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Professor Rebecca Taylor holds a bachelors degree in Mechanical Engineering from Princeton University, a Masters of Mechanical Engineering from Stanford University, a Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering from Stanford University, and a Ph.D. Minor in Bioengineering from Stanford University. She completed post-doctoral training in the lab of James Spudich in Biochemistry at the Stanford University School of Medicine, where she was a Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (F32) fellow. She is the recipient of the NSF CAREER award, the AFOSR Young Investigator Program Award and the 2021 CMU Dean's Early Career Fellowship.

At Carnegie Mellon University, Professor Taylor is the Ansys Career Development Associate Professor of Engineering and runs the Microsystems and Mechanobiology Laboratory in the Mechanical Engineering Department. She holds courtesy appointments in Biomedical Engineering and Electrical and Computer Engineering. Her research focuses on the development and application of nanoscale biosensors and actuators that can interface with condensed matter as well as molecular and cellular biosystems. She is inspired by the heart, an organ whose contractile function is derived from its exquisite, hierarchical structure at the molecular level up through the tissue level; to enable the creation of dynamic, engineered systems with structure across multiple scales, her group employs self-assembly methods with structural DNA nanotechnology to augment and extend existing top-down microfabrication strategies.

EDUCATION

Stanford University, Stanford, CA

Ph.D. Mechanical Engineering, 2013

Ph.D. Minor Bioengineering, 2013

M.S. Mechanical Engineering, 2010

Princeton University

B.S.E. Mechanical Engineering 2001

with a Certificate in Robotics & Intelligent Systems

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

2021- Present Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering; Courtesy appointments in Biomedical Engineering and Electrical and Computer Engineering, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA.

2016-2021 Assistant Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering; Courtesy appointments in Biomedical Engineering and Electrical and Computer Engineering, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA.

FORMER POSITIONS

2013-2016 Postdoctoral Fellow, Spudich Biochemistry Lab, Stanford University School of Medicine, Stanford, CA.

2001-2006 Mechanical Design Engineer, FactorsNY, New York City, NY.

SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

Scialog Fellow for Automating Chemical Laboratories beginning April 2024.

CMU ANSYS Career Development Chair in Engineering, April 1, 2023.

2022 IOP Outstanding Reviewer Award for the Journal of Micromechanics and Microengineering, March 9, 2023.
CMU Dean's Early Career Fellow, July 1, 2021.
NSF CAREER Award, CMMI Advanced Manufacturing, National Science Foundation, 2020.
Voted "Best Faculty Advisor" by Graduating Seniors in Mechanical Engineering, 2019
Wimmer Fellow, Eberly Center, Carnegie Mellon University, 2018
AFOSR-Young Investigator Program Awardee, AFOSR, 2017
Donald L. and Rhonda Struminger Faculty Fellow, Carnegie Mellon University, 2016
Denise Denton Emerging Leaders Workshop Participant and Travel Grant Awardee, 2016
NIH F32 Ruth L. Kirschstein National Research Service Award (NRSA), 2014
Founding Committee Chair of student-run BioMechanical Conference at Stanford (BMECS), Stanford University, 2010
Stanford DARE Fellowship (Diversifying Academia Recruiting Excellence), 2010-2012
Stanford Lieberman Fellowship (declined), Stanford University, 2010
Visiting Researcher, Kamm Mechanotransduction Lab, MIT, Cambridge, MA, 2009.
Honorable Mention Poster Award, ASME Summer Bioengineering Conference, 2008
Outstanding Poster Award, Biomedical Computation at Stanford (BCATS) Conference, 2007
Stanford Bio-X Bowes Fellowship, Stanford University, 2007
Stanford Graduate Fellowship (declined), Stanford University, 2007
New Jersey Space Grant for summer undergraduate research, New Jersey Space Grant Consortium, 2001
National Merit Finalist, 1997

PUBLICATIONS

(* denotes corresponding author; underline denotes students advised by R.E. Taylor)

1. Arias, D. S. and **Taylor, R. E.** Propelling Nanotechnology with Automated Cloud Laboratories. (*Under review*)
2. Wang, W.*, Chopra, B.*, Walawalkar, V.*, Liang, Z., Adams, R., Deserno, M., Ren, X. and **Taylor, R. E.** Membrane and glycocalyx tethering of DNA nanostructures for enhanced uptake (*Under review*). DOI: 10.1101/2023.03.09.529286
3. Babatunde, B., Cagan, J. and **Taylor, R. E.** An improved shape annealing algorithm for the generation of coated DNA origami nanostructures. (*Under review*)
4. Walawalkar, V.*, Sajal, S.*, Gilpin, Y., Dandin, M. and **Taylor, R. E.** Capacitance measurements for assessing DNA origami nanostructures. *bioRxiv* (*Under review*). DOI:10.1101/2023.03.02.530881
5. Benjaminson, E.*, Imamura, T.*, Lorenz, A., Bergbreiter, S., Travers, M. J. and **Taylor, R. E.** Buoyant magnetic milliswimmers reveal design rules for optimizing microswimmer performance. *Nanoscale*. DOI: 10.1039/D3NR02846A, 2023.
6. Beltrán, S. M., Bobo, J., Habib, A., Kodavali, C. V., Edwards, L., **Taylor, R. E.**, LeDuc, P. R. and Zinn, P. O. Response in Human Traumatic Brain Injury Organoid Model. *Scientific Reports*. 13, 13536. DOI: 10.1038/s41598-023-40431-y, 2023.
7. Wang, W., Hayes, P. R., Ren, X. and **Taylor, R. E.** Synthetic cell armor made of DNA origami. *Nano Letters*. 23 (15), 7076-7085. DOI: 10.1021/acs.nanolett.3c01878, 2023.

Notable Paper: This work demonstrates the potential for DNA-based tunable encapsulation to modulate the biophysical properties of living cells and protect them from mechanical stressors. The novelty of this work comes in both the tunability and the fact that nanoshell encapsulated cells retain the capability to interact with each other. A highlight about this article was published by Nature on July 28, 2023 entitled “DNA origami provides a stout armour for cells” (<https://doi.org/10.1038/d41586-023-02342-w>).

