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PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

University of Connecticut Health Center, Farmington, CT 2022–present
Assistant Professor of Molecular Biology and Biophysics,
Center for Cell Analysis and Modeling,
Biomedical Engineering Department

Stanford University, Stanford, CA 2017–2022
Postdoctoral Research Fellow, Department of Bioengineering
Funding: NIH F32 Fellowship

Columbia University, New York City, NY 2016–2017
Postdoctoral Research Scientist, Department of Biological Sciences

EDUCATION

Indiana University, Bloomington, IN 2016
Joint Ph.D., Informatics and Computing, and Cognitive Science
Funding: NSF Integrative Graduate Education and Research Traineeship (IGERT)

Portland State University, Portland, OR 2011
M.Sc. in Systems Science

University of California, San Diego, San Diego, CA 2009
B.S., Cognitive Science (minor in Biology)

PUBLICATIONS

1. Sauro, H. M., **Agmon, E.**, Blinov, M. L., Gennari, J. H., Hellerstein, J., Heydarabadipour, A., ... & Moraru, I. (2025). From FAIR to CURE: Guidelines for Computational Models of Biological Systems. *arXiv*.
2. Lyons, B., Mogre, S. S., Vigesna, K., Jessica, S. Y., Hansen, M., Raghunathan, A., ... & Akamatsu, M. (2025). Comparing simulations of actin filament compression reveals tradeoff between computational cost and capturing supertwist. *microPublication Biology*.
3. Smith, L. P., Malik-Sherif, R. S., Nguyen, T. V., Hermjakob, H., Karr, J., Shaikh, B., ... & Sauro, H. (2025). Using SED-ML for reproducible curation: Verifying BioModels across multiple simulation engines. *bioRxiv*.
4. Suhail, Y., Liu, Y., Du, W., Afzal, J., Qiu, X., Atiq, A., Vera-Licona, P., **Agmon, E.**, and Kshitiz. (2024). Oscillatory hypoxia induced gene expression predicts low survival in human breast cancer patients. *Molecular Carcinogenesis*.
5. **Agmon, E.** (preprint). Foundations of to a Compositional Systems Biology. *arXiv*.
6. Hickey, J.W., **Agmon, E.**, Horowitz, N., Tan, T.-K., Lamore, M., Sunwoo, J.B., Covert, M.W., and Nolan, G.P. (2024). Integrating multiplexed imaging and multiscale modeling identifies tumor phenotype conversion as a critical component of therapeutic T cell efficacy. *Cell Systems*.
7. Vigesna, K.R., Mogre, S.S., Yu, J., Lyons, B., Raghunathan, A., **Agmon, E.**, Akamatsu, M., and Johnson, G.T. (2024). Comparing spatial biophysical simulations across scales and methods. *Biophysical Journal*.
8. Hickey, J. W., Haist, M., Horowitz, N., Caraccio, C., Tan, Y., Rech, A. J., ... and Nolan, G. P. (2023). T cell-mediated curation and restructuring of tumor tissue coordinates an effective immune response. *Cell Reports*, 42(12).

