



Welcome to the March 2023 Advanced Single-cell RNA-seq Training Workshop!

March 13 - March 17, 2023
Childhood Cancer Data Lab

<https://alexslemonade.github.io/2023-march-training/>

Childhood Cancer
Data  **Lab** **x**



Tell us about you!

- What's your name?
- What are you studying?
- Do you have any pets? If not, what kind of pet would you choose to have?



Meet your instructors



JOSH

Joshua Shapiro

Senior Data Scientist @ the Data Lab

PhD Ecology & Evolution, *UChicago*

Postdoc Integrative Genomics, *Princeton*

Research interests:

- **Evolutionary genomics**
- **Single cell workflows**



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Meet your instructors



STEPHANIE

Stephanie Spielman

Data Scientist @ the Data Lab

PhD Integrative Biology *UT Austin*

Postdoc Computational Molecular Evolution *Temple*

Research interests:

- **Protein evolution and comparative sequence analysis**
- **Data science and bioinformatics education**



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Meet your instructors



CHANTE

Chante Bethell

Biological Data Analyst @ the Data Lab

Bachelor's in Bioinformatics from *Rowan University*

Research interests:

- **Functional motifs in the proteome**



cbethell

Meet your instructors



ALLY

Ally Hawkins

Data Scientist @ the Data Lab

PhD Cancer Biology *University of Michigan*

Postdoc Computational Biology *Cornell*

Research interests:

- **Single cell data analysis**
- **Origins of pediatric solid tumors**



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Meet your instructors



JACLYN

Jaclyn Taroni

Director @ the Data Lab

PhD Genetics *Dartmouth*

Postdoc Computational Biology *UPenn*

Research interests:

- **Transcriptomics in rare, complex diseases**
- **Unsupervised pattern extraction**



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Other staff you may see (or have seen already!)



JEN
Jen O'Malley
Scientific Community
Manager

- Helps administer Data Lab offerings such as training workshops
- Manages communications



DEEPA
Deepa Prasad
User Experience
Designer

- Talks to researchers about their needs and frustrations
- Designs usable software



DAVID
David Mejia
Engineering Manager

- Makes websites
- Debugs

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Code of Conduct



Be kind, have fun

We value the involvement of everyone in the community. We are committed to creating a friendly and respectful place for learning, teaching, and contributing.

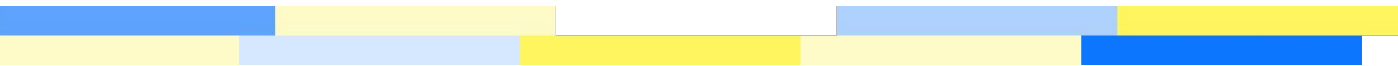
- Use welcoming and inclusive language
- Be respectful of different viewpoints and experiences
- Gracefully accept constructive criticism
- Focus on what is best for the community
- Show courtesy and respect towards other community members

Read the full Code of Conduct here:

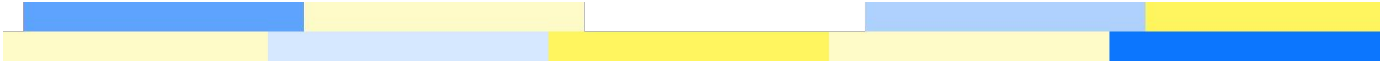
<https://alexslimonade.github.io/2023-march-training/code-of-conduct.html>



If you at any time feel harassed or treated inappropriately, please contact
ccd1@alexslemonade.org.



What you will learn (and what you won't)



What you will learn

- We will review working with single-cell RNA-seq data in R with Bioconductor.
- We will introduce working with CITE-seq data.
- We will cover cell-type identification using SingleR and CITE-seq data.
- We will address integration of multiple single-cell RNA-seq libraries.
- We will describe approaches to differential expression analyses with single-cell data.



What you won't learn

- We won't address experimental design (e.g., how many replicates you need).
- We won't compare tools (e.g., Seurat vs. Scater for single-cell RNA-seq data pre-processing).
- We won't cover pre-processing (alignment and quantification) of single-cell data.
- We won't address integrating with other omics types (e.g. joint analysis of single-cell RNA-seq and ATAC-seq).
- We won't cover every feature or assumption of the tools we do present, but we will try to highlight the features and gotchas that we think are relevant to most users.
- You may not be able to perform every analysis you need for your own work, particularly for complex experimental designs.

