

# Laurent Jacob

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## Curriculum vitae

### Past and current positions

- Since 2023 **Directeur de recherche**, CNRS, Sorbonne Université.  
Laboratory of Computational and Quantitative Biology
- 2023 **Research scientist**, CNRS, Collège de France.  
Invited researcher in Samuel Alizon's group
- 2018 **7-month parental leave**.
- 2013-2023 **Chargé de recherche**, CNRS, Université Lyon 1.  
Laboratoire de Biométrie et Biologie Evolutive
- 2010-2012 **Post doc**, *UC Berkeley, Statistics Department*.  
Sandrine Dudoit and Terry Speed groups

### Education

- 2023 **Habilitation à diriger les recherches**, *Sorbonne Université*.
- 2007-2009 **PhD thesis**, *Mines ParisTech*.  
Machine learning and computational biology, supervised by Jean-Philippe Vert
- 2006 **Master in Mathematics, Vision, Learning (MVA)**, *ENS Cachan*.
- 2001-2005 **Engineering Diploma**, *Université de Technologie de Compiègne, (UTC)*.  
Computer Science major

### Teaching & Training since 2013

- 2023-2024 **Machine learning for phylogenomics**, *Bioinformatics MSc*, Sorbonne Université, 1 class.
- 2021 **Learning with biological sequences**, Thematic school of the Digicosme Labex, Paris-Saclay University.
- 2021-2022 **Advanced machine learning theory**, *Mathematics MSc*, ENS de Lyon.  
Coordinator of the class
- 2020-2022 **Introduction to machine learning**, *Bioinformatics MSc*, Université Lyon 1.
- 2019 **Introduction to big data and machine learning**, *LBBE*, Université Lyon 1, 1-day introductory course to machine learning directed to biologists (5 sessions).
- 2018 **Statistical learning: theory and applications**, *CNRS Formation Entreprise*, Université Lyon 1, 3-day introductory course to machine learning directed to companies.
- 2015 **Statistical learning and applications**, *Computer science MSc*, ENS de Lyon.
- Since 2013 **High dimensional statistics for genomics**, *Mathematics MSc*, Université Lyon 1.  
Coordinator of the class since 2019

## Selected grants

- 2023-2028 **Deelogeny**, *Machine learning for improved phylogenomic inference*, ANR PRC.  
PI: B. Boussau
- 2021-2025 **PIECES**, *Learning from pangenomes with infinite collections of sequence motifs*, ANR JCJC.  
PI: L. Jacob
- 2017-2023 **Fast-Big**, *Efficient Statistical Testing for high-dimensional Models: application to Brain Imaging and Genetics*, ANR PRC.  
PI: B. Thirion

## Jurys, Appointments and Editorial Service

- Conseil National des Universités** Membre nommé in section 26 (Mathématiques appliquées et applications des mathématiques) (2020–2023)
- Grad school** Member of the committee of the E2M2 grad school (2019–2022)
- Univ. Jurys** Université de Montpellier (2025), Mines ParisTech (2023), Sorbonne Université (2023), Université de Lyon (2022), Polytech Lyon (2020) and at Université de Technologie de Compiègne (2015)
- PhD juries** A. Beaude (Evry, 2024), E. Loffredo (Sorbonne Université, 2024), H. Khodji (Strasbourg, 2023), T. Lémane (Rennes, 2022), O. Permakovia (Grenoble, 2021), G. Gautreau (Evry, 2020), F. Privé (Grenoble, 2019), B. Playe (Mines ParisTech, 2019), F. Guinot (Evry, 2018)
- PhD steering committee** 10 students since 2017, including 5 tutorships
- Scientific Reviews** Bioinformatics, BMC Bioinformatics, IEEE Signal Processing Letters, ICML, ISMB, JOBIM, Journal of Machine Learning Research, Machine Learning, MLCB, MLSB, Molecular Phylogenetics and Evolution, Molecular Biology and Evolution, NeurIPS, PLOS Computational Biology, RECOMB, Scientific Reports, Systematic Biology

## Selected conference and seminar organization

- 2025 **Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology**.  
Area chair of the *Sequence Analysis* track
- 2024 and 2025 **Machine Learning for Evolutionary Genomic Data**, <https://legend2025.sciencesconf.org/>.  
Member of the organization committee
- 2023 **Machine Learning for Genomics**, *Working group LEGO of the BIM CNRS research group*, <https://gt-lego.cnrs.fr>.  
Co-founder, 2 meetings organized
- 2022 **Machine Learning for Microbial Genomics**, *Workshop of the ECML conference*.  
Member of the organization committee
- 2021 **Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology**.  
Area chair of the *Systems Biology and networks* track
- 2020 **Data Science, AI and Biology symposium**, *Organized by the scientific committees of the INSB and INS2I CNRS institutes*.  
Member of the organization committee