

Why have I done? What have I done? How have I done? and What will I do?

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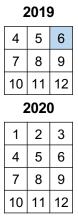


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Entering, the COVID era

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Dear Professor Nance,

I am Owen Lin, a first-year engineering undeclared undergraduate student interested in drug delivery. I have been following your research on nanoparticles and was referred by the ChemE advisor when discussing major choices of chemical engineering and bioengineering. I

wonder if it is possible to connect with you via virtual meetings or emails to gain a more thorough understanding of the position of drug delivery in these two majors as well as how their curriculums are connected to drug delivery? I would totally understand if potential meeting would be weeks out, as the situation now is extraordinary. A resume is attached to help learn more about me if needed. Some topics/questions that I would like to discuss are also attached.

P.S. I am also very interested in the available **image analysis** position, as it is well-suited for me, but I will wait until later when the coronavirus situation is relaxed to express more about my interest per your guideline.

Thank you for your time! Stay safe and take care.

Sincerely, Teng-Jui (Owen) Lin UW '23 Engineering Undeclared

Hi Teng-Jui,

I'd be happy to chat! How does next week look for you? Please let me know your typical availability and I will find a time that aligns in my schedule.

I'd also be happy to talk about research opportunities in my group. For transparency, undergrad in-person research in the lab is on hold until June 15th at the earliest. At that time, I'll re-evaluate our status and ability to abide by our Covid-19 SOP to begin to bring undergraduate researchers back into the lab in mid July at the earliest, since I'm phasing in grad students to return in-person from June - mid-July. I will also be polling my graduate students at that time to see how they feel about onboarding new undergraduates when we return to less restricted research operations. All undergraduates in the lab are paired with a graduate mentor, and I like to make sure the grads feel they have the bandwidth to provide high quality mentoring on a project. However, with 7 undergraduates graduating this June, I anticipate that at least by mid summer or end of summer, we will be seeking new lab members for experimental work. Unfortunately, our rate **limiting step** for the near future is just limits on number of people per lab space (no more than 2 in each of our 3 spaces) and no access to office space!

I look forward to speaking with you!

best, Prof Nance

Chemical engineering it is.





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Teng-Jui,

I enjoyed our interview on Monday and your insightful thought and questions about my research area within the Nance Lab. I am happy to offer you a position as an undergrad mentee within the lab.

To get started: Please let me know what times work for you (and your timezone) next week for an hour long startup meeting.

Regards, Hawley Hi Hawley,

Thank you for your offer of the position! I am delighted to accept your offer, and I look forward to joining the team!

I am working in GMT+8 time zone, 15 hours ahead of PDT. Attached is my available times next week.

Best, Teng-Jui (Owen) Lin

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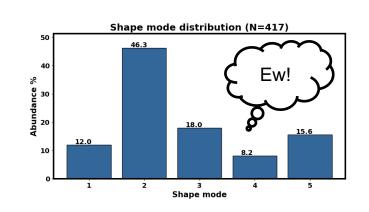
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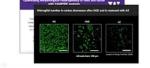
Computational research it is.

TEXTILE & VAMPIRE Training

- Strengthened prior Python skills and apply to research data analysis ٠
- Preliminarily learned paper reading and structure •
- Gave 2 lab meeting "presentations" of 2-min walk through recordings ٠







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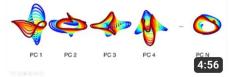
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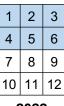


VAMPIRE Analysis



Quantifying morphological heterogeneity of cells and nuclei...

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In Person is Fun!



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VAMPIRE Package Development

- Cleaned all the code and organized into functions
- Wrote documentations and tests
- Applied and received Mary Gates Research Scholarship Au21

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glucose deprivation [3],

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Main advantages include:

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docs passing pypi v0.0.

VAMPIRE (Visually Aided Morpho-Phenotyping Image Recognition) quantifies and visualizes shape modes of cell and nucleus morphology [1]. VAMPIRE has been used to analyze morphological

in vitro cancer cells in cancer metastasis [2],
 ex vivo rat microglia in response to oxygen-

3. ex vivo ferret microglia in response to oxygen-

 ex vivo rat microglia in response to brainderived extravellular vescicle treatment [5],
 in vivo MGluR5 rat model's microglia at different ages and sexes [6].

vampire-analysis provides a reproducible, fullydocumented, and easy-to-use Python package that is based on the method and software used the in vampireanalysis GUI (GitHub source) [1].



