

**Curriculum Vitae of
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EDUCATION

University of Florida

Ph.D., Zoology

Dissertation title:

The Influence of Tissue Architecture on Somatic Tissue Evolution, Homeostasis, Aging, and Cancer

Thesis advisors: Colette M. St. Mary, Ph.D., and Scott A. McKinley, Ph.D.

Gainesville, FL

May 2016

State University of New York College at Geneseo

B.S., Biochemistry (with honors), Mathematics minor

Honors thesis title:

TMD-1/tropomodulin Regulates Intestinal Shape and Volume During Development in C. elegans

Thesis advisor: Elisabeth A. Cox, Ph.D.

Geneseo, NY

May 2010

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

Department of Biology, Emmanuel College

Assistant Professor

Boston, MA

September 2019 – Present

Department of Biostatistics, Yale School of Public Health

Postdoctoral Fellow; NIH NCI T32 Cancer Biology Training Program

Mentor: Jeffrey P. Townsend, Ph.D.,

Elihu Professor of Biostatistics and Ecology and Evolutionary Biology;

Director of Bioinformatics, Yale Center for Analytical Sciences.

Clinical co-mentor: Harriet Kluger, M.D.,

Professor of Medicine (Medical Oncology)

New Haven, CT

October 2018 – August 2019

Department of Biostatistics, Yale School of Public Health

Postdoctoral Associate

Mentor: Jeffrey P. Townsend, Ph.D.,

Elihu Professor of Biostatistics and

Ecology and Evolutionary Biology;

Director of Bioinformatics, Yale Center for Analytical Sciences

New Haven, CT

May 2016 – September 2018

Department of Biology, University of Florida

Teaching Assistant

Gainesville, FL

Fall 2010 – Summer 2011; Fall 2013 – Spring 2015; Spring 2016

Department of Biology, University of Florida

Research Assistant

Gainesville, FL

Summer 2015 – Fall 2015

Department of Biology, University of Florida

NSF IGERT Research Fellow

Gainesville, FL

Fall 2011 – Summer 2013

ACHIEVEMENTS AND HONORS

BBA Molecular Basis of Disease Rising Star Award; Shortlisted as 2024 Finalist

Biochimica et Biophysica Acta journal award

2024

Yale Cancer Center Scientific Retreat Poster Award

Award for best poster presentation in the category of Basic Research & Computational Science

2019

Awarded NIH NCI T32 Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award Trainee Fellowship

Postdoctoral Fellowship to provide exposure to the clinical world and practical clinical issues

2018

First prize team research award at the Integrated Mathematical Oncology Workshop 6: Resistance <i>Research team received \$50,000 for future research</i>	2016
Best Graduate Student Teacher Award <i>For the University of Florida Department of Biology</i>	2013
Received the first-place national choice award for science outreach video competition <i>NSF IGERT Video and Poster presentation competition</i>	2013
Best Graduate Student Teacher Award: Honorable mention <i>For the University of Florida Department of Biology</i>	2011
Quantitative Spatial Ecology, Evolution, and Environment IGERT Fellowship recipient <i>University of Florida</i>	2010 – 2015
Dr. Mark Diamond Memorial Biology Research Award <i>For the outstanding biology research presentation of the academic year at SUNY Geneseo</i>	2010
John C. Johnson Award for excellence in student research <i>Third Place at the Northeastern Regional Beta Beta Beta District III Conception</i>	2009
Member of Beta Beta Beta National Biological Honor Society <i>Inducted at SUNY Geneseo</i>	2008

