

EDUCATION

- 08/2012-Present **MD, PhD in Bioengineering**, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL (*UIUC*)
Medical Scholars Program (MSP)
University of Illinois College of Medicine
Department of Bioengineering
Adviser: Prof. Gregory H. Underhill
Cumulative GPA: 3.81/4.00
- 08/2008-05/2012 **BSE in Biomedical Engineering**, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI (*UM*)
Magna Cum Laude
Cumulative GPA: 3.57/4.00

HONORS, AWARDS, AND FELLOWSHIPS

- 08/2014 O'Morchoe Leadership Fellowship, College of Medicine, UIUC
Out in Medicine
- 05/2010-08/2010 Summer Biomedical and Life Sciences Fellowship, UM Undergraduate Research Opportunity Program
Sponsored by the Howard Hughes Medical Institute and the Genentech Foundation
- 09/2008-05/2009 Michigan Promise Scholarship
- 09/2008-05/2009 Michigan Competitive Scholarship

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 08/2012-Present **Research Assistant**, Underhill Lab, Department of Bioengineering, UIUC
Adviser: Prof. Gregory H. Underhill
- Designing microtechnological methods to control environmental cues and cell signaling *in vitro*
 - Studying the role of regulation by Notch, Wnt, and TGF β 1 in liver progenitor fate
 - Identifying key cell-matrix interactions in lung cancer conducive to drug resistance and metastasis
- 10/2009-05/2011 **Research Assistant**, Takayama Lab, Department of Biomedical Engineering, UM
Advisers: Prof. Shuichi Takayama, Dr. Hossein Tavana
- Investigated the applications of polymeric aqueous two-phase systems (ATPS) to the patterning of lipids, proteins, cells, and other biologically significant molecules and particles
 - Designed and validated a high throughput ATPS cell migration assay
 - Formulated standard operating procedures for automated lab equipment

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

- 06/2011-12/2011 **Co-op**, Biological Technologies, Genentech, Inc., South San Francisco, CA
Manager: Dr. Guoying Jiang
- Designed and optimized a functional cell-based assay for a therapeutic monoclonal antibody (MAb₁)
 - Investigated alternative assay formats reflective of the mechanism of action of MAb₁
 - Screened and explored alternative cell lines for response and efficacy in the assay
- 09/2010-05/2011 **Student Engineer**, NeuroNexus Technologies, Inc., Ann Arbor, MI
Managers: Dr. John Seymour, Dr. Gregory Gage
- Conducted research on the needs of neuroscientists engaged in optogenetic studies with respect to desirable characteristics of optical neural stimulation systems for use with mice
 - Designed and prototyped an advanced portable optical neural stimulation system
 - Optimized optoelectrode/diode coupling efficiency using simulations and empirical methods

TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

- 01/2014-05/2014 **Grader**, BIOE 498/598 GU (*Stem Cell Bioengineering*), Department of Bioengineering, UIUC
- Graded and provided written feedback on homework assignments

TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE (CONTINUED)

- 08/2012-Present **Graduate Student Mentor**, Underhill Lab, Department of Bioengineering, UIUC
- Trained 16 new lab members regarding lab safety, wet lab techniques, and lab-specific protocols
 - Guided mentees through the process of conducting research and helped them understand the broader importance and justification for each experiment and project
- 01/2012-04/2012 **Teaching Assistant**, BIOMEDE 418-001 (*Quantitative Cell Biology*), Department of Biomedical Engineering, UM
- Primary Instructor*: Prof. Shuichi Takayama
- Held office hours 2-3 hours a week in addition to grading and administering homework and exams
 - Met with students one-on-one as needed to answer questions about key concepts and to ameliorate any knowledge gaps, basic (*e.g.*, combinations and permutations) or otherwise
 - Organized and carried out high-content review sessions for exams
- 08/2010-05/2011 **Peer Mentor**, Engineering Advising Center, UM
- Counseled mentee on how to gain research and industry experience as an undergraduate
 - Served as a general resource for information regarding academics and course scheduling at UM

PUBLICATIONS

Kaylan KB, Viktoriya E, Underhill GU. “Combinatorial microenvironmental regulation of liver progenitor differentiation by JAG1, DLL1, TGF β 1, and ECM.” *Cell Reports*. (*In review*.)

Atefi A, Fyffe D, **Kaylan KB**, Tavana H. “Characterization of Phase Diagrams of Aqueous Two-Phase Systems From Volume and Density Measurements.” *J. Chromatogr. B*. (*In review*.)