9. Skalnik, C. J., Cheah, S. Y., Yang, M. Y., Wolff, M. B., Spangler, R. K., Talman, L., Morrison, J.H., Peirce, S.M., **Agmon, E.**, and Covert, M. W. (2023). Whole-cell modeling of *E. coli* colonies enables quantification of single-cell heterogeneity in antibiotic responses. *PLoS Computational Biology*, 19(6), e1011232.
10. Johnson, G. T., **Agmon, E.**, Akamatsu, M., Lundberg, E., Lyons, B., Ouyang, W., Quintero-Carmona, O. and Riel-Mehan, M., Rafelski, S., and Horwitz, R. (2023). Building the next generation of virtual cells to understand cellular biology. *Biophysical Journal*.
11. Shaikh, B., Smith, L. P., Vasilescu, D., Marupilla, G., Wilson, M., **Agmon, E.**, [...] and Karr, J. R. (2022). BioSimulators: a central registry of simulation engines and services for recommending specific tools. *Nucleic Acids Research*: <https://doi.org/10.1093/nar/gkac331>
12. **Agmon, E.**, Spangler, R.K., Skalnik, C.J., Poole, W., Morrison, J.H., Peirce, S.M., and Covert, M.W. (2022). Vivarium: an interface and engine for integrative multi-scale modeling in computational biology. *Bioinformatics*, 38(7), 1972-1979.
13. Covert, M.W., Gillies, T.E., Kudo, T., and **Agmon, E.** (2021). A forecast for large-scale, predictive biology: lessons from meteorology. *Cell Systems*, 12: 6.
14. **Agmon, E.**, and Spangler, R.K. (2020). A multi-scale approach to modeling *E. coli* chemotaxis. *Entropy*, 22: 1101.
15. Macklin, D.N., Ruggero, N.A., Carrera, J., Choi, H., Horst, T.A., Mason, J.C., Sun, G., **Agmon, E.**, DeFelice, M.M., Maayan, I., Lane, K., Spangler, R.K., Gillies, T.E., Paull, M.L., Akhter, S., Bray, S.R., Weaver, D.S., Keseler, I.M., Karp, P.D., Morrison, J.H., and Covert, M.W. (2020). Simultaneous cross-evaluation of heterogeneous *E. coli* datasets via mechanistic simulation. *Science*, 369, eaav3751.
16. Talman, L., **Agmon, E.**, Peirce, S.M., and Covert, M.W. (2019). Multiscale models of infection. *Current Opinion in Biomedical Engineering*, 11, 102-108.
17. **Agmon, E.**, Solon, J., Bassereau, P., and Stockwell, B.R. (2018). Modeling the effects of lipid peroxidation during ferroptosis on membrane properties. *Scientific Reports*, 8(1): 5155.
18. **Agmon, E.** and Stockwell, B.R. (2017). Lipid homeostasis and regulated cell death. *Current Opinion in Chemical Biology*. 39: 83-89.
19. **Agmon, E.**, Gates, A.J., and Beer, R.D. (2016). The structure of ontogenies in a model protocell. *Artificial Life* 22 (4): 499-517.
20. Taylor, T., Bedau, M. A., Channon, A., et al. (2016). Open-Ended Evolution: Perspectives from the OEE1 Workshop in York. *Artificial Life* 22 (3): 408-423.
21. **Agmon, E.**, Gates, A.J., Churavy, V. and Beer, R.D. (2016). Exploring the space of viable configurations in a model of metabolism-boundary co-construction. *Artificial Life*, 22 (2): 153-171.
22. **Agmon, E.**, & Beer, R. D. (2014). The evolution and analysis of action switching in embodied agents. *Adaptive Behavior*, 22(1), 3-20.
23. **Agmon, E.** (2014). Action Switching in Brain-Body-Environment Systems. In *Guided Self-Organization: Inception* (pp. 295-318). Springer Berlin Heidelberg.

GRANTS

NIH Complement-ARIE New Approach Methodologies <i>Simulation of Immune and Biological Networks (SIMBION)</i>	pending PI
NSF Science and Technology Center <i>Center for Chemical Currencies of a Microbial Planet Phase 2</i>	Pending PI
DARPA Simulating Microbial Systems <i>Modeling <i>E. coli</i> for biomanufacturing and antibiotic efficacy prediction</i>	starting 2025 PI, \$1,500,000
Environmental Molecular Science Laboratory (EMSL) <i>Limited Scope Award: Workflow for an <i>E. coli</i> Whole-Cell Model</i>	2025-present PI, \$10,000 "in kind"
DARPA Discovering Unknome Functions <i>An Integrated Discovery Workflow for an <i>E. coli</i> Whole-Cell Model</i>	2024-present PI, \$248,266
John Templeton Foundation <i>A-Life Meets B-Life</i>	2024-present PI, \$343,918

