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Education

Master of Science in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology(With Thesis)

SHAHJALAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY(SUST)

2019-2021

Sylhet, Bangladesh

- CGPA: 3.57 out of 4.00
- **Thesis title:** Development of a disease detection tool from metagenomic sequence data utilizing k-mer frequency based algorithms: A gut microbiome study. [🔗](#)
 - Processed WGS microbial gut sequences (FastQC, BWA, and SAMtools) and built a database by encoding k-mers (SQLite3).
 - Developed and optimized a k-mer-based method for accurate prediction of categorized sequences (string matching algorithms and neural networks).
- **Thesis supervisor:** **Mohammad Uzzal Hossain**, Senior Scientific Officer - Bioinformatics Division, National Institute of Biotechnology, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Bachelor of Science(Honours) in Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

SHAHJALAL UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY(SUST)

2015-2019

Sylhet, Bangladesh

- CGPA: 3.36 out of 4.00
- **Research Project:** Prediction of Missing DNA Methylation from Whole Genome Bisulfite Data Using KNN. [🔗](#)
 - Preprocessed the epigenomic dataset (Bash scripting) and developed model to impute missing CpG methylation values in DNA(k-Nearest Neighbors).
- **Academic Advisor:** **Ayesha Tasnim**, Asst. Professor, CSE, SUST, Sylhet, Bangladesh | **Advisor:** **Dr. Rashedul Islam**, Postdoctoral Fellow, Berkeley Lab, USA.

Research Experiences

Child Health Research Foundation

RESEARCH OFFICER; BIOINFORMATICIAN - GENOMICS TEAM

Dhaka, Bangladesh

2024-Present; 01 Aug 2022 - 2023

- **CZI A Global Pediatric Cell Atlas of Nasal and Oral Mucosa.** [🔗](#)
 - Prepared single-cell libraries followed by cell isolation and capture, whole-transcriptome amplification by utilizing HoneyComb method.(1st in Bd)[🔗](#)
 - Analyzed single-cell RNA-seq data using Scanpy and Seurat on Terra, comparing data from sick and healthy samples, including:
 - Processed scRNA-seq data: SCTransform normalization, dimensionality reduction (PCA, UMAP), annotated cell types using canonical markers.
 - Performed label transfer with prediction score filtering, cluster refinement, and subclustering to uncover lineage-specific cellular heterogeneity.
 - Quantified cell type and subset frequencies across disease conditions; applied Kruskal-Wallis, Dunn's test, and Cohen's d effect size analysis.
 - Mapped RSV transcript burden across epithelial cell subsets to reveal location-specific viral entry, tropism, and infection response patterns.
- **Collaboration:** Ordo vas-Montañes Lab — Boston Children's Hospital, Harvard Medical School and the Broad Institute. [🔗](#)
- **Training:** Received training on single-cell sequencing and analysis from the team members of Ordo vas Montanes Lab, Boston Childrens Hospital. [🔗](#)
- **PCV effectiveness study via single-cell analysis of pregnant women.** [🔗](#)
 - Isolated PBMCs, prepared single-cell libraries, and performed whole-transcriptome amplification using the HoneyComb method.
 - Generated PBMC scRNA-seq matrix using Terra BeenetPlus; applied Seurat SCTransform, PCA/UMAP, and used SingleR for coarse annotation.
 - Quantified cell-type frequencies and preterm-term variation via DE analysis, GO enrichment and Monocle3 trajectories: preterm versus term samples.
- **Workshop:** Attended at the 2024 HCA Single-Cell Omics In-Person Computational and Experimental Design Workshop and received training on: [🔗](#)
 - Cell-cell communication, BCR background and 10x analysis, trajectory inference, differential abundance, multiomic scATAC.
 - Group Work and Presentation: Single-Cell Profiling of Ebola Virus Disease In Vivo Reveals Viral and Host Dynamics [🔗](#).
 - Trainer: Shalek Lab - MIT, Harvard Stem Cell Institute, and Faculty of Medicine - Mahidol University, Thailand [🔗](#)
- **Supported by:** Global Grand Challenges, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation [🔗](#)
- **A computational framework to automatically interpret pediatric chest X-rays and diagnose pneumonia.**
 - Developed a contrast-enhanced Swin Transformer framework using PyTorch for accurate pneumonia classification from pediatric chest X-rays.
 - Employed modified Segment Anything Model to segment lung regions, enhancing disease localization and interpretability of model predictions.
- **Funded by:** NIHR Global Health Research Unit on Respiratory Health [🔗](#)
- **Genomic epidemiology of Salmonella Paratyphi B isolates from Bangladesh.** [🔗](#)
 - Extracted genomic DNA and prepared libraries for whole-genome sequencing using Illumina (NextSeq 2000/iSeq 100) and Oxford Nanopore (MinION).
 - Developed hybrid pipeline using Bash scripting, integrating preprocessing, genome assembly, mapping, serotyping, MLST and AMR detection.
 - Included variant calling, consensus generation, recombination analysis, phylogenetic tree construction/annotation using RAXML-NG and iTOL.
 - Processed Nanopore reads: preprocessing (NanoQC), hybrid assembly (Flye, Unicycler), polishing (Medaka), and assembly improvement (Pilon).
- **Workshop:** Attended SeroCalculator Workshop in Kigali, Rwanda; learned seroincidence simulation and antibody modeling for typhoid estimation. [🔗](#)
- **Training:** Received Advanced Bioinformatics Training by Wellcome Sanger Institute under GPS and JUNO projects in Bangalore, India. [🔗](#)
 - Nextflow workflow building on Docker for NGS analysis (FastQC, Trimmomatic, SPAdes, Kraken2, Prokka, QUAST, SeroBA, SRST2, Abricate, Snippy...)
- **Whole Exome Sequencing and analysis services.**
 - Extracted genomic DNA from human samples, performed library preparation, and conducted whole-exome sequencing using Illumina NextSeq 2000
 - Developed Bash/Python pipeline for downstream analysis using GATK best practices and disease association detection including:
 - Performed QC, alignment, variant calling, CNV detection and variant annotation using ANNOVAR, VEP, and Franklin for clinical interpretation.
 - Integrated ClinVar, OncoKB, CIViC, VarSome to assign pathogenicity and associate variants with disease phenotypes and molecular mechanisms.
 - Applied constraint metrics and functional impact scores to prioritize rare variants with strong biological and clinically validated relevance.

