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Name

Margaret Shun Cheung
Scientist, UW-PNNL Faculty Fellow of Physics
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Education

National Taiwan University	B.Sci. Chemistry	June, 1994
University of California at San Diego	Ph.D. Physics	March, 2003
University of Maryland	Sloan Postdoctoral Fellow	May, 2003- August, 2006

Employment

Scientist, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory Earth and Biological Sciences Directorate	December 2020-present
UW-PNNL Faculty Fellow, University of Washington, Seattle Department of Physics	December 2020-present
Adjunct Professor, Rice University Department of Bioengineering	2018-present
Senior Scientist, Rice University Center for Theoretical Biological Physics	2012-present
Moores Professor, University of Houston	2018-2022
Professor, University of Houston Department of Physics Department of Chemistry (courtesy appointment) Department of Computer Science (courtesy appointment)	2017-2022
Associate Professor, University of Houston Department of Physics	2012-2017
Assistant Professor, University of Houston Department of Physics	2006-2012
Sloan Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Maryland, College Park Institute for Physical Science and Technology, Research advisor: Prof. Devarajan Thirumalai, Effects of crowding and confinement on protein-protein interaction	2003- 2006
Graduate Researcher, University of California, San Diego Department of Physics/Center for Theoretical Biological Physics Thesis advisor: Prof. José N. Onuchic, Energy landscape aspect of protein folding dynamics relevant to molecular functions	1997- 2003

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Fellowship and Awards

2019 – Robert S. Hyer Research Award
2018 – Moores Professorship
2016 – UH Excellence in Research and Scholarship (Associate Professor)
2013 – Fellow of the American Physical Society
2012 – UH Excellence in Research and Scholarship (Assistant Professor)
2010 – Robert S. Hyer Research Award
2006 – University of Houston New Faculty Award
2003-2006 Alfred P. Sloan Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship
1990-1991 National Taiwan University Book Coupon Award

Research Interests

- Emergent protein assemblies in a cell modeled with statistical physics, machine learning, and data
- Principles for tuning target selectivity in signaling proteins
- Molecular biophysics of learning and memory formation
- Organization of protein-mediated actomyosin networks and cellular transport
- Molecular design of artificial photosynthetic materials under extreme conditions

Ongoing Research Support

Active

Manipulating Signaling Proteins for Target Binding and Recognition
National Institutes of Health (2R01GM097553), \$1,131,944
Role: PI
Duration: 06/01/16-04/30/23

Center for Theoretical Biological Physics (PI: Jose' Onuchic at Rice)
National Science Foundation (PHY2019745), Subcontract from Rice to UH: \$751,771
Role: PI at UH
Duration: 09/01/20- 08/31/22

RAISE: Dendritic Spine Mechano-Biology and the Process of Memory Formation (PI: Peter Wolynes at Rice)
National Science Foundation (CHE-1743392), \$996,778
Role: Co-PI through Rice University
Duration: 08/15/17- 07/31/22

Recently Completed Research Support

Post-Marcus Theory and Simulation of Interfacial Charge Transfer Dynamics in Organic Semiconducting Materials (PI: Barry Dunietz at Kent State)
Department of Energy (DE-SC0016501), subcontract from Kent State to UH, \$300,000
Role: PI at UH
Duration: 09/15/17-09/14/21 (No cost extension)

Center for Theoretical Biological Physics – Houston (PI: Jose' Onuchic at Rice)
National Science Foundation (PHY-1427654), Subcontract from Rice to UH, \$798,494
Role: PI at UH

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Duration: 09/01/14-08/31/20

Effects of Cellular Environment on Protein Structure and Folding Dynamics

National Science Foundation (MCB-1412532), \$678,294

Role: PI

Duration: 07/01/14-06/30/20

MRI: Acquisition of a High-Performance Computing System for Science and Engineering

Research and Education at the University of Houston

National Science Foundation (OAC-1531814), \$950,000

Role: PI

Duration: 08/01/15-07/31/19

2018 Protein Folding Dynamics: Order, Disorder, and Aggregation GRC in Galveston, TX,
January 7-12, 2018

National Science Foundation (CHE-1743232), \$10,000

Role: PI

06/23/17 - 04/12/18

Journal Publications (in reverse chronological order)