PUBLICATIONS¹

Undergraduate research collaborators underlined

Corresponding author, if different than final listed author, labeled with #

26. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Bracci, P. M., Taylor, J. W., McCoy, L., Rice, T., Hansen, H. M., Heffernan, A. E., Wiemels, J., Wiencke, J., Wensch, M., Claus E. B. "Glioma mutational signatures associated with haloalkane exposure are enriched in firefighters" (2025) *Cancer* Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1002/cncr.35732>
25. **Cannataro, V. L.**[#], Glasmacher, K. A., Hampson, C. E. "Mutations, substitutions, and selection: Linking mutagenic processes to cancer using evolutionary theory" (2024) *Biochimica et Biophysica Acta (BBA)-Molecular Basis of Disease* Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.bbadis.2024.167268>
24. Mandell, J. D., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Townsend J. P. "Estimation of neutral mutation rates and quantification of somatic variant selection using canceffectsizer" (2023) *Cancer Research* Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1158/0008-5472.CAN-22-1508>
23. Mandell, J., Fisk, J. N., Cyrenne, E., Xu, M., **Cannataro, V. L.**, and Townsend, J. P. "Not only mutations but also tumorigenesis can be substantially attributed to DNA damage from reactive oxygen species in RUNX1::RUNX1T1-fusion-positive acute myeloid leukemia" (2022) *Leukemia* Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41375-022-01752-5>
22. **Cannataro, V. L.**[#], Kudalkar, S., Dasari, K., Gaffney, S. G., Lazowski, H. M., Jackson, L. K., Yildiz, I., Das, R. K., Rothberg, B. E. G., Anderson, K. S., Townsend, J. P. "APOBEC mutagenesis and selection for NFE2L2 contribute to the origin of lung squamous-cell carcinoma" (2022) *Lung Cancer* Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.lungcan.2022.07.004>
21. **Cannataro, V. L.**[#], Mandell, J. D., Townsend, J. P., "Attribution of Cancer Origins to Endogenous, Exogenous, and Preventable Mutational Processes" (2022) *Molecular Biology and Evolution* Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1093/molbev/msac084>
20. Qing, T., Mohsen, H., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Marczyk, M., Rozenblit, M., Foldi, J., Murray, M. F., Townsend, J. P., Kluger, Y., Gerstein, M., Pusztai, L. (2022) "Cancer relevance of human genes" *Journal of the National Cancer Institute* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1093/jnci/djac068>]
19. *Claus, E. B. and ***Cannataro, V. L.**, Gaffney S. G., Townsend, J. P. (2022) "Environmental and sex-specific molecular signatures of glioma causation" *Neuro-Oncology* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1093/neuonc/noab103>]
* Denotes co-first-authors and equal contributions

¹Links to [my NCBI bibliography](#) and [my Google Scholar page](#).

