

ICCABS 2021

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Thursday, Dec. 16, 2021 (EST)

8:50am - 9:00am	Opening Remarks	https://snp.engr.uconn.edu/b/iccabs2021
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9:00am - 10:00am	Keynote Talk	https://snp.engr.uconn.edu/b/iccabs2021
	Chair: <i>Sanguthevar Rajasekaran</i>	

Jan Korbel - European Molecular Biology Laboratory

Title: Multi-platform genomic sequencing reveals patterns of recurrent mutation associated with human diseases

10:00am - 10:30am	Break	https://gather.town/app/6l93Dw2qk8gZViEX/ICCABS
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10:30am - 12:10pm **Parallel Sessions**

ICCABS Session 1

Chair: *João Lourenço Coelho da Silva*
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- André Louzada Colodette, Fabiano Novaes Barcellos Filho, Gustavo Carreiro Pinasco, Sheila Cristina de Souza Cruz and Sérgio Nery Simões. Selection of Characteristics For Identification of Risk Factors Associated with Infant Mortality
- Alexandre Babilone Fonseca, David Correa Martins-Jr, Zofia Wicik, Marek Postula and Sérgio Nery Simões. Addressing classification on highly imbalanced clinical datasets

CANGS Session 1

Chair: *Alex Zelikovsky*
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- Pasaniuc. Methods to quantify polygenic risk score accuracy for a single target individual
- Tan, Zhao, Zhao, Burns, Tian. A novel network method MMVC for analysis of WGS data unveils high-resolution linkages in poliovirus clusters: application to polio eradication
- Tithi, Aylward, Jensen, Zhang. Recovering Draft Genomes of Novel Phages in Metagenomic Data
- Yu, Sankoff. Syntenic dimensions of evolutionary divergence
- Chen, Shaw, Bu, Jiang. FINER: enhancing the prediction of tissue-specific functions of isoforms by refining isoform interaction networks

12:10pm - 1:00pm **Break**

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1:00pm - 2:00pm **Keynote Talk**
Chair: *Ion Mandoiu*

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Pavel Skums - Georgia State University

[Title: Phylodynamic analysis of tumors using single cell sequencing data](#)

2:00pm - 2:30pm **Break**

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**2:30pm -
3:50pm** **Parallel Sessions**

ICCABS Session 2

Chair: *Manish Bhattarai*

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- Dan Gusfield and Hannah Brown. Unified SAT-Solving for Hard Problems of Phylogenetic Network Construction
- Kazi Lutful Kabir, Manish Bhattarai, Boian Alexandrov and Amarda Shehu. Single Model Quality Estimation of Protein Structures via Non-negative Tensor Factorization
- Audrey Mitchell, Marco Ruiz, Soua Yang, Chen Wang and Jaime Davila. Excerno: Filtering mutations caused by the clinical archival process in sequencing data

CANGS Session 2

Chair: *Ion Mandoiu*

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- Ayyala, Mangul. Rigorous Benchmarking of HLA Callers for RNA Sequencing Data
- Icer, Mangul. Robustness and reproducibility of computational genomic tools
- Li, Chen, George, Karuturi, Liu. Adaptive sentinel testing in workplace for COVID19 pandemic
- Liu, Heber. Mapping the Landscape of RNA-seq Bioinformatics Tools

**3:50pm -
4:20pm** **Break**

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4:20pm -
6:00pm

Parallel Sessions

ICCABS Session 3

Chair: *Jaime Davila*

<https://snp.engr.uconn.edu/b/iccas2021>

- Taseef Rahman, Yuanqi Du and Amarda Shehu. Graph Representation Learning for Protein Conformation Sampling
- Pramesh Shakya, Ardan Naseri, Degui Zhi and Shaojie Zhang. mcPBWT: Space-efficient Multi-column PBWT Scanning Algorithm for Composite Haplotype Matching
- An-Chi Shau, Nai-Shuan Hwang and Shu-Yu Chang. MELEPS: Multiple Expert Linear Epitope Prediction System
- João Silva, Miguel Nobre Menezes, Tiago Rodrigues, Beatriz Silva, Fausto J. Pinto and Arlindo L. Oliveira. Encoder-Decoder Architectures for Clinically Relevant Coronary Artery Segmentation

CAME Session 1

Chair: *Pavel Skums*

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- Novikov, Knyazev, Zelikovskiy. Scalable Reconstruction of SARS-CoV-2 Phylogeny with Recurrent Mutations
- Zaman, Sledzieski, Berger, Wu, Bansal. Phylogenetic reconciliation reveals extensive ancestral recombination in Sarbecoviruses and the SARS-CoV-2 lineage
- Tariq, Chowell-Puente. Multi-scale models to infer transmission dynamics and short term-forecast the COVID-19 pandemic in four Latin American countries
- Ali, Bello, Tayebi, Patterson. Classifying SARS-CoV-2 Spike Sequences by Geographic Location Using Deep Learning
- Mohebbi, Skums. Inference of the fitness landscape and epistatic interaction network of SARS-CoV-2

Friday, Dec. 17, 2021 (EST)

