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## Education

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### Postdoctoral Researcher

Aug. 2023 - Present

Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

Supervisor: Dr. Alyosha Christopher Molnar

### PhD in Electrical and Computer Engineering

Aug. 2023

Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA

Supervisor: Dr. Kapil R. Dandekar

Dissertation: Reconfigurable Radio Frequency Transceivers for Next-Generation Internet of Things

### MS in Electrical Engineering

Sept. 2021

Drexel University, Philadelphia, PA

### BS in Electrical and Electronic Engineering (Communication major)

Sept. 2015

Bangladesh University of Engineering & Technology (BUET)

Thesis: Antenna Design using Ultra Wideband (UWB) Technology for Wireless Capsule Endoscopy

## Research Interests

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On-body and in-body wireless sensors, wearable antennas, reconfigurable antennas,

## Research Accomplishments

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- Developed a novel method for extracting radio frequency sheet resistance of unconventional conductive surfaces.
- Designed a knitted conductive-fabric-based passive UHF RFID respiration sensor with a 5.8-meter read range, the highest in the literature.
- Developed a passive UHF RFID diaper moisture sensor (4.4 m read range) and real-time fluid level detector (4.6 m read range), both having maximum read range in the literature.
- Developed a new method of mapping incident power and relative phase distribution in RISs.

- Discovered the physics behind the frequency-dependent electrical conductivity of 2D conductive nanomaterial MXene.

## Academic Honors

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- **Joseph & Shirley Carleone Fund Award**, College of Engineering, Drexel University, 2023
- **Paul Lemmo PhD Fellowship**, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Drexel University, 2022
- **Nihat Bilgutay Fellowship**, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Drexel University, 2021
- **Best Poster Award** in the AI Systems and Applications session, IBM-IEEE AI Compute Symposium, 2021
- Outstanding Graduate Student Mentorship Award, Drexel University (Honorable mention), 2021
- **Seiberlich Fellowship**, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Drexel University, 2020
- Bangladesh-Sweden Trust Fund travel grant, 2018

## Journal Publications

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(311 citations, h-index=8; [Google Scholar](#), 04/2024)

- J16. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Hossain, M. S., Stroh, A., & Dandekar, K. R. Passive UHF RFID-based intravenous fluid level sensor. *IEEE Sensors Journal*, 2023 [Impact Factor: 4.325]
- J15. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Anim, K., & Dandekar, K. R. Incident power and phase mapping in reconfigurable intelligent surfaces using energy harvesting. *IEEE Transactions on Antennas and Propagation*, 2023 [Impact Factor: 4.388]
- J14. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, & Dandekar, K. R. Anomalous radio frequency conductivity and sheet resistance of 2D  $\text{Ti}_3\text{C}_2\text{T}_x$  MXene. *IEEE Access*, 2022 [Impact Factor: 3.367]
- J13. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Amanatides, C. E., Dion, G., & Dandekar, K. R. Passive UHF RFID-based knitted wearable compression sensor. *IEEE Internet of Things Journal*, 2021 [Impact Factor: 11.043]
- J12. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Jacovic M., Dion, G., Mongan, W. M., & Dandekar, K. R. UHF RFID channel emulation testbed for wireless IoT systems. *IEEE Access*, 2021 [Impact Factor: 3.367]
- J11. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Levitt, A. S., Liu, Y., Amanatides, C. E., Schauer, C. L., Dion, G., & Dandekar, K. R. On the effect of sweat on sheet resistance of knitted conductive yarns in wearable antenna design. *IEEE Antennas and Wireless Propagation Letters*, 2020 [Impact Factor: 3.834]
- J10. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Mongan, W., & Dandekar, K. R. Passive RFID-based diaper moisture sensor. *IEEE Sensors Journal*, 2020 [Impact Factor: 4.325]

