# **BEN COBLEY**

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### **EDUCATION**

IMPERIAL COLLEGE LONDON | MEng Design Engineering

Oct '16 - Jun '20

Four years practising a highly creative discipline at the *Dyson School of Design Engineering*. The degree explores innovative solutions to modern challenges at the intersection of *engineering* and *design*: shaping a diverse skillset across product development, technical innovation, user-centred design and rapid prototyping.

#### First Class Honours, Highest Ranking Student of the Year [76%]

Master's Thesis: OnionBot: A System for Collaborative Computational Cooking. Paper>>

IEEE RA-L: Soft Tissue Characterisation Using a Novel Robotic Medical Percussion Device (...) Paper>>

## **EXPERIENCE**

TRUECIRCLE AI | Design Engineer (London, UK)

Nov '21 - present

Joined a climate-tech startup being formed to tackle the world's waste problem; TrueCircle's ground-breaking tech enables recycling facilities to recover valuable material more effectively and sell more efficiently. Applying a problem-solving mindset to challenges from the first prototype through to rolling out a polished product into 25+ recycling facilities internationally. Now a team of 30+.

**GOOGLE X** | Rapid Evaluation Intern (Mountain View, California) Apr '19 - Sep '19 6-month Placement at X, The Moonshot Factory; prototyping a novel sensor technology with an early-stage team. Championed a new hardware version, reducing overall size by 4x. Modified the technology to build the team's first demo 'product', including a touchscreen UI. Filed 2 Patent applications as primary author.

**DYSON** | R&D Intern (London, UK)

Jul '18 - Sep '18

Tackled a design challenge in an unreleased product. Presented functional prototypes to Senior Product Managers, demonstrating ability to understand and meet project design requirements.

**BROMPTON BICYCLE** | Design Intern (London, UK)

Jul '17 - Aug '17

Designed and fabricated a new Brompton product as a team of interns; from a blank sheet of paper to 3 prototype bicycles in 3 months. When released, it will be Brompton's first new bike format in 40+ years.

#### **SKILLSET**

**Design** | Design-thinking mindset and iterative approach to prototyping. Strong foundation in user experience and usability. Comfortable in fast, entrepreneurial environments. Excellent communication and presentation skills.

**Engineering** | Technical prototyping to test hypotheses. Bringing ideas to life with mechanical design, microcontrollers, 3D Printing & workshop fabrication. Turning prototypes into manufacturable products. Strong ability to quickly apply principles in new contexts.

**Software** | Confident in Python algorithmic design and physical + digital interfaces. Built own websites in React + HTML/CSS/JS. Good understanding of ML concepts at a prototype level. Expert at CAD [SW, F360, NX]. Competent at PCB design & ROS Robotics.

# **AWARDS**

Head of School Achievement Prize
2020 | Highest Overall Degree Result

Dean's List for Academic Excellence
2018/2019/2020 | Top 10% Year Result

#### **PATENTS**

B. Cobley, R. Mehta, R. Gogoana:

Machine olfaction system and method

[US16/721.035] pending 2019]

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[US17/028,245] pending 2020]