

## Sarah A Gagliano Taliun

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### Research Focus

My research team seeks to identify and better understand the genetic factors contributing to complex diseases of aging by applying statistical and computational approaches.

### Academic Positions

- **Principal Investigator**, Montreal Heart Institute, Montreal, Canada *July 2020 – present*
- **Research Associate Professor/professeure sous octroi agrégée** *June 2025 – present*
- **Research Assistant Professor/professeure sous octroi adjointe**, *July 2020 – May 2025*  
Department of Medicine (primary affiliation) and Department of  
Neurosciences (secondary affiliation), Faculty of Medicine,  
Université de Montréal, Montreal, Canada

### Education and Training

- **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**, School of Public Health, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, USA *July 2016 – June 2020*  
Supervisors: Gonçalo Abecasis and Michael Boehnke
- **Weston Brain Institute International Fellowship in Neuroscience** *December 2015 – May 2016*  
Supervisor: Michael Weale, King's College London  
Project: *In silico* identification of genetic risk variants for Parkinson's disease
- **PhD**, Medical Science, Institute of Medical Science, University of Toronto, Canada *June 2016*  
Supervisors: James Kennedy and Jo Knight  
Research conducted at Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH)  
Dissertation: *In silico* prioritization of genetic risk variants using functional genomic information
- **Honours BSc**, Biochemistry & Human Biology with high distinction, University of Toronto, Canada *June 2012*

### Funding

- **CIHR Catalyst Grant**: "Expanding CLSA PheWeb : Interactive visualization of ordinal categorical genetic variant-phenotype associations and time-to-event associations"; Co-principal applicant: Daniel Taliun (my role: **nominated principal applicant**) *2025–2026*
- **CIHR Project Grant**: "PheWeb-2.0: an interactive tool for generating and testing hypotheses on sex-biased genetic variant-trait associations in large-scale population -based studies"; Nominated principal applicant: Daniel Taliun (my role: **co-principal applicant**) *2025–2029*
- **CIHR Catalyst Grant**: "Interactive visualization of genetic variant-trait associations in the CLSA dataset"; Co-principal applicant: Daniel Taliun (my role: **nominated principal applicant**) *2024–2025*
- **CIHR Project Grant**: "Identifying causal pathways for hematuria using comprehensive omics strategies: genomics, transcriptomics and proteomics"; Co-principal applicant: Moumita Barua (my role: **nominated principal applicant**) *2024–2027*
- Alzheimer Society of Canada and Canadian Institute of Health Research – Institute of Aging, Alzheimer Society Research Program, **New Investigator Grant**: "Bioinformatics-powered genetic characterization of the impact of biological systems on Alzheimer's disease and neurodegeneration" *2023–2027*
- **CIHR Project Grant**: "Study of sex-specific biological factors underlying cognitive function and cardiovascular outcome"; Nominated principal applicant: Marie-Pierre Dubé (my role: **co-principal applicant**) *2022–2026*

- **CIHR (Vascular Cognitive Impairment Health Research Training Platform, VAST),** “Health Research Training to Address Vascular Contributions to Cognitive Decline: the Vascular Training (VAST) Platform”; Nominated principal investigator: Eric Smith (my role: **co-applicant & mentor**) 2022–2028
- **CIHR Project Grant:** "Precision medicine study of treatment options in type 2 diabetes patients without cardiovascular disease"; Nominated principal investigator: Marie-Pierre Dubé (my role: **co-applicant**) 2022–2027
- **CIHR Team Grant:** Diabetes Mechanisms and Translational Solutions - General Pool, "Precision medicine study of type 2 diabetes in the COLCOT-T2D trial"; Nominated principal investigator: Marie-Pierre Dubé (my role: **co-investigator**) 2022-2028
- **Operational Funds, Institut de valorisation des données (IVADO)** 2021–2023
- **Economic recovery credits – support for researchers, FRQS** 2021
- **Junior 1 Research Scholar** in artificial intelligence and digital health, *Fonds de la Recherche en Santé du Québec* (FRQS) 2020–2024

### Scholarships and Awards

- **Outstanding Researcher, CIHR Reviewer in Training Programme** Fall 2022
- **Precision Health Scholars Award, University of Michigan** 2019–2020
- **Stellar Abstract Award Program in Quantitative Genomics (PQG), Harvard** November 2018
- **Postdoctoral Fellowship Award, Stanley Center for Psychiatric Research, Broad** 2017–2018
- **Weston Brain Institute International Fellowship in Neuroscience** December 2015 – May 2016
- **“3 Minute Thesis” competition, University of Toronto finalist** April 2015
- **McLaughlin Early Career Investigator Award** October 2015
- **Younger Family Foundation Award** Fall 2015
- **CIHR STAGE (Strategic Training for Advanced Genetic Epidemiology) trainee** 2015–16
- **Institute of Medical Science Open Fellowship Award** Fall 2014
- **University of Toronto McLaughlin Centre Training Award** Fall 2014
- **Peterborough K.M. Hunter Graduate Studentship** Fall 2014
- **Institute of Medical Science Open Fellowship Award** Fall 2013
- **School of Graduate Studies Conference Grants** Fall 2012, 2013
- **University of Toronto McLaughlin Centre Training Award** September 2012
- **Canadian Bioinformatics Workshop Registration Award** September 2012
- **Institute of Medical Science Entrance Award, University of Toronto** September 2012
- **University of Toronto Fellowship – MSc** September 2012
- **Silver Medal in Biochemistry, University of Toronto** June 2012
- **Fr. Robert Madden, csb Award** for outstanding contribution to student life at St. Michael’s College, University of Toronto June 2012
- **St. Michael’s College In-Course Scholarship** 2010-2012
- **Dean’s List Scholar** in the Faculty of Arts and Science, University of Toronto 2009-2012
- **University of Toronto Scholar** 2008-2009
- **Governor General’s Academic Bronze Medal** June 2008

