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PERSONAL

Date of Birth 24/4/1984 Nationality French

Residency New Zealand

Languages French (mother tongue), English (advanced)

POSITIONS

Postdoctoral researcher in bioinformatics at Massey University, Palmerston North, New Zealand; 2016 – current

Time to fight back: harnessing molecular determinants of virulence and adaptation in kauri dieback pathogens. This work aims at studying the *Phytophthora agathidicida* population structure and their effector diversity. Massey University and the Bio-Protection Research Centre

Postdoctoral researcher in bioinformatics at Massey University, Palmerston North, New Zealand; 2012 – 2016

Lateral gene transfer in fungi: Identifying the cross-species toolbox for metabolic innovation. This work involves the development of different web applications, scripts and software to analyse and display complex data. Massey University and the Bio-Protection Research Centre

PhD studentship at INRA, Clermont Ferrand, France; 2008 – 2011

Thesis on developing bioinformatics tools to combine information from metabolomics, transcriptomics and promotor studies to characterize metabolic pathways involved in liver cancers. Collaboration with Polytechnic school (Palaiseau, France) to develop software for biological

pathway modelling and biochemical dynamics analysis.

Masters Internship at European Institute of Biology and Chemistry, Bordeaux, France; 2008 Evaluation of a docking software (Autodock v.4) and development of an automatic procedure to compute docking of multiple ligands on kinase receptors using a computation cluster.

Bachelor Internship at Bordeaux University, Bordeaux, France; 2007

Development of software for visualisation and detection of internal movements in biomolecules.

EDUCATION

2011: PhD in Computational Biology, INRA, Clermont Ferrand, France

2008: Masters in Computational Biology, Bordeaux University, France, Class Major

2007: Bachelor in Computer Sciences, Bordeaux University

2005: Bachelor in Biology, Geology and Earth Sciences, Bordeaux University, Diploma to become biology and geology teacher in high school

AWARDS

2015: Massey University Team Research Medal, Medal given to the Massey Bio-Protection Research Team for our research on "Decoding the molecular basis of fungal-plant interactions". Rosie Bradshaw, Murray Cox, **Pierre-Yves Dupont**, Carla Eaton, Austen Ganley and Barry Scott

PUBLICATIONS

Genomic data quality impacts automatic detection of lateral gene transfer in fungi - **Dupont PY** and Cox MP; Genes | Genomes | Genetics; 2017; 7(4):1301-1314

Fungal endophyte infection of ryegrass reprogrammes host metabolism and alters development - **Dupont PY**, Eaton CJ, Wargent JJ, Fechtner S, Solomon P, Schmid J, Day RC, Scott B, Cox MP; New Phytologist; 2015; 208(4):1227-1240

A core gene set describes the molecular basis of mutualism and antagonism in Epichloë spp. - Eaton CJ, **Dupont PY**, Solomon P, Clayton W, Scott B, Cox MP; Molecular Plant-Microbe Interactions; 2015; 28(3):218-231

HyLiTE: accurate and flexible analysis of gene expression in allopolyploid species - Duchemin W, **Dupont PY**, Campbell MA, Ganley A and Cox MP; BMC Bioinformatics, 2015; 16:8

Genomes of plant-associated clavicipitaceae - Schardl CL, Young CA, Moore N, Krom N, **Dupont PY**, Pan J, Farman ML; Advances in Botanical Research, 2014; 70:291-327

Computational identification of transcriptionally co-regulated genes, validation with the four ANT isoform genes - **Dupont PY**, Guttin A, Issartel JP, Stepien G; BMC Genomics, 2012; 13:482

Computational analysis of the transcriptional regulation of the adenine nucleotide translocator isoform 4 gene and its role in spermatozoid glycolytic metabolism - **Dupont PY**, Stepien G; Gene, 2011; 487(1):38-45

Description and assessment of a model for GSK-3beta database virtual screening - Ventimila N, **Dupont PY**, Laguerre M, Dessolin J; J Enzyme Inhib Med Chem, 2010; 25(2):152-7