8. Goodwin-Schoen, C. and **Taylor, R. E.** Modular, articulated models of DNA and peptide nucleic acids for nanotechnology education. *The Biophysicist*. 4 (1), 1–10. DOI: 10.35459/tbp.2022.000225, 2023.
9. Roka-Moia, Y.*, Walawalkar, V.*, Liu, Y., Italiano, J. E., Slepian, M. J., and Taylor, R. E. DNA Origami–Platelet Adducts: Nanoconstruct Binding without Platelet Activation. *Bioconjugate Chemistry*. 33 (7), 1295-1310, 2022. **Notable Paper:** As DNA origami nanostructures have gained interest for applications in sensing, drug delivery, and cellular assembly, little work has focused on how these structures perturb cellular systems. In this paper we show that careful purification methods coupled with optimized geometries for the presentation of binding ligands enable efficient cell labeling of human blood platelets. Even more importantly, we show that this labeling can be done without triggering platelet activation thus showing that DNA origami “adapters” for cell manipulation can avoid cell damage even in one of the most mechanosensitive of cells, the blood platelet. This work also sets the stage for the development of mechanical sensors-on-platelet systems.
10. Xing, Y., Yerneni, S. S., Wang, W., Taylor, R. E., Campbell, P. G. and Ren, X. Engineering pro-angiogenic biomaterials via chemoselective extracellular vesicle immobilization. *Biomaterials*. pp. 121357, 2022.
11. Kumar, S., Dhami, I., Thadke, S., Ly, D. H. & **Taylor, R. E.** Rapid self-assembly of γ PNA nanofibers at constant temperature. *Biopolymers* e23463, 2021.
12. Wijesekara*, P., Liu*, Y., Wang, W., Johnston, E. K., Sullivan, M. L. G., **Taylor, R. E.** & Ren, X. Accessing and Assessing the Cell-Surface Glycocalyx Using DNA Origami. *Nano Letters*. 21(11):4765–4773, 2021.
13. Liu*, Y., Wijesekara*, P., Kumar, S., Wang, W., Ren, X. & **Taylor, R. E.** The effects of overhang placement and multivalency on cell labeling by DNA origami. *Nanoscale*. 13:6819-6828, 2021.
14. Babatunde, B., Arias, D. S., Cagan, J, & **Taylor R. E.** Generating DNA Origami Nanostructures through Shape Annealing. *Applied Sciences*. 11(7), 2021. **Notable Paper:** This work demonstrates the generative design of DNA origami nanostructures using shape annealing to determine the internal routing of the long strand of “scaffold” DNA that forms the backbone of these mechanical nanostructures. We introduce a simple set of shape rules capable of building honeycomb lattice-type designs, and we enable scaffold routing optimization of solid and hollow multilayer DNA origami nanostructures, whose automated design to date has not been possible.
15. Wang, W., Arias, D. S., Deserno, M., Ren, X. & **Taylor, R. E.** Emerging Applications at the Interface of DNA Nanotechnology and Cellular Membranes: Perspectives from Biology, Engineering and Physics. *APL Bioengineering*, 4(4):041507, 2020.

16. Danielsson, B. E., Tieu, K. V., Bathula, K., Armiger, T. J., Vellala, P., **Taylor, R. E.**, Dahl, K. N., & Conway, D. (2020). Lamin microaggregates lead to altered mechanotransmission in progerin-expressing cells. *Nucleus*, 11(1):194-204.
17. *Harmatz, I. M., Travers. M. J. & **Taylor, R. E.** (2020) A customizable DNA and microsphere-based, magnetically actuated microswimmer. *Journal of Microelectromechanical Systems*, 29(5):990-995. **Notable Paper:** *In this paper, we demonstrated a construction technique for building articulated, magnetic swimming microstructures that are linked together using flexible connectors made of DNA. The hybrid top-down/bottom-up methodology utilizes DNA-based self-assembly to complement and extend existing microscale fabrication processes. In this case, our process allows for submicron-level precision over microswimmer body construction as well as mechanics.*
18. Kumar, S., Liu, Y., & **Taylor, R. E.** (2020). Self-assembly of gamma-modified peptide nucleic acids into complex nanostructures in organic solvent mixtures. *JoVE*, e61351. doi:10.3791/61351.
19. *Kumar, S., Pearse, A., Liu, Y., & **Taylor, R. E.** (2020). Modular self-assembly of gamma-modified peptide nucleic acids in organic solvent mixtures. *Nature Communications*, 11(1):2960. **Notable Paper:** *This paper reports the first micron-scale self-assembling nanofilaments made from building blocks of a synthetic DNA mimic called gamma-modified peptide nucleic acid (γ PNA). Peptide nucleic acids have the same nucleobases (A's, C's, G's and T's) as DNA and can bind to DNA, but they have a notably higher binding affinity. We demonstrated that unlike DNA-based nanostructures, γ PNA-based structures can form and remain stable in harsh environments like aprotic organic solvent solutions. This advance broadens the range of applications for structural nucleic acid nanotechnology and demonstrates a proof of concept approach for building complex nanosystems from γ PNA.*
20. *Beltrán, S. M., Slepian, M. J., & **Taylor, R. E.** (2020). Extending capabilities of molecular force sensors via DNA nanotechnology. *Critical Reviews in Biomedical Engineering*. 48(1), 1-16.
21. Sonmez, U. M., Coyle, S., **Taylor, R. E.**, & LeDuc, P. R. (2020). Polycarbonate heat molding for soft lithography. *Small*, 16(6), 2000241.
22. **Taylor, R. E.**, & Zahid, M. (2020). Cell penetrating peptides, novel vectors for gene therapy. *Pharmaceutics*, 12(3), 225.
23. *Ying, L., Kumar, S., & **Taylor, R. E.** (2018) Mix-and-match nanobiosensor design: logical and spatial programming of biosensors using self-assembled DNA nanostructures. *Wiley Interdisciplinary Reviews: Nanomedicine and Nanobiotechnology*. 10(6), e1518.
24. Homburger, J. R., Green, E. M., Caleshu, C., Sunitha, M., **Taylor, R. E.**, Ruppel, K. M., Metpally, R., Colan, S. D., Michels, M., Day, S., Olivotto, I., Bustamante, C. D., Dewey, F., Ho, C., Spudich, J. A., & Ashley, E. A. (2016). Multi-dimensional structure function relationships in human β -cardiac myosin from population scale genetic variation. *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 113(24), 6701-6706.
25. Spudich, J. A., Aksel, T., Bartholomew, S. R., Nag, S., Kawana, M., Yu, E. C., Sarkar, S. S., Sung, J., Sommese, R. F., Sutton, S., Cho, C., Adhikari, A. S., **Taylor, R. E.**, Liu, C., Trivedi, D., & Ruppel, K. M. (2016). Effects of hypertrophic and dilated cardiomyopathy

mutations on power output by human β -cardiac myosin. *Journal of Experimental Biology*, 219(2), 161–167.