### Publications (n =60)

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Summary of published peer-reviewed publications since 2014	
	Quantity
(Co-)First author (excluding articles for which I am both first and senior author)	14
Senior author	15
Co-author	31

\* Equal contribution \*\* (Co-)senior and/or corresponding author \_\_\_\_ Trainee under my supervision

Peer-reviewed

1. R. Li\*, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**\*\*\*, K. Liao, M. Flickinger, J.L. Sobell, G. Genovese, A.E. Locke, R. Rothwell Chiu, J. LeFaive, J. Wang, T. Martins, S. Chapman, A. Neumann, R.E. Handsaker, D.K. Arnett, K.C. Barnes, E. Boerwinkle, D. Braff, B.E. Cade, M. Fornage, R.A. Gibbs, K. F. Hoth, L. Hou, C. Kooperberg, R.J.F. Loos, G.A. Metcalf, C.G. Montgomery, A.C. Morrison, Z.S. Qin, S. Redline, A.P. Reiner, S.S. Rich, J.I. Rotter, K. D. Taylor, K.A. Viaud-Martinez, NHLBI Trans-Omics for Precision Medicine (TOPMed) Consortium, Genomic Psychiatry Cohort investigators, T.B. Bigdeli, S. Gabriel, S. Zollner, A.V. Smith, G. Abecasis, S. McCarroll, M.T. Pato, C.N. Pato, M. Boehnke, J. Knowles, H. Min Kang, R.A. Ophoff, J. Ernst, L.J. Scott (2025) Whole genome sequence-based association analysis of African American individuals with bipolar disorder and schizophrenia. *HGG Advances*.
2. R.K. Friedman, A.S. Heath, J.E. Huffman, J.T. Baker, N.R. Hasbani, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**, M-H. Chen, T.E. Howard, J.P. Lewis, N. Pankratz, S. Patil, A.P. Reiner, F. Thibord, L.R. Yanek, J. Yao, H-H. Chen, J.E. Curran, N. Faraday, X. Guo, M.M. Wheeler, K.A. Ryan, X. Zhou, K. Cho, L. Almasy, P.L. Auer, L.C. Becker, P.W.F. Wilson, E. Boerwinkle, J.R. O'Connell, S.S. Rich, D.C. Samuels, NHLBI Trans-Omics for Precision Medicine (TOPMed) Consortium, TOPMed Hematology & Hemostasis Working Group, VA Million Veteran Program, J. Blangero, M. Fornage, C. Kooperberg, R.A. Mathias, B.D. Mitchell, J.I. Rotter, A.D. Johnson, N.L. Smith, Z.H. Coban-Akdemir, J.E. Below, A.C. Morrison, J.M. Johnsen, P.S. de Vries (2025) Genetic study of low von Willebrand factor antigen levels ≤ 50 IU/dL identifies variants associated with increased risk of VWD and bleeding. *Journal of Thrombosis and Haemostasis*. 23(8):2410-2421. PMID: 40368142
3. M. Zuo\*, L. Chang\*, N. Neale, L. Maameri, S. Gawhary, F. Lona-Durazo, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**\*\* (2025) The relationship between kidney health and neurodegenerative diseases. *Brain*. awaf113 PMID: 40120077; Podcast: <https://open.spotify.com/episode/0OdP5vSjzd7nMwLEetqsR>
4. R. Diany, L.K. Fitzgibbon-Collins, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**\*\* (2025) Ten simple rules for getting started with knowledge mobilization. *PLoS Computational Biology*. 21(4):e1012888. PMID: 40184421
5. K. D'Sa, M.L. Choi, A.Z. Wagen, N. Setó-Salvia, O. Kopach, J.R. Evans, M. Rodrigues, P. Lopez-Garcia, A. Ghareeb, J. Bayne, M. Grant-Peters, S. Garcia-Ruiz, Z. Chen, S. Rodrigues, D. Athauda, E. Gustavsson, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**, R.H. Reynolds, G. Young, S. Strohbuecker, T. Warner, D.A. Rusakov, R. Patani, C. Bryant, D.A. Klenerman, S. Gandhi, M. Ryten (2025) Astrocytic RNA editing regulates the host immune response to alpha-synuclein. *Science Advances*. 11(15):eadp8504. PMID: 40215316
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10. R. Diany, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**\*\* (2024) Systematic review and phenome-wide scans of genetic associations with vascular cognitive impairment. *Advanced Biology*. e2300692. PMID: 38935518
11. N. Neale\*, F. Lona-Durazo\*, M. Ryten\*\*, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**\*\* (2024) Leveraging sex-genetic