- J9. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, & Dandekar, K. R. Pattern reconfigurable UHF RFID reader antenna array. *IEEE Access*, 2020 [Impact Factor: 3.367]
- J8. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Bshara, O., Liu, Y., Levitt, A., Dion, G., & Dandekar, K. R. Efficiency measurement of flexible On-body antenna at varying levels of stretch in a reverberation chamber. *IET Microwaves, Antennas and Propagation Journal*, 2019 [Impact Factor: 2.016]
- J7. Paul, A., **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Das, A., Mongan, W. M., & Dandekar, K. R. Energy-efficient respiratory anomaly detection in premature newborn infants. *Electronics*, 2022 [Impact Factor: 2.690]
- J6. Bshara, O., Pano, V., **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Rey, X. R., & Dandekar, K. R. Noncooperative sub-6 GHz reconfigurable antenna DoA estimation to aid mmWave analog beamforming: Algorithm and measurements. *IEEE Access*, 2021 [Impact Factor: 3.367]
- J5. Bshara, O., Pano, V., **Tajin, M. A. S.**, & Dandekar, K. R. Millimeter wave coarse beamforming Using outband Sub-6 GHz reconfigurable antennas. *IET Communications*, 2021 [Impact Factor: 1.542]
- J4. Han, M., Liu, Y., Rakhmanov, R., Israel, C., **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Friedman, G., Volman, V., Hoorfar, A., Dandekar, K. R., & Gogotsi, Y. Solution-processed  $\text{Ti}_3\text{C}_2\text{T}_x$  MXene antennas for radio-frequency communication. *Advanced Materials*, 2020z [Impact Factor: 32.09]
- J3. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Anim, K., Pano, V., & Dandekar, K. R. On the anomalous radio frequency conductivity of  $\text{Ti}_3\text{C}_2\text{T}_x$  MXene and layered conductive nanomaterials. [In Preparation]
- J2. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Amanatides, C. E., Nkomo, M., Judd, N., Dion, G., & Dandekar, K. R. Knitted wearable BLEpatch antenna for COVID-19 monitoring. [In Preparation]
- J1. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Anim, K., & Dandekar, K. R. Directed-energy radio wave exposure detection. [In Preparation]

## Conference and Workshop Proceedings Publications

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- C16. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Helali, Z., Amanatides, C.E., Dion, G., & Dandekar, K. R. Directed high-energy radio wave exposure detection using a wearable antenna. *IEEE International Symposium on Antennas and Propagation and USNC-URSI Radio Science Meeting*, 2023
- C15. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Judd, N., & Dandekar, K. R. Wearable 2.4 GHz Bluetooth antenna for respiration monitoring and contact tracing. *IEEE International Symposium on Antennas and Propagation and USNC-URSI Radio Science Meeting*, 2022
- C14. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, & Dandekar, K. R. On the design of Pattern reconfigurable Alford loop antennas. *International Conference on Electromagnetics in Advanced Applications (ICEAA)*, 2021
- C13. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Levitt, A., Liu, Y., Amanatides, C. E., Schauer, C. A., Dion, G., & Dandekar, K. R. Extraction of knitted RFID antenna design parameter from transmission line measurements. *IEEE AP-S Symposium on Antennas and Propagation*, 2020

- C12. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Jacovic M., Mongan, W., & Dandekar, K. R. Channel emulation for the characterization of wearable RFID systems. *IEEE Wireless and Microwave Technology Conference (WAMICON), 2020*
- C11. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Ahmed, M., & Saha, P. K. Performance analysis of an Ultra Wide-band antenna for wireless capsule endoscopy. *IEEE International Conference on Medical Engineering, Health Informatics and Technology, 2016*
- C10. Anim, K., **Tajin, M. A. S.**, & Dandekar, K. R. Radio Frequency Directed Energy Weapon Mitigation via Passive Beamforming Reconfigurable Intelligent Surface. *IEEE International Symposium on Antennas and Propagation and USNC-URSI Radio Science Meeting, 2023*
- C9. Anim, K., **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Amanatides, C. E., Dion, G., & Dandekar, K. R. Conductive fabric-based reconfigurable intelligent surface. *IEEE International Symposium on Antennas and Propagation and USNC-URSI Radio Science Meeting, 2022*
- C8. Hossain, M. S., **Tajin, M. A. S.**, & Dandekar, K. R. UHF RFID tag localization using pattern reconfigurable reader antenna. *IEEE Wireless and Microwave Technology Conference (WAMICON), 2022*
- C7. Stroh, A., Sigda, M., Carbone, K., Baun, D., **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Bshara, O., Pano, V., & Dandekar, K. R. A Pattern reconfigurable conformal mmWave antenna for 5G applications. *IEEE International Symposium on Antennas and Propagation and USNC-URSI Radio Science Meeting, 2021*
- C6. Hansen, S., Schwartz, D., Stover, J., **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Mongan, W. M., & Dandekar, K. R. Fusion learning on multiple-tag RFID measurements for respiratory rate monitoring. *IEEE International Conference on BioInformatics And BioEngineering, 2020*
- C5. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, & Dandekar, K. R. A Wearable compression and strain sensing Bluetooth antenna array. [Under Review]
- C4. Anim, K., **Tajin, M. A. S.**, & Dandekar, K. R. A Conformal 360-degree Beam-steering Array Antenna for 5G Indoor Cellular Applications. [Under Review]
- C3. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, & Dandekar, K. R. Wearable on-body compression sensing patch antenna miniaturization. [In Preparation]
- C2. **Tajin, M. A. S.**, & Dandekar, K. R. Medical Internet of Things research opportunities. [In Preparation]
- C1. **Nkomo, M.**, **Tajin, M. A. S.**, & Dandekar, K. R. Fall-detection using wearable Bluetooth antenna. [In Preparation]