26. Hariadi, R. F., Sommese, R. F., Adhikari, A. S., **Taylor, R. E.**, Sutton, S., Spudich, J. A., & Sivaramakrishnan, S. (2015). Mechanical coordination in motor ensembles revealed using engineered artificial myosin filaments. *Nature Nanotechnology*, 10(8), 696–700.
27. Sim, J. Y., **Taylor, R. E.**, Larsen, T., & Pruitt, B. L. (2015). Oxidation stiffening of PDMS microposts. *Extreme Mechanics Letters*, 3, 17 - 23.
28. **Taylor, R. E.**, Kim, K., Sun, N., Park, S.-J., Sim, J. Y., Fajardo, G., Bernstein, D., Wu, J. C., & Pruitt, B. L. (2013). Sacrificial layer technique for axial force post assay of immature cardiomyocytes. *Biomedical Microdevices*, 15(1), 171–181.
29. **Taylor, R. E.**, Boyce, C. M., Boyce, M. C., & Pruitt, B. L. (2013). Planar patterned stretchable electrode arrays based on flexible printed circuits. *Journal of Micromechanics and Microengineering*, 23(10), 105004.
30. Pang, H., Shiwalkar, A. P., Madormo, C. M., **Taylor, R. E.**, Andriacchi, T. P., & Kuhl, E. (2012). Computational modeling of bone density profiles in response to gait: a subject-specific approach. *Biomechanics and Modeling in Mechanobiology*, 11(3), 379–390.
31. Kim, K., **Taylor, R. E.**, Sim, J. Y., Park, S.-J., Norman, J., Fajardo, G., Bernstein, D., & Pruitt, B. L. (2011). Calibrated micropost arrays for biomechanical characterisation of cardiomyocytes. *Micro & Nano Letters*, 6(5), 317-322.
32. Wei, P., **Taylor, R. E.**, Ding, Z., Chung, C., Abilez, O. J., Higgs, G., Pruitt, B. L., & Ziaie, B. (2011). Stretchable microelectrode array using room-temperature liquid alloy interconnects. *Journal of Micromechanics and Microengineering*, 21(5), 054015.
33. **Taylor, R. E.**, Norman, J. J., Simmons, C., Abilez, O., Zarins, C., & Pruitt, B. L. (2009). Nano and the Future of Endovascular Medicine. *Endovascular Today*, 27-31.
34. **Taylor, R. E.**, Zheng, C., Jackson, R. P., Doll, J. C., Chen, J. C., Holzbaur, K. R.S., Besier, T., & Kuhl, E. (2009). The phenomenon of twisted growth: humeral torsion in dominant arms of high-performance tennis players. *Computer Methods in Biomechanics and Biomedical Engineering*, 12(1), 83-93.

CONFERENCE PAPERS

1. Edupuganti, A., Sinha, I., Travers, M. and **Taylor, R. E.** Bayesian Optimization-Driven Data Collection Strategy for Modeling Yield of Modular DNA Origami Assembly. 2nd IACM MMLDE-CSET, El Paso, TX, September 2023 (Oral presentation).
2. Benjaminson, E., Babatunde, B., Cagan, J. and **Taylor, R. E.** Towards a graph neural network capable of realistically predicting DNA nanostructure equilibrium dynamics. 2nd IACM MMLDE-CSET, El Paso, TX, September 2023 (Oral presentation).
3. Imamura, T., Sonmez, U. M., Travers, M., Bergbreiter, S. and **Taylor, R. E.** Fabrication and characterization of polycarbonate substrates for high yield assembly of multicomponent biohybrid microrobots. 22nd Intl Conf. Solid-State Sensors, Actuators and Microsystems (TRANSDUCERS), 25-29 June 2023, Kyoto, Japan. 2023.

4. Liang*, Z., Mishra*, S., Ferranti, I., Arias, D. S., Zahid, M., Goetzman, E. and **Taylor, R. E.** Engineering uptake and expression using DNA origami nanocarriers with lung-targeting peptides. *Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Research Conference*, Big Sky, MT, June 2023.
5. Wang*, W., Chopra*, B. and Walawalkar*, V., Liang, Z., Adams, R., Deserno, M., Ren, X. and **Taylor, R. E.** Membrane binding-assisted cellular uptake of DNA nanostructures. *FNANO22: 20th Annual Conference Foundations of Nanoscience*, Snowbird, UT, April 2023.
6. Walawalkar*, V., Sajal*, M. S., Gilpin, Y., Dandin, M. and **Taylor, R. E.** Capacitive measurements for rapid and affordable characterization of DNA origami nanostructures. *FNANO22: 20th Annual Conference Foundations of Nanoscience*, Snowbird, UT, April 2023.
7. Gupta, M. and **Taylor, R. E.** Serum-resistant gammaPNA nanostructures formed using parallel and anti-parallel binding. *FNANO22: 20th Annual Conference Foundations of Nanoscience*, Snowbird, UT, April 2023.
8. **Taylor, R. E.**, Steif, P. McComb, C., Panat, R., Wolfe, J., Bedillion, M., Robinson, A. and Cagan, J. A Spiral Approach to Teaching Mechanics. *MEED 2023: ASME Mechanical Engineering Education Summit*, San Juan, Puerto Rico, March 2023.
9. Beltrán, S., Edwards, L., Habib, A., Kodavali, C., **Taylor, R. E.**, and LeDuc, P. Mechanical Stimulation of Cerebral Organoids Toward Understanding Human Neural Response after Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI). *Society of Engineering Science Annual Technical Meeting (SES2022)*, College Station, TX, April 2022 (Oral presentation).
10. Babatunde, B., Cagan, J. and **Taylor, R. E.** A refined shape annealing algorithm for the optimal generation of DNA origami designs. *28th International Conference on DNA Computing and Molecular Programming (DNA28)*, Albuquerque, NM, July 2022.
11. Walawalkar V., Roka Moiiia, Y., Liu, Y., Slepian, M. J. and **Taylor, R. E.** Physiological Impact of DNA Origami Anchored to Human Blood Platelets. *FNANO22: 19th Annual Conference Foundations of Nanoscience*, April 2022.
12. Wang, W., Hayes, P. R., Ren, X. and **Taylor, R. E.** A DNA origami nanoshell stabilizes cellular membranes. *FNANO22: 19th Annual Conference Foundations of Nanoscience*, April 2022.
13. Beltrán S. M., Kodavali, C., Bobo, J., **Taylor R. E.**, Edwards, L., LeDuc, P. R., Zinn, P.O. Mechanical stimulation of cerebral organoids toward understanding human neural response. *Biophysical Society Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA, 2022 (Oral presentation).
14. Walawalkar, V., Roka-Moiiia, Y., Liu, Y., Slepian, M. J. & **Taylor, R. E.** Development of DNA-based Shear Nanosensor: Human Platelets Bind DNA Origami via Chol-ssDNA. *Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Annual Meeting (Poster presentation)*, Orlando, FL. 2021.