9:00am -
10:20am

Parallel Sessions

ASI Session 1

Chair: *Ion Mandoiu*

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- Ebrahimi-Nik, Moussa, et al., Reversion analysis reveals the in vivo immunogenicity of a poorly MHC I-binding cancer neoepitope
- Sahoo, Zelikovsky, Mandoiu, Ionov, Srivastava. CiPAS based therapeutic vaccine against tumors with p53 gene mutations.
- Nevin, Moussa, Corwin, Mandoiu, Srivastava. Sympathetic nervous tone limits the development of myeloid-derived suppressor cells
- Geyer, Moussa, Mandoiu, Srivastava, Nevin. Sympathetic nervous system signaling regulates natural killer cell maturation

CAME Session 2

Chair: Alex Zelikovsky

<https://snp.engr.uconn.edu/b/came2021>

- Bunimovich, Ram. Cross-immunoreactivity and Local Immunodeficiency
- Campo, Mosa, Khudyakov. Entropy-based distance for categorical data: Application to the clustering of protein sequences
- Tayebi, Patterson, Skums. Machine Learning and Deep Learning to Predict Crossmmunoreactivity of Viral Epitopes
- Ali, Chourasia, Ciccolella, Della Vedova, Bonizzoni, Patterson. An Efficient and Alignment-Free Embedding Approach for High-Throughput Viral Sequencing Data

10:20am -
10:50am

Break

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**10:50am -
12:10pm** **Parallel Sessions**

ASI Session 2

Chair: *Marmar Moussa*

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- Al Seesi, Sherafat, Shcheglova, et al. GeNeo: Bioinformatics Toolbox for Genomics Guided Neopeptide prediction
- George. An unbiased approach to defining bona fide cancer neopeptides that elicit immune-mediated cancer rejection
- Sherafat, Srivastava, Mandoiu. Towards accurate prediction of tumor rejection-mediating neopeptides using machine learning
- Huang, Mangul. Assessing the completeness of immunogenetics databases across diverse populations

CAME Session 3

Chair: *Mukul Bansal*

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- Yooseph. Bacterial Associations in the Human Microbiome
- Snir. Genome Dynamics under the Jump Model
- Schwartz. Multi-modal data integration for reconstructing and predicting cancer progression processes
- Piontkivska, Plonski, Nitirahardjo, Wales-McGrath, Luczywo, Hutchison. RNA editing and viral evolution: changes to monitor

**12:10pm -
1:00pm** **Break**

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**1:00pm -
2:00pm** **Keynote Talk**
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Sharma Thankachan - University of Central Florida

[Title: A Brief History of Genomic Data Indexing in Compressed Space](#)

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**2:30pm -
3:30pm** **CAME Workshop**

CAME Session 4

Chair: *Pavel Skums*

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- Fiona Senchyna, Singh. Local-to-global topological analysis of viral infection-spread using temporal molecular networks
- Longmire, Khudyakov. Artefacts affecting viral transmission detection using amplicon deep sequencing
- Skums, Mohebbi, Tsyvina, Icer. SOPHIE: viral outbreak investigation and transmission history reconstruction in a joint phylogenetic and network theory framework

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4:00pm** **Break** <https://gather.town/app/6l93Dw2qk8gZViEX/ICCABS>

**4:00pm -
6:00pm** **CASCODA Workshop**

CASCODA Session 1

Chair: *Alex Zelikovsky*

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- Blum, Stegle. Computational tools to dissect single-cell readouts across time and space
- Moravec, Gavryushkin. Cancer phylogenetics using single-cell multiomics data
- Pinello. SIMBA: SIngle-cell eMBedding Along with features
- Wang, Li, Nabavi. Single-cell RNA sequencing data clustering using graph convolutional networks
- Ghosn. SuPERR-seq: new approach for multi-OMICs single-cell data integration reveals greater heterogeneity in the human immune system
- Natarajan. Single-cell gene regulatory networks in health and disease

Saturday, Dec. 18, 2021 (EST)

9:00am -
10:00am

CASCODA Workshop

CASCODA Session 2

Chair: *Murray Patterson*

<https://snp.engr.uconn.edu/b/cascoda2021>

- Zhou, Patterson. Towards a complete workflow for inferring tumor phylogeny from raw single-cell sequencing reads
- Szczurek. CONET: Copy number event tree model of evolutionary tumor history for single-cell data
- Germain, Robinson. Doublet identification in single-cell sequencing with scDblFinder

10:00am -
10:30am

Break

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CASCODA/ASI/ICCABS

Joint CASCODA/ASI/ICCABS Session

Chair: *Marmar Moussa*

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- Bonizzoni, Pirola, Rizzi, Zaccagnino, Zizza. Detecting gene-fusion from PacBio HIFI by Lyn2vec: a machine learning approach
- Kızılkale, Rashidi Mehrabadi, Ergun, Buluc, Sahinalp, Malikic. Provably Fast Intratumor . Heterogeneity Inference from Single-Cell Sequencing Data
- Jordan Force, Ion Mandoiu. Immuno-peptide identification from tandem mass-spectrometry data
- Abdurrahman Abul-Basher and Steven Hallam. Relabeling metabolic pathway data with groups to improve prediction outcomes