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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Neglected tropical disease diagnostics.

EDUCATION

Ongoing	University of California, Berkeley and University of California, San Francisco Ph.D. in Bioengineering Advised by Prof. Daniel Fletcher
2013-18	Tecnológico de Monterrey, Mexico (ITESM) Bachelor of Science in Mechatronics Engineering GPA of 96/100
2016-17	Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany (KIT) DAAD Mexican Engineers Exchange Programme Faculty of Mechanical Engineering
2014-15	University of British Columbia, Canada (UBC) International Student Exchange Program Faculty of Applied Science

PUBLICATIONS

- [1] Jean T. Coulibaly, Kigbafori D. Silue, Maxim Armstrong, **María Díaz de León Derby**, Michael V. D'Ambrosio, Daniel A. Fletcher, Jennifer Keiser, Karla Fisher, Jason R. Andrews, and Isaac I. Bogoch. "High Sensitivity of Mobile Phone Microscopy Screening for Schistosoma haematobium in Azaguié, Côte d'Ivoire". In: *The American Journal of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene* 108.1 (2023), pp. 41–43.
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AWARDS AND DISTINCTIONS

2022	SACNAS National Diversity in STEM Conference 2022 Student Travel Award
2021	Service and Diversity, Equity, Inclusion and Belonging (DEIB) Award: UC Berkeley/UCSF Bioengineering
2020	Craven Award in Bioengineering: UC Berkeley Department of Bioengineering
2019	UC MEXUS-CONACYT Doctoral Fellowship for Mexican Students
2016	Mitacs Globalink Fellowship for pursuing research at a Canadian university
2016	DAAD Mexican Engineers Scholarship Program for one year of undergraduate studies in Germany
2014	Foreign Affairs, Trade and Development Canada's "Emerging Leaders in the Americas Program Scholarship"