NSF Science and Technology Center	2022-present
<i>Center for Chemical Currencies of a Microbial Planet</i>	<i>Faculty Affiliate, \$142,000</i>
NIH P41	2022-present
<i>Center for Reproducible Biomedical Modeling</i>	<i>Co-I, \$2,253,194</i>
NIH F32 Postdoctoral Fellowship	2020-2022
<i>Adding an environment and motility in a whole-cell model of Escherichia coli</i>	
NSF IGERT Fellowship. <i>Brain-Body-Environment Systems in Behavior and Cognition.</i>	2011–2015

HONORS AND AWARDS

Inaugural Faculty Fellow, NSF Center for Chemical Currencies of a Microbial Planet (C-CoMP)	2023
Outstanding Dissertation Award, Indiana University Cognitive Science.	2017
Best Paper Award, European Conference on Artificial Life.	2015
1st Place Poster, NSF IGERT Research Showcase.	2015
Outstanding Teaching Award, Indiana University Cognitive Science.	2014
1st Place Poster, NSF IGERT Research Showcase.	2014
Supplemental Research Fellowship, Cognitive Science Program.	2014

OTHER AFFILIATIONS

NASA Ames Research Center	Moffett Field, CA
<i>Research Affiliate, Center for the Emergence of Life</i>	2021
• Collaborated on machine learning approaches to modeling RNA synthesis and selection at the origin of life.	
Institute for Advanced Study	Princeton, NJ
<i>Visiting Scholar, Program in Interdisciplinary Studies</i>	2016–2017
• Co-founded YHouse, a research institute focused on artificial intelligence and the science of awareness.	
Tokyo Institute of Technology	Tokyo, Japan
<i>Visitor, Earth-Life Science Institute Origins Network</i>	2017
• Worked with an interdisciplinary group of scientists to model molecular evolution at the origins of life.	

TEACHING AND MENTORSHIP

University of Connecticut	2022–present
<i>Lab leader</i>	
• Many postdocs, grad students, undergraduates	
Stanford University Bioengineering	2019–2022
<i>Research Mentor</i>	
• Mentored eight BS and PhD students in whole-cell modeling of <i>E. coli</i> .	
• Organized meetings to teach systems biology concepts, review code, and establish collaborative practices.	
SSRP-Amgen Scholars Program	2021
<i>Research Mentor</i>	
• This program provides training to undergraduate students who, by reason of their background would bring diversity to graduate study in the biomedical and biological sciences.	
Build-A-Cell Chemical Reaction Network modeling tutorials	2020
<i>Co-instructor</i>	
Stanford International Genetically Engineered Machine (iGEM) competition	2019
<i>Mentor</i>	

Course: Autonomous Robotics <i>Associate Instructor, Indiana University</i>	2014, 2016
Course: Brains & Minds, Robots & Computers <i>Associate Instructor, Indiana University</i>	2013

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

1. **Agmon E.** “Integrative, Multiscale Modeling of Cellular Systems.” *DARPA Discovering Unknown Function (DUF) Workshop, 2023.*
2. **Agmon E.** “Process Bigraph Schema: A Framework for Integrative, Multiscale Modeling.” *International Conference for Systems Biology, 2023.*
3. **Agmon E.** “Biosimulators-Vivarium.” *SYBEL workshop: FAIR in Systems Biology, 2023.*
4. **Akamatsu M. & Agmon E.** “Modular multiscale simulations of endocytic actin networks using Vivarium.” *Find Your Inner Modeler V, 2022.*
5. **Agmon E.** “Vivarium: an interface and engine for integrative multi-scale modeling.” *COMBINE 2021.*
6. **Agmon E.** “Vivarium: an interface and engine for multi-scale modeling in computational biology.” *Build-A-Cell workshop.* NIST, Gaithersburg, MD, 2020.
7. **Agmon E.** “Structural coupling of a Potts model cell.” *14th European Conference on Artificial Life.* Lyon, France, 2017.
8. **Agmon E.** “Computational models of heterogeneous lipid membranes.” *Frontiers in Computing Systems.* Columbia University, NY, 2017.
9. **Agmon E.** “Simulations of Ferroptosis.” *p53 Multi-Group meeting.* Columbia University, NY, 2017.
10. **Agmon E.** “The biological foundations of enactivism.” *Workshop on the Biological Foundations of Enactivism, at Artificial Life 16.* Cancun, Mexico, 2016.
11. **Agmon E.** “Whole-cell models and perturbation-based analysis.” *Department of Biological Sciences.* Columbia University, NY, 2016.

