LATEX Term Paper Template

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1 SI Units

The package siunitx allows you to correctly use SI units (like degrees Celsius). You can do proper SI formatting with \SI{1}{\meter} to render as 1 m. See the siunitx documentation for more details. I've also included the molar symbol as a special command: \SI{1}{\Molar} becomes 1 M.

2 Chemical equations

The package mhchem allows you to make chemical formula, like MgCl₂. The full documentation is available here.

3 Figures

I've included a bunch of figure snippets at the end of the source for this file. The best practice is to organize your images in a ./img/ directory. You can then link to a figure by referencing the label in \ref{fig:figlabel}. For example, we plate our cells on a soft silicone substrate embedded with fluorescent beads for traction force microscopy, shown in Figure 1. You can read more about cross-referencing here.

4 Citations

You can easily cite sources using the cite keys for the entries in your .bib file. The bibliography styles are set and the bibliography is generated using

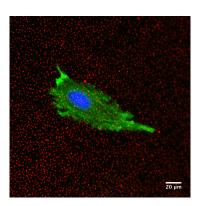


Figure 1: HEK 293 cell transfected with ACTN4-hGFP and Nuc7-EBFP plated on a 10 kPa PDMS substrate embedded with a monolayer of poly methylmethacrylate DiI-core beads.

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Here's an example:

My lab developed a technique for traction force microscopy on soft silicone substrates [1]. Deformation has been observed to be the independent variable in mechanotransduction [2, 3].

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