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## Education

<b>Ph.D. in Mechanical Engineering</b> University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL <i>Diffusion-Weighted MRI of Skeletal Muscle: Estimation of Microstructural Parameters</i> Research Advisor: John Georgiadis	2016 – 2019
<b>M.S. in Mechanical Engineering</b> University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL <i>A Lattice Boltzmann Method of Diffusion-Weighted Magnetic Resonance Imaging in Skeletal Muscle</i>	2014 – 2016
<b>B.S. in Mechanical Engineering   minor in Catholic Studies; magna cum laude</b> University of Saint Thomas, Saint Paul, MN	2010 – 2014

## Fellowships & Grants

<b>Beckman Institute Postdoctoral Fellowship</b> Three-year independent research fellowship & \$25,000 research grant	2021 – 2024
<b>Mistletoe Research Fellowship</b> Unfettered Research Grant (\$10,000) & Mistletoe Startup Collaboration participant	2020 – 2021
<b>NSF Graduate Research Fellowship</b> Three-year fellowship providing tuition support and living stipend	2016 – 2019
<b>XSEDE startup allocation</b> 100,000 CPU hours & 1000 GPU hours on SDSC Comet cluster	2018 – 2019

## Professional Experience

<b>Beckman Institute Postdoctoral Fellow</b> – U. of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Project: <i>Modeling dMRI tractography-based muscle architectures with Cosserat rods</i>	2021 – present
<b>Mistletoe Startup Collaboration</b> – Momental Foundation, Redwood, CAs Provided consulting services to startup company <i>JetPack Aviation</i> developing thermal insulation system for protection of electrical components.	2020 – 2021
<b>Postdoctoral Research Associate</b> – University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Project: <i>A CyberOctopus that Learns, Evolves, and Adapts</i> (ONR MURI)	2020 – 2021
<b>Assistant Rowing Coach</b> – University of Illinois Rowing Club, Urbana, IL	2015 – 2018
<b>Graduate Research Assistant</b> – University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign	2014 – 2016
<b>Design Engineer</b> – Water Tank Solutions, St. Paul, MN	2014

## Teaching Experience

<b>Graduate Teaching Assistant</b> – University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign ME 320: Introduction to Heat Transfer Lab – Fall 2019 List of teachers ranked as excellent by their students; received additional designation of <i>outstanding</i> ME 520: Conductive Heat Transfer	2019 2017
<b>Undergraduate Teaching Assistant</b> – University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, MN ENGR 383: Introduction to Fluid Mechanics Lab ETLS 777: Finite Element Analysis ENGR 382: Introduction to Heat Transfer	2014 2014 2013

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### Community Outreach

- NCSA-NVIDIA AI Hackathon** – Developed hackathon problem and served as jury member 2020
- Mentoring Undergraduates in Science and Engineering (MUSE)** 2018 – 2019
- Mentored two undergraduate students in data processing and visualization
- Magnetic Moment Video Finalist** – ISMRM Annual Meeting, Montreal, Canada ([video link](#)) 2019
- STEM outreach talk** – Urbana Middle School, Urbana, IL 2019
- STEM outreach talk** – Trinity High School, Eagan, MN 2014
- Afterschool STEM Tutor** – Tutor-Mentor Program, University of St. Thomas 2011 – 2012

### Professional Societies

- American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME)
- International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (ISMRM)
- Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES)
- Society of Catholic Scientists (SCS)

### Invited Talks

- “Using lattice Boltzmann simulations to analyze dMRI physics in skeletal muscle.” Anomalous Relaxation and Diffusion Study Group, September 17, 2020. Centre for Advanced Imaging, The University of Queensland, Australia. Virtual talk.

### Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

- Naughton NM**, Sun J, Tekinalp A, Chowdhary G, and Gazzola M. *Elastica: A compliant mechanics environment for soft robotic control*. IEEE Robotics and Automation Letters, 2021; 6(2):3389-3396. doi: [10.1109/LRA.2021.3063698](https://doi.org/10.1109/LRA.2021.3063698).
- Sullivan DJ, Wu X, Gallo NR, **Naughton NM**, Georgiadis JG, and Pelegri AA. *Sensitivity analysis of effective transverse viscoelastic and diffusional properties of tissue with myelinated axons*. Physics in Medicine and Biology, 2021; 66(3)s:035027. doi: [10.1088/1361-6560/aba0cc](https://doi.org/10.1088/1361-6560/aba0cc)
- Naughton NM**, Tennyson CG, and Georgiadis JG. *Lattice Boltzmann method for simulation of diffusion magnetic resonance imaging physics in multiphase tissue models*. Physical Review E, 2020; 102.4:043305. doi: [10.1103/PhysRevE.102.043305](https://doi.org/10.1103/PhysRevE.102.043305).
- Naughton NM** and Georgiadis JG. *Global sensitivity analysis of skeletal muscle dMRI: Effects of microstructural and pulse parameters*. Magnetic Resonance in Medicine, 2020; 83:1458-1470. doi: [10.1002/mrm.28014](https://doi.org/10.1002/mrm.28014)
- Naughton NM** and Georgiadis JG. *Comparison of two-compartment exchange and continuum models of dMRI in skeletal muscle*. Physics in Medicine and Biology, 2019; 64(15):155004. doi: [10.1088/1361-6560/ab2aa6](https://doi.org/10.1088/1361-6560/ab2aa6)
- Naughton NM**, Plourde BD, Stark JR, Hodis S, Abraham JP. *Impacts of waveforms on the fluid flow, wall shear stress, and flow distribution in cerebral aneurysms and the development of a universal reduced pressure*. Journal of Biomedical Science and Engineering. 2014; 7(01):7. doi: [10.4236/jbise.2014.71002](https://doi.org/10.4236/jbise.2014.71002).