SELECTED WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS

DARPA Discovering Unknown Function (DUF). <i>Boston.</i>	2023
Build-A-Cell. <i>Stanford University.</i>	2022
Find Your Inner Modeler. <i>University of Illinois, Chicago.</i>	2022
COMBINE (virtual).	2021
Build-A-Cell. <i>California Institute of Technology.</i>	2022
Build-A-Cell (virtual). <i>Hosted by NIST.</i>	2020
Build-A-Cell. <i>NASA Ames, Mountain View, CA.</i>	2020
qBio. <i>San Francisco, CA.</i>	2019
Agency in the Physical Sciences, at Artificial Life 17. <i>Lyon, France.</i>	2017
Frontiers in Computing Systems. <i>Columbia University.</i>	2017
Expanding Views on the Emergence of the Biosphere: 5th ELSI International Symposium. 2017 <i>Tokyo Institute of Technology, Tokyo, Japan.</i>	
The Biological Foundations of Enactivism, at Artificial Life 16. <i>Cancun, Mexico.</i>	2016
Re-conceptualizing the Origins of Life. <i>Carnegie Institution for Science, Washington D.C.</i>	2015
Self-organization in brain-body-environment systems. <i>University of Cincinnati.</i>	2015
Towards an Integrative Approach to the Study of Awareness. <i>Kobe University.</i>	2015
Causal Factors of Robustness and Plasticity in Living Systems. <i>Indiana University.</i>	2014

PROFESSIONAL SERVICE

Editorial Team. <i>Frontiers in Systems Biology</i> , Multiscale Mechanistic Modeling.	2023
Reviewer. <i>PLoS Computational Biology</i> .	2022-present
Reviewer. <i>Bioinformatics</i> .	2022-present
Reviewer. <i>International Workshop on Bio-Design Automation (IWBDA)</i> .	2022
Member. <i>Engineering Biology Research Consortium (EBRC)</i> .	2022-present
Member. <i>Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES)</i> .	2021-present
Reviewer. <i>IEEE International Conference on Bioinformatics & Biomedicine (BIBM)</i> .	2019
Program committee. <i>International Conference on Complex Systems (ICCS)</i> .	2018
Associate Editor. <i>Journal of Adaptive Behavior</i> .	2016-present
Program committee. <i>Conference on Complex Systems</i> .	2017
Organizer. <i>Workshop on Agency in the Physical Sciences, at the ECAL 17</i>	2017
Organizer. <i>The Biological Foundations of Enactivism, at Artificial Life 16</i>	2016
Program committee. <i>Conference on Artificial Life</i> .	2016–2020
Program committee. <i>Artificial Life 15: The Fifteenth International Conference on the Synthesis and Simulation of Living Systems</i> .	2016
Reviewer. <i>Artificial Life Journal</i>	2015–present
Organizer. <i>E-cog: weekly meeting on Embodied, Embedded, and Enactive approaches in Cog Sci</i> 2013–2015	
Organizer. <i>Workshop on the Causal Factors of Robustness and Plasticity in Living Systems</i> .	2014