



Lei Xiong

Postdoctoral Scholar, Genetics

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BIO

My research interests lie in the development and application of innovative deep learning approaches to address complex biological questions. I am primarily focused on large-scale genomics data (e.g. single-cell, spatial genomics, genetic perturbation, genetics and epigenetics). To achieve this, I build models that effectively capture and interpret complex features behind the data, providing new insights into fundamental biological processes and mechanisms. Through my work, I aim to drive significant advances in the field of computational genomics, contributing to a better understanding of human health and disease.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation, Tsinghua University (2020)
- Outstanding Graduate of Beijing, Beijing Municipal Commission of Education (2020)
- Outstanding Fellowship, Beijing Advanced Innovation Center of Structure Biology, Tsinghua University (2019)
- Top 10 Advances of Bioinformatics in China, Genomics, Proteomics & Bioinformatics (2019)
- Top 10 Algorithms and Tools for Bioinformatics in China, Genomics, Proteomics & Bioinformatics (2019)
- Innovation Fellowship, Beijing Advanced Innovation Center of Structure Biology, Tsinghua University (2016)
- Gold Medal, International Genetically Engineered Machine (2013)
- Student Scholarship, University of Science and Technology of China (2013)
- Student Scholarship, University of Science and Technology of China (2012)
- Freshman Scholarship, University of Science and Technology of China (2011)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Postdoctoral Scholar, Stanford University , Genetics (2024)
- Postdoctoral Associate, MIT , Computer Science & Artificial Intelligence Laboratory (2021)
- Doctor of Philosophy, Tsinghua University , Computational Biology (2020)
- Bachelor of Science, University of Science and Technology of China , Biology (2015)

STANFORD ADVISORS

- Anshul Kundaje, Postdoctoral Faculty Sponsor

LINKS

- My website: <https://www.xiong-lei.com>

- Github: <https://github.com/jsxlei>

Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

My research focuses on develop deep learning methods to

1. Infer macrophage-tumor cells interaction using spatial multi-omics
2. Decipher the cis-regulatory code using a large language models
3. Predict enhancer-promoter interaction
4. Multi-omics integration
5. Build foundational model for single-cell genomics

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Deep learning prediction of ribosome profiling with Translatomer reveals translational regulation and interprets disease variants** *NATURE MACHINE INTELLIGENCE*
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- **Tissue-specific silencing of integrated transgenes achieved through endogenous RNA interference in *Caenorhabditis elegans*.** *RNA biology*
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- **CD127 imprints functional heterogeneity to diversify monocyte responses in inflammatory diseases.** *The Journal of experimental medicine*
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- **Molecular basis of ligand recognition and transport by glucose transporters.** *Nature*
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