18. Tan, C., Mandell, J. D., Dasari, K., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Alfaro-Murillo, J. A., Townsend, J. P. (2021) "Heavy mutagenesis by tobacco leads to lung adenocarcinoma tumors with KRAS G12 mutations other than G12D, leading KRAS G12D tumors—on average—to exhibit a lower mutation burden" *Lung Cancer* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.lungcan.2021.10.008>]
17. Klein, M. I., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Townsend, J. P., Newman, S., Stern, D. F., Zhao, H. (2021) "Identifying Modules of Cooperating Cancer Drivers" *Molecular Systems Biology* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.15252/msb.20209810>]
16. Turken, N., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Geda, A., Dixit, A. (2020) "Nature Inspired Supply Chain Solutions: Definitions, Analogies, and Future Research Directions" *International Journal of Production Research* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1080/00207543.2020.1778206>]
15. Lu, L., Gaffney, S. G., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Townsend, J. P. (2020) "Transfer RNA methyltransferase gene NSUN2 mRNA expression modifies the effect of T cell activation score on patient survival in head and neck squamous carcinoma" *Oral Oncology* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.oraloncology.2019.104554>]
14. Yang, A., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Townsend, J. P. (2020) "Re: Ming-Jun Shi, Xiang-Yu Meng, Philippe Lamy, et al. APOBEC-mediated Mutagenesis as a Likely Cause of FGFR3 S249C Mutation Over-representation in Bladder Cancer. *Eur Urol* 2019;76:9–13" *European Urology* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.eururo.2019.08.018>]
13. Somarelli, J. A., Gardner, H., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Gunady, E. F., Boddy, A. M., Johnson, N. A., Fisk, J. N., Gaffney, S. G., Chuang, J. H., Shend, L., Ciccarelli, F. D., Panchenko, A.R., Megquier, K., Kumar, S., Dornburg, A., DeGregori, J., Townsend, J. P. (2020) "Molecular biology and evolution of cancer: from discovery to action" *Molecular Biology and Evolution* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1093/molbev/msz242>]
12. **Cannataro, V. L.** and Townsend, J. P. (2019) "Wagging the long tail of drivers of prostate cancer" *PLOS Genetics* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pgen.1007820>]
11. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Gaffney, S. G., Sasaki, T., Issaeva, N., Grewal, N. K. S., Grandis, J. R., Yarbrough, W. G., Burtneß, B., Anderson, K. S., and Townsend, J. P. (2019) "APOBEC-induced mutations and their cancer effect size in head and neck squamous cell carcinoma" *Oncogene* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41388-018-0657-6>]
10. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Gaffney, S. G., Townsend, J. P. (2018) "Effect sizes of somatic mutations in cancer" *Journal of the National Cancer Institute* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1093/jnci/djy168>]
9. **Cannataro, V. L.** and Townsend, J. P. (2018) "Neutral theory and the somatic evolution of cancer" *Molecular Biology and Evolution* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1093/molbev/msy079>]
Selected to be featured within a special collection highlighting the historic and contemporary contributions to the Neutralist/Selectionist Debate
<https://academic.oup.com/smbejournals/pages/neutralist-selectionist-debate-mbe>
8. Wilkins, J., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Shuch, B., Townsend, J. P. (2018) "Analysis of mutation, selection, and epistasis: an informed approach to cancer clinical trials" *Oncotarget* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.18632/oncotarget.25155>]
7. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Gaffney, S. G., Stender, C., Zhao, Z., Philips, M., Greenstein, A. E., Townsend, J. P. (2018) "Heterogeneity and mutation in KRAS and associated oncogenes: evaluating the potential for the evolution of resistance to targeting of KRAS G12C" *Oncogene* [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41388-017-0105-z>]
6. **Cannataro, V. L.**[#], McKinley, S.A., St. Mary, C.M. (2017) "The Evolutionary Trade-off Between Stem Cell Niche Size, Aging, and Tumorigenesis" *Evolutionary Applications*, 10:590:602. [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1111/eva.12476>]
5. Gulbudak, H., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Tuncer, N., Martcheva, M. (2017) "Vector-Borne Pathogen and Host Evolution in a Structured Immuno-Epidemiological System" *Bulletin of Mathematical Biology* 79:325. [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11538-016-0239-0>]

4. Tuncer, N., Gulbudak, H., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Martcheva, M. (2016) "Structural and practical identifiability issues of immuno-epidemiological vector-host models with application to Rift Valley Fever" *Bulletin of Mathematical Biology* 78:1796. [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1007/s11538-016-0200-2>]
3. **Cannataro, V. L.**[#], McKinley, S. A., St. Mary, C. M. (2016) "The Implications of Small Stem Cell Niche Sizes and the Distribution of Fitness Effects of New Mutations in Aging and Tumorigenesis" *Evolutionary Applications* 9:4. [Publication: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1111/eva.12361>]
2. Ferguson, J. M., Langebrake, J., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Garcia, A. J., Hamman, E. A., Martcheva, M., Osenberg, C. W. (2014) "Optimal sampling strategies for detecting zoonotic disease epidemics" *PLOS Computational Biology* 10:6 [Publication: <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pcbi.1003668>]
1. Cox-Paulson, E., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Gallagher, T., Hoffman, C., Mantione, G., McIntosh, M., Silva, M., Visichelli, N., Walker, R., Simske, J., Ono, S. and Hoops, H. (2014) "The minus-end actin capping protein, UNC-94/tropomodulin, regulates development of the *Caenorhabditis elegans* intestine." *Developmental Dynamics* 243:6 [Publication: <http://dx.doi.org/10.1002/dvdy.24118>]

PREPRINTS SUBMITTED AND IN REVISION

Undergraduate research collaborators underlined

1. Glasmacher, K. A., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Mandell, J. D., Jackson, M., Fisk, J. N., Townsend, J. P., (2023) "Mutation of NOTCH1 is selected within normal esophageal tissues, yet leads to selective epistasis suppressive of further evolution into cancer " [Preprint: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2023.11.03.565535>]

