

# Daniel Ruiz-Perez

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## HIGHER EDUCATION

- Dec 2020 **Ph.D. In Computer Science. Florida International University** Miami, USA. GPA: 4.0/4.0  
Working at the Bioinformatics Research Group (BioRG) modeling longitudinal multi-omic interactions from temporally misaligned data under a Bayesian framework, and causal structure discovery within the microbiome. Data mining applications on the microbiome of Bacterial Vaginosis, and study of dimensionality reduction algorithms like PLS-DA or PCA. (ETS GRE Quantitative: 168/170).
- Dec 2019 **M.S. in Computer Science. Florida International University**, Miami, USA. GPA: 4.0/4.0
- Jun 2016 **M.E. in Software Engineering. University of A Coruña**, Spain.
- Jun 2015 **B.S. in Computer Science. University of A Coruña**, Spain.

## WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2021 - **Research Scientist. Facebook**, CA, USA.  
Start date is March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021.
- 2019 - 2020 **Dissertation Year Fellow. Florida International University**, Miami, USA.  
Interaction inference and causal discovery on multi-omics time-series microbiome data.
- 2020 - 2020 **Machine Learning Software Engineer Summer Intern (Ph.D.). Facebook**, CA, USA.  
Facebook App Monetization Ranking team. Successfully designed, built, and evaluated a ML experimental ranking framework to allow user-specific ads personalization, increasing revenue.
- 2019 - 2019 **Data Science Summer Intern. Assurant** (Advanced Data Analytics Team), Miami, USA.  
Spearheaded the architecture design and implementation of the end-to-end migration of all on-premise systems to Azure Cloud Ecosystem (Event Hubs, Databricks, Delta Tables, ...).
- 2016 - 2019 **Graduate Assistant. Florida International University**, Miami, USA.  
Teaching Assistant (2016-2017, 2018-2019) and Research Assistant (2017-2018).  
Taught Graduate Theory of Computation, Operating Systems Principles, Intro to Data Mining, Intro to Microcomputers, and Academic Success Initiative Ambassador for four undergraduate courses.
- 2015 - 2016 **Software Engineer. Aldaba Information Technology and Services**, A Coruña, Spain.  
Analysis, design, implementation, and maintenance of an expert system in Java IBM ODM, a radioactive alarm system in C#, and a web application with .NET in a SCRUM team.
- 2014 - 2015 **Undergraduate Research Assistant. University of A Coruña**, Spain  
Use of machine learning to analyze genomic data and development of a bioinformatic platform accessible at [chromevol.fiu.edu](http://chromevol.fiu.edu). In collaboration with the CHROMEVOL group at FIU.
- 2012 - 2014 **Judo Instructor. Cambre Ocio SL**, A Coruña, Spain.

## AWARDS RECEIVED

- **Overall Outstanding Graduate Student Award**, SCIS, Florida International University, USA, 2020
- **Dissertation Year Fellowship**, Florida International University, USA, 2019-2020.
- **Best Graduate Student in Teaching Award**, Florida International University, USA, 2019.
- **Charles Perry Graduate Scholarship**, Florida International University, USA, 2019.
- **Research Grant**, Golden Key International Honor Society, 2019.
- **Travel Fellowships from:** Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems (NeurIPS), 2019. NeurIPS LatinX in Artificial Intelligence (LXAI) Research Workshop, 2019. ACM-IMS Summit, 2019. MIDAS Annual Symposium, 2019. International Conference on Computational Advances in Bio and medical Sciences (ICABS), 2018. FIU GPSC: 2017, 2018, 2019. FIU SCIS: 2017, 2018, 2019.
- **Golden Key full scholarship and best project award**, International Scholar Laureate Program, 2018.
- **Biomedical Research Initiative Award**, Florida International University, USA, 2017.
- **Graduate Assistantship**, Florida International University, USA, 2016-2019.
- **Undergraduate research scholarship**, Ministry of Science and Education, Spain, 2015.
- **Research learning fellowship**, University of A Coruña, Spain, 2015.
- **Graduated from high school with the highest honors.** GPA: 3.98, 2011.
- **Exceptional athlete recognition**, Cambre City Council, 2007-2010.

## PERSONAL SKILLS

Languages	<b>English:</b> Proficient. <b>Spanish, Galician:</b> Native. <b>Portuguese, French:</b> Elementary.
Job Skills	<b>Experience:</b> Bioinformatics, Machine Learning, Causality, Data Mining, Analysis, Data Science, Time Series Analysis, Algorithms, Software Engineering, Back-end Development, Android, Azure. <b>Programming Languages:</b> Python, R, MATLAB, Java, C, C#, C++, JavaScript. <b>Databases:</b> MySQL, PostgreSQL, MongoDB. <b>Frameworks:</b> Django, .NET, MEAN Stack. <b>Prior experience:</b> Information Retrieval, Game Theory, Robotics, Computer Graphics, Videogame Development, Expert Systems, Computer Vision, AWS, SCRUM, Cloud.
Member of	IEEE, ACM, YΠE, ΛXA, SMBE, Golden Key, and Microbiology Society.
Other	<b>Co-founder</b> of <a href="http://voltio.net">voltio.net</a> , a software development company focused on mobile applications. 2nd Dan <b>Judo black belt</b> and several times regional Judo champion. Solely <b>developed</b> 3 Android apps in the health area. <b>Peer Reviewer</b> for one PLOS Computational Biology article.

