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Technical Skills

Programing Language:
Python: Numpy, Pandas, Matplotlib, SQLAlchemy, Flask, Scikit-learn, Keras
R: DESeq, EdgeR, maSigPro

Interactive Data Visualization & Webpage:
Javascript: D3js, Plotly, Leaflet
HTML: Bootstrap

Database:
MySQL, MongoDB

Bioinformatics & Next Generation Sequencing (NGS):
Data mining from various biology databases: NCBI, Ensembl, TCGA, cBioportal
Hands-on experience in NGS data analysis workflow

Molecular & Cellular Biology:
Extensive experience in most molecular & cellular experiment, as well as animal models

Projects

• **The Cancer Genome Atlas (TCGA) data mining and analysis project**
   The manuscript of this project entitled '*A Pan-Cancer Atlas of Genomic, Epigenomic and Transcriptomic Alterations in the TGF-β Pathway'* is under reviewing.

• **Built a machine learning model to predict the significance of a research project based on its abstract**
   Details available at: https://github.com/shoujungu/Impact_Factor_Pred
   Sample app available at: https://if-pred.herokuapp.com

• **Interactive visualization of US healthcare providers data**
   Details available at: https://github.com/shoujungu/US_Healthcare_Providers
   Sample app available at: http://hcproviders.herokuapp.com

• **Data mining and analysis on all healthcare publications (Year: 2017) in PubMed database**
   Details available at: https://github.com/shoujungu/2017_Pubmed_Analysis

Experience

The George Washington University, Washington, DC   Oct 2015 –
Postdoctoral Researcher
- Discovered an aberrant regulation pathway between TGF-β signaling and cancer biomarker CEA in colon adenomas by using both whole genomic sequencing and whole transcriptome sequencing methods [1];
- Discovered that Vitamin D promotes liver tumor progression in TGF-beta deficient environment by using both in vivo mouse model and bioinformatics tools [2];
- Published a review article entitled "Alcohol, stem cells and cancer" [3];
- TCGA data mining and analyzing of Pan-Cancer Atlas in the TGF-β signaling (under review).

National Institutes of Health, Bethesda, MD   Oct 2012 – Sept 2015
Visiting Fellow
- Discovered that Wnt5a-induced Vangl2 phosphorylation is a key step for planar cell polarity (PCP) signaling initiation and establishment by showing phosphorylated Vangl2 exhibits altered interaction with other PCP proteins and forms self-aggregation;
- Generated myc-Prickle1 knock-in mice by using CRISPR/Cas9 genome editing technique;
- Discovered that Casein Kinase 1 ε/δ conditional knockout mice exhibit significantly shorted long bones and delayed limb development.

Education

The George Washington University, Washington, DC   Oct 2017 – Apr 2018
Data Analytics Boot Camp
- An intensive 24-week long boot camp dedicated to Data Mining and Analytics Skills on a variety of real-world problems.

UT Health Science Center at San Antonio   Aug 2005 – May 2012
Ph.D. Department of Biochemistry
- Oral presentation in American Society for Bone and Mineral Research 2008 Annual Meeting;
- Discovered that the Twist1 inhibits Sox9 transactivation through protein-protein interaction between Twist1 C-terminal domain and Sox9 DNA binding domain, which results in negative regulation of chondrogenesis [4].

Publications

1. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4839765/
2. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC4960540/
3. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC5724803/
4. https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3375531/