

Saturday, 12 October

8am **Registration Desk Open 8:00am - 5:00pm**  
*Whitaker Hall Atrium, 1st Floor*

8am **Continental Breakfast Served 8:00 - 8:45 am**  
*Parkside Cafe, Schnuck Pavilion*

8:45am **Opening Ceremony**

» Liz Haswell and Guy Genin (Washington University in St. Louis)

8:50am **Welcome Address**  
*Whitaker Hall Auditorium, Room 100*

» Phil Taylor (Bayer Crop Science USA )

8:55am **A brief introduction to CEMB, the NSF Science and Technology Center for Engineering MechanoBiology**

» CEMB Director, Vivek Shenoy (University of Pennsylvania)

9am **Session 1: Cardiac Mechanobiology: A Symposium in Memory of Bill Hunter**  
Chaired by: Dr. Treena Arinzeh

9am **The mechanics of living tissues: the academic life of William C. Hunter, Ph.D. from a student, colleague, career mentor and friend**  
» Prof. Brian Pfister<sup>1</sup> (1. New Jersey Institute of Technology)

9:45am **Mechano-sensing and thoracic aortic aneurysms**  
» Prof. Jay Humphrey<sup>1</sup> (1. Yale University)

10:15am **Coffee Break**

10:30am **Session 2**  
Chaired by: Anders Carlsson

10:30am **Making waves: the mechanics of oscillations in cilia and flagella**  
» Prof. Philip Bayly<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Louis Woodhams<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Matthieu Bottier<sup>1</sup>, Mx. Tianci Hu<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Susan Dutcher<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)

11am **Zein protein fibrous matrices for promoting cell growth and osteogenic differentiation**  
» Ms. Apurva Limaye<sup>1</sup>, Ms. Jessica Cardenas Turner<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Treena Arinzeh<sup>1</sup> (1. New Jersey Institute of Technology)

11:15am **Understanding directional growth in plants through cell wall mechanics**  
» Dr. Siobhan Braybrook<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Firas Bou Daher<sup>1</sup> (1. University of California, Los Angeles)

11:45am **Extracting mechanical properties of plant cells from atomic-force microscopy and micro-compression experiments**  
» Ms. Leah Ginsberg<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Eleftheria Roumeli<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Guruswami Ravichandran<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Chiara Daraio<sup>1</sup> (1. California Institute of Technology)

12pm **Developing artificial scaffolds for plant cell growth**  
» Mr. Ryan Calcutt<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Richard Vincent<sup>2</sup>, Dr. Derrick Dean<sup>3</sup>, Dr. Treena Arinzeh<sup>2</sup>, Dr. Ram Dixit<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis, 2. New Jersey Institute of Technology, 3. Alabama State University)

12:15pm **Lunch**  
*Parkside Cafe, Schnuck Pavilion*

1:15pm **Session 3**  
Chaired by: Prof. Joel Boerckel



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1:15pm **Substrate-grafted iPSC-derived micro heart muscles to investigate effects of mechanical loading on tissue physiology**  
» Mr. Daniel Simmons<sup>1</sup>, Ms. Jingxuan Guo<sup>1</sup>, Ms. Mary Munsell<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Brennan Kandalajt<sup>1</sup>, Mr. David Schuftan<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Nathaniel Huebsch<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)

1:30pm **Emergence of tissue-like mechanics from fibrous networks confined by close-packed cells**  
» Dr. Anne van Oosten<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Xingyu Chen<sup>2</sup>, Dr. LiKang Chin<sup>2</sup>, Ms. Katrina Kruz<sup>2</sup>, Prof. Allison Patteson<sup>3</sup>, Prof. Katarzyna Pogoda<sup>4</sup>, Prof. Vivek Shenoy<sup>2</sup>, Prof. Paul Janmey<sup>2</sup> (1. Leiden University, 2. University of Pennsylvania, 3. Syracuse University, 4. Polish Academy of Sciences)

1:45pm **Tearing down walls and other stories of resistance...to stress in plants**  
» Prof. José Dinneny<sup>1</sup> (1. Stanford University)

2:15pm **Stress-dependent regulation of microtubule alignment during plant cell morphogenesis**  
» Mr. Jing Li<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Taeyoon Kim<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Daniel Szymanski<sup>1</sup> (1. Purdue University)

2:30pm **Mechanical memory of cells arises from synergistic coupling between mechanosensitive transcription and cytoskeletal signaling**  
» Mr. Jairaj Mathur<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Vivek Shenoy<sup>2</sup>, Dr. Amit Pathak<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis, 2. University of Pennsylvania)

