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Cancer Research

Spatial Models of Tumours, CONTRA Innovative Training Network Workshop

Organized by The Institute of Cancer Research, London, UK

24 – 26 of November 2020

24th of Nov 2020: Lecture by Invited Speakers (open for external attendees)

9:00 Start, Host to give introduction

9:05 The role of macrophages in cancer metastasis and therapy resistance

Dr. Binzhi Qian, Reader, Principal Investigator Chancellor's Fellow & CRUK Career Development Fellow Edinburgh Cancer Research UK Centre & MRC University of Edinburgh Centre for Reproductive Health University of Edinburgh

Chair: Yinyin Yuan

9:35 Q&A

9:50 DEPICTION: extracting insight from deep learning models in computational biology.

Dr. María Rodríguez Martínez, IBM Zurich

Chair: Ewa Szczurek

10:20 Q&A

10:35 Coffee Break

10:50 Early disease detection and the art of asking clinical questions

Marcel Gehring, CEO at Cytel

Chair: Ewa Szczurek

11:20 Q&A

11:35 Lunch Break

13:00 Spatial models for forecasting tumour growth and survival

Dr. Robert Noble, Lecturer in Applied Mathematics at City, University of London

Chair: Yinyin Yuan

13:30 Q&A

13:45 Integrated Imaging and Analysis to understand the biological complexity of tissues

Dr. Stephanie Ling, Associate Principal Scientist, Imaging and Data Analytics, AstraZeneca

Chair: Nuria Lopez



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14:15 Q&A

14:30 Coffee Break

14:45 3D imaging of solid tumors

Dr. Anne Rios, Junior Principal Investigator, Princess Máxima Center for Pediatric Oncology

Chair: Nuria Lopez

15:15 Q&A

15:30 Close



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25th of Nov: Journal Club (CONTRA student only)

9:00 **Paper 1:** Michael Schneider, Spatial Heterogeneity in the Tumor Microenvironment

9:20 **Paper 2:** Paula Martin-Gonzalez, 3D-printed moulds of renal tumours for image-guided tissue sampling in the clinical setting

9:40 **Paper 3:** Hanna Kranas, SPOTlight: Seeded NMF regression to Deconvolute Spatial Transcriptomics Spots with Single-Cell Transcriptomes

10:00 **Paper 4:** Jose Bonet, Spatial Organization and Molecular Correlation of Tumor-Infiltrating Lymphocytes Using Deep Learning on Pathology Images

11:20 **Paper 5:** Nico Borgsmueller, Spatially constrained tumour growth affects the patterns of clonal selection and neutral drift in cancer genomic data

11:40 Coffee break

12:00 **Paper 6:** Artur Dondi

12:20 **Paper 7:** Senbai (Ethan) Kang, Modeling Cell-Cell Interactions from Spatial Molecular Data with Spatial Variance Component Analysis

12:40 **Paper 8:** Shadi Shafighi, Integrating spatial gene expression and breast tumour morphology via deep learning

13:30 Lunch

14:00 **Paper 9:** Reda Keddar, Local mutational diversity drives intratumoral immune heterogeneity in non-small cell lung cancer

14:20 **Paper 10:** Mandi Chen, PathologyGAN: Learning deep representations of cancer tissue

14:40 **Paper 11:** Mohammadreza Mohaghegh Neyshabouri, Spatial transcriptomics inferred from pathology whole-slide images links tumor heterogeneity to survival in breast and lung cancer

15:00 Coffee break

15:20 **Paper 12:** Fausto Fabian Crespo Fernandez, How many samples are needed to infer truly clonal mutations from heterogenous tumours?



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15:40 **Paper 13:** Monica Valecha, Spatial structure governs the mode of tumour evolution

16:00 **Paper 14:** Hrvoje Misetic, A spatial model predicts that dispersal and cell turnover limit intratumour heterogeneity

16:20 **Paper 15:** Yeman Hagos, Topography of cancer-associated immune cells in human solid tumors

16:40 Closing



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26th of Nov 2020: Paper writing training (CONTRA student only)

By Katie D'Arcy, Freelance Training Consultant & Career Coach

- 9:30 Lecture 1. The Writing Process - writing with clarity and purpose
- 11:00 Peer review (pair work)
- 12:00 Writing time (approx 40mins)
- 13:00 Lunch break**
- 14:00 Lecture 2. The Writing Process - overcoming writer's block and procrastination
- 15:15 Peer Review
- 16:00 Writing time
- 16:45 Q&A
- 17:30 FINISH (or before depending on Q&A)