TECHNICAL REPORTS

2. Kaznatcheev, A., Grimes, D. R., Velde, R. V., **Cannataro, V. L.**, *et al.* "Dark selection for JAK/STAT-inhibitor resistance in CMML" [<https://doi.org/10.1101/211151>]
1. Hanson, S., Grimes, D. R., Taylor-King, J. P., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Bauer, B., Warman, P. I., Frankenstein, Z., Kaznatcheev, A., Bonassar, M. J., Motawe, Z. Y., Lima, E. A. B. F., Kim, S., Davila, M. L., Araujo, A. "Toxicity Management in CAR T Cell Therapy for B-ALL: Mathematical modelling as a new avenue for improvement" [<http://dx.doi.org/10.1101/049908>]

SOFTWARE PACKAGES

- **cancereffectsizeR**: an R package to measure the cancer effect size of somatic mutations
Link: <https://townsend-lab-yale.github.io/cancereffectsizeR/>
- **ECfitbitR**: an R package to easily gather, clean, and analyze data from FitBit
Link: <https://github.com/vcannataro/ECfitbitR>

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AND SOCIETIES

- Served as a reviewer for: *Nature Genetics*; *The American Naturalist*; *Human Genomics*; *Evolution, Medicine, and Public Health*; *Science Advances*; *Molecular Biology and Evolution*; *Nature Ecology & Evolution*; *PLOS ONE*; *Genome Medicine*; and *Evolutionary Applications*.
- Member of: *The Society for the Study of Evolution*, *The Society for Molecular Biology and Evolution*, *The American Association for Cancer Research*, *Beta Beta Beta Biological Honor Society*
- Elected and served as Vice President of the Biology Graduate Student Association of The University of Florida, 2014 – 2015
- Science outreach and communication:
 - Maintains active science blog at vcannataro.com

- Guest on Bill Nye Saves the World (Netflix) Season 2, Episode 3. Demonstrated the evolutionary dynamics behind the emergence of antibiotic resistant bacteria.
- Serve on Emmanuel College faculty committees
 - Member of the Faculty Affairs committee
 - Member of the COVID19 response team
 - Member of the Global and Public Health Committee
 - Member of the Integrated Digital and Data Science Committee
 - Member of the Computer Science Committee
 - Member of the Data Science and Statistics Committee
 - Co-advisor, Science Living-Learning Community

RESEARCH SUPPORT

JMR Barker Grant, subaward, PI: Dr. Jeffrey P. Townsend, Yale University	\$22,962
<i>Constructing and evaluating models of the cancer effect of copy-number aberrations</i>	<i>June – July, 2024</i>
JMR Barker Grant, subaward, PI: Dr. Jeffrey P. Townsend, Yale University	\$22,294
<i>Constructing and evaluating models of the cancer effect of copy-number aberrations</i>	<i>June – July, 2023</i>
Damon Runyon Grant, subaward, PI: Dr. Luisa Escobar-Hoyos, Yale University	\$21,049
<i>Understanding RNA splicing in tumor-cell adaptation and anti-tumor immunity</i>	<i>June – July, 2021</i>
Integrated Mathematical Oncology Research Grant	\$50,000 team award
<i>Awarded to study the evolutionary dynamics in chronic myelomonocytic leukemia</i>	<i>2016 – Present</i>
QSE³ IGERT²NSF Research Assistantship	\$25,800
<i>Awarded to study the spatial dynamics and evolutionary processes within growing tumors</i>	<i>Summer 2016 – Fall 2016</i>
QSE³ IGERT NSF Research Fellowship	\$60,000
<i>Research fellowship support for two academic years</i>	<i>Fall 2011 – Spring 2013</i>