Kaylan KB, Underhill GH. “Hydrogels for Hepatic Tissue Engineering.” Abidian MR, Demirci U, Edalat F, Gurkan UA, Khademhosseini A, editors. *Applications of Hydrogels in Regenerative Medicine*. Hackensack, NJ: World Scientific Publishing. (*In press*.)

Tavana H, **Kaylan K**, Bersano-Begey T, Luker KE, Luker GD and Takayama S. “Rehydration of Polymeric, Aqueous, Biphasic System Facilitates High Throughput Cell Exclusion Patterning for Cell Migration Studies.” *Adv Funct Mater*. 2011; 21(15): 2920-2926. DOI: 10.1002/adfm.201002559. (Highlighted as frontispiece; DOI: 10.1002/adfm.201190062.)

POSTERS AND PRESENTATIONS

- 04/2015 **Kaylan KB**, Gentile SD, Milling LE, Bhinge KN, Kosari F, Underhill GH. “Combinatorial cell microarrays for analyzing ECM regulation of tumor cell drug response.” Poster.
- College of Medicine Research Day, Urbana, IL. Apr 16 2015.
 - American Physician Scientists Association Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL. Apr 25 2015.
 - Medical Scholars Program Retreat, Monticello, IL. 23 Aug 2015.
- 10/2014 **Kaylan K**, Ermilova V, Underhill G. “Arrayed Microenvironments for Probing Liver Progenitor Cell Fate Decisions.” Poster. Biomedical Engineering Society Meeting, San Antonio, TX. Oct 25 2014.
- 02/2014-08/2014 **Kaylan K**, Ermilova V, Underhill G. “Deconstructing combinatorial microenvironmental regulation in hepatoblastoma using cell microarrays.” Poster.
- Bioengineering Days, Urbana, IL. 21 Feb 2014.
 - College of Medicine Research Day, Urbana, IL. 17 Apr 2014.
 - Medical Scholars Program Retreat, Monticello, IL. 23 Aug 2014.
 - Graduate Cancer Community Fall Symposium, Urbana, IL. 16 Sep 2014.
- 02/2013 **Kaylan K**. “Bioengineering the Future.” Lecture. Agora Week, University High School, Urbana, IL. 19 Feb 2013.
- 10/2011 **Kaylan K**, Lesaca I, Jiang G, Gazzano-Santoro H. “Development of a Functional Assay for MAb₁ Utilizing Peptide Uptake.” Poster. Genentech Analytical Development and Quality Control Poster Mixer, South San Francisco, CA. 3 Oct 2011.
- 08/2011 **Kaylan K**, Lesaca I, Jiang G, Gazzano-Santoro, H. “Development of a Functional Assay for MAb₁.” Poster. Genentech Intern Poster Day, South San Francisco, CA. 11 Aug 2011.
- 11/2010 **Kaylan K**, Tavana H, Takayama S. “A Novel Cell Migration Assay Utilizing Polymeric Aqueous Two-Phase Systems.” Poster. Student Biomedical Research Forum, Ann Arbor, MI. 4 Nov 2010.

LEADERSHIP

- 05/2014-Present **Out in Medicine**, College of Medicine, UIUC
- Co-Chair*

LEADERSHIP (CONTINUED)

08/2013-Present **Graduate Cancer Community @ Illinois**, UIUC
Project Organizer

02/2013 **Bioengineering the Future**, Agora Week course, University Lab High School, Urbana, IL

11/2012-12/2012 **Climate Survey Steering Committee**, College of Engineering, UIUC

10/2012-09/2014 **MSP Retreat Committee**, College of Medicine, UIUC
Program Committee, Co-Chair

09/2012-08/2013 **Engineering Graduate Student Advisory Committee**, College of Engineering, UIUC
Secretary, Seminars Sub-Committee

08/2012-Present **MSP Advisory Committee**, College of Medicine, UIUC
Secretary, Entering Class Representative, Class I Representative

09/2010-05/2011 **Biomedical Engineering Society**, College of Engineering, UM
Executive Board Member, Webmaster

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS

12/2014-Present American Heart Association

03/2014-Present Biomedical Engineering Society

03/2013-Present American Physician Scientists Association

09/2012-Present Graduate Cancer Community @ Illinois

08/2012-Present American Medical Student Association

09/2009-05/2012 Biomedical Engineering Society
UM Student Chapter

COMPUTER SKILLS

Platforms: Mac OS X, Windows, GNU/Linux (Ubuntu)

Languages: R, MATLAB, L^AT_EX, C++, Markdown, HTML, CSS

Applications: RStudio, ImageJ (Fiji), CellProfiler, GIMP, Inkscape, Emacs (org-mode), LabVIEW