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Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science	2012
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RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Graduate Research Assistant	2007–2012
University of California, Irvine	<i>Irvine, California</i>

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Teaching Assistant	2009–2010
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REFEREED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

Ground-breaking article

2012

Journal name

REFEREED CONFERENCE PUBLICATIONS

Awesome paper

Jun 2011

Conference name

Another awesome paper

Aug 2012

Conference name

SOFTWARE

Magical tool

<http://your.url.here/>

C++ algorithm that solves TSP in polynomial time.

ABSTRACT OF THE DISSERTATION

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Chapter 1

Introduction

1.1 Purpose

Introduce core concepts relating to my project such as:

1. Importance of Dengue and Malaria
2. Transmission cycle dependant on Mosquitoes
3. Limited effectiveness (medical/finacial) of treatmeant of the diseases in rural poor human communities
4. Vector Control Strategies
5. How Transgenesis modifies the vector control landscape
6. Elements of Successful Transgenic Vector Control
7. Introduction to control of transcription and imoprtance of CRE/CRMs

Chapter 2

Review of Literature Contributions and Development of Analytical Approach

2.1 Purpose

Review a selection of my contributions to the literature that have informed the approach used in this project throughout my tenure as a member of the lab

1. Comparative genomics allows the discovery of cis-regulatory elements in mosquitoes
 - Use of comparative genomics to discover putative CREs from orthologous promoter regions in mosquitoes that were able to be correlated with bloodmeal associated transcription control
2. RNA-seq analyses of blood-induced changes in gene expression in the mosquito vector species, *Aedes aegypti*
 - relevance

3. Strain Variation in the Transcriptome of the Dengue Fever Vector, *Aedes aegypti*

- relevance

4. Comparative Transcriptome Analyses of Deltamethrin-Resistant and-Susceptible *Anopheles gambiae* Mosquitoes from Kenya by RNA-Seq

- relevance

5. Complex Modulation of the *Aedes aegypti* Transcriptome in Response to Dengue Virus Infection

- relevance

Chapter 3

Software Development to Support Analytical Approach

3.1 Purpose

Illustrate how lessons learned in previous chapter (as well as new lessons introduced here) are addressed through custom software solutions.

1. RNA-seq analysis, reproducibility, updating
2. Integration of multiple disparate Omics scale data types
3. Documentation of exactly how analyses were carried out (IPython notebooks)

Chapter 4

Analysis of Conservation of Midgut Transcriptional Response to Bloodfeeding in Four Vector Mosquitoes

4.1 Background

1. Biological importance of bloodmeal to mosquito
2. Biological importance of bloodmeal to transmission cyc

Chapter 5

Contributions to Literature Not Otherwise Mentioned

5.1 Purpose

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Chapter 6

Conclusions

6.1 Purpose

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Appendix A

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A.1 Lorem Ipsum

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“I am glad I was up so late,
for that’s the reason I was up so early.”
William Shakespeare (1564-1616), British dramatist, poet.
Cloten, in Cymbeline, act 2, sc. 3, l. 33-4.

Figure A.1: A deep quote.