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Ian Jeffery was born in Cork, Ireland in 1980. He received a BSc in Biochemistry from University College Cork and PhD in Bioinformatics from University College Dublin in 2007. From 2007 to 2010 he continued working with Prof. Des Higgins in UCD where his research on predicting the activity of gene regulatory factors in gene expression datasets lead to him participating in scientific collaborations with pharmaceutical company Servier. Now a senior research scientist, he leads the Bioinformatics group that anchors the ELDERMET project and several bioinformatics studies at the Alimentary Pharmabiotic Centre UCC (apc.ucc.ie).

Key Qualifications

Ian Jeffery specializes in Bioinformatics and Biostatistics, providing advice and assistance in statistical aspects of clinical research. He is familiar with both observational and interventional methodology and has been shown to be efficient at covering a wide range of disciplines, while coordinating analysis efforts across multiple ongoing research projects.

He has experience with observational studies, analysing prospective cohort studies with appropriate assessment of confounding factors, interactions, goodness of fit and diagnostic assessment of final models. He has also participated in the development and refinement of diagnostic questionnaires, clinical trial designs, sample size calculations and the analysis and interpretation of data and preparation of clinical reports. He is familiar with meta-analytical regression methods, analysis of genetic data, metabolomics data, and experience in the design and reporting of statistical analysis plans for submission to regulatory authorities.

Qualifications

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| 2003 – 2006 | PhD “Application and Evaluation of Data Analysis Methods for Gene Expression Microarrays” supervised by Des Higgins, University College Dublin. |
| 1992 - 2003 | II-I, BSc, Biological and Chemical Sciences (Biochemistry),
Biochemistry Department,
University College Cork, Cork, Ireland |

Publications

Original Papers

- Neville BA, Sheridan P, Harris HMB, Coghlan S, Jeffery IB, Forde BM, Martin J, Ross RP, Scott KP, O'Toole PW. Pro-inflammatory flagellin proteins of commensal Eubacterium and Roseburia species are variably represented in the intestinal microbiome of elderly humans. In Preparation.
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Reviews

- Jeffery IB, O'Toole PW. Diet-microbiota interactions and their implications for healthy living.
- Special Issue "Gut Microbiota and Gut Function" – *Nutrients*. In Preparation

Comments

- Jeffery IB, Claesson MJ, O'Toole PW, & Shanahan F. Categorization of the gut microbiota: enterotypes or gradients? *Nat. Rev. Microbiol.* 10, 591–592 (2012).

Addendums

- Jeffery IB, Quigley EMM, Öhman L, Simrén M, O'Toole P.W. The microbiota link to IBS - an emerging story. *Gut Microbes*. *Gut Microbes* 3, (2012).

Book Chapters

- Claesson MJ, Jeffery IB, O'Toole PW. Intestinal microbiota and aging. *Springer Encyclopedia on Human Metagenomics* Submitted
- Jeffery IB, Claesson MJ, O'Toole PW. Alterations of the intestinal microbiota in Irritable Bowel Syndrome. *Springer Encyclopedia on Human Metagenomics*. Submitted