

Curriculum Vitae

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Employment

2002 -	Research Scientist (CR1) at the CNRS, France
2001 - 2002	Research Engineer at Synopsis, Boston, USA
1999 - 2001	ATER at the l'University of Bordeaux, France

Diplomas and Education

1996 - 2000	PhD in Computer Science from the University of Bordeaux under the supervision of Antoine Rauzy Title : <i>Binary Decision Diagrams and Applications to Reliability Analysis</i> Defened on the January, 20 2000
1994 - 1996	Masters in Computer Engineering ENSEIRB (Ecole Nationale Suprieure d'Electronique, Informatique et Radiocommunications de Bordeaux)
1995 - 1996	Masters in Computer Science University of Bordeaux
1994	Summer session in Computer Science at the University of California at Berkeley

Macha Nikolski received her doctoral degree in Computer Science in 2000 from the University Bordeaux 1 under the direction of Antoine Rauzy, on the subject of binary decision diagrams and their application to the reliability analysis of complex industrial systems. She subsequently worked for two years in the United States as a research engineer for Synopsis, before returning to France in 2002 to a position as Research Scientist (Chargée de Recherches) in the CNRS. As a founding member of the Mabiovis team in the LaBRI and the Magnome team in the INRIA, she works with biologists in comparative genomics and systems biology. In comparative genomics she has developed algorithms for data-mining analysis of genomic data through consensus clustering, and for large-scale combinatorial analysis of genome formation through chromosomal rearrangements. The goal of this work is to construct comprehensive views of the history and function of genomes, through the development of multi-scale representations of the mathematical relations between genes, and of algorithmic descriptions of the mechanisms of genome evolution.

In systems biology her recent research is on multi-scale hybrid and stochastic modeling of cell behaviour, through the development of a mixed-formalism modeling platform called BioRica. The focus of this work is to develop network descriptions of cell behaviour (interaction, metabolic, and regulation networks), and link them together into hierarchical models of complete systems that admit high-performance simulation. This approach has been successfully used in e.g. generalizing a single-cell model of transmission of oxidatively damaged proteins from mother to daughter cells, to a structured population model in which one can identify specific lineages with effective strategies that increase survival of the population.

She is active in the French Génolevures Consortium (GDR CNRS) and the European Yeast Systems Biology Network (FP6), in which she is a contracting partner. Since starting with the CNRS in 2002, Macha Nikolski has 14 papers in refereed international journals (605 total citations, h-index 9 according to Scopus).

Advised PhD Thesis

- Hayssam Soueidan, defence to be held Nov. 2009 (co-directed with D. Sherman)
- Géraldine Jean, defended Dec. 2008 (co-directed with S. Dulucq)
Title: In silico method for genome rearrangement analysis: from identification of common markers to ancestral reconstruction
- Florian Iragne, defended Dec. 2007 (co-directed with D. Sherman)
Title: Méthodes informatiques de prédiction et de comparaison de réseaux d'interactions protéine-protéine partir de données de la génomique compare

Currently I'm co-directing the following PhD students: Nicolas Loira (with Dr. D. Sherman, Université de Bordeaux), Anasua Sarkar (with Prof. Ujjwal Maulik, Jadavpur University, India), Nikolay Viahhi (with Prof. B. Novikov, St.-Petersbourg University, Russia)

Advised Masters Thesis and Post-docs

- Adrien Goeffon (postdoc, 2007-2009)
- Hélène Ferry-Demazet (postdoc, 2005-2006)
- Advisor for Master's Thesis of Damien Giron, 2008
Title: Identification de blocs synténiques chez les espèces distantes
- Co-advisor with G. Sutre for Master's Thesis of Hayssam Soueidan, 2004
Title: Abstraction de modèles AltaRica stochastiques
- Co-advisor with D. Sherman for Master's Thesis of Jean-Paul Soularue, 2004
Title: Inférence de réseaux d'interactions biomoléculaires à partir de sources d'information hétérogènes
- Marc Chiavarelli (pre-doc, 2003)
Title: Modélisation par automates de modes pour les systèmes biologiques

Software tools

- Modeling and simulation platform for biological systems *BioRica*
- Genomic database *Génolevures* and associated analysis tools
- Analysis of ancestral architectures package *Faucils*
- Visualization tool for protein-protein interaction networks *ProViz*
- Formal verification suite *Formality* (Synopsys)

Involvement in scientific community

- Member of the International Society for Computational Biology (ISCB) since 2005
- Member of the Scientific Program Committee of MCCB 2009, WABI 2009, AIBio 2008, JOBIM 2007
- Reviewer for Scientific Journals and Conferences TSI, TCS, Plos. Comp. Bio
- Reviewer for Grant Calls by ANR (AMPBio, Masses de Données)
- Member of Hiring Committees (Université d'Evry 2005-2007, INRIA Saclay 2008-2009, Université de Bordeaux 2009)
- Organizer of seminars (Bioinformatics seminar in Bordeaux 2003-2004, Journées Thématiques de Bioinformatique 2003)

Grants

I have been in charge of or participated in the coordination of the following grants.

- PI for Bordeaux in the *Yeast Systems Biology Network* (CA under the FP6)
- GDR *Génolevures* 2, 3 and 4 (CNRS GDR 2354)
- ACI "Jeunes Chercheurs" *Saccharomyces siliceus*

I have participated in the following grants.

- ANR Blanc *Genarise* (ANR-05-BLAN-0331)
- ACI IMPBio *Génolevures En Ligne* (IMPB114)

Invited talks

- 6th GTGC meeting (Groupe de Travail en Génomique Comparative), 2009, title "Reconstructing ancestral architectures from highly divergent eukaryote genome sequences"
- 3rd International Workshop on Algorithms in Bioinformatics, Moscow, Russia, 2008, title "Mining the semantics of genome super-blocks to infer ancestral architectures"
- International Conference on Systems Biology and Signal Transduction, Bordeaux, 2005, title "Discrete Modeling: methodology and application to Yeast"
- Yeast 2003 International Conference, Gothenburg, Sweden, 2003, title "Rule-based homology prediction as an aid to manual curation of Yeast genomes"

- Workshop MGED 2003, Aix-en-Provence, France, 2003, titre de prsentation "Malako, a system for type-safe comparison of microarray data from multiple sources"
- International Workshop on Systems Biology of Yeast, 2003, title "Saccharomyces siliceus"

Publications ¹

International Journals: [1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20]

International Conferences: [4, 5, 7, 8, 10, 21, 29, 22, 23, 24, 26, 27, 28]

National Conferences, Posters, Short Publications: [9, 16, 15, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 25]

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