WORKSHOPS

Inclusive Pedagogy Practitioner Program	Emmanuel College, Boston MA
<i>Recognizing personal biases, and exploring strategies for inclusive leadership</i>	<i>2024</i>
Achievement-oriented Pedagogical Workshop	Emmanuel College, Boston MA
<i>Anti-deficit approaches towards inclusive excellence in STEM</i>	<i>2023</i>
HHMI Deep Teaching Residency	Emmanuel College, Boston MA
<i>Re-designing a life science course using anti-racist and anti-deficit frameworks</i>	<i>2022</i>
Integrated Mathematical Oncology Workshop 6: Resistance	Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa FL
<i>Member of first place research team—received \$50,000 research grant</i>	<i>2016</i>
Integrated Mathematical Oncology Workshop 6: Immune Cancer	Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa FL
	<i>2015</i>
Investigative Workshop: Many-cell System Modeling	NIMBioS, University of Tennessee, Knoxville TN
	<i>2015</i>
Emphasis Workshop: Stem Cells, Development, and Cancer	MBI, The Ohio State University, Columbus OH
	<i>2015</i>
Experiencing Evolution Educators' Workshop	Evolution Conference, Raleigh NC
	<i>2014</i>

²Quantitative Spatial Ecology, Evolution, and Environment Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship

PRESENTATIONS

Undergraduate research collaborators underlined

52. Fisk, N. *et al.* "Evolutionary and epistatic analyses reveal genic interactions with KRAS during malignant progression of pancreatic ductal adenocarcinoma" *Proceedings of the American Association for Cancer Research Special Conference in Cancer Research: Advances in Pancreatic Cancer Research*, Boston MA, Fall 2024
Abstract link: <https://doi.org/10.1158/1538-7445.PANCREATIC24-C030>
51. Shah R. M. *et al.* "Selective and pairwise epistatic effects of somatic mutations in KRAS wild-type pancreatic cancer" *Proceedings of the American Association for Cancer Research Special Conference in Cancer Research: Advances in Pancreatic Cancer Research*, Boston MA, Fall 2024
Abstract link: <https://doi.org/10.1158/1538-7445.PANCREATIC24-C015>
50. Medici N. P. *et al.* "Altered mRNA splicing mimics chromosome loss and drives pancreatic cancer" *Proceedings of the American Association for Cancer Research Special Conference in Cancer Research: Advances in Pancreatic Cancer Research*, Boston MA, Fall 2024
Abstract link: <https://doi.org/10.1158/1538-7445.PANCREATIC24-PR-11>
49. Glasmacher, K. A., **Cannataro, V. L.**, "Analyzing Selective Pressures on Mutations in Barrett's Esophagus and Esophageal Adenocarcinoma Using Computational Methods" *The Eastern New England Biological Conference Oral Presentation*, Merrimack College MA, Spring 2024
48. **Cannataro, V. L.** "Mutation and selection are key to understanding MCED assays" *The American Association for Cancer Research Conference Invited Oral Presentation*, San Diego CA, Spring 2024
47. Rajaei, M. *et al.*, "Persistence and dynamics of mutation, selection, and epistasis during the somatic evolution of low-risk, high-risk, and metastatic prostate cancer" *The American Association for Cancer Research Conference Poster presentation*, San Diego CA, Spring 2024
Abstract link: <https://doi.org/10.1158/1538-7445.AM2024-1627>
46. Hampson, C. E., **Cannataro, V. L.** "Quantifying selection intensity and epistatic interactions among gene variants within angiosarcoma" *Joint Mathematics Meeting*, Poster presentation, San Francisco CA, Winter 2024
45. Glasmacher, K. A., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Mandell, J. D., Jackson, M., Fisk, J. N., Townsend, J. P., "Mutation of NOTCH1 is selected within normal esophageal tissues, yet leads to selective epistasis suppressive of further evolution into cancer." *Joint Mathematics Meeting*, Poster presentation, San Francisco CA, Winter 2024
44. **Cannataro V. L.**, Glasmacher, K. A., Summers, M., Mandell, J. D., Fisk, J. N., Jackson, M., Asmelash, S., Townsend, J.P. "Unraveling mutation and selection to better understand early cancer evolution" *American Association for Cancer Research Conference on Translating Cancer Evolution and Data Science: The Next Frontier*, Invited Oral Presentation, Boston MA, Fall 2023
Abstract link: <https://doi.org/10.1158/1538-7445.CANEVOL23-IA010>
43. Hampson, C. E., **Cannataro, V. L.** "Quantifying selection intensity and epistatic interactions among gene variants within angiosarcoma" *American Association for Cancer Research Conference on Translating Cancer Evolution and Data Science: The Next Frontier*, Poster presentation, Boston MA, Fall 2023
Abstract link: <https://doi.org/10.1158/1538-7445.CANEVOL23-B043>
42. Glasmacher, K. A., **Cannataro, V. L.**, Mandell, J. D., Jackson, M., Fisk, J. N., Townsend, J. P., "Mutation of NOTCH1 is selected within normal esophageal tissues, yet leads to selective epistasis suppressive of further evolution into cancer." *American Association for Cancer Research Conference on Translating Cancer Evolution and*

