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Education

PhD, Biomathematical Sciences, Mount Sinai School of Medicine/City University of New York

Key Interests

Multiscale Systems Biology | Computational Biology | Bioinformatics | Cardiac Physiology | Immunology | Mitochondria | Cellular Signaling | Neuroscience | Algorithms | HPC

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SELECT PUBLICATIONS

- › E. Munger *et al.*, Application of machine learning to determine top predictors of non-calcified coronary burden in psoriasis: an observational cohort study. *J Am Acad Dermatol*, (in press).
- › H. Choi *et al.*, Application of machine learning to determine top predictors of non-calcified coronary plaque burden in psoriasis. *J Am Coll Cardiol* 73(9 Supplement 1),1467 (2019).
- › M. D. McCoy *et al.*, SNP2SIM: a modular workflow for standardizing molecular simulation and functional analysis of protein variants. *BMC Bioinformatics* 20, 171-178 (2019).
- › J. R. King *et al.*, Ionotropic and metabotropic mechanisms of allosteric modulation of $\alpha 7$ nicotinic receptor intracellular calcium. *Mol Pharmacol* 93(6), 601-611 (2018).

Research Focus

I apply computational analysis and modeling to answer fundamental and translational biomedical questions. My focus is understanding the molecular and cellular basis of normal and pathophysiology.

Current Projects

- Computational modeling to address fundamental questions about agonist-induced calcium signaling and downstream targets
- More recent scientific contributions are in the area of cardiac ventricular excitation-contraction coupling and mitochondrial energy metabolism and ionic homeostasis
- Development of novel computational algorithms to address significant biological questions
- Other research involves the development of new methods to understand genomic data and how they result in traits or disease