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## Publications

DM Salvanha, N Jiang, **AN Brooks**, RZN Vêncio, NS Baliga. **GGB<sub>web</sub>: a Gagggle-enabled, interactive genome browser for the web.** *In preparation.*

S Imam, S. Schaeuble, **AN Brooks**, NS Baliga, ND Price. (2015) **Data-driven integration of genome-scale regulatory and metabolic network models.** *Front. Microbiol.* 6:409

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H Westerhoff\*, **AN Brooks\***, E Simeonidis\*, R García-Contreras\*, F Boogerd, F He, VJ Jackson, V Goncharuk, A Kolodkin. (2014) **Macromolecular networks and intelligence in microorganisms.** *Front. Microbiol.* 5:379.

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**AN Brooks**, S Turkarslan, KD Beer, FY Lo, NS Baliga. (2011) **Adaptation of cells to new environments.** *Wiley Interdiscip Rev Syst Biol Med.* 3(5): 544–561.

\* Denotes equal contribution

## Research

2015 - now **Postdoc** [EMBL | Genome Biology Unit](#)  
*Project: "Multiomics characterization of genetic variation in yeast."*  
*Advisor: Prof. Lars Steinmetz, Associate Head of Unit and Senior Scientist*

## Education

2008 - 2014 **PhD Molecular and Cellular Biology** [University of Washington](#)  
*Dissertation: "Data-driven inference of dynamic transcriptional regulatory mechanisms in prokaryotes: a systems perspective."*  
*Advisor: Prof. Nitin Baliga, SVP and Director, Institute for Systems Biology*

2002 - 2007 **BS Biochemistry & BA Political Science** [University of New Mexico](#)  
*Thesis: "Characterization of the dynamic interactions of cytoplasmic poly(A) binding protein with poly(A) RNA."*  
*Thesis Honors: Robert B. Loftfield Award*  
*Advisor: Prof. David G. Bear*  
*Summa Cum Laude*  
*General University Honors*  
*Minor: Philosophy*

## Research Interests



## Wetlab

MolBio	★★★★★
Cytometry	★★★★★
Expression	★★★★★
Bioreactor	★★★★★
Sequencing	★★★★★
Microscopy	★★★★★

## Programming

R	★★★★★
Python	★★★★★
Bash	★★★★★
SQL	★★★★★
Malab	★★★★★
HTML/JS	★★★★★
C++	★★★★★

## Research Summary



## In the news

05/2014	<b>Knowing Networks</b> <i>Outreach at USA Science and Engineering Festival</i>	NIH NIGMS Inside Life Science
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## Awards

2010-2013	<b>Office of Science Graduate Fellowship</b>	Department of Energy
2009	<b>Graduate Research Fellowship</b> Honorable Mention	National Science Foundation
2006	<b>Goldwater Scholarship</b>	Barry M. Goldwater Foundation

## Teaching & Outreach

2014	<b>USA Science and Engineering Festival</b> <i>Designed and facilitated a hands-on activity and web-based game to understand the structure and function of networks. Over 300 students have played the online game.</i>	Washington, D.C
2011	<b>Introduction to Systems Biology</b> <i>Co-organizer, lecturer</i>	Institute for Systems Biology
2009-now	<b>Science Communication Fellow</b>	Pacific Science Center, Seattle WA
2010	<b>Graduate Teaching Assistant</b> <i>MICRO 411: Gene Action</i>	Microbiology, University of Washington

## Students mentored

08-12/2012	<b>Robin Green</b> Currently at Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center	PhD student at University of Washington, WA
05-08/2011	<b>Darach Miller</b> Currently PhD student at NYU	Undergraduate at UC Davis, CA
05-08/2010	<b>Alexis Valauri-Orton</b> Currently Ocean Acidification Intern at Ocean Conservancy	Undergraduate at Davidson College, NC

## Other

2011	<b>Complex Systems Summer School</b>	Santa Fe Institute
2010	<b>MCB Student Symposium</b> <i>Co-organizer, Bioplasticity: flexibility within and beyond the code</i>	Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center

## References

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