# Aarya Dani

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### EDUCATION

## University of Pittsburgh - Frederick Honors Program

Pittsburgh, PA

B.S.E in Chemical Engineering, Minors in Industrial Engineering, Economics & Chemistry

December 2027

Relevant Coursework: Thermodynamics, Product Design I, Engineering Analysis, Differential Equations

# WORK EXPERIENCE

### Vaccine Manufacturing Co-op

May 2025 – August 2025

Merck Sharp & Dohme

West Point, PA

- Supported vaccine manufacturing by troubleshooting operational issues, ensuring GMP compliance
- Led deviation investigations to identify root causes and implement corrective actions
- Drove process improvements using Lean Six Sigma, enhancing yield and reducing cycle times

#### **Data Engineering Intern**

June 2024 - August 2024

Raritan, NJ

- Collaborated with Quality & Compliance team to develop a data dictionary for over 40 unique drug products
- Converted over 15,000 source files using an automated R script, improving build time by over 50%
- Refactored and tested R code to support commercially launched products and improve performance

## Cardiovascular Research Assistant

February 2024 – May 2024

University of Pittsburgh & UPMC

Pittsburgh, PA

- Conducted experiments for cell culture, immunolabeling, fluorescence imaging, and image processing
- Used FlexCell to observe biochemical changes, cell migration and signaling under fluid shear load in vitro
- Managed and analyzed patient heart condition data, categorizing over 200 cases based on medical history

#### LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

**Group Leader** 

January 2024 – Present

Chi Alpha

Pittsburgh, PA

• Led events with 100+ members while mentoring peers, fostering leadership, collaboration, and professional growth

### Opportunities Chair

August 2023 – Present

SACNAS (Society for Advancement of Chicanos/Hispanics & Native Americans in Science)

Pittsburgh, PA

 $\bullet \ \ {\rm Coordinated} \ 15+ \ {\rm events} \ {\rm providing} \ {\rm research} \ {\rm opportunities} \ {\rm and} \ {\rm professional} \ {\rm development} \ {\rm for} \ {\rm undergraduate} \ {\rm students}$ 

#### Representative

August 2024 – Present

AIChE (American Institute of Chemical Engineers)

Pittsburgh, PA

• Provided feedback for several professional development events, ensuring collaboration between members

#### Projects and Publications

# YOLO Object Detection Project | Python

October 2024 – Present

• Developed a real-time object detection system using the YOLO model, detecting over 40 types of objects with accuracy and efficiency

# First Year Engineering Conference

January 2024 – April 2024

• Authored a paper with two students, regarding the application of artificial intelligence in waste management, with a focus on enhancing sustainability practices

#### Engineering Sustainability Project |C++|

March 2024 – April 2024

• Developed a program featuring quiz-based learning on paper topics, a user-authenticated sustainability game, and an interactive explanation of neural network operations

#### TECHNICAL SKILLS

Systems & Applications: C++, MATLAB, R, Hugo, Jira, BitBucket, Terminal, ASPEN, Microsoft Office

Laboratory Skills: ELISA, Western Blotting, Southern Blotting, Gram Staining & Cloning, Mammalian Cell Culture, CRISPR gene editing, 3-D Printing, PCR, Gel Electrophoresis

Laboratory Certifications: OSHA, CPR, CITI Program, SAChE Certificate Program