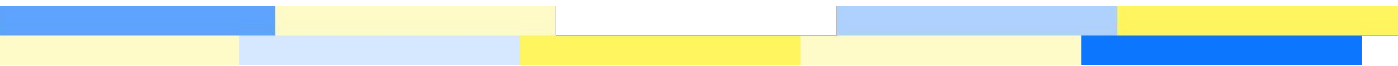
How do we pick what we teach?

We want methods to be or to have:

- Useful for a wide range of experimental designs, sample sizes
- Easy to use, well-documented, and consistently updated
- Solid tutorials, a sizeable user base, and responsive authors/maintainers

We have a preference for methods that integrate easily into a single workflow that can be run on a laptop (and our own personal biases as scientists).





Schedule



Monday

Workshop Intro

Module

Single-cell Analysis with R and Bioconductor

Consultations

-Exercise notebooks

Tuesday

Module

Identifying Cell Types with scRNA-seq Data

Consultations

-Exercise notebooks

Wednesday

Module

Integrating scRNA-seq datasets

Consultations

-Exercise notebooks
-Your own data

Thursday

Module

Differential expression analysis for scRNA-seq

Consultations

-Exercise notebooks
-Your own data

Friday

Consultations

-Exercise notebooks
-Your own data

Presentations

Daily Schedule Outline

Instruction

Full group

Lectures

- Introduce concepts and background
- Demonstrate usage
- Answer general questions

Breakout

Small groups

Start exercise notebooks

- Split up into Zoom breakout rooms
- Ask questions of instructors and other participants

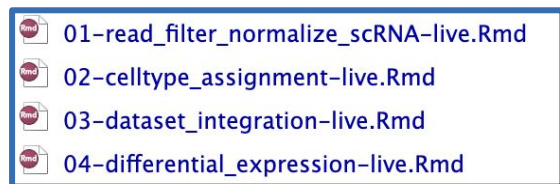
Consultation Period

Exercise notebooks

Your own data

- Practice what you have learned
- Work on exercises individually or in groups
- Work with your own data

Module Layout



These are **Instruction** notebooks.
We'll walk through these together,
adding code during the workshop.



data



diagrams



These are **Exercise** notebooks.
Use these to practice what you have
learned. We're here to help!



README.md

Module cheatsheets cover key functions

dplyr

Read the `dplyr` package documentation [here](#).

A vignette on the usage of the `dplyr` package can be found [here](#).

Library/Package	Piece of code	What it's called	What it does
<code>dplyr</code>	<code>%>%</code>	Pipe operator	Funnels a <code>data.frame</code> through tidyverse operations
<code>dplyr</code>	<code>filter()</code>	Filter	Returns a subset of rows matching the conditions of the specified logical argument
<code>dplyr</code>	<code>arrange()</code>	Arrange	Reorders rows in ascending order. <code>arrange(desc())</code> would reorder rows in descending order.
<code>dplyr</code>	<code>select()</code>	Select	Selects columns that match the specified argument
<code>dplyr</code>	<code>mutate()</code>	Mutate	Adds a new column that is a function of existing columns
<code>dplyr</code>	<code>summarise()</code>	Summarise	Summarises multiple values in an object into a single value. This function can be used with other functions to retrieve a single output value for the grouped values. <code>summarize</code> and <code>summarise</code> are synonyms in this package.
<code>dplyr</code>	<code>rename()</code>	Rename	Renames designated columns while keeping all variables of the <code>data.frame</code>
<code>dplyr</code>	<code>group_by()</code>	Group By	Groups data into rows that contain the same specified value(s)
<code>dplyr</code>	<code>inner_join()</code>	Inner Join	Joins data from two data frames, retaining only the rows that are in both datasets.

We want your feedback!

At the end of each module,
we will post a few questions
in the Slack channel.

- The most difficult or confusing point of the module ("muddiest point")
We will post additional material answering your questions the next day
Responses to this question will appear in the channel anonymously
- What did you like about the module?
- How we can improve the module?
These responses will be collected anonymously (and not posted)



Polly APP 3:22 PM

What did you like about this module?