- Revealing the Disease complexity and Population Structure of Human Gut Microbiota from Diverse Cohort of Bangladesh Population. [↗](#)
 - Performed metagenomic analysis of 16S rRNA: denoising (DADA2), feature table (q2-feature-table), and phylogenetic tree building (FastTree).
 - Conducted taxonomic assignment (q2-feature-classifier, SILVA), diversity analysis (q2-diversity), and visualized communities (Emperor).
 - Under "Establishment of National Gene Bank Project" (NIB), Ministry of Science and Technology, Bangladesh [↗](#)

Teaching Experience

Child Health Research Foundation (CHRF)

TEACHING ASSISTANT, BUILDING SCIENTISTS FOR BANGLADESH

Dhaka, Bangladesh

2023-2024

- Advanced Next Generation Sequencing** [↗](#)
 - Linux OS, NGS Data Analysis: Quality checking, quality filter, genome assembly, genome annotation
 - Building consensus (CZID), sample sheet preparation for NextSeq2000, data uploading to NCBI and ENA
- Next-Generation Pathogen Sequencing Training** [↗](#)
 - Linux OS, bash scripting genome assembly, genome mapping, genome annotation, genome submission, MLST prediction
- AI in Public Health** [↗](#)
 - Preprocessed data, performed visualization, and built ML/DL architectures using NumPy, Pandas, Keras, and TensorFlow.
 - Dengue prediction in Puerto Rico using LSTM and ARIMA; pneumonia detection in X-rays using CNN and modeling techniques (PyCaret, GRU).
- Supported** by the Bill and Melinda Gates foundation, through the Democratizing Public Health Modeling Using AI-based Tools [↗](#)

Bioinformatics Division, National Institute of Biotechnology (NIB)

INSTRUCTOR, BIOINFORMATICS DIVISION

Dhaka, Bangladesh

2021

- Delivered training on Bioinformatics for Biotechnology Research
 - Linux OS, bash scripting and biopython for NGS data analysis