Original Research Articles

70. C. Bueno, J. Liman, N. P. Schafer, M. S. Cheung, P. G. Wolynes, “A generalized Flory-Stockmayer kinetic theory of connectivity percolation and rigidity percolation of cytoskeletal network”, *accepted by PoLS Comp. Biol.* (2022).
69. J. Tinnin, S. Bhandari, P. Zhang, E. Geva, B. D. Dunietz, X. Sun, M. S. Cheung, “Correlating interfacial charge transfer rates with interfacial molecular structure in the tetraphenyldibenzoperiflanthene/C70 organic photovoltaic system”, *J. Phys. Chem. Lett.*, *13*, 763-769 (2022).
68. C. Li, J. Liman, Y. Eliaz, M. S. Cheung, “Forecasting avalanches in branched actomyosin networks with network science and machine learning”, *J. Phys. Chem. B*, *125*, 11591-11605 (2021).
67. J. Nde, P. Zhang, J. C. Ezerski, P. G. Wolynes, M. S. Cheung, “Coarse-grained modeling and molecular dynamics simulations of Ca²⁺-calmodulin”, *Frontiers in Molecular Sciences*, *8*, 661322 (2021).
66. A. G. Gasic, A. Sharkar, M. S. Cheung, “Understanding protein complex assembly through grand canonical maximum entropy modeling”, *Physical Rev. Research*, *3*, 033220 (2021).
65. J. Tinnin, S. Bhandari, P. Zhang, H. Aksu, B. Maiti, E. Geva, B. D. Dunietz, X. Sun, M. S. Cheung, “CTRAMER: software for calculating charge-transfer-rate constants with condensed-phase effects”, *J. Chem. Phys.* *154*, 214108 (2021).

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64. F. C. Zegarra, D. Homouz, P. Wittung-Stafshede, M. S. Cheung, “The zero-order loop in apoazurin modulates unfolding in silico”, *J. Phys. Chem. B*, *125*, 3501-3509 (2021).
63. P. Zhang, J. Han, P. Cieplak, M. S. Cheung, “Determining the atomic charge of calcium ion in a calcium-binding protein requires the information of its dynamic coordination geometry in aqueous solution”, *J. Chem. Phys.* *154*, 124104 (2021).
62. Y. Eliaz, F. Nedelec, G. Morrison, H. Levine, M. S. Cheung, “Multivalent actin-binding proteins augment the variety of morphologies in actomyosin networks”, *Phys. Rev. E* *102*, 062420 (2020).
61. J. Han, P. Zhang, H. Aksu, B. Maiti, X. Sun, E. Geva, B. Dunietz, M. S. Cheung, “On the interplay between electronic structure and polarizable force fields when calculating solution-phase charge-transfer rates”, *J. Chem. Theory Comput.* *16*, 6481–6490 (2020).
60. Z. Hu, Z. Tong, M. S. Cheung, B. Dunietz, E. Geva, X. Sun, “Photoinduced charge transfer dynamics in carotenoid-porphyrin-C₆₀ triad via the linearized semiclassical nonequilibrium Fermi's golden rule”, *J. Phys. Chem. B*, *124*, 9579–9591 (2020).
59. Z. Tong, X. Gao, M. S. Cheung, B. Dunietz, E. Geva, X. Sun, “Charge transfer rate constants for the carotenoid-porphyrin-C₆₀ molecular triad dissolved in tetrahydrofuran: the spin-boson model vs. the linearized semiclassical approximation”, *J. Chem. Phys.* *153*, 044105 (2020).
58. J. Tinnin, S. Bhandari, P. Zhang, H. Aksu, B. Maiti, E. Geva, B. D. Dunietz, X. Sun, M. S. Cheung, “Molecular-level exploration of the structure-function relations underlying interfacial charge transfer in the subphthalocyanine:C₆₀ organic photovoltaic system”, *Phys. Rev. Applied*, *13*, 054075 (2020).
57. J. Liman, C. Bueno, Y. Eliaz, M. N. Waxham, H. Levine, P. G. Wolynes, M. S. Cheung, “The contractility of actomyosin network in the presence of arp2/3”, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* *117*, 10825-10831 (2020).
56. J. C. Ezerski, P. Zhang, N. C. Jennings, M. N. Waxham, M. S. Cheung, “Molecular dynamics ensemble refinement of intrinsically disordered peptides from circular dichroism spectra”, *Biophys. J.*, *118*, 1665-1678 (2020).
55. A. G. Gasic, M. S. Cheung, “A tale of two desolvation potentials: an investigation of protein behavior under high hydrostatic pressure”, *J. Phys. Chem. B*, *124*, 1619-1627 (2020).
54. K. Dave, A. G. Gasic, M. S. Cheung, M. Gruebele, “Competition of folding and inter-domain aggregation in tethered WW domains”, *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.*, *21*, 24393-24405 (2019).
53. A. G. Gasic, M. M. Boob, M. B. Prigozhin, D. Homouz, C. M. Daugherty, M. Gruebele, M. S. Cheung, “Critical phenomena in the temperature-pressure-crowding phase diagram of a protein”, *Phys. Rev. X*, *9*, 041035 (2019).

