

# Rachit Sabharwal

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## Professional Summary

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Ph.D. Student in Epidemiology with dual expertise in Real-World Evidence (RWE) generation and Machine Learning. Experience at Genentech, BMS, and Dow developing graph neural networks, NLP pipelines, and Bayesian uncertainty frameworks. Proven ability to translate complex biomedical data (EHR, claims, omics) into actionable insights for drug discovery and safety signal detection.

## Education

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### The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston

*Doctor of Philosophy in Epidemiology*

*Houston, TX*

*Aug 2022 - present*

- Minors: Biostatistics, Health Economics
- Certificates: Advanced Data Science

### The University of California, Berkeley

*Certificate in Software Development and Programming*

*Berkeley, CA*

*June 2023 - Apr 2025*

### The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston

*Master of Science in Biostatistics*

*Houston, TX*

*Jan 2020 - May 2022*

- Certificates: Data Science

### University of Rochester

*Bachelor of Science in Environmental Health*

*Rochester, NY*

*Sept 2014 - May 2018*

## Experience

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### Research & Development Intern, MiLOS (Machine Learning, Optimization, & Statistics), Engineering & Process Sciences, Core R&D

*The Dow Chemical Company*

*Lake Jackson, TX*

*May 2025 - Aug 2025*

- Authored internal guidance on Uncertainty Quantification (UQ), demonstrating that Bayesian frameworks improved model trustworthiness by ~20-30% compared to frequentist baselines in simulated real-world scenarios.
- Created R application allowing users to automate up to 50% of LCA (Life Cycle Assessment) analysis, estimated to be worth ~15MM annually across Dow

### Research and Early Development, Development Sciences & Informatics - Informatics Intern Genentech

*San Francisco, CA*

*May 2021 - Jan 2022*

- Used Deep Transfer Learning via PyTorch and Raytune to create a DNN to predict ADEs for DILI (Drug-induced Liver Injury)
- Created a Knowledge Graph with Neo4j and a Graph Neural Network using NetworkX and PyTorch to generate gene expression signature-likes for drugs
- Developed a framework for the tokenization of internal documents for ingestion into text-mining application

### Consumer & Market Knowledge - Advanced Analytics Co-Op Procter & Gamble

*Cincinnati, OH*

*Jan 2021 - May 2021*

- Created predictive models, analytics, and visualizations that facilitated a deep understanding of consumer and shopper behaviors
- Used parallel computing (Dask and Modin) to develop both predictive and explanatory models enabling insights into market trends and retailer behavior
- Created and serviced big data ETL pipelines utilizing the Google Cloud Platform, Python, and Apache Airflow

### Data Engineering Intern Bristol Myers Squibb

*San Francisco, CA*

*June 2020 - Aug 2020*

- Utilized Python, HTML, CSS, and Javascript in creating a multifeatured patent recommendation app to significantly improve scientists' workflow
- Developed and serviced ETL pipelines using Python and Apache Airflow for multiple datasets of varying sizes (small, medium, and large)
- Designed and maintained both relational and graph databases in PostgreSQL and Neo4j

## Publications

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### Trust and Uncertainty Quantification in Machine Learning Models Under Measurement Error

**Sabharwal R**

The Dow Chemical Company, Internal White Paper

*Aug 2025*

<b>Factors associated with elevated SARS-CoV-2 immune response in children and adolescents</b>	Aug 2024
Messiah SE, Abbas R, Bergqvist E, Swartz MD, Talebi Y, <b>Sabharwal R</b> , Han H, Valerio-Shewmaker MA, DeSantis SM, Yaseen A, Gandhi HA, Amavisca XF, Ross JA, Padilla LN, Gonzalez MO, Wu L, Silberman MA, Lakey D, Shuford JA, Pont SJ, Boerwinkle E <a href="https://doi.org/10.3389/fped.2024.1393321">10.3389/fped.2024.1393321</a> (Frontiers in Pediatrics)	
<b>Baseline characteristics of SARS-CoV-2 vaccine non-responders in a large population-based sample</b>	May 2024
Yaseen A, DeSantis SM, <b>Sabharwal R</b> , Talebi Y, Swartz MD, Zhang S, Leon Novelo L, Pinzon-Gomez CL, Messiah SE, Valerio-Shewmaker M, Kohl HW 3rd, Ross J, Lakey D, Shuford JA, Pont SJ, Boerwinkle E <a href="https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0303420">10.1371/journal.pone.0303420</a> (PLoS One)	
<b>An Interactive Online Dashboard with COVID-19 Trends and Data Analysis in Northeast and South Texas</b>	Apr 2024
Zhang Z, <b>Sabharwal R</b> , Lee M, Zhang K, McGaha P, Crum M, Bauer C, Fisher-Hoch SP, McCormick JB, Reininger BM, Thomas S, Guajardo E, Pinon D, Yaseen A <a href="https://research.ebsco.com/linkprocessor/plink?id=894625e1-7146-30bf-aa2c-9f5637dac41e">research.ebsco.com/linkprocessor/plink?id=894625e1-7146-30bf-aa2c-9f5637dac41e</a> (Texas Public Health Journal)	
<b>Long-term immune response to SARS-CoV-2 infection and vaccination in children and adolescents</b>	Oct 2023
Messiah SE, Talebi Y, Swartz MD, <b>Sabharwal R</b> , Han H, Bergqvist E, Kohl HW 3rd, Valerio-Shewmaker M, DeSantis SM, Yaseen A, Kelder SH, Ross J, Padilla LN, Gonzalez MO, Wu L, Lakey D, Shuford JA, Pont SJ, Boerwinkle E <a href="https://doi.org/10.1038/s41390-023-02857-y">10.1038/s41390-023-02857-y</a> (Pediatric Research)	
<b>Scholarly recommendation systems: a literature survey</b>	June 2023
Zhang Z, Patra BG, Yaseen A, Zhu J, <b>Sabharwal R</b> , Roberts K, Cao T, Wu H <a href="https://doi.org/10.1007/s10115-023-01901-x">10.1007/s10115-023-01901-x</a> (Knowledge and Information Systems)	
<b>Biorec: A Biomedical Recommendation System for Academic Conferences and Journals</b>	Apr 2022
<b>Sabharwal, R</b> UTHealth School of Public Health, MS Thesis	
<b>Data Cleaning for eCommerce: Standardizing Data Handling Practices for eCommerce Datasets</b>	May 2021
<b>Sabharwal R</b> Procter & Gamble, Internal White Paper	

## Skills

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**Languages:** English (Native/Bilingual), Hindi (Native/Bilingual), French (Intermediate)

**Work Authorization:** US Citizenship, Canadian Citizenship

## Technical Skills

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**Machine Learning Tooling:** Scikit-learn, TidyModels, Raytune, Optuna, Pytorch, Tensorflow, Huggingface, JAX

**Programming Languages:** Python, R, SAS, MATLAB, Javascript, C, Java, HTML, CSS

**Databases:** Research Electronic Data Capture (REDCap), RDBMS (PostgreSQL, SQLite, MySQL), NoSQL DBMS (MongoDB, Elasticsearch, Neo4J), BigQuery

**Cloud and Distributed Computing:** AWS (AWS HPC), GCP, Azure, Spark, Hadoop, Slurm, On-Prem HPC

**DevOps:** Git, GitHub, GitLab, Docker, GitHub/GitLab CI/CD, Jenkins, Kubernetes, Jira, Confluence

**Workflow Orchestration:** Airflow, Prefect, Cron, Luigi

**Frameworks and Platforms:** Streamlit, FastAPI, Django, Flask, Heroku, Replit, Great Expectations, PyTest