15. Imamura, T., Bergbreiter, S., Travers, M. J. & **Taylor, R. E.** Magnetic Field Actuation and Control of Customizable, Low Reynolds Number Magnetic Micro Swimmers. *ICRA2021 workshop on micro-nano swarm robotics (Oral presentation)*. 2021.
16. Babatunde, B., Arias, D. S., Cagan, J. & **Taylor, R. E.** A formal approach for automated generation of DNA origami designs. *Foundations of Nanoscience: Self-Assembled Architectures and Devices (FNANO Oral Presentation)*. pp. 37-38, 2021.
17. Liu, Y., Wijesekara, P., Wang, W., Ren, X. & **Taylor, R. E.** The Effects of Overhang Placement and Multivalency on Cell Labeling by DNA Origami. *Foundations of Nanoscience: Self-Assembled Architectures and Devices (FNANO Oral Presentation)*. pp. 25, 2021.
18. Liu, Y., Wijesekara, P., Ren, X. & **Taylor, R. E.** (2020) Tunable Targeted Cell Labeling with DNA Origami by Different Geometry. *Proceedings of the Biomedical Engineering Society*. (virtual)
19. Wijesekara, P., Liu, Y., Johnston, E., Ren, X. & **Taylor, R. E.** (2020) Accessing and Assessing the Cell-Surface Glycocalyx Using DNA Origami Nanotiles. *Proceedings of the Biomedical Engineering Society*. (virtual)
20. *Benjaminson, E., Travers, M. J. & **Taylor, R. E.** (2020). Steering magnetic robots in two axes with one pair of Maxwell coils. *Proceedings of the International Conference on Intelligent Robots and Systems (IROS)*, Las Vegas, NV.
21. Beltrán, S., Wang W., McGaughey, A., LeDuc, P. R. & **Taylor, R. E.** (2020) DNA Nanostructures for Mechanosensation. *Society of Engineering Science*, Minneapolis, MN. (virtual)
22. Benjaminson, E., **Taylor, R. E.** & Travers, M. Predicting Nanorobot Shapes via Generative Models. *NeurIPS: Thirty-fourth Conference on Neural Information Processing Systems*. 2020.
23. Kumar, S., Pearse, A., Liu, Y., & **Taylor, R. E.** (2020). Self-assembly of nanotubes from distinct gamma-modified peptide nucleic acid oligomers in organic solvent mixtures. *Track on DNA Nanostructures: Semantomorphic Science at the Foundations of Nanoscience: Self-Assembled Architectures and Devices (FNANO) meeting*. *R. E. Taylor invited to give a talk corresponding to this abstract at FNANO (virtual talk available here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pZEbD4wZHXs>).
24. Liu, Y., Andreasen, C., & **Taylor, R. E.** (2020). Designing, simulating, and testing nano-scale DNA shear sensor. *9th Bio-Fluid Mechanics and Vascular Mechano-Biology Conference*.
25. Banga, A., Liu, M., Jain, R., Travers, M. and **Taylor, R.E.** A tool to accelerate experimentation in the field of artificial microswimmers. *Proceedings of the Biomedical Engineering Society, Philadelphia, PA*, 2019.
26. Chen, A., Travers, M., and **Taylor, R.E.** Effective cross-sectional diameters of ferro- and superparamagnetic microswimmers. *Proceedings of the Biomedical Engineering Society, Philadelphia, PA*, 2019.
27. Benjaminson, E., Basit, F., Vedova, D., Grover, J.S., Kumar, S., Liu, Y., Harmatz, M., Sneeringer, R., Travers, M., and **Taylor, R.E.** Optimizing microswimmer motion by tuning

- bending stiffness with DNA nanotechnology. *Proceedings of the Biomedical Engineering Society, Philadelphia, PA*, 2019.
28. Beltrán, S.M., Liu, Y., LeDuc, P.R., and **Taylor, R.E.** DNA nanostructures for mechanosensation. *Proceedings of the Biomedical Engineering Society, Philadelphia, PA*, 2019.
 29. Cambre, J., Liu, Y., **R.E. Taylor**, & Kulkarni, C. (2019). Vitro: Designing a Voice Assistant for the Scientific Lab Workplace. Proceedings of the 2019 on Designing Interactive Systems Conference, pp. 1531-1542, San Diego, CA.
 30. Kumar, S. and **Taylor, R.E.** (2018). Tuneable Mechanical Response of Twisted DNA Nanotubes Towards Biosensing. *AIChE Annual Meeting Proceedings, Pittsburgh, PA*.
 31. Arambel, P., Riek, M., & **Taylor, R. E.*** (2017). Novel microfabrication technique of 3d silicone structures from planar substrate by tensile buckling. *Proceedings of uTAS*, pp. 1623-1624.
 32. **Taylor, R. E.**, Boyce, C. M., Boyce, M. C., & Pruitt, B.L. (2013). Stretchable, conformal microelectrode array fabricated with flex circuit technology. *The 7th International Conference on Microtechnologies in Medicine and Biology*.
 33. **Taylor, R. E.**, Ribeiro, A., Fajardo, G., Razavi, H., Bernstein, D., & Pruitt, B.L. (2011). Micropost-based Functional Assay of Adult Heart Cells: Does Mechanosensing Limit Force Production? *Proceedings of MicroTAS, Seattle, WA*.
 34. **Taylor, R. E.**, Kim, K., and Pruitt, B. L. (2010) Self-assembling single cells across microposts: first axial force measurements in immature cardiomyocytes. *Proceedings of Solid State Sensors, Actuators, and Microsystems Workshop, Hilton Head, SC*, pp. 98-99 (11 percent oral presentations / 44 percent overall acceptance rate).
 35. Wei, P., **Taylor, R. E.**, Ding, Z., Higgs, G., Norman, J. J, Pruitt, B. L., and Ziaie, B. (2009) A stretchable cell culture platform with embedded electrode array. *Proceedings of MEMS, Sorrento, Italy*, pp. 407-410. (33 percent acceptance rate)
 36. **Taylor, R. E.**, Lue, S. J., Gumerlock, K., Fajardo, G., Higgs, G., Norma, J. J., Wei, P., Ding, Z., Bernstein, D., Kuhl, E., and Pruitt, B. L. (2009) Synchronized mechanical and electrical stimulation of primary heart cells with a stretchable microelectrode array. *Proceedings of MEMS in Medicine and Biology, Quebec City, Canada*.
 37. **Taylor, R. E.**, Abilez, O. J., Cao, F., Wu, J. C., Xu, C., and Pruitt, B. L. (2007) Pulsatile pressure system for cellular mechanical stimulation. *Proceedings of ASME Summer Bioengineering Conference, Keystone, CO*.