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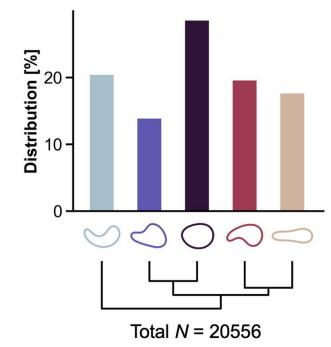
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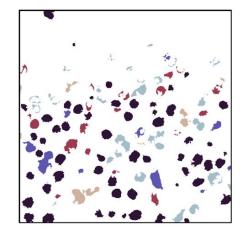
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- Operating-system-independent package API
- Full documentation with easy-to-read code

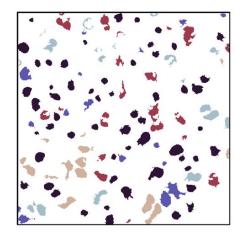


VAMPIRE analysis of rat oxygen glucose deprivation (OGD) and lipopolysaccharide (LPS) model





- Model hyperparameter
 - Number of points sampled from contour = 50
 - Number of clusters in K-Means clustering = 5
 - Number of principal components kept = 20
- · Otsu threshold, all treatments, all regions





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2022 AIChE Pacific Northwest Student Regional Conference (Seattle, WA)



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What about summer?

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Accepted	STROBE	VARIOUS		Summer Undergraduate Resea	https://str	obe.colorad	o.edu/educat	tion-outreac	10	20	\$6,000
Rejected, once	Allen Institute	Seattle	WA	Internship	https://all	2022/6/6 c	2022/8/6 -	end Mar	10	22	\$6,908
Rejected	UW Institute for Stem Cell & Re	Seattle	WA	Research Experience for Under	https://isc	22/6/14	22/8/19		10		\$6,000
Submitted	Hardard School of Engineering	Boston	MA	REU	https://ww	?	?	early May	10	20	\$5,000
Rejected	Fred Hutchinson Cancer Resear	Seattle	WA	Summer Undergraduate Resea	https://ww	22/6/13	22/8/12	late Feb	9		\$4,938
Rejected	University of Minnesota	Minneapolis	MN	Summer Lando/NSF REU	https://cse	22/6/6	22/8/12		10	-	\$5,500
Rejected	Harvard University Stem Cell In	Boston	MA	Harvard Stem Cell Institute Int	https://hs	22/6/12	22/8/12	early Mar	10	20	\$5,000
Rejected	Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory	Cold Spring Ha	NY	Undergraduate Research Prog	https://ww	22/6/6	22/8/6	end Mar	10	20	\$5,500
Submitted	UW Harborview Injury Preventi	Seattle	WA	INSIGHT Research Program	https://de	22/6/21	22/8/13		8		\$3,200

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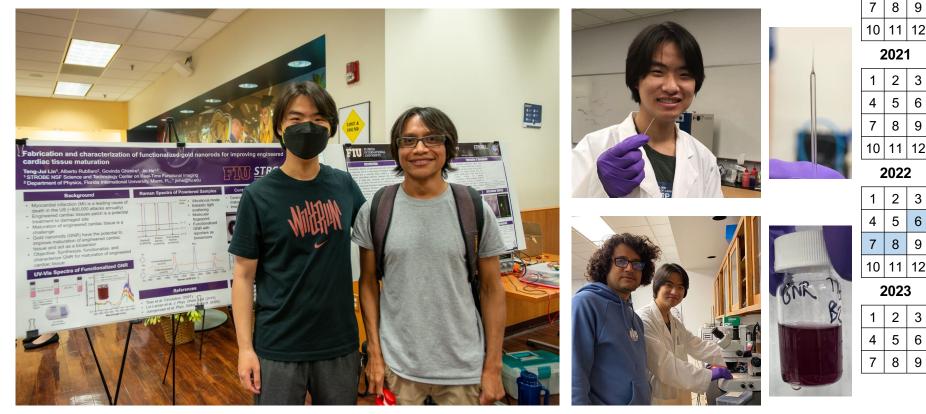
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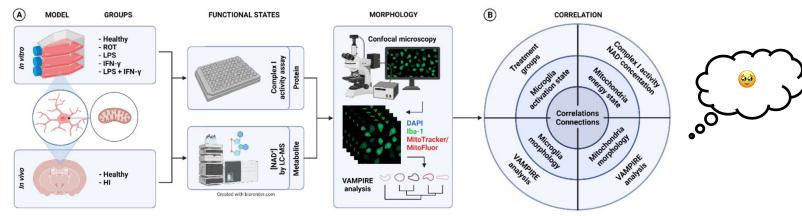
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NSF Science and Technology Center on Real-Time Functional Imaging (STROBE) (Miami, FL)