Publications

- Hossen, K., Debnath, J. P., Khandaker, M. S., S. Majid, M. M. Islam, S. Arefin, **Dev, P. C.**,* Sarker, S.,* Hossain, T.* **omicML: An Integrative Tool of Bioinformatics and Machine Learning Algorithms to Identify Transcriptomic Biomarkers.** (In process)
- Malaker, A. R., Deb, P., Tanmoy, A. M., Kanon, N., Reaz, S., **Dev, P. C.**, ... A. A., Tato, C., Nawshad, A. S. M. N. U., Imam, F., DeRisi, J. L., Saha, S. K., Hooda, Y., Saha, S. **Emerging Role of Human Parvovirus 4 in Pediatric Meningitis: A Multiyear Retrospective Observational Study.** (In process)
- Debnath, J. P., Hossen, K., Sayed, S. B., Khandaker, M. S., **Dev, P. C.**,* Sarker, S.,* Hossain, T.* Identification of Potential Biomarkers for 2022 Mpox Virus Infection: A Transcriptomic Network Analysis and Machine Learning Approach. **Scientific Reports** doi: **10.1038/s41598-024-80519-7**
- Islam, S., Kabiraj, R., Sarkar, H., **Dev, P. C.**, Tanni, A., Keya, D., Malaker, R. A., M., Tanmoy, A., Saha, S., Hooda, Y., Saha, S. Genome sequences of bacteriophages that infect *Salmonella Typhi* from Bangladesh. **Microbiology Resource Announcements** 0:e00447-24. doi: **10.1128/mra.00447-24**
- Raju, R. S., Nahid, A. A., **Dev, P. C.**, Islam, R. VirusTaxo: Taxonomic classification of viruses from the genome sequence using k-mer enrichment. **Genomics.** 2022 Jul;114(4):110414. doi: **10.1016/j.ygeno.2022.110414**. Epub 2022 Jun 17. PMID: 35718090.
- Chowdhury, Z. M., Bhattacharjee, A., ... **Dev, P. C.**, Salimullah, M., Keya, C. A. Exploration of Streptococcus core genome to reveal druggable targets and novel therapeutics against *S. pneumoniae*. **PLoS One.** 2022 Aug 18;17(8):e0272945. doi: **10.1371/journal.pone.0272945**.

Conference Poster Presentations

- Dev, P. C.**, Malaker, A. R., Keya, D. P., Tanmoy, A. M., Saha, S. K., Saha, S., Hooda, Y., Building a single-cell atlas of the nasopharyngeal mucosa to investigate RSV and SARS-CoV-2 infection. **2025 Human Cell Atlas General Meeting, Singapore.**
- Keya, D. P., Malaker, A. R., **Dev, P. C.**, J. L. Walsh, F. Taliaferro, ... B. Horwitz, S. K., Saha, Hooda, Y., J. Ordovas-Montanes, Saha, S.. Harnessing single cell genomics to understand pathophysiology of RSV infection in the nasal mucosa of children. **2025 Human Cell Atlas General Meeting, Singapore.**
- Malaker, A. R., Keya, D. P., **Dev, P. C.**, Tanvia, L., Kanon, N., Hassan, S., Tanmoy, A. M., Islam, M. S., Shalek, A. K., Saha, S. K., Hooda, Y., Saha, S.. Impact of PCV-10 vaccination on the immune cell population of pre-term infants in rural Bangladesh. **2025 Human Cell Atlas General Meeting, Singapore.**
- Dev, P. C.**, Malaker, A. R., Keya, D. P., Hooda, Y., Saha, S., Building a single-cell atlas of the nasopharyngeal mucosa to investigate SARS-CoV-2 infection. **2024 HCA Single-Cell Omics in-person Computational and Experimental Design Workshop, Bangkok, Thailand.**
- Dev, P. C.**, Tanmoy, A. M., Rahman, A., Saha, S. K., Hooda, Y., Saha, S., Paratype v1.1: recent updates to the genotyping tool for paratyphoid fever surveillance. **13th International Conference on Typhoid and Other Invasive Salmonellosis, Kigali, Rwanda.**
- Rehman, A., **Dev, P. C.**, Hossain, M. M., Kazi, E., ... H., Hooda, Y., Tanmoy, A. M., Saha, S. K., Saha, S., Genomic epidemiology of *Salmonella enterica* serovar *Paratyphi B* isolates from Bangladesh. **13th International Conference on Typhoid and Other Invasive Salmonellosis, Kigali, Rwanda.**

Accomplishment

- 2018-2024 **6th** out of 731, Position from Bangladesh: Handle: **Preonath_Shuvo_SUST, Rosalind** [↗](#)
Rosalind is a platform for learning bioinformatics through problem-solving, and I applied Python to solve these problems.
- 2022-2023 **100+** Problem solved: Handle: **Preonath, Leetcode** [↗](#)
Leetcode is a platform of algorithmic problems for competitive programming and applied Python to solve these problems.
- 2023-2024 **220** out of 13558: Handle: **CHRFBD_datascience_team, DrivenData** [↗](#)
DrivenData applies data science to health projects. My team predicted dengue spread using LSTM.
- 2017 **Accomplished Competitor: University Physics Competition**, [↗](#)
This international competition challenges problem-solving with physics. My team worked on Solar Sailing to Mars.

References

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