Results for this poll are only visible to the author

Submit Response

Owner: @Jaclyn N. Taroni | ⌚ Closes: May 13 at 3:22 PM | 🔒 Responses are Anonymous

Friday Afternoon

Your own projects Exercise notebooks

Spend Friday afternoon working with your own data, getting assistance as needed from Data Lab staff and each other.

Presentations

Present what you worked on during the consultation times to the group!

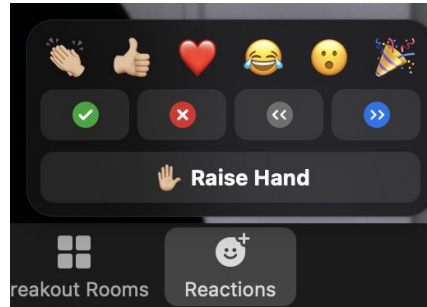
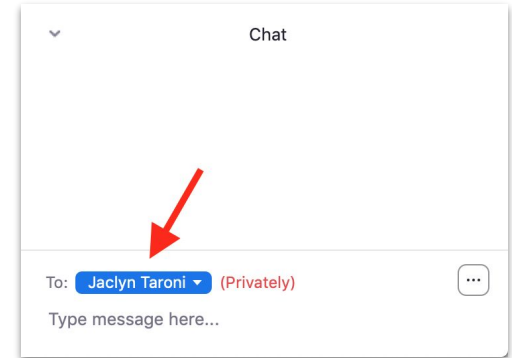


Virtual Training Procedures



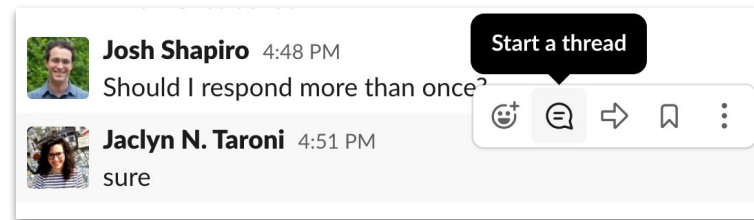
General Zoom Etiquette

- Keep your microphone muted
- Type questions in the Chat window (directed to the host)
 - Click on the “Chat” button at the bottom of your window to open the chat.
- Use the Zoom reactions to tell us how you are doing!



We encourage you to use Slack

- You have been added to the **#2023-march-training** Slack channel
- Post public questions, get help with errors and debugging, make comments, and help others!
 - Use threads to keep related content together
- Watch out for feedback polls!
- Stay in touch after the workshop!



Communication during instruction



- **I have an urgent question** that needs an answer before moving on:
 - **Raise Hand** or **Chat** with the room host
- **I'm stuck with an error** and can't proceed with the hands-on exercise
 - **Chat** with meeting host: Request 1:1 and you will be placed in a breakout room with a Data Lab staff member



- **I have an general question** that does not need an answer right away.
 - **Post** in #2023-march-training
- **I'm having trouble logging in** to RStudio Server
 - **Direct Message** a Data Lab staff member (not the current host or instructor)

Trouble logging into Zoom and Slack? **Email** training@ccdatalab.org

Communication at other times (consultation periods)



- I have questions about **previous instruction** or **exercise notebooks**
 - **Post** in #2023-march-training
 - If you need to share your screen, we will set up a 1:1 or group Zoom call
- I would like to be paired up with other participants
 - **Post** in #2023-march-training; we can set you up in a Zoom breakout room
- I have a question that is **highly specific to my data**
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ScPCA Downstream Analysis Usability Evaluations

- The [Single-cell Pediatric Cancer Atlas \(ScPCA\) Portal](#) is a database of uniformly processed single-cell data from pediatric cancer clinical samples and xenografts.
- We developed the ScPCA downstream analysis pipeline for use with data available on the Portal. You can filter, normalize, and cluster data with the pipeline.
- We're conducting usability evaluations as a structured way to gather feedback on how the pipeline is currently functioning. During a ~1-hour session you will be asked to use the documentation, run the pipeline, and discuss your experience.
- Interested in participating? [Schedule a session with Deepa](#). Everyone who participates will receive Data Lab swag!