WRF/Levinson Scholarship Application



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Figure 4. Overview of proposed work. (A) Workflow of quantifying microglia and mitochondria

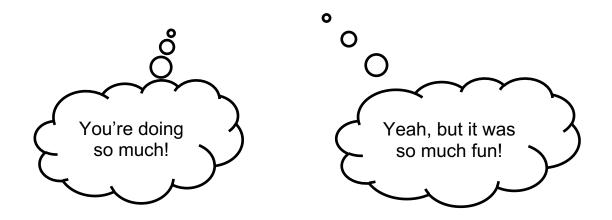
morphology and states in vitro and in vivo. (B) Research objective supported by experiments.

Model	del Task -		Autumn		Winter			Spring		
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	Establish BV-2 microglia culturing and staining									
In vitro	Measure mitochondria activity and metabolite production									
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	Perform VAMPIRE analysis on BV-2 microglia and mitochondria									
In vivo	Stain and image HI microglia and mitochondria									
111 1110	Perform VAMPIRE analysis on HI microglia and mitochondria									

Figure 5. Proposed timeline of the project.

Time to be a busy bee in senior year

- Graduate school applications
- K Conference traveling
- • ChemE cores





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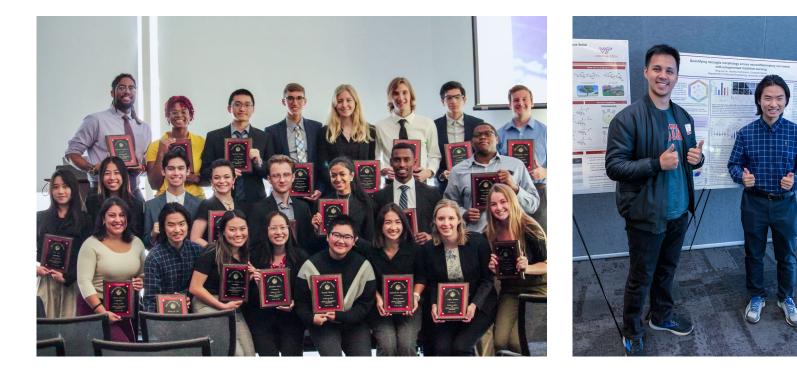
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NC State Future Leaders in Chemical Engineering (Rayleigh, NC)



2022 AIChE Annual Student Conference (Phoenix, AZ)



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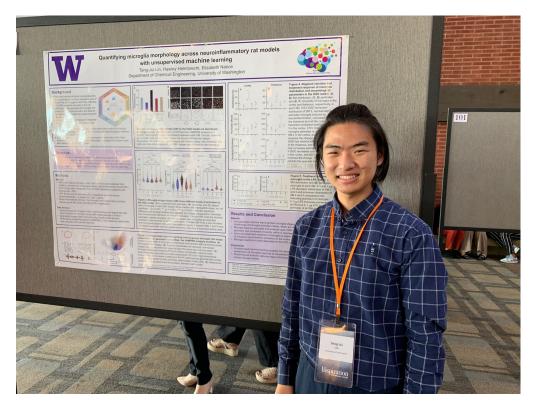


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2022 Southern California Conference for Undergraduate Research (Malibu, CA)







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Graduate school applications are daunting

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Nance notes on labs to look at Hammond, Galloway, Langer Shapiro (great culture, similar to ours) Landry (great culture, similar to ours) Bao, DeSimone, Mai Mitragotri, Mooney Fraley, Kwon (Suzie Pun PhD alumni, similar culture to ours), lots of other good people but Stephanie and Ester I know best outside of Lola, I don't know people as well here

Gray (Mikey Chungyoun, former nance lab UG is in this lab), Ensign-Hodges (adjunct appointed in ChemE), Spangler