BOOK CHAPTER

1. **Taylor, R. E.**, Mukundan, V., & Pruitt, B. L. (2011). Tools for Studying Biomechanical Interactions in Cells. In Wagoner Johnson, A.; Harley, A.C. Brendan (Eds.) *Mechanobiology of Cell-Cell and Cell-Matrix Interactions* (pp. 233–265). Boston, MA: Springer US.

PATENTS

1. **Taylor, R.**, Ren, X. and Wang, W. “Modular DNA nanoshells for cell encapsulation and ruggedization,” Intellectual Property Disclosure no. 2023-063
Provisional application date: 2022/09/06
2. **Taylor, R.**, Andreasen, C., Liu, Y., Zhou, Y. D., "Micromechanical DNA Origami Force Sensor," United States Provisional Invention Disclosure Submitted 62/922,963, September 9, 2019. Publication date: 2021/3/1. US Patent App. 17/012,280.
3. **Taylor, R.**, Kumar, S., Jayarathna, D., "Shape-Responsive All-PNA Nanostructures," United States Provisional Invention Disclosure Submitted US 62/919,781, March 29, 2019. US Patent App. 17/599,423.
4. **Taylor, R.**, Pruitt, B. L., Boyce, M. C., Boyce, C. M., "In-Plane-Strain-Actuated Out-of-Plane Actuator," United States Regular Patent Application US Patent 10150665 (Application 2014, Granted: December 11, 2018)

GRANT AWARDS (on which Taylor is the **Primary** or **Sole PI**)

Award Span	Grant Title	Agency	Co-PIs	Awarded
2023-2026	Synthetic Biological Systems Made Using Structural PNA Nanotechnology	Air Force Office of Scientific Research, Natural Materials & Systems Program	Bradley Pentelute (MIT Department of Chemistry)	\$1,456,457
2023-2024	Novel Lung Targeting Peptides on Nanocarriers to Treat Cystic Fibrosis	Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Path-to-a-Cure Pioneer Award	Eric Goetzman (Children’s Hospital of Pittsburgh) and Maliha Zahid (Mayo Clinic)	\$1,210,997
2023	A Magnetic Pull System for Microscale Kanban	CMU Manufacturing Futures Institute	Sarah Bergbreiter and Matthew Travers	\$113,112
2022-2023	DURIP: Peptide Nucleic Acid-Based Nanostructures at Biotic and Abiotic Interfaces	Air Force Office of Scientific Research, DURIP	Philip LeDuc	\$198,290
2021-2024	MRI: Acquisition of an Automated X-Ray Scattering Instrument for In Situ Multiscale Studies	NSF, CMMI Major Research Instrumentation Program	St. Tristram-Nagle, R. Jayan, T. Kowalewski, M. Bockstaller	\$992,182
2021-2023	Real-time mapping of membrane tension in GUVs and cultured cells using fluorescence DNA-based mechanosensors	DSF Charitable Foundation	M. Deserno	\$150,000

2020-2022	Instrumenting blood platelets: nanosensors for cumulative shear and compression measurement	NIH, NHLBI	M. J. Slepian (University of Arizona)	\$435,987
2020-2025	CAREER: Programmable Peptide Nucleic Acid Molecules as Building-blocks for Complex Nanostructures	NSF, CMMI: Advanced Manufacturing Division		\$525,000
2018-2019	Signal enhancement of paper-based point-of-care diagnostics using DNA origami nanobiosensors	CMU Berkman Faculty Development Grant		\$7,550
2018-2019	Simulation of DNA nanostructures and their behavior under external force	Pittsburgh Supercomputing Center		Standard/G PU bridges
2018-2022	PNA-Driven Remote Actuation of DNA Nanospring Strain Sensors (3 Years YIP \$450,000 + 4 th Year Extension \$150,000)	AFOSR-YIP		\$600,000
2017	TIRF-Enabled Microscope for Imaging Dynamic Nano-Biosystems, Dean's Equipment Grant	Carnegie Institute of Technology Dean's Equipment Grant	B. Tilton, K.J. Hsia, M. Lösche, J. Zhang	\$375,000
2017	Dense Decoration of Synthetic DNA-based Biosystem	Samuel and Emma Winters Foundation	C. Achim	\$10,300

GRANT AWARDS (on which Taylor is a Co-Principal Investigator)

2021-2025	NRI: INT: Self-Assembly of Modular Robots Constructed Using DNA: Modeling and Manufacturing Nanostructures with Graph Neural Networks and DNA Origami	NSF National Robotics Institute	M. Travers	\$1,220,133
2021-2024	A Shape Annealing Approach to DNA Origami Design	NSF Engineering Design and Systems Engineering (EDSE)	J. Cagan	\$899,999
2017-2020	CPS: Small: Geometric Self-Propelled Articulated Micro-Scale Swimming	NSF – CPS Division	M. Travers	\$449,548
2017	VirtualCellLab: Accelerating tacit knowledge in cell-culture manufacturing Grant	CMU Manufacturing Futures Initiative	C. Kulkarni	\$197,390

STUDENT ADVISING

Ph.D. Advisees

1. Leah Dickey (BME Ph.D. student), “Exploring shape and mechanics for tuning the uptake of DNA-based nanoparticles,” August 2023 – Present.
2. Zijuan Liang, “Optimizing gene delivery using shape and decorating clustering of DNA origami nanocarriers,” September 2022 – Present. Co-advised with B. Ozdoganlar.
3. Anuhya Edupunganti, “Machine learning approaches for optimizing yield of DNA origami superstructures,” September 2022 – Present. Co-advised with M. Travers.
4. Anthony (A.J.) Vetturini, “Relaxing constraints in the design DNA origami using generative shape annealing,” September 2022 – Present. Co-advised with J. Cagan.
5. Rebekah Adams, “DNA-based nanobiosensors dermal microneedle delivery,” January 2022 – Present. Co-advised with B. Ozdoganlar.
6. Indranil Sihna, “Microfluidic platforms for manufacture and purification on magnetic biohybrid microactuators,” January 2022 – Present
7. Isabella Ferranti, “Real-time mapping of membrane tension in GUVs and cultured cells using fluorescent DNA-based mechanosensors,” September 2021 – Present.
8. Taryn Imamura, "Low Reynolds number location," August 2020 - Present. Co-advised with S. Bergbreiter. Awards: NSF GRFP Fellowship, GEM Fellowship
9. Bolutito Babatunde, "Self-reporting deformation of DNA nanosprings," August 2019 - Present. Co-advised with J. Cagan. Awards: NDSEG Fellowship, GEM Fellowship, and NSF GRFP Fellowship (offered but declined)
10. Sebastian Arias, "DNA sensors with position amplified-displacement sensing," August 2019 - Present. Awards: Hispanic Scholarship Fund (HSF) awardee, GEM Fellowship
11. Weitao Wang, "DNA nanotechnology for nanosurgical modulation of endocytosis in endothelial cells," July 2019 – September 2023. Co-advised with X. Ren
12. Susana Beltrán, “Nanoscale shear sensors made using DNA origami,” September 2018 – May 2023. Co-advised with P. LeDuc. Awards: NSF GRFP Fellowship, GEM Fellowship
13. Emma Benjaminson, “Hybrid top-down, bottom-up assembly of articulated microswimmers,” August 2018 – May 2023. Co-advised with M. Travers. Awards: NSF GRFP Fellowship, G. Sundback Graduate Fellowship
14. Sriram Kumar, "Dynamic shape-change in DNA Origami Nanosystems for Biosensor Applications," September 2017 – May 2021. co-advised with C. Achim
15. Ying Liu, "DNA origami for large area protein nanopatterning," January 2017 – August 2021. Awards: Carnegie Mellon University Dowd Fellowship 2018-2019