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52. Q. Wang, M. Chen, C. Bueno, S. S. Song, A. Hudman, M. N. Waxham, P. G. Wolynes, M. S. Cheung, "Calcium/Calmodulin dependent kinase II – actin assemblies and their dynamic regulation by calmodulin in dendritic spines", *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.*, *116*, 18937-18942 (2019).
51. M. Ghane, M. S. Cheung, S. Chandrasekaran, "Pointerchain: Tracing pointers to their root", *Parallel Computing*, *85*, 190-203 (2019).
50. F. C. Zegarra, D. Homouz, M. Kovermann, A. G. Gasic, L. Babel, P. Wittung-Stafshede, M. S. Cheung, "Crowding-induced elongated conformation of urea-unfolded apoazurin explained by *in silico* computations: Key role of crowder shape", *J. Phys. Chem. B*, *123*, 3607–3617 (2019).
49. J. C. Ezerski, M. S. Cheung, "CATS: a tool for clustering the ensemble of intrinsically disordered peptides on a flat energy landscape", *J. Phys. Chem. B*, *122*, 11807–11816 (2018).
48. S. Bhandari, M. S. Cheung, E. Geva, L. Kronik, B. D. Dunietz, "Fundamental gaps of condensed-phase organic semiconductors from single-molecule calculations using polarizable consistent optimally tuned screened range-separated hybrid functionals", *J. Chem. Theory Comput.*, *14*, 6287-6294 (2018).
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46. X. Sun, P. Zhang, Y. Lai, K. Williams, M. S. Cheung, B. Dunietz, E. Geva, "A computational study of charge transfer dynamics in the carotenoid porphyrin C60 molecular triad solvated in explicit tetrahydrofuran and its spectroscopic signature", *J. Phys. Chem. C*, *122*, 11288–11299 (2018).
45. M. Misiura, Q. Wang, M. S. Cheung, A. B. Kolomeisky, "Theoretical investigation of the role of mutation in dynamics of kinesin motor protein", *J. Phys. Chem. B*, *122*, 4653-4661 (2018).
44. F. C. Zegarra, D. Homouz, Y. Eliaz, A. G. Gasic, M. S. Cheung, "The impact of hydrodynamic interactions on protein folding rates depends on temperature", *Phys. Rev. E*, *97*, 032402 (2018).
43. Q. Wang, M. R. Diehl, B. Jana, M. S. Cheung, A. B. Kolomeisky, J. N. Onuchic, "Molecular origin of the weak susceptibility of kinesin velocity to loads and its relation to the collective behavior of kinesins", *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U. S. A.*, *114*, E8611-E8617 (2017).
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41. P. Zhang, L. S. Tripathi, H. Trinh, M. S. Cheung, "Opposing intermolecular tuning of Ca²⁺ affinity for calmodulin by target peptide", *Biophys. J.*, *112*, 1105–1119 (2017).
40. M.Y. Tsai, W. Zheng, D. Balamurugan, N.P. Schafer, B.L. Kim, M.S. Cheung, P.G. Wolynes, "Electrostatics, structure prediction and the energy landscapes for protein folding and binding", *Protein Science*, *25*, 255-269 (2016).

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39. S. Tripathi, L. Belkacemi, M. S. Cheung, R. N. Bose, "Correlation between gene variants, signaling pathways and efficacy of chemotherapy drugs against colon cancers", *Cancer Informatics*, *15*, 1-13 (2016).
38. L. Hoffman, X. Wang, H. Sanabria, M. S. Cheung, J. Putkey, M. N. Waxham, "Tuning of protein function by macromolecular crowding", *Biophys. J.*, *109*, 510-520 (2015).
37. S. Tripathi, M. N. Waxham, M. S. Cheung, Y. Liu, "Lessons in Protein Design from Combined Evolution and Conformational Dynamics", *Scientific Reports*, *5*, 14259 (2015).
36. A. K. Manna, D. Balamurugan, M. S. Cheung, B. D. Dunietz, "Unraveling the mechanism of photo-induced charge-transfer in carotenoid-porphyrin-C60 molecular triad", *J. Phys. Chem. Lett.*, *6*, 1231-1237 (2015).
35. S. Tripathi, P. Zhang, Q. Wang, L. Hoffman, M. N. Waxham, M. S. Cheung, "Conformational Frustration in Calmodulin-Target Recognition", *Journal of Molecular Recognition*, *28*, 74-86 (2015)
34. Q. Wang, P. Zhang, S. Tripathi, L. Hoffman, L. Yin, M. N. Waxham, M. S. Cheung, "Protein recognition and selection through conformational and mutually induced fit", *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U. S. A.*, *110*, 20545-20550 (2013).
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30. Q. Wang, M. S. Cheung, "A Physics-based approach of coarse-graining the cytoplasm of *E. coli* (CGCYTO)", *Biophys. J.*, *102*, 2353-2361 (2012).
29. G. Su, A. Czader, D. Homouz, G. Bernardes, S. Mateen, M. S. Cheung, "Multiscale simulation on a light-harvesting molecular triad", *J. Phys. Chem. B*, *116*, 8460-8473 (2012).
28. Q. Wang, A. Christiansen, A. Samiotakis, P. Wittung-Stafshede, M. S. Cheung, "Part II. Comparison of chemical and thermal protein denaturation by combination of computational and experimental approaches", *J. Chem. Phys.*, *135*, 175102 (2011).
27. A. Samiotakis, M. S. Cheung, "Part I. Folding dynamics of Trp-cage in the presence of chemical interference and macromolecular crowding", *J. Chem. Phys.*, *135*, 175101 (2011).
26. Q. Wang, K.-C. Liang, A. Czader, M. N. Waxham, M. S. Cheung, "The effect of macromolecular crowding, ionic strength and calcium binding on calmodulin dynamics", *PLoS Comp. Biol.*, *7*, e1002114 (2011).