- interactions to understand brain disorders: recent advances and current gaps. *Brain Communications*. 6(3):fcae192. PMID: 38894947
12. J. Bellavance\*, L. Wang\*, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun\*\*** (2024) Eight quick tips for including chromosome X in genome-wide association studies. *PLoS Computational Biology*. 20(6):e1012160. PMID: 38843110
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  14. **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**, I.R. Dinsmore, T. Mirshahi, A.R. Chang, A.D. Paterson, M. Barua (2023) GWAS for the composite traits of hematuria and albuminuria. *Scientific Reports*. 13:18084. PMID: 37872228
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  23. C. Savignac, S. Villeneuve, A. Badhwar, K. Saltoun, K. Shafighi, C. Zajner, V. Sharma, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**, S. Farhan, J. Poirier, D. Bzdok (2022) APOE alleles are associated with sex-specific structural differences in brain regions affected in Alzheimer's disease and related dementia. *PLoS Biology* 20(12): e3001863. PMID: 36512526
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## Oral Presentations as Invited Speaker

Summary of oral presentations as an invited speaker since 2018	
	Quantity
Local	6
National	4
International	5

1. Banff International Research Station (BIRS) Workshop - Novel Statistical Approaches for Studying Multi-omics Data. "Exploring and visualizing stratified genome-wide association study summary statistics using PheWeb 2.0" (Banff, Alberta, Canada; 17 July 2025)
2. McGill Human Genetics Students' Society Annual Conference: From discovery to therapy: novel multi-omics and biological approaches for variant identification and validation. "Using multi-omics to understand hematuria" (Montréal, Québec, Canada; 2 May 2025)
3. Vascular Training (VAST) Platform Seminar series " Mendelian randomization to identify causal links using genetic associations" (Virtual meeting; 27 March 2025)
4. CARTaGENE Participants' Symposium. "Un outil interactif pour visualiser les régions génétiques qui contribuent aux traits complexes" (Montréal, Québec, Canada; 30 October 2024)
5. Western Bioinformatics Seminar Series. "Understanding the genetics of hematuria" (Virtual meeting; 26 September 2024)
6. Seminar at the Département de pharmacologie et physiologie, Université de Montréal. "La randomisation Mendélienne pour identifier les liens de causalité" (Montreal, Quebec, Canada; September 14, 2023)
7. Nephrotic Syndrome Study Network (NEPTUNE) Steering Committee meeting "Common genetically predicted splicing of *COL4A4* exon 27 is associated with hematuria" (Virtual meeting; May 9, 2023)
8. VAST Seminar series "Genome-wide association studies to understand genetic factors contributing to complex traits including vascular dementia" (Virtual meeting; February 17, 2023)
9. Statistical methods for genetics & genomics- research seminar and journal club, University of Toronto. "Leveraging dense genotype imputation for disease-associated rare variant discovery" (Virtual meeting; May 21, 2021)
10. Association canadienne-française pour l'avancement des sciences (ACFAS) meeting. "L'imputation des génotypes permet la découverte de variations rares associées aux maladies" (Virtual meeting; May 7, 2021)
11. Beyond Mendelian Genetics Symposium: Joint Genome Biology and Precision Medicine and Molecular Basis of Rare Diseases Section Symposium. "Leveraging dense genotype imputation for disease-associated rare variant discovery" (Virtual meeting; December 10, 2020)
12. Invited Seminar, Centre for Addiction and Mental Health. "Using regulatory elements to prioritize genetic risk variants for neurodegeneration" (Toronto, Ontario, Canada; August 22, 2018)
13. Invited Seminar, Michigan State University. "Prioritizing risk variants for neurodegeneration using functional genomics" (East Lansing, Michigan, USA; June 15, 2018)
14. Annual Canadian Human and Statistical Genetics meeting. "Understanding brain disorders through functional genomics" (Harrison Hot Springs, British Columbia, Canada; June 11, 2018)
15. Genomics of Brain Disorders. "Neurodegeneration: Beyond the brain" (Hinxtion, UK; April 24, 2018)