## Book Chapters

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- B1. Amanatides, C., Hansen, S., Levitt, A. S., Liu, Y., O'Neill, P., Patron, D., Ross, R., Schwartz, D., Stover, J., **Tajin, M. A. S.**, Dion, G., Fontecchio, A. K., Pano, V., Mongan, W. M., & Dandekar, K. R. Wearable smart garment devices for passive biomedical monitoring. *IEEE Signal Processing in Medicine and Biology, Springer: December 2020*

## Patents

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- P8. **M. A. S. Tajin** and K. R. Dandekar. Moisture sensing using radio frequency identification (RFID). U.S. Patent Application 17/929059, January 5, 2022
- P7. **M. A. S. Tajin**, and K. R. Dandekar. Pattern reconfigurable UHF RFID reader antenna array. U.S. Patent Application 17/823976, March 16, 2023
- P6. O. Bshara, V. Pano, **M.A.S. Tajin**, and K.R. Dandekar. Millimeter wave coarse beam-forming using outband sub-6 GHz reconfigurable antennas. U.S. Patent Application 17/213,930, filed September 30, 2021
- P5. **M. A. S. Tajin**, and K. R. Dandekar. Passive RFID-based intravenous fluid and blood level sensor. [Submitted]
- P4. **M. A. S. Tajin**, and K. R. Dandekar. Directed high-energy radio wave exposure detection. [Submitted]
- P3. **M. A. S. Tajin**, M. Nkomo, C. Amanatides, G. Dion, and K. R. Dandekar. Bluetooth Low Energy wearable textile sensor for COVID-19 monitoring. [Submitted]
- P2. K. Anim, **M. A. S. Tajin**, C. E. Amanatides, G. Dion, and K. R. Dandekar. Functional fabric reconfigurable intelligent surfaces. [Submitted]
- P1. K. Anim, **M. A. S. Tajin**, C. E. Amanatides, G. Dion, and K. R. Dandekar. Radio frequency directed energy weapon mitigation via passive beamforming reconfigurable intelligent surface. [Submitted]

## Grant-writing experience

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Actively participated to the following grant proposals with my supervisor:

- G3. Electromagnetic shields based on MXene nano-metamaterials, funded by the National Science Foundation (NSF) ([award link](#))
- G2. In-body and on-body MXene antennas for the Internet of Things, submitted to the NSF
- G1. Functional fabric reconfigurable intelligent surfaces for next-generation Internet of Things [in preparation]

## Teaching Experience

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Drexel University | Electrical and Computer Engineering

### • Teaching Assistant

Foundations of Electric Circuits	Summer 2019
Digital Logic Design	Winter 2019
Computation Lab	Fall 2017, Winter 2018
Linear Engineering Systems	Fall 2018
Analog and Digital Communications	Spring 2018

- **Senior Design Mentor**

Reconfigurable Intelligent Surfaces for 6G	2023
mmWave in 5G cellular communication	2022
Conformal mmWave antenna for 5G (Co-authored [C6])	2021

