

MADDISON SEGAL

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EDUCATION:

Duke University, Durham, NC

Aug '22 to Current

Ph.D. Candidate, Mechanical Engineering & Materials Science

GPA: 4.0/4.0

Advisor: Dr. Matthew Becker

Dissertation: Low Viscosity Degradable Poly(Ally Glycidyl Ether Succinate) for Biomedical Applications

University of Akron, Akron, OH

Aug '18 to May '22

B.S. in Biomedical Engineering with Honors

GPA: 4.0/4.0, *Summa Cum Laude*

Minor in chemistry, specialization in biomaterials & tissue engineering

TECHNICAL SKILLS:

Polymer synthesis: Schlenk line, cannulation, distillation, sublimation, precipitation, liquid-liquid extraction, rotary evaporation, column chromatography, dialysis

Polymer characterization: nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR), thermogravimetric analysis (TGA), differential scanning calorimetry (DSC), gel permeation chromatography (GPC)/size exclusion chromatography (SEC), matrix assisted laser desorption/ionization time of flight (MALDI TOF), Fourier transform infrared (FT-IR) spectroscopy, rheology, tensile testing, compression testing, mylar loop testing, dynamic mechanical analysis (DMA), micro computed tomography (μ CT), degradation testing, histological analysis of *in vivo* explants

Polymer processing: digital light processing (DLP) 3D printing, continuous liquid interface production (CLIP) 3D printing, fused filament fabrication (FFF) 3D printing, direct ink write (DIW) 3D printing, compression molding, film casting

Software: nTop, SOLIDWORKS, Autodesk Inventor, MestReNova, TRIOS, Prism Graphpad, Envision One RP, Carbon, Zotero, EndNote, MATLAB, Markdown, Microsoft Excel, Microsoft Word, Microsoft PowerPoint

PUBLICATIONS:

R.E. Thompson, **M.I. Segal**, S. Sipics, N.G. Judge, A. Bensoussan, B. Keshavarz, M.L. Becker, Injectable Solvent Free Strontium Carbonate Poly (Allyl Glycidyl Ether Succinate) Composite Networks for Vertebral Augmentation, *Advanced Healthcare Materials*, 2025, DOI: 10.1002/adhm.202501633

A.P. Dhand, R.H. Bean, V. Chiaradia, A.J. Commisso, D. Dranseike, H.E. Fowler, J.M. Fraser, H. Howard, T. Kaneko, J. Kim, J.M. Kronenfeld, K.S. Mason, C.J. O'Dea, F. Pashley-Johnson, D.H. Porcincula, **M.I. Segal**, S. Yu, M.A. Saccone, Advances in vat photopolymerization: early-career researchers shine light on a path forward, *RSC Applied Polymers*, 2025, DOI: 10.1039/D5LP00010F

N.G. Judge, **M. Segal**, R.O. Silzer, C.S. Dziewior, Y.M. Chan, S.J. Grovogel, M.L. Becker, Semiaromatic Polyester-Ethers with Tunable Degradation Profiles, *ACS Macro Lett.*, 2024, DOI: 10.1021/acsmacrolett.4c00617

M. Segal, A.J. Bahnick, N. Judge, M.L. Becker, Synthesis and Solvent Free DLP 3D Printing of Degradable Poly(Allyl Glycidyl Ether Succinate), *Angew Chem. Int. Ed.*, 2024, DOI: 10.1002/anie.202414016

A.J. Bahnick, C.S. Dziewior, Y. Li, A. Chou, **M. Segal**, E.K. Augustine, R. Ji, M.L. Becker, Controlled Transdermal Delivery of Dexamethasone for Pain Management via Photochemically 3D-Printed Bioresorbable Microneedle Arrays, *Advanced Healthcare Materials*, 2024, DOI: 10.1002/adhm.202402113

G. Pacheco, J.A. Gomes, K. Cho, D.L. Morris, **M. Segal**, K.R. Adkins-Travis, E. Stancliffe, G.J. Patti, C.J. Ziegler, L.P. Shriver, Iron Accumulation and Metabolic Alterations in Aneurysmal Subarachnoid Hemorrhage, *Stroke: Vascular and Interventional Neurology*, 2024, DOI: 10.1161/SVIN.123.000848

K. Poon, **M. Segal**, A. Bahnick, Y.M. Chan, B. Gao, M.L. Becker, C.K. Williams, Digital Light Processing to Afford High Resolution and Degradable CO₂-Derived Copolymer Elastomers, *Angew Chem. Int. Ed.*, 2024, DOI: 10.1002/anie.202407794

D. Ortiz-Ortiz, A.H. Mokarizadeh, **M. Segal**, F. Dang, M. Zafari, M. Tsige, A. Joy, Synergistic Effect of Physical and Chemical Crosslinkers Enhances Shape Fidelity and Mechanical Properties of 3D Printable Low Modulus Polyesters, *Biomacromolecules*, 2023, DOI: 10.1021/acs.biomac.3c00684

PATENTS:

M. Segal, M.L. Becker, E. Augustine, Degradable Silyl Ether Based Thiol Crosslinkers for Photochemical Printing. Filed June 2025

M. Segal, M.L. Becker, R. Thompson, Self-Polymerizing, Radiopaque Resin for Percutaneous Vertebroplasty. Filed August 2024

M. Segal, M.L. Becker, Solvent Free Resorbable Resin for 3D Printing. Filed July 2023

PRESENTATIONS:

Invited Guest Lectures

Additive Manufacturing Lecture in Duke Polymer Synthesis & Processing Class	Oct '25
Additive Manufacturing Lecture in Duke Characterization of Polymeric Materials Class	Sept '25
Additive Manufacturing Lecture in Duke Polymer Synthesis & Processing Class	Oct '24
Pathways to Careers in Research Lecture for Duke STEM Academy	June '24
Additive Manufacturing Lecture in Duke Characterization of Polymeric Materials Class	Sept '23
Careers in Medical Research Lecture for University of Akron Phi Delta Epsilon	Feb '23

Oral Presentations

National Association of Printing Ink Manufacturers (NAPIM) 2025 Annual Conference	Sept '25
RadTech UV & EB Technology Conference	May '25
Duke GradX Symposium	Apr '25
3 Minute Thesis (3MT) Competition at the Conference of Southern Graduate Schools	Mar '25
Carolina Science Symposium	Nov '24
Duke 3 Minute Thesis (3MT) Final Competition	Aug '24
Duke 3 Minute Thesis (3MT) Preliminary Competition	July '24
Duke Mechanical Engineering & Materials Science 2024 Research Symposium	Feb '24
Duke Materials Research Society Symposium	Nov '23

Poster Presentations

Triangle Student Research Competition	Sept '25
Duke Mechanical Engineering & Materials Science Fall 2025 Research Symposium	Aug '25
Polymers Gordon Research Conference	June '25
Duke BASF Research Day	May '25
Duke 2025 Chemistry PhD Recruitment Weekend	Feb '25
Duke Mechanical Engineering & Materials Science Spring 2025 Research Symposium	Feb '25
Duke Materials Initiative Signature Lecture Poster Session	Sept '24
Additive Manufacturing of Soft Materials Gordon Research Conference	Aug '24
University of Akron BME Research Day 2022	Feb '22
University of Akron NSF REU Poster Session 2021	Aug '21

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS:

External Awards

RadLaunch Award from RadTech UV & EB Association for innovative applications of UV technology	Apr '25
NSF Graduate Research Fellowship Program (GRFP) Honorable Mention for an outstanding application	Mar '24
Carolina Science Symposium Oral Presentation First Place	Nov '24

Duke University

Best Teaching Assistant	Dec '24
3 Minute Thesis (3MT) First Place	Aug '24
Pratt Gardner Fellowship for an outstanding PhD application	Aug '22

University of Akron

Buckingham Orr full undergraduate scholarship	May '18
<i>Summa Cum Laude</i> and Honors College graduate	May '22
Student Commencement Speaker	May '22
Outstanding BME Student	May '22
Top Ten Senior	May '22
President's List for 4.0 GPA for 10 semesters	May '22
Best Senior Capstone Project	May '22
Karen M. Mudry Achievement Award for outstanding undergraduate research	Feb '22
Best Design Award for BME Design course	Dec '18

Early Awards

<i>Summa Cum Laude</i> High School Graduate	May '18
Valedictorian High School Graduate	May '18
Student Commencement Speaker for High School Graduation	May '18

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

Graduate Research Assistant

Aug '22 to Current

Duke University, Mechanical Engineering & Materials Science Department

- Developed degradable, 3D printable polymers for biomedical applications
- Authored/co-authored 6 publications and 3 patents
- Mentored 3 undergraduate students and 2 early career graduate students
- Collaborated across interdisciplinary teams for synthesis, characterization, and *in vivo* testing of novel polymers

Undergraduate Research Assistant

Aug '19 to May '22

University of Akron, Departments of Biomedical Engineering & Polymer Science

- Developed a 3D printable polymer for drug delivery applications in an NSF REU research project resulting in 1 publication and an award for outstanding undergraduate research
- Analyzed neural cell responses to iron to simulate brain bleeds resulting in 1 publication
- Lead senior capstone project as team captain to design a hands-free shoe for mobility impaired users using FDA waterfall design process and phase-gate system resulting in the Best Senior Capstone Project Award

TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Graduate Teaching Assistant, Polymer Science

Aug '23 to Dec '24

Duke University, Mechanical Engineering & Materials Science Department

- Lectured on polymer architecture, molecular weight distribution, and 3D printing
- Designed exam review lectures and practice guides for over 50 students
- Assisted students with homework assignments in weekly office hours
- Graded all homework assignments and assisted with exam grading
- Awarded Best Teaching Assistant

Organic Chemistry Learning Assistant

Jun '20 to May '22

University of Akron, Department of Chemistry

- Led weekly reviews for over 80 students
- Developed video lectures and problem sets for remote learning during COVID-19

STEM Tutor

Jan '19 to May '21

University of Akron, Department of Student Success

- Tutored individuals and small groups in algebra, calculus, physics, biology, anatomy, chemistry, and organic chemistry

LEADERSHIP & SERVICE:

Communications Director, Duke MEMS Graduate Student Committee

Aug '22 to Current

Communications Liaison, Duke Engineering Graduate Ambassadors

Aug '23 to May '25

Project Management Trainee, Duke DEVELOPMNT Program

Jan '25 to May '25

Mentoring Lead, Duke MEMS Mentoring Network

Aug '22 to May '23

President, Secretary, Risk Management Officer, University of Akron Phi Delta Epsilon

Jan '19 to May '22

Volunteer, Cleveland Clinic Akron General Hospital (165+ hours completed)

Sept '18 to Mar '20

OTHER:

MCAT Score: 522 (99th percentile)

Jan '21