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### Peer-Reviewed Conference Articles

Chang HS, Halder U, Gribkova E, Tekinalp A, **Naughton NM**, Gazzola M, and Mehta P. *Controlling a CyberOctopus soft arm with muscle-like actuation*. (Accepted, CDC 2021) [arXiv:2010.03368](https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.03368)

**Naughton NM** and Georgiadis JG. *Connecting Diffusion MRI to Skeletal Muscle Microstructure: Leveraging Meta-Models and GPU-acceleration*. Proceedings of the Practice and Experience in Advanced Research Computing on Rise of the Machines (learning) (PEARC '19). p7, (July 2019), Chicago, IL, USA.  
doi: [10.1145/3332186.3333054](https://doi.org/10.1145/3332186.3333054)

### Publications in Process

Zhang X, **Naughton NM**, Parthasarathy T, and Gazzola M. *Friction modulation in limbless, three-dimensional gaits and heterogeneous terrains*. [arxiv:2106.08454](https://arxiv.org/abs/2106.08454)

### Patents

Plourde BP, Abraham JP, Plourde D, Pakonen R, Gikling A, and **Naughton NM**. WTS LLC, 2016. *Fluid heating system*. U.S. Patent Application 14/954,292.

### Conference Abstracts

**Naughton NM** and Georgiadis JG. *A lattice Boltzmann method for simulation of diffusion-weighted MRI in biological tissue*. APS March Meeting, (March 2020), Virtual Meeting.

Zhang X, **Naughton NM**, Parthasarathy T, and Gazzola M. *Terrestrial limbless gait selection through friction modulation*. APS March Meeting, (March 2020), Virtual Meeting.

Cahoon SM, Gallo NR, **Naughton NM**, Anderson AT, and Georgiadis JG. *Regional Intrinsic Properties of Axons and Glia from in vivo MRElastography of Human Corpus Callosum*. Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting, (October 2020), Virtual Meeting.

Gallo NR, Cahoon SM, Anderson AT, **Naughton NM**, Pelegri AA, and Georgiadis JG. *Variation of In Vivo Anisotropic MRE Metrics in Corpus Callosum: Effect of Aging*. International Society of Magnetic Resonance in Medicine Annual Meeting (August 2020), Virtual Meeting. **Magna Cum Laude**

**Naughton NM**, Gallo NR, Anderson AT, and Georgiadis JG. *Comparison of dMRI Models for Skeletal Muscle Microstructure Estimations with Numerical Simulations and Myocardial Porcine Phantom*. International Society of Magnetic Resonance in Medicine Annual Meeting (May 2019), Montreal, Canada.

**Naughton NM**, Jain A, and Georgiadis JG. *Polynomial Meta-Model of Bloch-Torrey Equation for Track-based Regularization of Microstructural Inversion*. International Society of Magnetic Resonance in Medicine Annual Meeting (May 2019), Montreal, Canada.

**Naughton NM**, Wang A, and Georgiadis JG. *Fascicle Ellipticity as an Explanation of Transverse Anisotropy in Diffusion MRI Measurements of Skeletal Muscle*. International Society of Magnetic Resonance in Medicine Annual Meeting (May 2019), Montreal, Canada.

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**Naughton NM**, Gallo NR, Anderson AT, and Georgiadis JG. *Microstructural Parameter Estimation of Skeletal Muscle using Random Forest Model of dMRI*. International Society of Magnetic Resonance in Medicine Annual Meeting (May 2019), Montreal, Canada.

**Naughton NM**, Gallo NR, Vaicik M, Anderson AT, Sutton BP, and Georgiadis JG. *Estimation of Extracellular Matrix Diffusion Properties in Decellularized Porcine Myocardium from DTI*. International Society of Magnetic Resonance in Medicine Annual Meeting (June 2018), Paris, France.

**Naughton NM** and Georgiadis JG. *Effect of Exercise on Myocellular Lipid Content and Diffusion Tensor Imaging Measurements*. Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting (October 2017), Phoenix, Arizona.

**Naughton NM** and Georgiadis JG. *Effect of Sarcolemma Water Permeability on Muscle DTI Measures Following Exercise*. Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting, (October 2016), Minneapolis, Minnesota.