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OBJECTIVE	Develop new algorithms for spatial and multi omics, with a particular interest in optimization, Bayesian inference and deep learning. These methods should be developed in close collaboration with clinicians and biologists, and leverage the multi omic nature of the data.	
EXPERIENCE	<p>Genome Institute of Singapore: helped organize the efforts of a team of 12 people, comprising biologists, engineers, bioinformaticians and physicists to develop the BANKSY spatial clustering algorithm:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2-60 times more scalable and 10-1000 times faster than existing algorithms• presented our work at various meetings (HCA Asia, AGBT, SSCN and internal seminars)• published in Nature Genetics and Bioconductor• independently benchmarked and recommended as a best practice, for instance for Xenium data (DOI: 10.1101/2023.02.13.528102), in the identification of domains in diffuse midline glioma (DMG) (DOI: 10.1038/s41467-023-36707-6) or even for analyzing MRI imaging (non-genomics) datasets (DOI: 10.1007/s00429-023-02748-2) <p>California Insitute of Technology: worked in the Murray lab on bringing tools from control theory into synthetic biology</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• singular perturbation theory for timescale separation in dynamical models of transcription• built an experimentally validated framework using Bayesian inference for batch effect removal• a MATLAB toolbox for modeling and consensus Bayesian parameter inference involving genetic circuits• additionally: mentored various undergraduate and masters students over the years	
EDUCATION	Ph.D., 2019, California Institute of Technology , Pasadena, California, USA B. Eng., <i>First Class Hons.</i> , Electrical Eng., 2010 Imperial College London , London, UK	
SKILLS	<p>Software/computational: deep/machine learning (pytorch, tensorflow, scikit-learn), Python, Linux, AWS, Git R, genomics packages (Seurat, SingleCellExperiment, Scanpy, etc), MATLAB, LaTeX, Illustrator.</p> <p>Mathemetical: convex optimization, linear operator theory, differential geometry, probability theory</p>	
HONORS AND AWARDS	Niche Skills Award (2022) National Science Scholarship, PhD (2011) National Science Scholarship, BS (2007)	
ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE	Genome Institute of Singapore , Singapore <i>Postdoctoral Fellow</i>	2018–present
	California Institute of Technology , Pasadena, California, USA <i>Graduate Student</i>	2011–2018
PUBLICATIONS	<p><u>Vipul Singhal</u>, Nigel Chou, Joseph Lee, Yifei Yue, Jinyue Liu, Wan Kee Chock, Li Lin, Yun-Ching Chang, Erica Teo, Hwee Kuan Lee, Kok Hao Chen, Shyam Prabhakar, “BANKSY unifies cell typing and tissue domain segmentation for scalable spatial omics data analysis”, Nature Genetics, https://www.nature.com/articles/s41588-024-01664-3.</p> <p><u>Li Lin*</u>, Tzuen Yih Saw, Nigel Chou*, Jolene Goh Jie Lin, Eugene Kwa Jing, Wan Kee Chock, <u>Vipul Singhal</u>, Zheng Li, Mike J. Huang, Huck Hui Ng, Chiea Chuen Khor, Hwee Kuan Lee, Kok</p>	

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