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Education

- 2018 — PhD Candidate, Cancer Biology and Genomics
University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
- 2015 M.S. Translational Biotechnology
University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA
- 2013 B.A. Biology
University of Southern California, Los Angeles, CA

Professional Experience

- 2018 — Graduate Student Researcher
University of Southern California
PI: David Cobrinik
- 2013 — 2018 Technician
Children's Hospital Los Angeles
PI: David Cobrinik
- 2012 — 2013 Undergraduate Research Assistant
University of Southern California
PI: John Tower

Grant Support

NIH-NIDCD F31 DC019853-01: Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award
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Scholarships and Awards

- 2013 Undergraduate SOAR

Peer-reviewed Publications

Li, H.-T., Xu, L., Weisenberger, D. J., Li, M., Zhou, W., Peng, C.-C., Stachelek, K., Cobrinik, D., Liang, G. & Berry, J. L. Characterizing DNA methylation signatures of retinoblastoma using aqueous humor liquid biopsy. *Nat Commun* 13, 5523 (2022).

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Shayler, D., Stachelek, K., Lee, S., Bai, J., Aparicio, J. G., Kim, Y., Singh, M., Bay, M., Thornton, M., Craft, C., Grubbs, B., Bonaguidi, M., Singh, H., & Cobrinik, David. Single cell transcriptomics reveals novel photoreceptor trajectories and a cancer-predisposed cone precursor state.

Refereed Presentations

2022 CBDI
 BMM

TSRI

Keystone

Software & Technology

2022 SeuratTools

Teaching

2022 Introduction to R: Workshop for incoming PhD students - University of Southern California

- Led, organized, and co-designed 3-day workshop

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