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EXPERIENCE

Cal Poly San Luis Obispo | Master's Thesis September 2023-December 2024

- Redesigned a hypoxic incubator control system by applying FMEA methodologies, developed and manufactured PCBs in **EAGLE**, performed precision **soldering**, and **scripted** firmware to enhance controls system robustness and reliability.
- Developed **SOPs** for incubator use and study/data collection.
- Performed 7.5-day live test, collected and analyzed live data, validating 99.63% long term reliability, repeatability, and consistency across all user interaction workflows.
- Processed and imaged cells using **microscopy** techniques to demonstrate incubator efficacy through Warburg's Effect.
- Automated cell growth quantification via an ImageJ macro.
- Performed ANOVA and post-hoc tests to evaluate variability and significance across experimental conditions.

Stryker ENT | R&D Engineering Intern

June-September 2023

- Developed **PoC design** and **prototype** of frontal sinus foam/delivery device via machining, CAD, and 3D printing.
- Authored an Invention Disclosure Form for a novel foam shape, material, and deliver device PoC and design.
- Modeled 34 CAD parts/prints on CREO in 1 month to de-risk a critical design review for balloon delivery device handle and assembly components.
- Designed **test fixture** and **protocol** to optimize balloon device bend angle via 3D printing, machining, and CREO.
- Performed 48 bend tests collecting geometry data via a MicroVu and analyzed data using Minitab for a hypotube, sensor, and balloon assembly.
- Collaborated with **suppliers** to develop/optimize test fixture and protocol for sensor coil robustness and DFM.
- Developed and executed benchmarking test protocol for battery selection of 3 battery types across 4 brands.
- Optimized and performed sensor accuracy testing using a 3D printed fixture and Stryker EM navigation device.
- Attended clinical study observing device use cases in the OR.

Stryker Neurovascular | Clinical Intern

June-September 2022

- Led BU implementation of Dolphin365 contract management platform and automated user licensing tracking system.
- Collaborated with PMs globally to automate graphic visualization of trial subject enrollment data through Smartsheet and PowerBI.
- Ran gage repeatability and reproducibility tests for coil unsheathing friction and analyzed data via Minitab.
- Supported **test method optimization** for coil force on aneurysm wall using 3D printed models and an Instron.

EDUCATION

California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo

• M.S. Biomedical Engineering (B.S. Mechanical Design Concentration)

PROJECTS

Hochschule Luzern | Study Abroad

- Designed and automated machinery to recycle and maintain scaffold boards using laser cutting, 3D printing, and controls systems.
- Collaborated with interdisciplinary global team while considering differing safety regulations and customer cultural differences abroad.

Medical Design Club | Project Lead

- Organize, plan, and lead meetings and build nights to conduct user research, prototype, test, and iterate an axillary crutch redesign.
- Develop and test torsional spring systems referring to knowledge and experience in materials, biomechanics, and FEA simulation.
- Teach team members necessary skills such as 3-dimensional solid and structural FEA simulation modeling.

Cal Poly | Summer Research Program

- · Trained object detection models by labeling sharks, surfers, and marine life through LabelBox.
- Proposed hardware solutions to integrate camera, sensors, and a neural accelerator on a drone.
- Collaborated to publish and present research to the 2021 American Society for Engineering Education Conference.

Biomedical Make-A-Thon

- Prototyped an intuitive blood pressure monitor.
- Collected and analyzed BP data via MATLAB and validated with industry standard BP monitors.

SKILLS

CAD/Design

SolidWorks, Creo, COMSOL, AutoCAD

Prototyping/Fabrication

• 3D Printing, Milling, MIG/TIG, Laser Cutting, Micro Welding, Die Casting Injection Molding/Microfabrication

Programming/Data Analysis

• Python, MATLAB, Minitab, JMP, Excel

Laboratory/Testing Techniques

• Cell Culture, Microscopy, Instron Testing, MicroVu, ImageJ

Documentation/Communication

• Technical Writing, PowerPoint, Word Power Bl. Smartsheet. Windchill PLM

LANGUAGES

- English
- Cantonese
- Mandarin Chinese (Beginner/Conversational)