41. Medici N. P. *et al.* "Altered RNA splicing causes pancreatic cancer and exposes a therapeutic vulnerability" *Proceedings of the American Association for Cancer Research Special Conference on Pancreatic Cancer*, Boston MA, Fall 2023 Abstract link: <https://doi.org/10.1158/1538-7445.PANCA2023-C075>
40. Summers, M. F., Asmelash, S., Fisk, J. N., Mandell, J. M., Townsend, J. P., **Cannataro, V. L.** "KRAS and other cancer driver genes in hyperplastic and cancerous endometrial tissue exhibit stage-specific mutation rates and selection intensities, as well as antagonistic epistasis" *Eastern New England Biological Conference*, Poster Presentation, Simmons University, Spring 2023
39. Glasmacher, K. A., Mandell, J. D., Jackson, M., Fisk, J. N., Townsend, J. P., **Cannataro, V. L.** "Mutation of NOTCH1 is selected within normal esophageal tissues, yet leads to selective epistasis suppressive of further evolution into cancer" *Eastern New England Biological Conference*, Oral Presentation, Simmons University, Spring 2023
38. Medici N. P. *et al.* "Altered RNA splicing causes pancreatic cancer and exposes a therapeutic vulnerability" *Proceedings of the American Association for Cancer Research Special Conference on Pancreatic Cancer*, Boston MA, Fall 2022 Abstract link: <https://doi.org/10.1158/1538-7445.PANCA22-A055>
37. **Cannataro, V. L.** "Attribution of cancer origins to endogenous, exogenous, and preventable mutational processes" *American Association for Cancer Research, Cancer Evolution Working Group Seminar Series Invited Talk*, Virtual, Fall 2021
36. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Mandell, J. D., Townsend, J. P., "Mutation and selection in tumors: the attribution of cancer origins to endogenous, exogenous, and actionable mutational processes" *Society for Molecular Biology & Evolution: 2021 conference* Poster presentation; conference held virtually, Summer 2021
35. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Gaffney, S. G., Townsend, J. P., "Effect sizes of somatic mutations: the selective advantage that each mutation confers to cancer cells" *Evolution 2019* Oral presentation, Providence, Rhode Island, Summer 2019
34. Claus E. B., **Cannataro V. L.**, Gaffney S. G., Townsend J. P., Sex Specific Molecular Signatures of Glioma Causation *Brain Tumor Epidemiology Consortium*. Oral presentation, Los Angeles, California, Spring 2019
33. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Gaffney, S. G., Townsend, J. P., "The effect sizes of somatic mutations in cancer " *Yale Cancer Center Annual Retreat* Poster presentation, Yale University, New Haven, CT, Spring 2019
Received the 2019 Scientific Retreat Best Poster Award in Basic Research & Computational Science.
32. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Gaffney, S. G., Townsend, J. P., "Effect sizes of somatic mutations: the selective advantage that each mutation confers to cancer cells " *Society for Molecular Biology & Evolution: Satellite meeting on the Molecular Biology and Evolution of Cancer* Oral presentation, Yale University, New Haven, CT, Spring 2019
31. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Gaffney, S. G., Townsend, J. P., "The effect sizes of somatic mutations in cancer and their application in predicting resistance to chemotherapy " *Evolution 2018* Poster presentation, Montpellier, France, Summer 2018
30. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Gaffney, S. G., Townsend, J. P., "Effect sizes of somatic mutations in cancer" *First Annual Yale Cancer Center Trainee Colloquium*. Poster presentation, Yale University, New Haven CT, Summer 2018
29. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Gaffney, S. G., Stender, C., Zhao, Z., Philips, M., Greenstain, A., Townsend, J. P., "Mutation, selection, and the targeting of oncogenic KRAS G12C" *International Society for Ecology and Evolution of Cancer*. Oral presentation, Arizona State University, Tempe AZ, Fall 2017.
28. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Gaffney, S. G., Stender, C., Zhao, Z., Philips, M., Greenstain, A., Townsend, J. P., "Mutation, selection, and the targeting of oncogenic KRAS G12C" *International Symposium on Molecular Evolution and Medicine*. Oral presentation, Temple University, Philadelphia PA, Summer 2017.
27. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Gaffney, S. G., Stender, C., Zhao, Z., Philips, M., Greenstain, A., Townsend, J. P., "The likelihood of heterogeneity or additional mutation of KRAS amino acid 12 to compromise therapeutic targeting of oncogenic KRAS G12C" *Society for Molecular Biology and Evolution Conference*. Poster presentation, Austin TX, Summer 2017.

