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EDUCATION

University of Southern California Division of Biokinesiology, Los Angeles, CA

Masters of Science in Biokinesiology with Sports Science Emphasis

GPA: 3.80/4.0

May 2022

Boston University College of Engineering, Boston, MA

Bachelor of Science in Biomedical Engineering

Presidential Scholar, Dean's List

GPA: 3.43/4.0

January 2020

CURRENT PROJECT

Quantification of Dynamic Knee Valgus in Soccer Players

September 2021- present

- Piloting the use of myoMOTION inertial measurement units (IMU) to quantify knee angles during game play
- Validating IMU data with Qualisys motion capture data

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Clinical Biomechanics Orthopedic and Sports Outcomes Research (COOR) Lab

September 2020- present

Los Angeles, CA

- Conducting data analysis for PAC-12 funded research study exploring UCL injury risk reduction factors in baseball players
- Leading stations collecting data on hip abduction strength and lumbopelvic control and stability using dynamometers and inclinometers

Albro Tissue Engineering Laboratory

January 2017- May 2018

Research Assistant

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Boston, MA

- Researched optimization of artificial cartilage growth
- Analyzed results from ELISAs, assays, and mechanical testing and compared to properties of native cartilage

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

Oklahoma City Thunder

January 2021- May 2021

Performance Science Data Analyst Intern

remote from Los Angeles, CA

- Performed analysis on leg strain asymmetry data gathered from athletes returning to play post-injury
- Created, maintained, and updated databases including data gathered from wearable technology and player testing

Magenta Therapeutics

January 2020- August 2020

Chemistry, Manufacturing, and Controls Process Analytics Intern

Cambridge, MA

- Extracted process data from manufacturing batch records to support clinical development for stem cell transplants
- Investigated quantitative relationships between characteristics of the starting material and in-process measurements
- Analyzed flow cytometry data generated by external partners in support of assay development activities

MED-EL

June 2019- August 2019

Research & Development Intern

Innsbruck, Austria

- Designed and prototyped hardware for clinical patient testing using Solid Works, 3D printing, and soldering skills
- Prepared literature reviews on current clinical protocols to advise on future MED-EL experiments

DESIGN PROJECTS

Design of a Bone Morphogenetic Protein Based Carapace Repair Device

September 2018-May 2019

- Developed and analyzed delivery methods of growth hormone to the site of anthropogenic injuries to promote bone healing
- Investigated alternative biomaterials and injectable carriers for animal study use

AWARDS & ABSTRACTS

"Undergraduate Poster: Second Place for 'Design of a Bone Morphogenetic Protein Based Carapace Repair Device": 45th Annual Northeast Bioengineering Conference (March 2019)

Localization of delivery of moderated, near-physiologic levels of active TGF-beta can produce engineered cartilage of improved tissue quality, presented at the 8th World Congress of Biomechanics, Tianbai Wang, Danial Sharifikia, Sylvia Baeyens, and Michael B. Albro (July 2018)

SKILLS

Biomechanics Lab Technology | IMeasureU, Qualisys, myoMOTION Noraxon, Catapult

Physiological Data Collection | MaxHR testing, PNOĒ Metabolic Analysis System

Data Processing, Analysis & Visualization | MATLAB, R, SPSS, FlowJo, Microsoft Excel, R Shiny, SQL, Git

Wet Lab Skills | GAG Assays, ELISAs, Spectroscopy, Sterile Work with Tissue Samples & Cell Cultures

Design & Manufacturing | SolidWorks, soldering

Certifications | HIPAA, CITI Basic Biomedical Research, CITI Best Practices for Clinical Research

Languages | English (fluent), Dutch (fluent), French (beginner)