epigenomics: Role, approaches and applications in plants. *JAPS, Journal of Animal and Plant Sciences*, 30(5), 1071–1082.

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- **Duhan, N.** & Kaundal, R. (2020b). pySeqRNA: An automated python package for rna sequencing data analysis. f1000research. **O** https://doi.org/10.7490/f1000research.1118314.1
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- <u>Kaur, K.</u>, Duhan, N., Singh, J., Kaur, G., & Vikal, Y. (2020). Computational identification of maize miRNA and their gene targets involved in biotic and abiotic stresses. *Journal of biosciences*, 45, 1–17.

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- Mohanpuria, P., **Duhan, N.**, Sarao, N. K., <u>Kaur, M.</u>, & <u>Kaur, M.</u>. (2018). In silico identification and validation of potential microRNAs in Kinnow Mandarin (*Citrus reticulata* blanco). *Interdisciplinary Sciences:*Computational Life Sciences, 10, 762–770. https://doi.org/10.1007/s12539-017-0235-6

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- **Duhan, N.** & Kaundal, R. (2024b). PRGminer: Harnessing deep learning for the prediction of resistance genes involved in plant defense mechanisms [Frontiers in Plant Science].
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#### **Manuals**

**Duhan, N.**, Chhuneja, P., & Singh, K. (2012). *Introduction to Bioinformatics: A Practical Manual*. School of Agricultural Biotechnology, Punjab agricultural University, Ludhiana. COA/2012/Manual-10.

#### Abstract / Oral / Conferences

- **Duhan, N.**, Temeeyasen, G., Luqman, M., Selim, M., Khaled, A., T., S., Jangra, S., & Mor, S. (2024). TrevoDB: A comprehensive resource for turkey orthoreovirus classification and comparative analysis. In 75<sup>th</sup> North Central Avian Disease Conference.
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## Other Conferences and Workshops

- International Conference on Sustainable Agriculture for Food and Livelihood Security. [Organized by: Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana, India (November 27-29)]. (2012).
- Research Oriented Techniques in Biotechnology [Conducted by Orbit Biotech Pvt. Ltd. at Guru Nanak Girls College, Ludhiana, India (January 19-25)]. (2011).
- Bioinformatics Workshop on Proteomics and Genomics [Conducted by Supercomputing Facility for Bioinformatics and Computational Biology, Indian Institute of Technology, New Delhi India (September 16-19)]. (2009).
- In-silico structure based drug designing of potent inhibitor for tat protein a therapeutic drug target for HIV [ADI Bio-Solution 3B-2 Mohali, India (June 1-30)]. (2009).

### **Invited Talks**

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November 22, 2017		LaTeX: A Useful Tool for Scientific Writing and Presentations at School of Agricultural Biotechnology, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana.
November 1, 2017		Role of Bioinformatics in Conservation and Use in Plant Breeding at Training programme on "Enhancing germplasm use through pre-breeding, evaluation, and frontier" under the Centre for Advanced Faculty training in Genetics and Plant Breeding, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana.
February 3, 2017		Open-source computing for young biologists: Overview of Linux Hands-on training on text mining at "Biotechnological platforms for utility production maize" organized at <i>ICAR-Indian Institute of Maize Research, Ludhiana</i> .
February 6, 2017		Differential Gene Expression Studies Hands-on training of raw data assembly, identification, and annotation of differential genes "Biotechnological platforms for utility production maize" organized at <i>ICAR-Indian Institute of Maize Research, Ludhiana</i> .
August 30, 2016		Computational identification of disease responsive microRNAs "Innovative breeding approaches for the development of climate smart crops" under the Centre for Advanced Faculty training in Genetics and Plant Breeding, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana.
August 6-26, 2015		Bioinformatics: A step towards innovation in agriculture.
		Genomic data analysis non-coding RNA identification and their target prediction at Training programme on "Mendelian Genetics to Molecular Genetics in Relevance to Plant Breeding" under the Centre for Advanced Faculty training in Genetics and Plant Breeding, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana.
August 23, 2014		Bioinformatics: A step towards innovation at "Milk Genomics workshop" <i>DAV College Karnal, India.</i>
August 18, 2014	=	In silico gene prediction and annotation at Department of Plant Breeding, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana.
November 13, 2013		Role of miRNAs in Clinical Research.

## **Invited Talks (continued)**

	Searching Biological Databases at "Workshop of Bioinformatics and Human Genomics
	organized by Christian Medical College, Ludhiana" at School of Agricultural Biotechnol-
	ogy, Punjab Agricultural University, Ludhiana.
October 23, 2013	Role of Bioinformatics in Genomics and Primer Designing at <i>University College, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra, India.</i>
September 27, 2013	In silico gene prediction and annotation at Department of Plant Breeding, Punjab Agri-

March 15, 2013 Protein structure and function prediction at Department of Biotechnology Kumaun University Nainital, India.

cultural University, Ludhiana.

## Leadership Skills

• President of the Indian Student Association at Utah State University for the 2021-22 academic session.

## Scientific / Professional Services

- Reviewer for the Undergraduate Research and Creative Opportunities (URCO) Grant Program, Utah State University, Logan, UT, 84322
- Served as Moderator and evaluator at Utah State University Research Symposium 2023.
- Designed 8 courses for the Bioinformatics module in B. Tech Biotechnology Degree under Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) 5th Dean committee for course revision.
- Students Supervised: 20
- Persons trained in Bioinformatics: 10
- Manuscript Reviewer: 7 (Briefings in Bioinformatics, BMC Genomics, Journal of Plant Biochemistry and Biotechnology, Scientific Reports-Nature, Frontiers in Cell and Developmental Biology, Genes, and Forests)

## **Media Contributions**

### Internet

→ Data Scientists Uncovering Genes that Protect Alfalfa against Salinity Stress. (Read here)

# References

Available on Request