

ANN OUYANG

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Education

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Cambridge, MA

Candidate for SB in Chemical-Biological Engineering and SB in Biology, June 2011

Current GPA: 5.0

Honors/Awards: Recipient of Robert C. Bryd Scholarship, member of Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society, member of Sigma Xi Scientific Research Society

Relevant Coursework: Differential Equations, Computer Science, Organic Chemistry, Intro to Chemical Engineering, Thermodynamics and Kinetics, Genetics, Thermodynamics II, Fluid Dynamics, General Biochemistry, Intro to Experimental Biology and Communication, Cell Biology, Transport Processes, Biomaterials: Tissue Interactions, Chemical Kinetics and Reactors, Quantitative Systems Physiology, Immunology, Computational and Systems Biology

Skills

Computer: Python, Matlab, some Java

Laboratory: Proficient in mammalian and yeast cell culture, bacterial assays, gel electrophoresis, PCR, DNA isolation, and other microbiology techniques. Some experience with *C. elegans*.

Research Experience

Laboratory of Biological Modeling, National Institutes of Health

Bethesda, MD

Summer Research Program Intern

2010

- Adapted the lab's previously-developed model for human weight change and metabolism for use in Matlab.
- Adjusted the model for children by modeling effects of growth on bone mass and extracellular water.

Hamel Lab, MIT

Cambridge, MA

UROP (Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program) student

2009-2010

- Studied cellulosic bioethanol production from fermentation of sugarcane bagasse and *Ulva rigida* algae.
- Designed assays to measure ethanol production and growth curves of *P. tannophilus* and *P. stipitis*.

Voldman Lab, MIT

Cambridge, MA

UROP (Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program) student

2009

- Studied the sensitivity and viability of the Bio Flip Chip (BFC), a microfabricated silicone device developed by the Voldman Lab, and optimized protocols for preparing and using the device.
- Analyzed the effects of cell-cell contact and autocrine signaling on the growth of endothelial cells plated with the device.

Rich Lab, MIT

Cambridge, MA

UROP (Undergraduate Research Opportunities Program) student

2008-2009

- Analyzed z-DNA binding domains in the sea urchin ADAR-1 gene using molecular biology techniques such as PCR, cloning, and bacterial transformation.

CombinatoRx, Inc.

Cambridge, MA

Discovery Biology Intern

2008

- Developed high-throughput screening techniques to test an extensive compound library for substances that inhibit *E. coli*, *K. Pneumoniae*, *P. aeruginosa*, and *P. acnes*.
- Cultured cancer cells for a separate project.

Lauffenburger Research Group, MIT

Cambridge, MA

UROP student

2008

- Analyzed glioblastoma cell migration with 3D-imaging software.
- Prepared movies and identified cell movement patterns.

Leadership

MISTI (MIT International Science and Technology Initiative)

Rome, Italy

Physics Teacher for the Highlights for High Schools Program

2010

MIT Chemical Engineering Department

Cambridge, MA

Associate Advisor, Tutor

2009-2010

MIT Freshmen Advising

Cambridge, MA

Associate Advisor

2008-2009

Research Science Institute

Cambridge, MA

Counselor

2008

MIT Figure Skating Club

Cambridge, MA

President (2009-2010) Treasurer (2008-2009)

2007-Present