Hunter Leef Wins Summer GRA

Based on recommendations from the University of Tennessee Faculty Senate Research Council, the Office of Research and Engagement has awarded Hunter Leef a 2021 Summer Graduate Research Assistantship.

A main aim of this effort will be the development of emergent analytics with which researchers can identify and decipher the molecular mechanisms of type 1 diabetes mellitus. Hunter’s work will be supervised by Dr. Michael A. Langston on the Knoxville campus and by Dr. Ivan Gerling at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center in Memphis. Through this award, we hope to advance our understanding of this complex autoimmune disease and to produce powerful combinatorial, statistical, and machine learning tools for the diabetes research community at large.

Hunter recently completed his Bachelor of Science degree at UT. He joined the Langston Lab in 2020, and is a doctoral student in the Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science.