CONFERENCES

 $Insights\ into\ the\ molecular\ mechanisms\ underlying\ grass-endophyte\ symbiosis\ -\ Plant-fungal\ interactions\ symposium;\ The\ Samuel\ Roberts\ Noble\ Foundation;\ March\ 2015;\ Oral\ presentation$

Fungal endophyte infection of ryegrass reprograms host metabolism and alters development - 28th Fungal Genetics Conference; March 2015; Poster

Endophyte infection of ryegrass alters metabolism, development and response to stress - Queenstown Molecular Biology Conference; August 2014; Two oral presentations (plant satellite and main meeting)

SOFTWARE AND DATABASES

Epichloë festucae gene models database - This Ruby on Rails web application contains functional annotations for all *E. festucae* E2368 gene models. It includes links to major international bioinformatics databases. It is used by international researchers and considered as one of the major tools for studies on fungal endophytes. Publically available at: http://epichloe.massey.ac.nz

Perennial Ryegrass gene models database - This Ruby on Rails database contains functional annotations for over 50,000 predicted perennial ryegrass genes. Publically available at: http://ryegrass.massey.ac.nz

Hybrid Lineage Transcriptome Explorer (HyLiTE) - HyLiTE is a software allowing the analysis of high-throughput transcriptome data from allopolyploid species. Publically available at: http://sourceforge.net/projects/hylite

Geneprom - Geneprom is a Ruby on Rails web application developed during my PhD. It allows users to study regulatory elements present in gene promoters

MPSA (Metabolic Pathway Software Analyzer) - This is a Java plugin for VANTED. It allows the integration of data from different biological analysis methods to have a better understanding of metabolic pathways and their regulation

I also worked on the development of a proprietary information system for academic research (written in C++) during my PhD. Some more of my work, including the slides of my teaching, can be found in my Sourceforge (http://sourceforge.net/u/pydupont/profile/) and Github (https://github.com/pydupont) personal pages

TEACHING

I have been involved in teaching to both undergraduate students and academic staff. I have taught Microarray analysis to third year students at Massey University in 2015 and to medical students in Clermont-Ferrand University, France in 2010 and 2011. I also created an introductory course to Unix and Python programming for Massey University staff (2013-2014). I have also given numerous tutorials on a variety of computer-related topics including SVN and GIT, Ruby on Rails and Lisp. Finally, I am training and mentoring PhD students and confirmed researchers for statistical analyses and the use of bioinformatics tools in the space or transcriptomics, phylogenetics, next-generation sequencing and comparative genomics.

SKILLS

Phylogeny: Neighbor Joining, Maximum Likelihood (PHYLIP, PhyML, RAxML), supertrees, consensus trees. Multiple sequence alignments with mafft, clustal, kalign, muscle, etc. Analysis libraries: ETE toolkit + BioPython (Python) and phangorn (R)

Next Generation Sequencing: Expert in NGS data analysis. RNA-Seq (Illumina) data analysis from raw read data to complex statistical analysis of the results and experimental condition comparison. Genomic (Illumina and 454) de novo assembly, genomic comparison and SNP calling

Statistics: Good understanding of statistics, Markov chains and Monte Carlo statistics. Principal and Independent Component Analysis, clustering. Commonly build statistical pipeline for analysing biological data. Common use of Python and R for adanced data analysis

Protein structure analysis and visualisation: AutoDock, GOLD, VMD

Operating systems: Daily use of Windows 7 and 10 computers as well as Linux (Fedora, Ubuntu and Mint). Good command of Mac OS X. Common use of high performance computing (OpenMP, MPI, Torque and OpenPBS)

Languages and Libraries: Good command of languages Ruby, Python (Pandas, Matplotlib, Plotly, ScikitLearn) and Java. Common practice of C++, R (BioConductor) and Perl (BioPerl, EnsEMBL libraries). Good understanding of Agent-Based Models and Petri Nets and their

implementation

Web technologies: Advanced knowledge of Ruby on Rails. Good practice of HTML5, CSS3 and Javascript (including JQuery, Underscorejs, ...) and SQL (MySQL, PostgreSQL)

Modeling and development practices: Good knowledge of UML diagrams, Test Driven Development, Continuous Integration and versioning systems (git, svn, cvs), Docker