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 - *Commentary "Crowding and Function Reunite" by G. J. Pielak and A. C. Miklos, PNAS, 107, 17457-17458 (2010).*
23. A. Christiansen, Q. Wang, A. Samiotakis, M. S. Cheung, P. Wittung-Stafshede, "Factors defining effects of macromolecular crowding on protein stability: an *in vitro/in silico* case study using cytochrome c", *Biochemistry*, *49*, 6519-6530 (2010).
22. A. Samiotakis, D. Homouz, M. S. Cheung, "Multiscale investigation of chemical interference in proteins", *J. Chem. Phys.*, *132*, 175101 (2010).
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20. D. Homouz, H. Sanabria, M. N. Waxham, M. S. Cheung, "Modulation of calmodulin plasticity by the effect of macromolecular crowding", *J. Mol. Biol.*, *391*, 933-943 (2009).
19. D. Homouz, B. Hoffman, M. S. Cheung, "Hydrophobic interactions of hexane in nanosized water droplets", *J. Phys. Chem. B*, *113*, 12337-12342 (2009).
18. A. Kudlay, M. S. Cheung, D. Thirumalai, "Crowding effects on the structural transitions in a flexible helical homopolymer", *Phys. Rev. Letts.*, *102*, 118101 (2009).
17. D. Homouz, L. Stagg, P. Wittung-Stafshede, M. S. Cheung, "Macromolecular crowding modulates folding mechanism of α/β protein apoflavodoxin", *Biophys. J.*, *96*, 671-680 (2009).
16. D. Homouz, M. Perham, A. Samiotakis, M. S. Cheung, P. Wittung-Stafshede. "Crowded, cell-like environment induces shape changes in aspherical protein", *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U. S. A.*, *105*, 11754-11759 (2008).
 - *Featured as best biophysics paper in Research Highlights of 2008 in Nature.*
15. L. Stagg, S.-Q. Zhang, M. S. Cheung, P. Wittung-Stafshede, "Molecular crowding enhances native structure and stability of α/β protein flavodoxin", *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U. S. A.*, *104*, 18976-18981 (2007).
14. S.-Q. Zhang, M. S. Cheung, "Manipulating Biopolymer Dynamics by Anisotropic Nanoconfinement", *Nano Letters*, *7*, 3438-3442 (2007).
13. M. S. Cheung, D. Thirumalai, "Crowding and confinement effects on structures of the transition state ensemble in proteins", *J. Phys. Chem. B*, *111*, 8250-8257 (2007).
12. M. E. Sardu, M. S. Cheung, Y.-K. Yu, "Cysteine-Cysteine contact preference leads to target-focusing in protein folding", *Biophys. J.*, *93*, 1-14 (2007).

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11. M. S. Cheung, D. Thirumalai, “Nanopore-protein interactions dramatically alter stability and yield of the native state in restricted spaces”, *J. Mol. Biol.*, *357*, 632-643 (2006).
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9. M. S. Cheung, D. Klimov, D. Thirumalai, “Molecular crowding enhances native state stability and refolding rates”, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U. S. A.*, *102*, 4753-4758 (2005).
8. S. Yang, S. S. Cho, Y. Levy, M. S. Cheung, H. Levine, P. G. Wolynes, J. N. Onuchic, “Domain swapping is a consequence of minimal frustration”, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U. S. A.*, *101*, 13786-13791 (2004).
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5. M. S. Cheung, L. L. Chavez, J. N. Onuchic, “The Energy Landscape for Protein Folding and Possible Connections to Function”, *Polymer*, *45*, 547-555 (2004).
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3. C. Guo, M. S. Cheung, H. Levine, D. A. Kessler, “Mechanisms underlying sequence-independent beta-sheet formation”, *J. Chem. Phys.*, *116*, 4353-4365 (2002).
2. M. S. Cheung, A. E. García, J. N. Onuchic, “Protein folding mediated by solvation: water expelling and formation of the hydrophobic core occurs after the structure collapse”, *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. U. S. A.*, *99*, 685-690 (2002).
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Review or Editorial Articles

