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Summary

- Biophysicist with 7+ years of experience in mathematical and computational modeling of biological processes
- Experienced in developing physical models of intracellular dynamics using a broad range of approaches
- Interdisciplinary collaborator with experience in collecting and analyzing experimental imaging data
- Author of 4 publications in peer-reviewed journals and 5+ presentations at top field conferences
- Experienced in scientific communication to various audiences through teaching and research presentations

Research Experience

University of California, San Diego, Doctoral Researcher (VMCC fellow 2018-2020) 2015-present

Department of Physics, research group led by Dr. Elena Koslover

Mathematical and computational modeling

- Identified the role of key parameters in organelle hitchhiking, aided by live-cell imaging data
- Used mathematical and computational methods to develop a model of autophagy dynamics in neurons
- Employed novel computational methods using parallel computing on the Open Science Grid framework
- Developed mathematical methods to improve simulation speed and accuracy of models
- Wrote and maintained codebases in FORTRAN90, MATLAB, and python using git version control

Data analysis and imaging

- Collaborated with experimental biology research groups to obtain and analyze live-cell imaging data
- Developed image analysis tools using MATLAB and ImageJ/FIJI for 3D single particle tracking
- Experience working with Lattice Light-Sheet Microscopy and Spinning Disk Confocal Microscopy

Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, Graduate Researcher 2013-2015

Department of Physics, research group led by Dr. Anirban Sain

- Developed a novel simulation method based on the Gillespie algorithm to study cell division in bacteria
- Employed analytical techniques to develop a computational model of vesicle scission by dynamin polymers

Institute for Advanced Industrial Science and Technology, Tsukuba, Research intern 2013

Nanosystems Research Institute, advisor: Dr. Kazuhiko Seki.

- Derived diffusion coefficients for lipid domains in bilayer membranes in various physical conditions

Education

University of California, San Diego

Ph.D. Biophysics, Department of Physics

Expected May 2021

Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay

M.Tech Engineering Physics, Nanoengineering specialization

2015

B.Tech Engineering Physics, Minor in Biosciences and Bioengineering

2015

Technical Skills

Mathematical Modeling Brownian dynamics simulations, stochastic mathematical models, Monte Carlo methods, linear algebra and PDE based modeling.

Programming MATLAB, FORTRAN90, Mathematica, Python
Proficient with LINUX/UNIX systems, bash scripting, version control

Data Analysis & Machine Learning Image Processing, segmentation, and particle tracking (ImageJ/FIJI, Matlab), Pandas, scikit-learn, numpy, Tensorflow, statistical inference, Excel

Data Visualization Inkscape, Powerpoint, \LaTeX , seaborn

Honors and awards

- Visible Molecular Cell Consortium Pre-doctoral Fellowship (*Award amount: \$100,000*) 2018-2020
- Physics Excellence Fellowship (*Award amount: \$8,000*) 2015
- Heritage Fund Scholarship, IIT Bombay 2011-2014
- Physics Department Chairs Challenge Travel Award, UCSD 2019
- Travel Award, Kyoto Winter School of Statistical Physics, Yukawa Institute for Theoretical Physics 2015

Scientific activities and mentoring

Scientific workshops

- Cell Modeling Hackathon, *University of California, San Francisco* 2019
- Communicating Science Convention (ComSciCon-SD), *University of California, San Diego* 2018
- Kyoto Winter School for Statistical Physics, *Yukawa Institute for Theoretical Physics* 2015

Mentoring

- Research Scholars Summer Project, *University of California, San Diego* 2018
Advised a high school student on a project analyzing trajectories of intracellular organelles
- Research facilitator, “Physical Biology of the Cell” at the *Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods Hole* 2017
Co-advised two graduate students modeling ciliary pathways and cytoskeletal filaments
- Institute Student Mentorship Program, *Indian Institute of Technology Bombay* 2014-2015
Mentored 15 freshmen attendees at IIT Bombay to facilitate their transition to college

Volunteering

- Volunteer for the Tech Trek summer camp, *University of California, San Diego* 2018
- Organizer for the social festival “Mood Indigo”, *Indian Institute of Technology Bombay* 2011-2012

Publications

- Getting around the cell: physical transport in the intracellular world 2020
S. S. Mogre, A. I. Brown, E. F. Koslover, *Physical Biology*
- Hitching a ride: Mechanics of Transport Initiation Through Linker-mediated Hitchhiking 2020
S. S. Mogre, J. R. Christensen, C. S. Niman, S. L. Reck-Peterson, E. F. Koslover, *Biophysical Journal*
- Multimodal transport and dispersion of organelles in narrow tubular cells 2018
S. S. Mogre, E. F. Koslover, *Physical Review E*
- Diffusion coefficients in leaflets of bilayer membranes 2014
K. Seki, S. S. Mogre, S. Komura, *Physical Review E*

Talks and posters

- Non-canonical interactions in intracellular transport: Investigating the physical mechanisms of hitchhiking and tethering 2020
Poster at the 2020 *Biophysical Society Meeting, San Diego, CA*
- Non-canonical interactions in intracellular transport: Investigating the physical mechanisms of hitchhiking and tethering 2019
Poster at the 2019 Annual Meeting of the *American Society for Cell Biology, Washington, DC*
- Characterizing active runs, tethering, and hitchhiking in intracellular transport 2018
Poster at the 2018 Annual Meeting of the *American Society for Cell Biology, San Diego, CA*
- The Interplay of Diffusion, Motor-Driven Walks, and Tethering in Intracellular Transport 2018
Platform talk at the 2018 *Biophysical Society Meeting, San Francisco, CA*