Ryan Neff

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Education

ICAHN SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AT MOUNT SINAI   New York, NY
MD/PhD Candidate, Bin Zhang Lab   Class of 2023
Working on multi-omics network modeling of Alzheimer's Disease subtypes, differential coexpression of molecular features in health and disease, and somatic mutational enrichment.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY   Cambridge, MA
SB in Engineering Sciences (High Honors), Biomedical Engineering   December 2013
Research Assistant (2011-2012) in Genomics and Bioinformatics Research at the Harvard-MIT Health Sciences and Technology of Harvard Medical School. Test Scores: MCAT: 38 (14 P, 12 B, 12 V); ACT: 36

Awards

MOUNT SINAI HEALTH HACKATHON, RARE DISEASES   October 2018
Finalist, Demeter Health
Awarded $2500 for our precision diet and healthcare app to aid in the treatment of metabolic disease and food sensitivity.

MOUNT SINAI SINAIMEDMAKER CHALLENGE   October 2016
Finalist, PT Partner
Awarded $3500 for our physical therapy tracking medical device and mobile app.

HARVARD INNOVATION CHALLENGE   March 2011
Finalist, McKinley Grant for Innovation and Entrepreneurial Leadership
Awarded $10,000 for winning business plan in competition with more than 80 teams at Harvard and MIT.

Previous Work Experience

NATIONAL HUMAN GENOME RESEARCH INSTITUTE   Bethesda, MD
Research Fellow, Dr. Gary Gibbons Lab   Jan. 2014 – May 2015
- Improved the accuracy of next-generation sequencing by 0.5-5% in population-based studies of cardiovascular disease
- Jointly developed and administrating a $1.5M clinical research massively parallel computing system, including a novel clinical research database built with NoSQL.
- Re-engineered the common human reference genome and wrote new software in Python for population-based analysis

HARVARD BIOROBOTICS LABORATORY   Cambridge, MA
Inventor, Steerable Cardiac Catheter   Sept. 2012 – May 2013
- Developed a novel type of robotic catheter for more precise targeting in minimally invasive heart surgery, including ablation, biopsies, and valve replacement surgeries in Dr. Robert Howe's lab.

HARVARD BIODESIGN LABORATORY   Cambridge, MA
Inventor, Soft Robotic Glove   Jan. – May 2013
- Worked with a team of biomedical engineers to design, build, and test a new type of multi-segmented soft actuator for patients with hand disabilities as a result of injury, stroke, and muscular degeneration in Dr. Walsh's lab.

HARVARD COLLEGE ENGINEERING SOCIETY Cambridge, MA
Treasurer Fall 2010-2012
- Organized student events around engineering engagement around Harvard and balanced budget for organization
- Fostered innovative projects and trips including those to see industry leaders in healthcare, engineering, and aerospace

HARVARD ENGINEERS WITHOUT BORDERS Cambridge, MA
Clean Water Development Group 2010-2011
- Worked in a large team to design, build, and establish innovative renewable water purification systems and a business model to support it aimed at reducing the incidence of disease in communities in the Dominican Republic.

Technical Skills

Programming: Python, R, MySQL/NoSQL Databases, Matlab, Perl, C, Javascript, Ruby, Rails, HTML5, CSS3, AJAX
Design: Powerpoint, Excel, Word, Adobe Illustrator, InDesign, Photoshop, After Effects, Solidworks, AutoCAD, Sunstone

Selected Publications, Patents, and Abstracts

Neff RA, Wang M, Vatansever S, Guo L, Ming C, Wang Q, Wang E, Horgusluoglu-Moloch E, Song W, Li A, Castranio EL, TCW J, Ho L, Goate A, Fossati V, Noggle S, Gandy S, Ehrlich ME, Katsel P, Schadt E, Cai D, Brennand KJ, Haroutunian V, Zhang B. Molecular subtyping of Alzheimer's disease using RNA sequencing data reveals novel mechanisms and targets. *Science Advances*, 2021 Jan 1;7(2):eabb5398, http://advances.sciencemag.org/content/7/2/eabb5398.abstract

Wang M, Li A, Sekiya M, Beckmann ND, Quan X, Schrode N, Fernando MB, Yu A, Zhu L, Cao J, Lyu L, Horgusluoglu E, Wang Q, Guo L, Wang Y, **Neff R**, Song W, Wang E, Shen Q, Zhou X, Ming C, Ho S-M, Vatansever S, Kaniskan HÜ, Jin J, Zhou M-M, Ando K, Ho L, Slesinger PA, Yue Z, Zhu J, Katsel P, Gandy S, Ehrlich ME, Fossati V, Noggle S, Cai D, Haroutunian V, Iijima KM, Schadt E, Brennand KJ, Zhang B. Transformative Network Modeling of Multi-omics Data Reveals Detailed Circuits, Key Regulators, and Potential Therapeutics for Alzheimer's Disease. *Neuron*. 2020 Nov 24, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.neuron.2020.11.002

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Zilbermint M, Xekouki P, Faucz FR, Berthon A, Gkourogianni A, Schernthaner-Reiter MH, Batsis M, Sinaii N, Quezado MM, Merino M, Hodes A, Abraham SB, Libé R, Assié G, Espiard S, Drougat L, Ragazzon B, Davis A, Gebreab SY, **Neff R**, Kebebew E, Bertherat J, Lodish MB, Stratakis CA. Primary Aldosteronism and ARMC5 Variants. J Clin Endocrinol Metab. 2015 Jun;100(6):E900-9. doi: 10.1210/jc.2014-4167.

Alignment to an Ancestry Specific Reference Genome Discovers Additional Variants Among 1000 Genomes ASW Cohort. **Neff RA**, Vargas J, Gibbons GH, Davis AR. Cardiovascular Disease Section, GMCID, National Human Genome Research Institute, Bethesda, MD. Platform Presentation, American Society for Human Genetics Conference. 2014 October 19.

US 10,184,500, WO 2015066143 A1. Galloway K, Walsh C, Holland D, Polygerinos P, Clites T, Neff RA, et al inventors. "Multi-segment reinforced actuators and applications." Harvard University, assignee. 2013 October 29.

US Patent Nos. 9,870,003, 8,930,059, 8,532,862. Neff RA. "Driverless vehicle."

US Patent No. 8,311,730. **Neff RA**. "Vehicle Position Determination System"

Maeder-York, P, Clites T, Boggs E, **Neff R**, Polygerinos P, Holland D, Stirling L, Galloway K, Wee C, Walsh C. Biologically Inspired Soft Robot for Thumb Rehabilitation. J. Med. Devices. 2014 April 28.

Kurek KC, et al. Somatic Mosaic Activating Mutations in PIK3CA Cause CLOVES Syndrome. Am Jol Hum Gen 2012 Jun 8 90;6;1108-1115

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US Patent No. 6,850,170. **Neff RA**. "On-board Vehicle System and Method for Receiving and Indicating Driving-Related Signals"