## Oral Presentations

\_\_\_ Trainee under my supervision

1. Montreal Heart Institute Research Day. " The effect of sex in the genetic architecture of



- hematuria" (Montréal, Québec; 5 June 2025) Presented by: Frida Lona-Durazo
2. Scientific Day of the Department of Neurosciences, Université de Montréal. "L'impact du taux de fer dans le sang sur les maladies neurodégénératives et cardiovasculaires" (Montréal, Québec; 23 April 2024) Presented by: Wiame Belbellaj
  3. American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting. "Regional genetic correlations highlight relationships between neurodegenerative diseases and the immune system" (Los Angeles, California; October 28, 2022) Presented by: Frida Lona Durazo
  4. Whole Genome Sequencing of Psychiatric Disorders (WGSPD) meeting. "InPSYght case-control and leveraging controls from TOPMed" (Cambridge, Massachusetts; January 24, 2019)
  5. Trans-omics for Precision Medicine (TOPMed) meeting "TOPMed imputed UK Biobank genetic data reveals disease-associated rare loss of function variation" (Tysons, Virginia; Dec. 5, 2018)
  6. Program in Quantitative Genomics (PQG) Conference. "Dense imputation of the UK Biobank genetic data reveals disease-associated rare loss of function variation" (Boston, Massachusetts; November 1, 2018)
  7. Whole Genome Sequencing of Psychiatric Disorders (WGSPD) meeting. "InPSYght case-control and controls from other sources" (Bethesda, Maryland; January 10, 2018)
  8. University of Michigan Biostatistics Grand Rounds "PheWAS of >100 traits in the SardiNIA study: Insights" (Ann Arbor, Michigan; November 2, 2017)
  9. Whole Genome Sequencing of Psychiatric Disorders (WGSPD) meeting. "Joint analysis of sequenced InPSYght African American schizophrenia and bipolar cases and controls with TOPMed external controls" (Cambridge, Massachusetts; June 5, 2017)
  10. Center for Biomedicine, European Academy of Bolzano (EURAC). "PheWAS of >100 traits in SardiNIA" (Bolzano, Italy; Nov 22, 2016)
  11. European Mathematical Genetics Meeting (EMGM). "*In silico* identification of genetic risk variants for Parkinson's disease" (Newcastle, UK; May 12, 2016)
  12. World Congress of Psychiatric Genetics (WCPG) 2015 annual meeting. "*In silico* prioritization of genetic risk variants for psychiatric disorders using functional genomic information" (Toronto, Ontario; October 20, 2015)
  13. Harvey Stancer Research Day 2014. "Assessing models for genetic prediction of complex traits: visualization and quantitative methods" (Toronto, Ontario; June 19, 2014)
  14. Statistical Society of Canada annual meeting. "Investigation of Predictive Accuracy Measures for Genetic Models" (Toronto, Ontario; May 26, 2014)
  15. Toronto Bioinformatics User Group. "A method to incorporate hundreds of functional characteristics with association evidence to improve SNP prioritization" (Toronto, Ontario; November 27, 2013) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xpDYfAfPZE>
  16. Harvey Stancer Research Day 2013. "Protein kinase cAMP-dependent regulatory type II beta (PRKAR2B) gene variants in antipsychotic-induced weight gain" (Toronto, Ontario; June 13, 2013)
  17. Neuroscience Research Exchange Day. "Distribution of epiSNPs in sub-threshold variants from genome-wide association studies for psychiatric disorders" (Toronto, Ontario; April 12, 2013)
  18. Genetic Analysis Workshop 18 Conference. "GAW18: Gene-based tests" (Stevenson, Washington; October 16, 2012); Co-presenters: Heather Cordell and Indranil Mukhopadhyay

#### Poster Presentations as First Author or Senior Author

\_\_\_\_ Trainee under my supervision

1. S. Gawhary, L. Chang, L. Maameri, W. Belbellaj, F. Lona-Durazo, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "Assessment of genetic correlations between amyotrophic lateral sclerosis and cardiovascular-related traits" American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting (Boston, Massachusetts; 16 October 2025)
2. F. Lona-Durazo, R.P. Byrne, M-O. Pilon, FinnGen, M.D. Greicius, M-P. Dubé, M.E. Belloy, R.L. McLaughlin, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "Sex-aware causal inference assessment of the immune system in complex neurodegenerative diseases" American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting

- (Boston, Massachusetts; 16 October 2025)
3. R. Pyatkovskaya, W. Belbellaj, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "Assessment of genetic correlations between amyotrophic lateral sclerosis and cardiovascular-related traits" Journée de la Recherche de l'Institut de Cardiologie de Montréal (Montréal; 5 June 2025)
  4. M. Zuo, L. Chang, N. Neale, L. Maameri, S. Gawhary, F. Lona-Durazo, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "A review of the relationship between kidney health and neurodegenerative diseases" Journée de la Recherche de l'Institut de Cardiologie de Montréal (Montréal; 5 June 2025)
  5. S. Gawhary, L. Chang, L. Maameri, W. Belbellaj, F. Lona-Durazo, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "Assessment of global and local genetic correlations between kidney-related traits and late-onset neurodegenerative diseases" Journée de la Recherche de l'Institut de Cardiologie de Montréal (Montréal; 5 June 2025)
  6. M. Zuo, L. Chang, N. Neale, L. Maameri, S. Gawhary, F. Lona-Durazo, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "Does kidney health influence dementia and neurodegeneration" VAST Training Program Conference (Toronto; 27 May 2025)
  7. F. Lona-Durazo, R.P. Byrne, R.L. McLaughlin, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "Sex-aware causal inference assessment of immune system-related proteins in ALS and Parkinson's disease" André-Delambre ALS Research Symposium (Montreal; 4 December 2024)
  8. R. Diany, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "Systematic review, phenome-wide scans and creation of knowledge mobilization output on the genetics of vascular cognitive impairment" Canadian Stroke Congress (Banff, Alberta, 29 November 2024)
  9. F. Lona-Durazo, R.P. Byrne, R.L. McLaughlin, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "Sex-specific causal inference assessment of immune cells and protein levels in neurodegenerative diseases" American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting (Denver, Colorado, 6 November 2024)
  10. F. Lona-Durazo, K. Omachi, D. Fermin, F. Eichinger, J.P. Troost, M-H. Lin, I.R. Dinsmore, T. Mirshahi, A.R. Chang, J.H. Miner, A.D. Paterson, M. Barua, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "Association of genetically predicted skipping of COL4A4 exon 27 with hematuria and albuminuria" (Montreal, Québec; 7 October 2024)
  11. J. Bellavance, M. Kazemi, D. Taliun, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "CLSA-PheWeb : L'exploration d'associations génétiques dans la cohorte CLSA" Journée de la Recherche de l'Institut de Cardiologie de Montréal (Montréal, Québec; 6 June 2024)
  12. L. Wang, F. Lona-Durazo, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "The link between genetically predicted smoking, drinking and Alzheimer's disease in genetically diverse populations" Journée de la Recherche de l'Institut de Cardiologie de Montréal (Montréal, Québec; 6 June 2024)
  13. R. Diany, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. Revue systématique sur les associations génétiques du déficit d'origine vasculaire. Journée de la Recherche de l'Institut de Cardiologie de Montréal (Montréal, Québec; 6 June 2024)
  14. J. Bellavance, M. Kazemi, D. Taliun, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "CLSA-PheWeb : L'exploration d'associations génétiques dans la cohorte CLSA" Journée de la Recherche du Département de médecine de l'Université de Montréal (Montréal; 22 May 2024) *Prize for best poster presentation*.
  15. F. Lona-Durazo, K. Omachi, D. Fermin, F. Eichinger, J.P. Troost, J.H. Miner, A.D. Paterson, M. Barua, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "Skipping of COL4A4 exon 27 is associated with hematuria" American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting (Washington DC, November 2, 2023)
  16. W. Belbellaj, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "The Impact of Iron Levels in the Blood on Neurodegenerative and Cardiovascular Diseases" World Congress of Psychiatric Genetics (Montréal, Québec; October 12, 2023)
  17. Q. Ye, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "Genetically predicted waist to hip circumference ratio and coronary artery disease: a sex- specific Mendelian randomization study" Journée de la Recherche de l'Institut de Cardiologie de Montréal. (Montréal Québec; 8 June 2023)
  18. W. Belbellaj, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "L'impact du taux de fer dans le sang sur les maladies cardiovasculaires et neurodégénératives" Journée de la Recherche de l'Institut de Cardiologie de Montréal. (Montréal, Québec; 8 June 2023)
  19. M. Shoaib, Q. Ye, M. Boehnke, C. Burant, S. Soleimanpour, **S.A. Gagliano Taliun**. "Evaluation of polygenic risk scores to differentiate between type 1 and type 2 diabetes" American Society of

- Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting (Los Angeles, California; October 26, 2022)
20. **Q. Ye, S.A. Gagliano Taliun.** "Sex-specific risk scores for coronary artery disease using machine learning models" American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting. (Los Angeles, California; 26 October 2022)
  21. **F. Lona-Durazo, S.A. Gagliano Taliun.** "Regional genetic correlations highlight relationships between neurodegenerative diseases and the immune system" Journée de la Recherche de l'Institut de à Cardiologie de Montréal. (Montréal, Québec; 9 June 2022)
  22. **Q. Ye, S.A. Gagliano Taliun.** "Sex-specific risk scores for coronary artery disease using machine learning models" American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting (Los Angeles, California; October 26 2022)
  23. **S.A. Gagliano Taliun,** Y. Li, D. Ray, P. Yajnik, NIMH InPSYght Consortium and NHLBI TOPMed Program, S. Lee, L.J. Scott, S.A. McCarroll, C.N. Pato, G.R. Abecasis, M. Boehnke, H.M. Kang. "High-specificity variant filter enables joint analysis of whole genome sequence data from multiple studies and sequencing centres" American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting (Houston, Texas; October 17, 2019)
  24. **S.A. Gagliano,** W. Zhou, J.B. Nielson, J. LeFaive, S. Das, D. Taliun, R. Dey, G.R. Abecasis. "Analysis of densely imputed UK Biobank genetic data reveals disease-associated rare loss of function variation" American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting (San Diego, California; October 17, 2018) *Top 10% of submissions.*
  25. **S.A. Gagliano,** W. Zhou, J.B. Nielson, J. LeFaive, S. Das, D. Taliun, R. Dey, G.R. Abecasis. "Analysis of densely imputed UK Biobank genetic data reveals disease-associated rare loss of function variation previously only implicated in family studies" UK Biobank Conference Early-Career Researcher of the Year (London, UK; June 21, 2018) *Top 20% of submissions.*
  26. **S.A. Gagliano,** S. Sengupta, C. Sidore, A. Maschio, F. Cucca, D. Schlessinger, G.R. Abecasis. "Pinpointing GWAS signals: Indels vs. SNPs" American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting (Orlando, Florida; October 19, 2017)
  27. **S.A. Gagliano,** J.G. Pouget, J. Hardy, J. Knight, M.R. Barnes, M. Ryten, M.E. Weale. "Genetic variability in both the adaptive and innate immune systems contribute to Alzheimer's and Parkinson's disease risk" International Genetic Epidemiology Society (IGES) Meeting (Toronto, Ontario; October 25, 2016)
  28. **S.A. Gagliano,** C. Ptak, D.Y.F. Mak, M. Shamsi, G. Oh, J. Knight, P.C. Boutros, A. Petronis. "Allele-specific DNA modification: relevance to GWAS of complex traits" World Congress of Psychiatric Genetics (WCPG) (Toronto, Ontario; October 17, 2015)
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  30. **S.A. Gagliano,** R. Ravji, M.R. Barnes, M.E. Weale, J. Knight. "Comparing statistical learning methods for genetic variant prioritization" International Genetic Epidemiology Society (IGES) Meeting (Baltimore, Maryland; October 4, 2015)
  31. **S.A. Gagliano,** R. Ravji, M.R. Barnes, M.E. Weale, J. Knight. "Comparison of machine-learning methodologies to prioritize genetic variants based on functional data" American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting (San Diego, California; October 21, 2014)
  32. **S.A. Gagliano,** M.R. Barnes, M.E. Weale, J. Knight. "A Bayesian method to incorporate hundreds of functional characteristics with association evidence to improve variant prioritization" Institute of Medical Science Scientific Day (Toronto, Ontario; May 22, 2014)
  33. **S.A. Gagliano,** M.R. Barnes, M.E. Weale, J. Knight. "Enrichment of functional information (543 annotation tracks) in GWAS hits" American Society of Human Genetics (ASHG) Meeting (Boston, Massachusetts; October 24, 2013)
  34. **S.A. Gagliano,** D.Y.F. Mak, C. Ptak, P.C. Boutros, A. Petronis, J. Knight. "Distribution of epiSNPs in Sub-threshold Variants from Genome-wide Association Studies for Psychiatric Disorders" World Congress of Psychiatric Genetics (Boston, Massachusetts; October 18, 2013)
  35. **S.A. Gagliano,** A.K. Tiwari, N. Freeman, J.A. Lieberman, H.Y. Meltzer, D.J. Mueller, J.L. Kennedy, J. Knight "Protein kinase cAMP-dependent regulatory type II beta (PRKAR2B) gene variants in

antipsychotic-induced weight gain" Canadian College of Neuropsychopharmacology annual meeting (Toronto, Ontario; May 30, 2013)

36. **S.A. Gagliano**, D.Y.F. Mak, C. Ptak, P.C. Boutros, A. Petronis, J. Knight. "Distribution of epiSNPs in sub-threshold variants from genome-wide association studies for psychiatric disorders" Institute of Medical Science Scientific Day (Toronto, Ontario; May 28, 2013)
37. **S.A. Gagliano**, K. Benke, J. Knight. Genetic Analysis Workshop 18 Conference, "Functional Annotation of Rare Variants in GAW18 Data" (Stevenson, Washington; October 16, 2012)

## Teaching

### Graduate level

- **Co-instructor**, NSC2005: Neurogenetics and Neurogenomics *Winter 2025*  
Prepared and taught 3 2h classes on GWAS and complex traits for this undergraduate course.
- **Co-instructor**, NSC6040: Neuro-omics *Winter 2023, 2024*  
Prepared and taught 3 3h classes on GWAS and complex traits of ~6 students, including polygenic risk scores, gene-by-environment interactions and Mendelian randomization, for this graduate-level course. Prepared and graded a homework assignment.
- **Co-instructor**, CGE6004: Population genetics and epidemiology, *Winter 2022, 2023*  
Université de Montréal  
Prepared and taught a 3h class on GWAS and complex traits for this graduate-level course of ~10 students.
- **Guest lecturer**, MSO6018: Introduction to Genetic Epidemiology, *Winter 2021, 2022, 2023*  
Université de Montréal  
Prepared and taught a 3h class on Mendelian Randomization for this graduate-level course of ~15 students. Taught two 3h classes on this topic in 2022, which included a take-home practical activity. In 2023, in addition to the 2022 tasks, I also co-taught an in-class practical activity.
- **Co-instructor**, Human Genetics 542: Molecular Basis of Human Genetic *Winter 2019, 2020*  
Disease, University of Michigan  
Prepared and delivered four classes on complex traits and gene-environment interactions for this graduate-level course of ~30 students. Created and graded assignments and exam.
- **Guest lecturer**, Epidemiology 516: Genomics in Epidemiology, University *Spring 2018, 2019*  
of Michigan  
Co-prepared and co-taught a lecture and a hands-on practical on Biobanks and Electronic Health Records in Genetics for this graduate-level course of ~24 students.
- **Co-instructor**, Human Genetics 544: Basic Concepts in Population and *Fall 2017*  
Statistical Genetics, University of Michigan  
Prepared and led four 1.5h white-board-format lectures and two in-class discussions for ~20 graduate students. Met regularly with the co-instructors for planning and grading.
- **Practical Sessions Assistant** at a five-day Advanced GWAS Course *June 2013*  
Tested tutorials provided by the lecturers, and aided students with computer issues.
- **Co-leader hands-on tutorial series** in statistical genetics at CAMH *2013-15*  
Topics included methods for genome-wide association and sequencing studies.