4. M. S. Cheung, A. G. Gasic, “Towards developing principles of protein folding and dynamics in the cell”, *Phys. Biol.*, *15*, 063001 (2018).
3. A. Christiansen, Q. Wang, M. S. Cheung, P. Wittung-Stafshede, “Macromolecular crowding effects on protein folding in vitro and in silico”, *Biophysical Reviews*, *5*, 137-145 (2013).
2. M. S. Cheung, “Where soft matter meets living matter -- Protein structure, stability, and folding in the cell”, *Current Opinion in Structural Biology*, *23*, 212-217 (2013).
1. A. Samiotakis, P. Wittung-Stafshede, M. S. Cheung, “Folding, stability and shape of proteins in crowded environments: Experimental and computational approaches”, *Int. J. Mol. Sci.*, *10*, 572-588 (2009).

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Manuscripts under Review

1. G. Qin, J. M. Choi, H. Lin, A.G. Gasic, M. S. Cheung, S. Y. Jung, C. Cai, “Comparison of timsTOF Pro and Fusion orbitrap mass spectrometers for deep shotgun proteomics of HeLa lysate digest”, *submitted (2021)*.
2. A. Sarkar, A. G. Gasic, M. S. Cheung, and Greg Morrison, “Effects of protein crowders and charge on the folding of superoxide dismutase 1 variants: a computational study”, *submitted (2022)*.

Manuscripts in Preparation

1. A. G. Gasic, C. Daugherty, M. S. Cheung, “Protein structural fluctuations at criticality in the temperature-pressure-crowding folding phase diagram”.

Conference Proceedings (peer-reviewed)

1. H. Nguyen, E. Rohit, J. Subhlok, E. Gabriel, Q. Wang, M. S. Cheung, D. Anderson, "An execution environment for robust parallel computing on volunteering PC grids", The 41th International Conference on Parallel Processing (2012).
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Teaching

- University of Houston Introductory General Physics I (PHYS) 1301 *Lecture-based learning*
- University of Houston Introductory General Physics I (PHYS) 1301 *Inquiry-based learning*
- University of Houston Introductory General Physics II (PHYS) 1302

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- University of Houston University Physics II (PHYS) 1322
- University of Houston Thermal Physics (PHYS) 3327
- University of Houston Statistical Physics (PHYS) 6327
- University of Houston Biological Physics (PHYS) 7339

Mentored Students and Post-docs

Postdoctoral Associates:

Dirar Homouz (June 2007 – May 2009)

Current: *Associate Professor, Khalifa University (KUSTAR) in Abu Dhabi, UAE*

Balamurugan Desingh (February 2012-August 2014)

Current: *High-performance Computing Consultant, Computational Institute, University of Chicago*

Victor M.-Y. Tsai (September 2014-August 2015)

Current: *Assistant Professor, Tamkang University, Taiwan*

Swarnendu Tripathi (August 2012-March 2016)

Postdoctoral Fellow of the Computational Cancer Biology Training Program

Current: *Bioinformatics Analyst, Medical College of Wisconsin*

Oleg Starovoytov (January 2015-December 2016)

Jaebeom Han (September 2018-May 2020)

Graduate students:

Antonios Samiotakis (UH Physics, Ph.D. 2011)

Robert S. Hyer Research Award 2010

Current: *Principal Scientist at Zymeworks*

Qian Wang (UH Physics, Ph.D. 2012)

Current: *CTBP Postdoctoral Fellow, Rice University*

Pengzhi Zhang (UH Physics, Ph.D. 2016)

Research Scientist, UH

Fabio Zegarra (UH Physics, Ph.D. 2018)

Recipient of a travel award from the Biophysical Society, 2016

Current: *Associate Professor at the National Technological University of South Lima, Peru*

Millad Ghane (UH Computer Science, Ph.D. 2019), co advised with Dr. Larry Shi

Current: *Senior Engineer at Samsung*

Jake Ezerski (UH Physics, Ph.D. 2020)

Houston Area Molecular Biophysics Program fellowship, 2015-2018

Winner of the best predoctoral poster presentation award at the Annual Keck Conference, 2015.

Current: *Mathematics Specialist at Start-up Clothing Tech LLC*

Yossi Eliaz (UH Physics, Ph.D. 2020)

CACDS fellow, 2017-2018

Andrei Gasic (UH Physics, Ph.D. 2020)

Recipient of the GRC Carl Storm Underrepresented Minority Fellowship 2016.