## RESEARCH WORK

### Journal publications:

1. **Ruiz-Perez**, Lugo-Martinez, Bourguignon, Mathee, Bar-Joseph, Narasimhan (2020). Dynamic Bayesian networks for integrating multi-omics time-series microbiome data. *BioRxiv preprint DOI: 10.1101/835124*.
2. **Ruiz-Perez**, Guan, Madhivanan, Mathee, Narasimhan (2020). So you think you can PLS-DA?. *BMC Bioinformatics* 21, 2.
3. Lugo-Martinez<sup>†</sup>, **Ruiz-Perez**<sup>†</sup>, Narasimhan, Bar-Joseph (2019). Dynamic interaction network inference from longitudinal microbiome data. *BMC Microbiome*, 7:54. <sup>†</sup>**Equal contribution**.
4. Sazal, **Ruiz-Perez**, Cickovski, Narasimhan (2020). Inferring Relationships in Microbiomes from Signed Bayesian Networks. *BMC Genomics* 21, 663.
5. Coudray, **Ruiz-Perez**, Colbert, Krupp, Kumari, Narasimhan, Mathee, Madhivanan (2019) Effect of metronidazole on microbiomes associated with asymptomatic bacterial vaginosis (abstract). *Access Microbiology*, 1(1A).
6. Madhivanan, ..., **Ruiz-Perez**, et al (2020). Composition of the Vaginal Microbiome Associated with High Risk HPV Infection and Increased Risk for Cervical Cancer (abstract). *Cancer Epidemiology and Prev Biomarkers*, 29(3), 696-696.

### Conference proceedings:

1. **Ruiz-Perez**, Lugo-Martinez, Bar-Joseph, Narasimhan (2020). Application of Bayesian Techniques to Multi-omic Longitudinal Data. *International Conference on Machine Learning (ICML) (LXAI)* at Vienna, Austria.
2. Lugo-Martinez, **Ruiz-Perez**, Narasimhan, Bar-Joseph (2019). Dynamic interaction network inference from longitudinal microbiome data. *Society for Molecular Biology and Evolution (SMBE)* at Manchester, UK.
3. **Ruiz-Perez**, Lugo-Martinez, et al (2019). Temporal interactions of genes, taxa, and metabolites of the microbiota in patients with inflammatory bowel disease. *Asian Conference on Transcription* at Dunedin, Otago, New Zealand.
4. Sazal, **Ruiz-Perez**, Cickovski, et al (2018). Inferring Relationships in Microbiomes from Signed Bayesian Networks. *International Conference on Computational Advances in Bio and medical Sciences (ICCABS)*, Las Vegas, NV, USA.
5. **Ruiz-Perez**, Guan, Madhivanan, Mathee, et al (2018). So you think you can PLS-DA?. *ICCABS* at Las Vegas, NV, USA.
6. **Ruiz-Perez**, Colbert, Coudray, Mathee, et al. (2018). Vaginal microbial profile of women with asymptomatic bacterial vaginosis in US. *Microbiology Society Annual Conference* at Birmingham, UK.

### Posters:

1. **Ruiz-Perez**, Sazal, Park, Cickovski, Lee, Cho, Hwang, Narasimhan (2019). Role of gut microbiota and their temporal interactions in kidney transplant recipients. *NeurIPS (LXAI)*, Vancouver, Canada.
2. Sazal, **Ruiz-Perez**, Valdes, Cickovski, Stebliankin, Mehta, Mathee, Narasimhan (2019). Signed Causal Bayesian Networks for Microbiomes. *NeurIPS (LXAI)*, Vancouver, Canada.
3. Lugo-Martinez, **Ruiz-Perez**, Narasimhan, Bar-Joseph (2019). Dynamic interaction network inference from longitudinal microbiome data. *RECOMB* at Washington, DC, USA.
4. Coudray, **Ruiz-Perez**, Colbert, Krupp, Kumari, Mathee, Narasimhan (2019). P371 Effect of metronidazole treatment on recurrent and persistent bacterial vaginosis: a pilot study. *The BMJ Sexually Transmitted Infections*;95:A187
5. Madhivanan, Coudray, **Ruiz-Perez**, et al. (2019). P372 Bacterial vaginosis and high-risk human papillomavirus coinfection among African American women in the United States. *The BMJ Sexually Transmitted Infections*;95:A188.
6. Madhivanan, Coudray, **Ruiz-Perez**, Colbert, Krupp, Kumar, Narasimhan, Mathee (2019). P373 Co-occurrence of bacterial vaginosis and *Trichomonas vaginalis* among young African American women. *The BMJ STI*;95:A188.
7. Lugo-Martinez, **Ruiz-Perez**, Narasimhan, Bar-Joseph (2019). Dynamic interaction network inference from longitudinal microbiome data. *ACM-BCB* at Niagara Falls, NY, USA.
8. Colbert, Coudray, **Ruiz-Perez**, et al. (2018). To Treat or Not to Treat: Bacterial Vaginosis and its Relationship to Human Papillomavirus. *Microbiology Society Annual Conference* at Birmingham, UK.
9. Suarez-Ulloa, Aguiar-Pulido, **Ruiz-Perez**, Narasimhan, Eirin-Lopez (2016). Network-based analysis of chromatin-associated gene expression dynamics in response to environmental stress. *ISMB* at Orlando, USA.

### Other Conference presentations:

*MIDAS Annual Symposium* (2019) at Ann Arbor, USA. *International Young Investigators Meeting* (2018, 2019, 2020) at A Coruña, Spain. *ABCIS* (2018) at Miami, USA. *IVBBIO* (2016) at Granada, Spain. *ICBR* (2015) at A Coruña, Spain