

# Tamas L. Nagy

University of California, Los Angeles  
Biomedical Science Research Building, Room 454  
615 Charles E Young Dr S  
Los Angeles, CA 90095

Email: [iam@tamasnagy.com](mailto:iam@tamasnagy.com)

Twitter: [@tlngy](https://twitter.com/tlngy)

Website: <https://tamasnagy.com>

## Education, Training, & Experience

2023— **Postdoctoral Scholar**, Department of Neurology, Univ. of California, Los Angeles  
Advisor: **Thomas A. Rando**

2015—2023 **Ph.D.** in Biomedical Informatics, Univ. of California, San Francisco  
Thesis: “Neutrophils actively swell to potentiate rapid migration”  
Advisor: **Orion D. Weiner**

2011—2015 **B.S.** in Chemistry, **B.S.** in Mathematics, Univ. of Kentucky, Lexington

## Research Interests

Cellular Biophysics; Cell Size Control; Cytoplasmic Architecture; Smart Microscopy; Optogenetics;

## Selected Awards & Grants

2017-2020 **Moritz-Heyman Discovery Fellow**, University of California, San Francisco

2015-2020 **NSF Graduate Research Fellow**, National Science Foundation

2013 **AMGEN/CRSB Fellow** w/Jennifer Doudna, University of California, Berkeley

2011-2015 **Otis A. Singletary Scholar**, University of Kentucky (Tuition, Board, & stipend)

## Publications

**Nagy, T.L.**, Strickland, J., and Weiner, O.D. (2023). Neutrophils actively swell to potentiate rapid migration. *Elife* 12. <https://doi.org/10.7554/eLife.90551>.

*Accepted, pending minor revisions*      **Editorial assessment: Fundamental and compelling**

Graziano, B. R., Town, J. P., Sitarska, E., **Nagy, T. L.**, Fošnarič, M., Penič, S., Iglič, A., Kralj-Iglič, V., Gov, N. S., Diz-Muñoz, A., & Weiner, O. D. (2019). Cell confinement reveals a branched-actin independent circuit for neutrophil polarity. *PLoS Biology*, 17(10), e3000457. <https://doi.org/10.1371/journal.pbio.3000457>

Saha, S., **Nagy, T. L.** & Weiner, O. D. Joining forces: crosstalk between biochemical signalling and physical forces orchestrates cellular polarity and dynamics. *Philos. Trans. R. Soc. Lond. B Biol. Sci.* 373, (2018). <https://doi.org/10.1098/rstb.2017.0145>

Mavor, D., Barlow, K.A.,..., **Nagy, T.L.**,..., et al. (2018). Extending chemical perturbations of the ubiquitin fitness landscape in a classroom setting reveals new constraints on sequence tolerance. *Biol. Open* 7. <https://doi.org/10.1242/bio.036103>.

**Nagy, T.** & Kampmann, M. CRISPulator: a discrete simulation tool for pooled genetic screens. *BMC Bioinformatics* 18, 347 (2017). <https://doi.org/10.1186/s12859-017-1759-9>

Webb, S., **Nagy, T.**, Moseley, H., Fried, M. & Dutch, R. E. Hendra virus fusion protein transmembrane domain contributes to pre-fusion protein stability. *J. Biol. Chem.* (2017). <https://doi.org/10.1074/jbc.M117.777235>

## Mentorship

*Winter 2022* Rotation Advisor to Sneha Rao (UCSF DSCB Student)

*Fall 2018* Rotation Advisor to Jack Strickland (UCSF Biophysics Student)

## Selected Talks & Posters

2023 **Talk** “Neutrophils actively swell to potentiate their migration”

American Society for Cell Biology Meeting, Boston, MA

2023 **Poster** “Immune cells actively increase their volumes to facilitate migration”

UCSF Cardiovascular Research Institute Departmental Retreat, Santa Cruz, CA

**\*\*Best Poster Award\*\***

2023 **Poster** “Immune cells actively increase their volumes to facilitate migration”

Gordon Research Conference on Directed Cell Migration, Galveston, TX

2022 **Poster** “Dissecting the role of regulatory volume changes in neutrophil chemotaxis”

66th Annual Meeting of the Biophysical Society, San Francisco, CA

**\*\*Best Poster Award\*\***

2020 **Talk** “Leveraging Julia for Data Science”, invited speaker  
Computational Biology Skills Seminar, UC Berkeley, remote

2019 **Poster** “Dissecting the mechanistic basis of the chemoattractant-induced volume increase in neutrophils,” Gordon Research Conference on Directed Cell Migration, Galveston, TX

2018 **Poster** “Dissecting the mechanistic basis of the chemoattractant-induced volume increase in neutrophils,” Ion Channels & Immunity Symposium, NYU, New York City, NY

2018 **Poster** “Active control of cell volume during immune cell migration”  
Training Grantees Meeting, NIH NIBIB, Bethesda, MD

2016 **Talk** “Leveraging CRISPR for Precision Biology”, Workshop with Martin Kampmann  
American Society for Cell Biology Meeting, San Francisco, CA

2013 **Talk** “Engineered CRISPR/Cas-based System for RNA-guided, Tag-less, Spatiotemporal Imaging of Endogeneous RNA,” AMGEN undergraduate research symposium, Berkeley, CA

## Software

I regularly develop and release open-source software as part of my work, some of my most substantial packages are highlighted below

- **TiffImages.jl**: A high performance, extensible reader and writer for TIFF images in Julia
- **OMETIFF.jl**: Read and interact with high-dimensional images
- **Crispulator.jl**: Simulation tool for designing pooled CRISPR screens
- **jekyll-lab-notebook**: Simple and flexible electronic lab notebook based on the Jekyll static site generator

## Service

2023— Co-Chair, 2025 Directed Cell Migration Gordon Research Seminar

2018 Teaching Assistant, Algorithms, UCSF

2017—2019 iPQB Graduate Student Admissions Interviewer and Committee Member, UCSF

2017 Teaching Assistant, Algorithms, UCSF

**\*\*UCSF Graduate Division Teaching Award\*\***

2014 Teaching Assistant, Organic Chemistry II, University of Kentucky

2013 Teaching Assistant, Organic Chemistry I, University of Kentucky

2013—2014 Public Relations, Society for the Promotion of Undergraduate Research (SPUR)

## References (Alphabetical)

Fred Chang, *UCSF*, PhD Thesis Chair, [fred.chang@ucsf.edu](mailto:fred.chang@ucsf.edu)  
Jennifer A. Doudna, *UC Berkeley*, REU Mentor, [doudna@berkeley.edu](mailto:doudna@berkeley.edu)  
Rebecca E. Dutch, *University of Kentucky*, Undergraduate Mentor, [rdutc2@uky.edu](mailto:rdutc2@uky.edu)  
Martin Kampmann, *UCSF*, PhD Rotation Mentor, [martin.kampmann@ucsf.edu](mailto:martin.kampmann@ucsf.edu)  
Thomas Rando, *UCLA*, Postdoc Advisor, [TRando@mednet.ucla.edu](mailto:TRando@mednet.ucla.edu)  
Orion Weiner, *UCSF*, PhD Advisor, [orion.weiner@ucsf.edu](mailto:orion.weiner@ucsf.edu)

Built on 10 January 2024