Houston Area Molecular Biophysics Program fellowship, 2016-2019

Robert S. Hyer Research Award 2019

James Liman (Rice Bioengineering, 2016-present)

Jacob Tinnin (UH Physics, 2017-present)

Jules Nde (UH Physics, 2019-present)

Chengxuan Li (UH Physics, 2019-present)

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Atrayee Sarkar (UH Physics, 2020-present)

Guoxiong Su (UH Physics, M.S. 2012)

Houston Area Molecular Biophysics Program (non-funded) fellowship, 2011-2012

Jianfa Chen (UH Physics, M.S. 2014)

Mohammadmehdi Ezzatabadipour (UH Physics, M.S. 2016)

Hoa Lan Trinh (UH Physics, 2016-2018)

Tim Burt (UH Physics, 2018-2019)

Undergraduate students:

Marc Gonzalez (Physics, Summer 2007)

Byron Hoffman (Physics, Summer 2008)

His work was acknowledged by coauthorship in a research article

Nathaniel Morgan (Physics, Fall 2008-Spring 2009)

Syed Razavi (Chem and Biomolecular Engineering, Summer 2009)

Rizwan Tai (Political Sci., Summer 2009)

Faheem Shahid (Mechanical Engineering, Summer 2009)

Tyler Quarton (Biochemistry, Fall 2009)

Brian Bush (Physics, Fall 2009)

Megan Scoppa (Biochemistry, Spring 2009-Spring 2011)

Recipient of NSF REU award, Summer 2010

Ian Mitchell (Physics, Summer 2010)

Recipient of Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Summer 2010

Ashlynn Monroe (Health, Spring 2010-Spring 2011)

Sana Mateen (Chemical Engineering, PURS Fall 2011)

Recipient of Provost Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Fall 2011

Gabriela Bernardes (Mechanical Engineering, Summer 2011-Spring 2012)

Her work was acknowledged by coauthorship in a research article

Francis de Dios (Physics, Summer 2012-Spring 2013)

Recipient of Provost Undergraduate Research Fellowship, Fall 2012

Lionel Flores (Physics, Summer 2012-present)

Recipient of NSF REU award, Summer 2012

Recipient of CTBP REU award, Summer 2013

Nicole Davidson (Physics, Summer 2013)

Recipient of CTBP REU award, Summer 2013

Lenaya Flowers (Physics, Summer 2014-Fall 2015)

Recipient of CTBP REU award, Summer 2014

Rodney Helm (Physics, Summer 2014-Summer 2016)

Recipient of CTBP REU award, Summer 2014

Sarai Vargas (Biology, Fall 2015-Spring 2016)

Recipient of CPRIT undergraduate research fellowship in computational cancer biology, Summer 2016

Marissa Soto (Physics, Summer 2016-December 2017)

Recipient of Physics Undergraduate Fellowship, Fall 2016

Caleb Daugherty (Physics, Summer 2016-December 2017)

Recipient of CTBP REU award, Summer 2016

His work was acknowledged by coauthorship in a research article

Luis H. Victor (Physics, Spring 2017-Summer 2017)

Recipient of CTBP REU award, Summer 2017

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Lucas Babel (Physics, Fall 2017-Summer 2019)

Recipient of CTBP REU award, Summer 2018

His work was acknowledged by coauthorship in a research article

Brett Velasquez (Physics, Summer 2017-Spring 2020)

Recipient of CTBP REU award, Summer 2017

Nate Jennings (Physics, CMU, Summer 2019, Summer 2020)

Briana Sobecks (Chem Eng, UIUC, Summer 2021)

DOE/SULI awardee

Membership in Professional Societies

Biophysical Society, American Physical Society, Physics Teacher Education Coalition, American Chemical Society, and Protein Society.

Professional Development and Training

- UH ADVANCE Administrative Fellow (2017-2018)
- Faculty Workshop: Managing Mentoring Conversations (2019)
- UH Cougar Chairs Leadership Academy (2019-2020)

University Committee, Teaching and Administrative Duties at UH

Department:

- Website Committee (2007-2012)
- Graduate Studies Committee (2007-2013)
- Faculty Search Committee (Biophysics 2010, Nano 2014)
- Chair of the Faculty Search Committee in Biological Physics (2015)
- Personnel Committee (2012-2017)
- Chair of the Seminar Committee (2012-2017)
- Award Committee (2017-2019)
- Outreach Committee (2013-2020)
- Seminar Committee (2019-2020)
- Executive Committee (2017-2020)

College:

- College Dean Search Committee (2013-2014)
- College Strategic Planning Committee (2015)
- The Junior Faculty Award Committee (2017)

University:

- Internal Advisor Board for the Center for Advanced Computing and Data Systems (2016-2017)
- The Quality Enhancement Plan (2017-2019)
- Committee on Distinguished and Named Professorships and Chairs (2019-2020)
- Committee on Racial Equity and Social Justice (2020)

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University Committee Duties at the University of Washington (UW)

University:

- Chair of the Faculty Mentor Committee for the UW Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (UW-LSAMP, 2021-present)

Services in Professional Societies

Greater Science Community:

- Co-Director and faculty advisor: Science Teacher Equity Program (UH) for science teachers in elementary schools and for physics teachers in high schools (2012-2017)
- Faculty member of the steering committee: Houston Area Molecular Biophysics Program (2013-2020)
- Outreach Director: Center for Theoretical Biological Physics at Rice University (2013-2021)
- Chair: Protein Folding Dynamics -- from protein folding *in vitro* to hierarchical assembly *in vivo*, Gordon Research Conference (2020)
- Co-Organizer, National Science Foundation Virtual Workshop: Growing Equity, Inclusion, and Diversity for the Physics of Living Systems Student Research Network (2020).
- Faculty mentor of the Physics of Living Systems Student Research Network (2014-present).
- Faculty mentor of the Physics of Living Systems Physics Teacher Network (2020-2021).

American Physical Society:

- Organizer: Focus section on “Hydrophobic Interactions in Multiple Scales for Biology” at the Annual March Meeting of the American Physical Society (2008)
- Organizer: Focus section on “Simulations and Theories for Biomolecules under Cell-like Conditions” at the Annual March Meeting of the American Physical Society (2009)
- Member at large: Division of Biological Physics, American Physical Society (2010-2013)
- Chair/Chair line: Division of Biological Physics, American Physical Society (2020-2024)

Biophysical Society:

- Organizer: Member-organized section on “Biopolymer Dynamics in Cell-like Environment” at the Annual Meeting of the Biophysical Society (2010)
- Founding Chair and Chair: Biopolymers In Vivo Subgroup, Biophysical Society (2011-2012)
- Member: Education Committee, Biophysical Society (2012-2015)
- Program Chair: Biopolymers *in vivo* Subgroup of the Biophysical Society Meeting (2016-2017)
- Member at large: Biopolymers *in vivo* Subgroup of the Biophysical Society Meeting (2018-2021)

The Protein Society

- Counsior of the Executive Committee, the Protein Society (2021-2024)

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Journal Editorial Boards and Reviewer:

- Editorial Board, *Biophysical Journal*, (2018-present).
- Guest Editor, *The Journal of Physical Chemistry's* Special Issue entitled: Dave Thirumalai Festschrift (2021).
- Guest Editor, *The Journal of Physical Chemistry's* Special Issue entitled: Jose' Onuchic Festschrift (2022).
- Guest Editor, *Current Opinions in Structural Biology - Folding and Binding*, Vol. 66 (2021).
- Associate Editor, *Reviews of Modern Physics* (2014-2022).
- Referee for Journals: *Biophysical Journal*, *Proteins: Structure, Function, and Bioinformatics*, *Protein Science*, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, *Physical Biology*, *Journal of Physical Chemistry B*, *International Journal of Molecular Sciences*, *Physical Review E*, *Biochemistry and Cell Biology*, *PLoS Computational Biology*, and *Nano Letters*.
- Reviewer for funding agencies: National Science Foundation, Department of Energy, and American Chemical Society Petroleum Research Fund

Selected Invited Talks (in reverse chronological order)

- Proteins in a Crowd under Heat and Pressure, Physics Colloquium University of Idaho, virtual, October 2021.
- Proteins in a Crowd under Heat and Pressure, Biostatistics Seminar, University of Kansas Medical Center, virtual, October 2021.
- The Dual Role of Calcium/Calmodulin-dependent kinase II in transducing calcium signals and reorganizing actomyosin networks, Invited talk, The American Physical Society March Meeting, March 2021.
- Physics of Memory and Learning – from the Perspective of Biomolecules, The Penn Muscle Institute Seminar, University of Pennsylvania, virtual, December 2020.
- From Protein Folding *in vitro* to Hierarchical Assembly *in vivo*, Laufer Center for Physical and Quantitative Biology Seminar, Stony Brook University, virtual, December 2020.
- From Protein Folding *in vitro* to Hierarchical Assembly *in vivo*, Physical Chemistry Seminar, University of Washington, virtual, October 2020.
- Physics of Memory and Learning – from the Perspective of Biomolecules, Seminar, Molecular Engineering, University of Washington, virtual, October 2020.
- Proteins in a Crowd under Heat and Pressure, Physics Colloquium, University of Washington, virtual, October 2020.
- From Protein Folding *in vitro* to Hierarchical Assembly *in vivo*, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, virtual, July 2020.
- Assemblies of Calcium/Calmodulin Dependence Kinase II with Actin and their Dynamic Regulation by Calmodulin in Dendritic Spines, Virtual 2020 Annual March Meeting, American Physical Society, 2020.
- Proteins in a Crowd under Heat and Pressure, Symposia, Biophysical Society Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, February 2020.
- Proteins in a Crowd under Heat and Pressure, Physics Colloquium, University of Florida, Gainesville, FL, February 2020.