- **STAR, VIP, and Graduate Mentor**

Zyad Helali   Electrical Engineering undergrad, Drexel University Project: Wearable RF exposure detection	Fall-Winter 2022
Nnaemeka Achebe   Electrical Engineering undergrad, Drexel University Project: BLEpatch antenna impedance matching	Winter 2022
Musa Ashary   Electrical Engineering remote researcher (volunteer), BRAC University, Bangladesh Project: BLEpatch antenna design for COVID-19 monitoring	Summer 2022
Claudia Offutt   Computer Engineering undergrad, Drexel University Project: BLEpatch antenna design for COVID-19 monitoring	Summer 2021
Abe Jeyapraphap   Computer Science undergrad, Drexel University Project: BLEpatch antenna design for COVID-19 monitoring	Summer 2021 Project:
Antonio Stroh   Electrical Engineering undergrad, Drexel University Project: Fluid level monitor for smart medical transfusion	Summer 2020, Fall 2021
Nate Judd   Computer Engineering undergrad, Drexel University Project: BLEpatch antenna design for COVID-19 monitoring	Summer 2020, Fall 2021
Sabrina Ahmed   Electrical Engineering graduate student (volunteer), Villanova University, PA Project: BLEpatch antenna design for COVID-19 monitoring	Summer 2021

- **Course Design**

1. ECET 512/580 – Wireless Systems / Simulation of Wireless Systems (with my supervisor)

- **Online Course Development Training**

1. Applying the Quality Matters Rubric
2. Online Accessibility and Inclusivity

## Research Experience

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### Drexel University | Drexel Wireless Systems Lab

#### Research Assistant

Sept. 2017 - Present

- In collaboration with **Drexel Center for Functional Fabrics**, invented multiple wireless sensors (respiration, moisture, fluid level, and COVID-19 monitoring) and systems for medical IoT applications. Developed a new method for extracting radio frequency (RF) sheet resistance that is crucial for textile antenna design. Designed a smart RFID interrogator antenna and a channel emulation testbed. ([award 1 link](#)) ([award 2 link](#)) ([award 3 link](#))

- In collaboration with **Drexel Nanomaterials Institute**, discovered that MXenes (a conductive 2D nanomaterial) demonstrate superior conductivity at RF compared to direct current (DC). Developed a theoretical model for explaining the DC-RF behavior of MXene. ([award link](#))
- Demonstrated that pattern reconfigurable antennas at sub-6 GHz can speed up mmWave beamforming by reducing the search space. Mentored a senior design team for designing beam-steerable conformal mmWave antenna at 28 GHz. ([award link](#))

## Academic Service

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### Journal Reviewer

R9. Scientific Reports	2023
R8. IEEE Transactions on Mobile Computing	2022
R7. Digital Signal Processing - Elsevier	2022
R6. IEEE Transactions on Antennas and Propagation	2019-2021
R5. IEEE Internet of Things Journal	2021
R4. IEEE Sensors Journal	2021
R3. IEEE Transactions on Wireless Communications	2021
R2. IET Communication	2020
R1. IEEE Access	2019

## Invited Talks

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- T3. 'Reconfigurable Radio Frequency Transceivers for Next Generation IoT'  
Villanova University, Feb 2023
- T2. 'Reconfigurable Radio Frequency Transceivers for Next Generation IoT'  
University of Missouri Kansas City, Feb 2023
- T1. 'Reconfigurable Radio Frequency Transceivers for Next Generation IoT'  
Villanova University, Feb 2023

## Media Coverage

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Selected reports on [J6]

- Drexel Now: Ultrathin, Spray-Applied MXene Antennas Are Ready for 5G
- Phy.org: Ultrathin spray-applied MXene antennas are ready for 5G
- Nano.gov: Ultrathin spray-applied MXene antennas are ready for 5G

## Outreach and Memberships

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- Demonstrated sensor prototypes to encourage STEM education among high school students from underrepresented backgrounds in Philadelphia, PA

- Former president of ‘Badhon’ (a voluntary blood donors’ organization in Bangladesh) SBH unit, 2015

**Member:**

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)	2019 - Present
IEEE HKN - International Honor Society	2022 - Present

**References**

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