### Undergraduate level

- **Faculty mentor**, Genomics, Big Data Summer Institute, University of Michigan *Summer 2019*  
Prepared Mendelian randomization (MR) practical for ~15 students and supervised four of the students on a project using MR on real data from large-scale cohorts
- **Guest lecturer**, Biostatistics 666: Statistical Methods in Human Genetics, *Fall 2016, 2017*  
University of Michigan  
Prepared and gave Functional Genomics lecture for this graduate-level course of ~30 students.
- **Mentor** for high school summer student *June – August 2015*  
Supervised the student through the completion of a genome-wide association study

### Secondary school level

- **Mentor** for students *Winter 2015, Fall 2016, Winter 2017, Fall 2017, Winter 2019, Fall 2019*

participating in the Ontario On-Line Research Co-op program  
Created/graded assignments, met regularly with student/group of students, assisted with writing a final research paper, and provided feedback to the co-op teacher.

- **DNA Day Ambassador**, Skyline High School, Ann Arbor, Michigan *April 2018*  
Co-led a lesson on genetics and inheritance for Grade 9 students.

#### Co-mentoring of undergraduate/graduate students

- **Honorary Senior Research Associate**, UCL Institute of Neurology, *Nov 2018 – Oct 2021*  
Neurodegenerative Diseases  
Affiliation for my role as mentor for Regina H. Reynolds (supervisor: Mina Ryten)
- **Teaching Assistant**, HMB265H- General and Human Genetics, University of *May – June 2015*  
Toronto  
Prepared and led weekly tutorials, graded, helped with exam invigilation.
- **Co-mentor** (with one of my PhD supervisors) for an undergraduate *Dec 2014 – April 2015*  
research student from Vellore Institute of Technology, India
- **Co-mentor** (with one of my PhD supervisors) for an undergraduate exchange *Summer 2014*  
student from University College London, UK  
Supervised methods comparison of statistical learning models for genetic risk prediction.

### **Supervision/Mentorship**

#### Trainee Supervision, Université de Montréal (UdeM)

##### Postdoctoral Mentor, Université de Montréal

Le Chang *September 2024 –*  
Frida Lona Durazo (Postdoctoral scholarship, FRQS) *November 2021 –*  
Muhammad Shoaib *July 2021 – November 2022*

##### Bioinformatics MSc or PhD, Research-based, Université de Montréal

Linda (Yuan) Wang – MSc *September 2023 – August 2025*  
Justin Bellavance – MSc (CIHR MSc Scholarship) *September 2023 – August 2025*  
Wiame Belbellaj – MSc (UdeM MSc recruitment scholarship) *May 2022 – June 2024*

##### Bioinformatics Masters Research Internship Supervisor, Université de Montréal

Sadaf Gawhary *October 2024 – February 2025*  
Oumaima Hamza *May 2021 – October 2021*  
Hester Faou *January 2021 – June 2021*

##### Research Interns, Université de Montréal

Jordan Boulais-Richard *May – August 2025*  
Daphnée Duong *May – August 2025*  
Léonie Forest *May – August 2025*  
Rimma Pyatovskaya *September 2024 – August 2025*  
Lyza Maameri (U Laval) *June – August 2024*  
Rime Diany *June – August 2023; June – August 2024*  
Nikita Neale *June – August 2023; June – August 2024*  
Melody Zuo (PREMIER scholarship) *May – Aug 2022; Sept – Dec 2024; May – August 2025*  
Yangfan Zhao *June 2021 – August 2022*

##### CÉGEP interns

Rayen Amrani *April 2023 – May 2023*

#### Service on Graduate Student Committees

##### PhD committee member

Soheila Moeini (PhD committee member) *2024 –*  
Manpreet Singh (PhD committee member) *2024 –*

Cécile Poulain (PhD committee president)

2022 –

Graduate student Mentor, Université de Montréal

Carolane Charest (MSc)

2024 – 2026

Rose Laflamme (PhD)

2022 – present

Justin Pelletier (MSc)

2020 – 2022

Examination committee jury member or president, Université de Montréal

Mersede Mokri (PhD examination committee Dean Representative)

July 2025

Raphaël Bourque (Pre-doctoral examination committee member)

April 2025

Federico Pratesi (PhD examination committee examiner)

January 2025

Raphael Avocegamou (MSc examination committee president)