Master’s Advisees

1. Karthik Subramaniam, “Predicting locomotion characteristics of two-link magnetic microswimmers using multiphysics approaches,” September 2023 – Present.
2. Aatish Gupta, “Experimental characterization of shape-locomotion properties of two-link microswimmers using centimeter-scale 3D printed models,” September 2023 – Present.
3. Bhavya Chopra, "DNA origami at the cell membrane," January 2022 – May 2023.

4. Taylor Clayton, "Microswimmers: Bottom-up Fabrication of Microswimmers Using Templated Assembly and DNA Origami," September 2017 - May 2019. co-advised with M. Travers. Awards: Mechanical Engineering Graduate Fellowship
5. Paula Arambel, "Strain-activated actuators for biosensor and microneedle applications," September 2016 – May 2018. Awards: GEM Fellow
6. Alexander Kwakye, "DNA origami for top-down meets bottom-up manufacturing," September 2016 – May 2018. Awards: Mechanical Engineering Graduate Fellowship

Undergraduate Advisees

1. Eladio Andujar Lugo, "Designing DNA-PNA Origami Modeling/Visualization Tools," June 2023 – Present.
2. Sruti Bapatla, Course development assistant for project development in F23 24-261 course, June – August 2023.
3. Elsa Schleicher, "Automated CAD generation of atomic structures using OnShape", September 2022 – Present.
4. Elsa Schleicher, Course development assistant for re-envisioning of new F22 24-261 course, June – July 2022.
5. Bailey O'Malley, Course development assistant for re-envisioning of new F22 24-261 course, June – July 2022.
6. Julia (Juno) Hoffman, Course development assistant for re-envisioning of new F22 24-261 course, June – July 2022.
7. Justin Soza Soto, Course development assistant for re-envisioning of new F22 24-261 course, June – July 2022.
8. Peter Sauer (student in Biological Sciences & Machine Learning), "Shape-switching DNA origami for capacitive sensing applications," September 2021 – August 2022.
9. Aparna Nair, "Computational design of controlled-length of DNA nanostructures fabricated using a hybrid DNA origami/Single Stranded Tile method," June 2021 –December 2021.
10. Lawrence Onyango, "Mapping the analytical design Space for 3D Compliant DNA origami mechanisms," Mechanical Engineering Department Summer Internship. June 2021 – August 2021.
11. Caleigh Goodwin-Schoen, "Design and prototyping of 3D printed Protein and DNA models for education," Mechanical Engineering Department Summer Internship. May 2020 – May 2023.
12. Ethan Husted, Generating hybrid PNA-DNA nanostructure geometries with 2-domain inputs," Mechanical Engineering Department Summer Internship. May 2020 – December 2020.
13. Kayleigh Boyle, "Using 3-domain PNA building blocks and 3D visualizations to design new nanostructure geometries," Mechanical Engineering Department Summer Internship. May 2020 – August 2020.
14. Wanyi Chen, "Effective cross-sectional diameters of ferro- and superparamagnetic microswimmers," co-advised with M. Travers in RI. January 2019 – May 2020.

15. Anika Banga (SCS), "A tool to accelerate experimentation in the field of artificial microswimmers," co-advised with M. Travers in RI, working with undergraduate student Maya Liu. January 2019 – January 2020.
16. Maya Liu (SCS), " A tool to accelerate experimentation in the field of artificial microswimmers," co-advised with M. Travers in RI, working with undergraduate student Anika Banga. January 2019 – January 2020.
17. Rishabh Jain, "Energetic simulation of helical DNA-based nanostructures," August 2018 – December 2019.
18. Charlotte Andreasen, "Nanoscale shear sensor design and shear chamber characterization," January 2018 – Spring 2021. "Course development assistant for 24-684 Special Topics: Nanoscale Manufacturing Using Structural DNA Nanotechnology," Summer 2020. Awards: ACS Scholar, NSF GRFP Fellowship, CMU Small Undergraduate Research Grant (Spring 2018) with Y. Zhou.
19. Fatima Basit, "Nanoscribed topographies for ultrasonic self-assembly processes using template assisted selective release (TASR)," January 2018 – December 2019.
20. Yishun (Daphne) Zhou, "Comparison of molecular dynamic simulations and finite element models of DNA origami nanostructures," January 2018 – April 2020. Awards: CMU Small Undergraduate Research Grant (Spring 2018) with C. Andreasen.
21. Elizabeth McCullough, "Design of a DNA origami shear sensor," January 2018 – August 2018. Awards: CMU Summer Undergraduate Research Apprenticeship (2018)
22. Benjamin Pavlat (ChemE Undergrad), "Analysis of tractive force microscopy data," August 2018 – December 2018.
23. Rachel Sneeringer, "Nanoprinted Templates for Microswimmer Fabrication," June 2017 – May 2018. Awards: CMU Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (2017)
24. Mitchell Riek, "Planar designs for strain-activated actuators," 2017 - 2018. Awards: CMU Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship (2017)
25. Ian Mitchell Harmatz, "Synthetic actin filaments made by dense-decoration of DNA origami," August 2016 – July 2020. Awards: The Phillips Medal (2018) *Highest Chemistry honor granted at UPitt*, Full-tuition fellowship to University of Pennsylvania Perelman Medical School.
26. Berk Sahin, "BME Carnegie Heart Program: A Modeling Tool for the Design of Mechanically Stiff Periodic Cardiac Nanosensors," May 2017 - August 2017.
27. William Anstett, "SURG Project," January 2017 - May 2017. Awards: CMU Small Undergraduate Research Grant (2017)
28. Shivang Chordia, "Course development for "Modern Manufacturing in Steeltown"," January 2017 - May 2017.
29. Sarah Karp, "Course development for "Modern Manufacturing in Steeltown"," January 2017 - May 2017.
30. Isabel Roscoe, "3D printed models of DNA and proteins," January 2017 - May 2017.