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- Proteins in a Crowd under Heat and Pressure, Inaugural Speaker, Rice Women in Physics Distinguished Lecture Series, Rice University, Houston, TX, February 2020.
- Critical Phenomena in the Temperature-Pressure-Crowding Phase Diagram of a Protein, Biophysics Seminar, Ohio State University, November 2019.
- Physics of Memory and Learning – from the Perspective of Biomolecules, Biophysics Seminar, University of Maryland, October 2019.
- Critical Phenomena in the Temperature-Pressure-Crowding Phase Diagram of a Protein, 2019 Taipei International Workshop for Soft Matter and Biophysics, Taipei, Taiwan, September 2019.
- Physics of Memory and Learning – from the Perspective of Biomolecules, The 19th KIAS Conference on Protein Structure and Function, Seoul, Korea, September 2019.
- Critical Phenomena in the Temperature-Pressure-Crowding Phase Diagram of a Protein, The Fourth International Conference on Computational Science and Engineering, Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam, July 2019.
- Critical Phenomena in the Temperature-Pressure-Crowding Phase Diagram of a Protein, Macromolecular Crowding Telluride Science Research Center, Telluride, CO, July 2019.
- Critical Phenomena in the Temperature-Pressure-Crowding Phase Diagram of a Protein, 33rd Protein Society Annual Meeting, Seattle, WA, July 2019.
- Physics of Memory and Learning – from the Perspective of Interacting Molecules, Physics Colloquium, University of Houston at Clear Lake, Houston, TX, March 2019.
- Physics of Memory and Learning – from the Perspective of Interacting Molecules, Outreach Seminar, Houston Community College, Houston, TX, February 2019.
- Physics of memory and learning – from the perspective of interacting molecules, Physics Colloquium, University of Houston, Houston, TX, November 2018.
- Molecular underpinnings of postsynaptic calmodulin dependent Ca^{2+} signaling, plenary speaker, Texas Section of the APS, Houston, TX, October 2018.
- Molecular underpinnings of postsynaptic calmodulin dependent Ca^{2+} signaling, Biological Physics Seminar, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, October 2018.
- Molecular underpinnings of postsynaptic calmodulin dependent Ca^{2+} signaling, Keck Seminar, Gulf Coast Consortia, Houston, TX, September 2018.
- Molecular underpinnings of postsynaptic Ca^{2+} /Calmodulin signaling, Seminar, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, October 2017.
- Molecular underpinnings of postsynaptic Ca^{2+} /Calmodulin signaling, Texas Protein Folder and Function Meeting, Cleveland, TX, April, 2017.
- Molecular underpinnings of postsynaptic Ca^{2+} /Calmodulin signaling, American Physical Society, March Meeting, New Orleans, LA, March, 2017.
- Molecular underpinnings of postsynaptic Ca^{2+} /Calmodulin signaling, Seminar, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL, February, 2017
- Molecular underpinnings of postsynaptic Ca^{2+} /Calmodulin signaling, Stochastic Physics in Biology, Gordon Research Conference, Ventura, CA, January, 2017.
- Molecular underpinnings of postsynaptic Ca^{2+} /Calmodulin signaling, Southwest regional meeting of the American Chemical Society, Galveston, TX, November, 2016.
- Protein folding and recognition in the cell -- an in silico approach, American Chemical Society National Meetings, San Diego, CA, March, 2016.

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- Lessons in protein design from combined evolution and conformational dynamics, platform talk, Biophysical Society Meeting, Los Angeles, CA, March, 2016
- Protein folding and recognition in the cell – in silico approaches, invited talk, American Chemical Society National Meetings, Denver, CO, March, 2015.
- Protein folding and recognition in the cell – in silico approaches, invited talk, Biophysical Society National Meetings, Baltimore, MD, February, 2015.
- Protein structure, stability, and folding in the cell - in silico approaches, CIBR seminar, Baylor College of Medicine, Houston, TX, April 2014.
- Protein recognition and selection through conformational and mutually induced fit, Keck Seminar, Houston, TX, September 2013.
- Protein structure, stability, and folding in the cell - in silico approaches, 245th National Meeting of the American Chemical Society, New Orleans, LA, April 2013.
- Protein structure, stability, and folding in the cell - in silico approaches, International Conference on Molecular Crowding 2012: Chemistry and Physics meet Biology, Monte Verità, Ascona, Switzerland, June 2012.
- Protein structure, stability, and folding in the cell - in silico approaches, Biopolymers Gordon Research Conference, Newport, RI, June 2012
- Protein structure, stability, and folding in the cell - in silico approaches, Protein Folding Dynamics Gordon Research Conference, Ventura, CA, January 2012.