November 2024

Jessy Carol Ntunzwenimana (PhD examination committee president)

October 2024

Sébastien Audet (Pre-doctoral examination committee member)

July 2024

Annu Beniwal (PhD examination committee member)

2024

Mame Seynabou Diop (Predoc examination committee president)

June 2024

Isabelle Hébert-Milette (PhD examination committee president)

September 2023

Xavier Navarri (Pre-doctoral examination committee member)

September 2023

Yann Ilboudo (PhD examination committee president)

September 2023

Amélie Jeuken (MSc examination committee president)

August 2023

Saiyet de la Caridad Baez Llovio (MSc committee member)

May 2023

Sayeh Kazem (Pre-doctoral examination committee member)

December 2022

Marjorie Labrecque (MSc examination committee examiner)

July 2022

Catherine Proulx (MSc examination committee president)

June 2022

Justin Pelletier (MSc examination committee president)

June 2022

Fatima Mostefai (Pre-doctoral examination committee president)

August 2021

Examination committee jury member or president, other universities

Zoe Schmilovich, McGill University (PhD examination committee jury)

March 2024

Leticia Camargo Tavares, Monash University (PhD examination committee jury)

October 2023

Gwenaëlle Lemoine, Université Laval (PhD examination committee jury)

December 2021

### Certifications and Other Training

- Communication Strategies for a Virtual Age (University of Toronto via Coursera) October 2022
- Training for Diversity & Inclusive Teaching (University of Michigan) Winter 2018
- THE500H: Teaching in Higher Education (University of Toronto) Fall 2015
- Scientific Computing & High Performance Computing (SciNet) September 2015
- Advanced University Teaching Preparation (University of Toronto) May 2014

### Professional Service

- **Co-organizer, Neuroscience Department Research Day** (special mention of appreciation for the very great work by the Department Chair) April 2024
- Poster presentation **moderator**, 25<sup>th</sup> Montreal Heart Institute Research Day June 2023
- **Member, Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) Planning committee**, Research Centre, Montreal Heart Institute 2021 – 2022
- **Associate Member of the College of Reviewers**, CIHR February 2023 – present
- **2023 Vascular Training (VAST) Conference organizing committee member**, Montréal  
Conference held from May 17 – 18, 2023
- **Co-moderator for ASHG poster talks session** October 25, 2022
- **Platform Advisory Committee member**, VCI Health Research Training (VAST) Platform  
July 2022 – July 2024
- Oral Presentation **judge at the 24<sup>th</sup> Montreal Heart Institute Research Day** June 2022
- IVADO MSc Excellence Scholarships **Reviewer** March 2022

- **ASHG Program Committee member** *January 2022 – December 2024*
- **Co-moderator for ASHG platform session** “Novel associations take novel statistical methods” *October 19, 2021*
- **CIHR "Fellowships - Post-PhD" Awards Committee ECR member** *July 2021 – July 2022*
- **Poster judge at the 23<sup>rd</sup> Montreal Heart Institute Research Day** *June 2021*
- **Co-Moderator for ASHG platform session** “A Deep Dive into Deep Learning” *October 17, 2019*
- **ASHG abstract reviewer**, Statistical Genetics and Genetic Epidemiology *2019*
- **Co-Moderator for ASHG platform session** “Biases of Polygenic Risk Scores” *October 20, 2018*
- **Writer, ASHG newsletter, *The Nascent Transcript*** *2017 – 2018*
- **Proposer/Moderator for ASHG invited session** “Using controls from external studies: issues, methods & successes” *October 20, 2017*
- **IGES Webmaster** (Communications Committee) *July 2016 – present*  
Post announcements to the website, updated to new website
- **IGES Young Investigators Committee member** *2015 – 2018*  
Co-organized Young Investigators Mixer at the 2016 Meeting in Toronto
- **ASHG Genetics Education Outreach Network member** *January 2015 – present*
- **Poster co-judge at the Summer Undergraduate Research Day** *August 2014*  
for the Institute of Medical Science, University of Toronto
- **DNA Day Essay Contest Judge** for ASHG *2014 – 2017*
- **Reviewer** for *Annals of Oncology, Annals of Medicine, Annals of Translational Medicine, BMC Psychiatry, Brain, Brain and Behavior, Brain Communications, Canadian Journal of Cardiology, Circulation, Current Drug Targets, European Journal of Epidemiology, Frontiers in Genetics, Frontiers in Immunology, Frontiers in Neuroscience, Genes, Genomics, GigaScience, Human Genetics and Genomics Advances, Human Reproduction, International Journal of Epidemiology, International Journal of Psychiatry in Clinical Practice, Journal of Neuroscience, Molecular Biology Reports, Molecular Genetics and Genomics, Nature, Nature Communications, Nature Genetics, Nature Reviews Methods Primers, Neurobiology of Aging, PeerJ, PLoS Computational Biology (associate editor), PLoS Genetics, PLoS ONE, Psychiatric Genetics, Psychiatry Research, Science Advances, Scientific Reports, Stroke, Thrombosis Research*