31. Kelly Underwood, "Course development for "Modern Manufacturing in Steeltown",
January 2017 - May 2017.

INVITED SEMINARS, CONFERENCE, AND WORKSHOP PRESENTATIONS

- *Nucleic acid nanotechnologies for the ruggedization and sensorization of cell membranes*, **Nanoscience and Nanoengineering Institute Seminar**, UC Berkeley, Berkeley, CA, October 6, 2023.
- *Nucleic acid nanotechnologies for the ruggedization and sensorization of cell membranes*, Seminar for the **Department of Bioengineering**, UC Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara CA, October 4, 2023.
- *Learning the language of the cell membrane with structural DNA (and PNA) nanotechnology*, Seminar for the **Cambridge University Department of Chemical Engineering and Biotechnology**, Cambridge, UK, July 5, 2023.
- *Molecular Machines and Responsive Microswimming Robots Using Structural DNA Nanotechnology*, Keynote speaker for the **Artificial Molecular Switches and Motors Gordon Research Conference - Design, Synthesis, Power and Control**, New London, NH, June 22, 2023.
- *The Next Big Thing in Open Science: Open Source Programs Offices and How CMU Can Lead the Way*, the Software Engineering Institute's 2023 High Tea symposium "**Empowering the Future: Carnegie Mellon University at the Forefront of Cybersecurity and Open Source Advancements**", Pittsburgh, PA, May 17, 2023.
- *Engineering uptake and expression using DNA origami nanocarriers with lung-targeting peptides*, invited speaker at the **Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Stem Cell Consortium**, (virtual) February 15, 2023.
- *Adventures in cloud lab-based production of DNA origami*, invited speaker at the **Brookhaven National Labs 2023 Workshop on Automated Design, Fabrication, and Characterization of DNA-based Nanomaterials**, Upton, NY, January 17, 2023.
- *Instrumenting the cell surface -- emerging tools for mechanobiology*, invited seminar for the **Materials Science Engineering Department at Boston University**, Boston, Massachusetts, October 21, 2022.
- *Synthetic biosystems for programmable cell manipulation*, Keynote speaker for the **Cellular and Molecular Bioengineering track of the Biomedical Engineering Society Meeting**, San Antonio, Texas, October 13, 2022.
- *Lung Targeting Peptides on Nanocarriers to Treat Cystic Fibrosis*, invited speaker for the **2022 Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Research Conference**, Seattle, WA, June 28, 2022.
- *Nanomachines for Manufacturing and Health*, invited speaker and panelist for the **5th CMU Mindshare Event- Chicago Network**, May 11, 2022 (virtual presentation).
- *Nucleic Acid Nanotechnology for Cell-based Manufacturing and Bio-inspired Nanofactories*, invited speaker and panelist for the **2021 NSF Nanoscale Science and Engineering Grantees Virtual Conference, Session on "Nanomanufacturing Through Synthetic Biology**. (virtual presentation).
- *Engineering Cellular Interactions with DNA Nanotechnology: Applications for Pulmonary Disease*, invited seminar speaker for the **UPitt Cystic Fibrosis Research Seminar Series**, December 3, 2021 (virtual presentation).

- *Instrumenting the vasculature: nanobeacon platforms for cellular communication and mechanobiology*, invited speaker in the Cellular and Molecular Biomechanics: Mechanobiology session at the **Biomedical Engineering Society Meeting**, Orlando, Florida, October 6, 2021 (virtual session)
- *Building and sensing at the nanoscale*, **Mid-Career Mechanobiology Symposium** hosted by the University of Florida Mechanical Engineering Department, Gainesville, Florida, October 5, 2021 (virtual presentation).
- *Self-assembly and hybrid top-down, bottom-up manufacturing for nanobiosensing and robotics*, **The Ohio State University** Mechanical Engineering Department, March 5, 2021 (virtual seminar)
- *Self-assembly meets top-down manufacturing for nanosensing and robotics*, **Air Force Research Lab (AFRL) Biotech Community of Practice Seminar Series**, November 4, 2020 (virtual seminar).
- *Self-Assembly and Hybrid Top-Down, Bottom-Up Manufacturing for Nanobiosensing and Robotics*, **CMU MechE Departmental Seminar**, September 18, 2020 (virtual seminar).
- *Self-Assembly and Hybrid Top-Down, Bottom-Up Manufacturing for Nanobiosensing and Robotics*, **Mid-Atlantic Micro/Nano Alliance (MAMNA)**, July 9, 2020 (virtual seminar).
- *CMU Covid-19 Face Shield Project* presented by Rebecca E. Taylor and Emma Benjaminson to the participants of the **CMU Covid-19 Innovation Project**, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, June 26, 2020 (virtual seminar).
- *Programmable self-assembly with DNA and PNA for nanobiosensing, robotics and manufacturing*, **Massachusetts Institute of Technology**, Cambridge, MIT, March 4, 2020.
- *Programmable self-assembly with DNA and PNA for nanobiosensing, robotics and manufacturing*, Arizona State University, Biodesign Institute, Tempe, AZ, February 11, 2020.
- *DNA Nanotechnology for Fluorescent Nanosensors in Paints and Coatings*, **PPG, Pittsburgh, PA**, December 2, 2019.
- *DNA and gammaPNA in programmable nanomaterials for sensing, robotics and manufacturing*, **University of California, Irvine**, Irvine, CA, November 6, 2019.
- *DNA and gammaPNA in programmable nanomaterials for sensing, robotics and manufacturing*, **Carnegie Mellon University Robotics Institute**, Pittsburgh, PA, November 2, 2019.
- *Quick Fire Talk on 24-689 Modern Manufacturing in Steeltown* at CMU's 4th Annual Teaching & Learning Summit, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, November 1, 2019.
- Featured on **Future Tech Podcast**, *DNA Origami: A Radical New Way to Develop Microrobots and Mechanosensors*, April 12, 2019. <https://www.futuretechpodcast.com>.
- *Medical Devices at the Nanoscale: Using Structural DNA Nanotechnology for Nanobiosensing and Microrobotics*, **DARE@10 Homecoming: Conference & Celebration**, Stanford, CA, November 13, 2018.
- *DNA Nanotechnology and Microstructures for Biomimetic Sensors and Actuators*, **Biomedical Engineering Materials and Applications (BEMA) Roundtable Committee Meeting**, Woods Hole, MA, June 28, 2018.
- *Medical devices at the nanoscale: using structural DNA nanotechnology for nanobiosensing and microrobot self-assembly*, **George Washington University**, Washington, D.C., March 8, 2018.