26. **Cannataro, V. L.**, Stender, C., Zhao, Z., Greenstain, A., Townsend, J. P., "The likelihood of heterogeneity or additional mutation of KRAS amino acid 12 to compromise therapeutic targeting of oncogenic KRAS G12C" *Integrated Mathematical Oncology Workshop 6: Resistance*. Poster presentation, Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa FL, Fall 2016
25. **Cannataro, V. L.**, "The influence of tissue architecture on aging and cancer" *Exit seminar*. Oral presentation, University of Florida, Gainesville FL, Spring 2016
24. **Cannataro, V. L.**, "Drifting to malignancy: incorporating population biology into our interpretations of cancer dynamics" *Population biology seminar*. Oral presentation, University of Florida, Gainesville FL, Spring 2016
23. **Cannataro, V. L.**, McKinley, S. A., St. Mary, C. M., "Small Stem Cell Niches, Aging, and Cancer" *Third International Biannual Evolution and Cancer Conference*. Oral presentation, San Francisco CA, Fall 2015
22. **Cannataro, V. L.**, McKinley, S. A., St. Mary, C. M., "Quantifying the Burden of Somatic Evolution in the Context of Cancer and Aging" *Biomathematics Seminar*. Oral presentation, University of Florida, Gainesville FL, Fall 2015
21. **Cannataro, V. L.**, McKinley, S. A., St. Mary, C. M., "Quantifying the Burden of Somatic Evolution in the Context of Cancer and Aging" *Integrated Mathematical Oncology Department Seminar*. Oral presentation, Moffitt Cancer Center, Tampa FL, Fall 2015
20. **Cannataro, V. L.**, McKinley, S. A., St. Mary, C. M., "The Entropy of Multicellularity: Quantifying the Burden of Somatic Evolution in the Context of Cancer and Aging" *Probability and Statistics Seminar*. Oral presentation, Tulane University, New Orleans LA, Fall 2015
19. **Cannataro, V. L.**, McKinley, S. A., St. Mary, C. M., "The Entropy of Multicellularity: Aging and Cancer" *Population Biology Seminar*. Oral presentation, University of Florida, Gainesville FL, Fall 2015
18. **Cannataro, V. L.**, McKinley, S. A., St. Mary, C. M., "The Implications of Small Stem Cell Niche Sizes and Distributions of Mutational Effects in Tumorigenesis and Aging" *NIMBioS Investigative Workshop: Many-cell System Modeling*. Poster Presentation, University of Tennessee, Knoxville Tennessee, July 2015
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16. **Cannataro, V. L.**, McKinley, S. A., St. Mary, C. M., "The distribution of fitness effects in somatic tissue: aging and tumorigenesis" *Biomath Seminar*. University of Florida, Gainesville FL, Fall 2014
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