Xinyu Guo

EDUCATION

University of Southern California, GPA 3.95/4.0

Doctor of Philosophy, Computational Biology and Bioinformatics

Andrew J. Viterbi Fellowship, awarded for outstanding Ph.D. student in computational sciences

Johns Hopkins University

Master of Science, Biostatistics, GPA 3.97/4.0

Member of the Delta Omega Public Health Honorary Society

Washington University in St. Louis

Bachelor of Art, Mathematics Major & Computer Science Minor, GPA 3.89/4.0

• Cum Laude, Dean's List

TECHNICAL SKILLS

Programming languages:

R (proficient), Python (proficient), SQL, Java, HTML.

Skills:

Advanced statistical modeling, machine learning, algorithm development, risk assessment, data scraping, predictive analytics, and data dashboard building.

EXPERIENCE

Co-Founder, Legal Patent Copilot

- Developed an LLM-powered system to enhance patent attorney prior art search processes.
- Implemented sentence transformers for encoding the entire patent database, storing embeddings in a vector database.
- Integrated Retrieval-Augmented Generation (RAG) to ensure efficient, accurate, and sophisticated searches.

Co-Founder, Intelligent Tennis Coach

- Designed a computer vision system to analyze tennis training and game videos.
- Developed an object detection and tracking pipeline to extract players' and ball trajectories for statistical analysis.
- Built and trained Hierarchical Contextual Networks for action detection in tennis.
- Fine-tuned LLMs with tennis-specific datasets, enabling personalized coaching insights and conversations.

Deal Scout, UpHonest Capital

- Researched and identified potential investment opportunities.
- Actively participated in deal evaluation and investment decision-making processes.

Lab Member, Statistical Genetics and Genomics Studies

Advisor: Dr. Liang Chen, University of Southern California

- Using statistical and machine learning model to identify disease risk region based on spatial transcriptomics data.
- Analyzed cell cycle phases distributions with single cell RNA-seq data at tissue-specific and cell type-specific level.
- Identified genetic factors of nonsense mediated mRNA decay with downstream regulations.

Lab Member, Statistical Genetics Studies

Advisor: Dr. Nilanjan Chatterjee & Dr. Diptavo Dutta, Johns Hopkins University

Developed a cross-tissue subset-based meta-analysis methods to identify a set of potential "active" tissues with improved power.

Lab Member, Statistical Genomics Studies

Advisor: Dr. Hongkai Ji & Dr. Eneda Toska, Johns Hopkins University

- Built RNA-seq, ChIP-seq, and ATAC-seq data analysis pipeline: Align and map sequence reads to the genome; Implement downstream analysis such as differential analysis, gene set enrichment analysis, and motif analysis.
- Elucidating how transcriptional and epigenetic regulators mediate hormone-driven cancer tumor resistance to therapeutics.

Research Assistant, Respiratory Failure Prediction

Advisor: Dr. Andrew Michelson, Washington University in St. Louis, Institute for Informatics

Modeled with lasso and logistic regression to predict respiratory failure probability of COVID-19 tested patients. This model is implemented in the Barnes-Jewish Hospital Electronic Health Record system to early identify patients' risks for respiratory decompensation, facilitating timely resource deployment.

Los Angeles, CA August 2022 - Current

Baltimore, MD August 2020 - May 2022

St. Louis, MO

August 2018 - May 2020

PAPERS & PUBLICATIONS

- From G1 to M: a comparative study of methods for identifying cell cycle phases. *Briefings in Bioinformatics*. Guo, X., Chen, L. (doi: https://doi.org/10.1093/bib/bbad517)
- Cell-autonomous Cxcl1 sustains tolerogenic circuitries and stromal inflammation via neutrophil-derived TNF in pancreatic cancer. Cancer Discovery.

Bianchi, A., ..., Guo, X., ..., Merchant, N. (doi: https://doi.org/10.1158/2159-8290.cd-22-1046)

• Subset-based method for cross-tissue transcriptome-wide association studies improves power and interpretability. Human Genetics and Genomics Advances.

Guo, X., Chatterjee, N., Dutta, D. (doi: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.xhgg.2024.100283)

• Transcriptome-and proteome-wide association studies identify genes associated with renal cell carcinoma. *The American Journal of Human Genetics.*

Dutta, D, Guo, X., ..., Purdue, R. (doi: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ajhg.2024.07.012)

• Methylation of the chromatin modifier KMT2D by SMYD2 contributes to therapeutic response in hormonedependent breast cancer. *Cell Reports*.

Blawski, R., ..., Guo, X., ..., Toska, E. (doi: https://doi.org/10.1016/j.celrep.2024.114174)

• ERK hyperactivation serves as a unified mechanism of escape in intrinsic and acquired CDK4/6 inhibitor resistance in acral lentiginous melanoma. *Oncogenes*.

Jagirdar, K., ..., Guo, X., ..., Rebecca, V. (doi: https://doi.org/10.1038/s41388-023-02900-6)

- SMYD2 Regulates Chromatin Modifier KMT2D in ER+/PIK3CA Mutant Breast Cancer. Cancer Research. Blawski, R., ..., Guo, X., ..., Toska, E. (dio: https://doi.org/10.1158/1538-7445.AM2022-2955)
- The histone methyltransferase KMT2D mediates subtype-specific transcriptional regulation and therapeutic response in prostate cancer. Cancer Research.

Kittane, S., ..., Guo, X., ..., Toska, E. (dio: https://doi.org/10.1158/1538-7445.AM2024-1245)

LEADERSHIP AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENTS

Founder, China EYE Public Welfare

Shanxi, China

June 2016 – Current

- Founded an NGO with more than 50 people and raised a donation online while holding charity book fairs in schools and parks
- Went to middle schools in impoverished areas and donated 100 brand new desks with many other teaching equipment

HONORS AND CERTIFICATIONS

- Andrew J. Viterbi Fellowship, awarded to outstanding Ph.D. students in computational science. (August 2023)
- Selected as a member of the Alpha chapter of the Delta Omega Society—Honorary Society in Public Health (May 2022)
- Present at the Second Annual Data Science Workshop at Augusta University (October 2021)
- Poster Presentation in MSSISS at University of Michigan (February 2020)
- Summer Undergraduate Research Award (Summer 2019)
- Poster Presentation in Undergraduate Research Symposium (November 2019)
- Math tutor of Washington University in St. Louis Arts & Science school (August 2019)
- First prize in the 7th Advanced Graphing Technology and Innovation Design Competition (June 2017)
- Outstanding Student Leaders of East China University of Science and Technology (June 2018)
- Professional Certification of Auto CAD Graphing

Patent—Multifunctional Shared Printer [201821510016.7]; Patent—Portable Shared Printer [201821494888.9]