- *Air Force Workshop (AFOSR), Research Acceleration Workshop*, Carnegie Mellon University, March 1, 2018.
- *Experimental biomechanics: from micro- to nanosensing*, Carnegie Mellon University / **DSN-i Series**, Carnegie Mellon University, Scott Hall 6142, September 20, 2017.
- *A DARE Fellow's First Year in Academia, Stanford University DARE Program* (Diversifying Academia Recruiting Excellence), Stanford University, August 11, 2017.
- *Faculty Panel on Teaching and the Academic Job Market, Carnegie Mellon University / Eberly Center*, Carnegie Mellon University, April 5, 2017.
- *Form and Function in Multiscale Cardiac-Inspired Sensors for Experimental Biomechanics, Biomedical Engineering Seminar* at Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, November 17, 2016.
- *Form and Function in Multiscale Cardiac-Inspired Sensors for Experimental Biomechanics, Center for the Mechanics and Engineering of Cellular Systems (CMECS)* at Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, October 14, 2016.
- *Panel session for students interested in graduate school and Ph.D. research, Mechanical Engineering*, Carnegie Mellon University, Pittsburgh, PA, October 11, 2016.
- *Form and Function in Multiscale Cardiac-Inspired Sensors for Experimental Biomechanics, University of Washington, Mechanical Engineering Department*, Seattle, WA, April 16, 2015.
- *Form and Function in Multiscale Cardiac-Inspired Sensors for Experimental Biomechanics, Carnegie Mellon University, Mechanical Engineering Department*, Pittsburgh, PA, April 8, 2015.
- *Microsystems and Nanomachines for Studying Heart Disease, Stanford RISE (Raising Interest in Science and Engineering)*, Stanford, June 25, 2014.
- *Microfabricated tools for cardiac micro- and nanomechanics, Stanford Summer Engineering Academy (SSEA)*, Stanford, August 9, 2013.
- *Women and Underrepresented Minorities and the Pathways to Ph.D. in Mechanical and Electrical Engineering, Mechanical Engineering Graduate Research and Academic Forum (MEGRAF) Seminar Series*, Stanford, January 13, 2013.
- *An Intro to Cardiovascular Physiology, Bio-X course BIOE 459: Frontiers in Interdisciplinary Biosciences*, Stanford, November 15, 2010.
- *MEMS and NEMS Micro/NanoElectroMechanical Systems for Stem Cells, BIOE 261: Principles and Practice of Stem Cell Engineering*, Stanford, October 28, 2008.
- *Doctoral Strangelove, or How I Learned to Stop Worrying and Quit My Dream Job, Dim Sum of MechE*, Stanford, October 7, 2008.

Professional Societies

American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) 2016-
 Biophysical Society (BPS) 2016-2019
 Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) 2018-Present
 International Society for Nanoscale Science, Computation and Engineering (ISNSCE) 2018-

Reviewing Activity

Peer Reviewer for: Nanoscale, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences (PNAS), Science Robotics, Science Advances, PLOS One, Journal of Micromechanics and Microengineering (JMM), Journal of Microelectromechanical Systems (JMEMS), Cellular and Molecular

Bioengineering (CAMB), Transactions on Biomedical Engineering, Semiconductor Science and Technology, ACS Applied Bio Materials, Applied Sciences, Pharmaceuticals

Swiss National Science Foundation (SNSF), 2020, 2021

Human Frontier Science Program Organization (HFSP), 2017

Pennsylvania Infrastructure Technology Alliance (PITA), 2018

PA Manufacturing Innovation Program (PMIP), 2019

Outreach Activities

Panelist for Workshops on Negotiation & Assertiveness, Mentoring, LGBTQ+ Research Connect and CEE Rising Stars Workshop on Work-life Balance (2020-2021)

Participant in Leonard Gelfand Center program "STEM Career Explorations and 360° Lab Tours, 2020.

Featured on Future Tech Podcast "DNA Origami: A Radical New Way to Develop Microrobots and Mechanosensors," 2019.

Judge for the Intel International Science and Engineering Fair, Pittsburgh, 2018.

Rebecca Taylor's graduate student advisees and Women in MechE group judged Gelfand Awards at the Pittsburgh Regional Science Fair, 2017, 2018.

Course developer and teacher for Gelfand Outreach Saturday Series Class "Nanoengineering with DNA," a hands-on course on structural DNA nanotechnology for middle schoolers that is offered each Fall and Spring semester: 2017, 2018, 2019.

Performer at "Invisible Jazz Labs", an improvisational science outreach performance, 2017.

Organizer for a Gelfand Center Focus Group on research outreach STEM teachers at the middle and high school levels, 2017.

UNIVERSITY SERVICE

University steering committee member for the CMU Cloud Lab (2021-Present)

Faculty Advisor for new CMU chapter of Out in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (oSTEM), (2020-Present)

Faculty Advisor for "Women in MechE" student group (2016-Present)

Faculty Advisor for Pi Tau Sigma honor society (2019-2022)

MechE Department Head Search Committee (2022)

Faculty Search Committee (2017-2018, 2022-2023)

Mechanical Engineering Graduate Education Committee (2022-Present)

Mechanical Engineering Undergraduate Education Committee (2016-2022)

Mechanical Engineering Faculty Recruiting Committee, (2017-2018)

Faculty advisor for the Engineers Without Borders "PET Thatch" team (2017-2018)

Mechanical Engineering MATLAB Task Force (2017)

Judge for Rothberg Catalyzer Impact-a-thon (2019)

TEACHING

Donald L. and Rhonda Struminger Faculty Fellow, Carnegie Mellon University, 2016

Courses Taught: 24-261 Mechanics I: 2D Design (F2022, F2023) 24-370 Engineering Design I: Methods and Skills (F2016, F2017, F2018), 24-689 Special Topics: Making Your Product at Scale (S2018, S2019, S2020, S2021, S2022), 24-684 Special Topics: Nanoscale Manufacturing Using Structural DNA Nanotechnology (F2020, F2021).

Courses Developed: 24-261 Mechanics I: 2D Design, 24-689 Special Topics: Making Your Product at Scale, 24-684 Special Topics: Nanoscale Manufacturing Using Structural DNA Nanotechnology.