- Recommendation letters (Nance, Pfaedtner, Berg, [Prybutok])
- Personal statement
- Diversity statement

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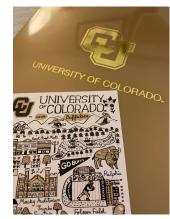
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Graduate school visits are fun but exhausting

















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Recent work: nonstop VAMPIRE analysis on new data

- Ferret OGD model
- Cross species (healthy)
 - Mouse
 - Rat
 - Rabbit
 - Ferret
 - Pig
- Cross model
 - Rat HIE model + non-treated control

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2023 AIChE Pacific Northwest Student Regional Conference (Corvallis, OR)





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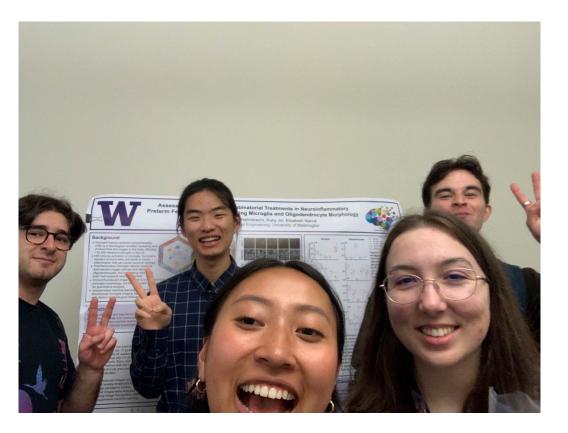


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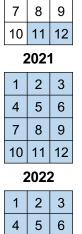
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Okay Owen, I'm not here to listen you to list your CV.

Get me some take-aways!



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Advice to undergrads (a note to past self)

- **Apply to whatever resources available!** Application writing is good practice. 1.
 - 1. You have nothing to lose.
- 2. **Do everything early!** Ask for rec letters and draft edits in advance.
 - 1. But don't be afraid to ask if you're late!
- 3. **Document everything you do!** Everything. Short term and long term.
 - Lab notebook 1.
 - Jupyter notebook, code doc, comments (You'll thank yourself later. 😤) 2.
- **Connect with people and be nice!** You'll never know when you'll say "Hi again!" 4.



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Advice to undergrads (a note to past self)

- 1. Research paradigm
 - 1. Think: Need? Question? Hypothesis? Expected results? Experimental design?
 - 2. Do (while code not working: code; error; debug;)
 - 1. Code development, model tweaking (rapid iteration for trial and error)
 - 2. Wet lab experiment (slower trial and error so think hard before trying)
 - 3. Analyze (for all data: apply model; stats; make pretty graphs)
 - 1. Analyze early so you can iterate the analysis process.
 - 2. Graphs gives confidence (psychologically, not statistically)
 - 4. Think
 - 1. **Results**: What does the result mean? Biological, clinical significance? What do the numbers tell you?
 - 2. Significance: How does your work fit into the bigger picture of the lab and the field? Answer the "so what" question.
 - 5. Disseminate: oral presentations, posters, papers

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Advice to grads (a note to future self)

- 1. Transparency and clear communication is key
- 2. Set clear expectations
- 3. Set quantitative short-term (quarterly) and long-term (yearly) goals
- 4. Let undergrads know that you don't (and can't) know everything
- 5. Encourage undergrads to talk to peer undergrads and other grads



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Okay Owen, theories make me sleepy, tell me what's next.

• University of California, Berkeley – Markita Landry's lab









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Single-walled carbon nanotubes

- Molecular Imaging in animal brains
- Targeted gene delivery for plant engineering
- Nanoparticle protein corona





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Pop quiz: How many states have I been to thanks to the Nance Lab? (Excluding WA)

- Florida (STROBE REU, 2022-06)
- North Carolina (NC State Future Leaders in ChemE, 2022-10)
- Arizona (AIChE Annual Student Conference, 2022-11)
- California (SCCUR, 2022-11; UC Berkeley, 2023-02)
- Michigan (University of Michigan Visit, 2023-02)
- Colorado (CU Boulder Visit, 2023-03)
- Maryland (Johns Hopkins Visit, 2023-03)
- Oregon (AIChE Pacific Northwest Regional Conference, 2023-04)

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Our animals





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