2:45pm **Coffee Break**

3:15pm **Session 4**  
Chaired by: Dr. Lucia Strader

3:15pm **YAP and TAZ coordinate endochondral ossification**  
» Mr. Joseph Collins<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Nathaniel Dymant<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Joel Boerckel<sup>1</sup> (1. University of Pennsylvania)

3:30pm **The role of mechanics in organ size and shape robustness of Arabidopsis**  
» Prof. Adrienne Roeder<sup>1</sup> (1. Cornell University)

4pm **Microstructured hydrogels to probe paracrine and mechanosignaling during lung organoid formation**  
» Dr. Claudia Loebel<sup>1</sup>, Ms. Christina Hummel<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Jarod Zepp<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Edward Morrisey<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Jason Burdick<sup>1</sup> (1. University of Pennsylvania)

4:15pm **Is cellulose synthesis a Brownian ratchet?**  
» Prof. Tobias Baskin<sup>1</sup> (1. University of Massachusetts Amherst)

4:45pm **Expanding without exploding: measuring and modeling the biomechanics of pollen hydration**  
» Ms. Kari Miller<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Anders Carlsson<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Elizabeth Haswell<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)

5pm **Registration Closes**  
*Whitaker Hall Atrium, 1st Floor*

5pm **Poster Session Reception**  
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5pm **Poster Session**  
Chaired by: Prof. Elizabeth Haswell

**101 - Regulation of nuclear architecture, mechanics and nucleocytoplasmic shuttling of epigenetic factors by cell geometric constraints**  
» Dr. Farid Alisafaei<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Doorgesh Sharma Jokhun<sup>2</sup>, Prof. G.V. Shivashankar<sup>2</sup>, Prof. Vivek Shenoy<sup>1</sup> (1. University of Pennsylvania, 2. National University of Singapore)

**102 - Oligomerization and nucleocytoplasmic partitioning of NLP transcription factors in the plant nitrate response**  
» Mr. Jeffrey Allen<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Lucia Strader<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)



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**103 - The mechanobiology of crawling Euglena**

» Prof. Marino Arroyo<sup>1</sup> (1. Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya - BarcelonaTech)

**104 - Is MSL10 involved in maintaining cellular mechanostasis during abiotic and biotic stresses?**

» Dr. Debarati Basu<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Elizabeth Haswell<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)

**105 - A mechano-chemical approach to understanding directional plant growth patterns**

» Ms. Natasha Bilkey<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Huiyong Li<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Marcus Foston<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Ram Dixit<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)

**106 - All models are not created equal: comparing and contrasting two modeling paradigms in mechanobiology**

» Dr. Christopher Stubbs<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Siobhan Braybrook<sup>2</sup>, Dr. Douglas Cook<sup>3</sup> (1. University of Idaho, 2. University of California, Los Angeles, 3. Brigham Young University)

**107 - Patterning of cell populations by strain-cued solitary waves**

» Mr. Brian Cox<sup>1</sup> (1. Independent)

**108 - Simvastatin, but not Losartan, dose-dependently inhibits gel contraction and reduces viability of NIH3T3 and human elbow capsule cells in vitro**

» Dr. Michael David<sup>1</sup>, Mr. James Abraham<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Aaron Chamberlain<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Spencer Lake<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)

**109 - An optics-free and in situ platform for measuring the mechanical properties of films and tissues with high temporal resolution**

» Prof. Charles Dhong<sup>1</sup> (1. University of Delaware)

**110 - Piconewton forces measured using vinculin and  $\alpha$ -Actinin tension sensors at the sarcomere within induced pluripotent stem cell-derived cardiomyocytes**

» Dr. Palash Dutta<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Anant Chopra<sup>1</sup>, Ms. Paige Cloonan<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Subramanian Sundaram<sup>1</sup>, Ms. Jourdan Ewoldt<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Christopher Chen<sup>1</sup> (1. Boston University)

**111 - A multi-resolution approach for modeling and characterization of biological tissues**

» Prof. Ahmed Elbanna<sup>1</sup> (1. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

**112 - Comparative biomechanical characterization of maize brace roots within and between plants**

» Mx. Lindsay Erndwein<sup>1</sup>, Ms. Elahe Ganji<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Megan Killian<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Erin Sparks<sup>1</sup> (1. University of Delaware)

**113 - Structural determinants of the SPIRAL2 protein important for chiral plant growth**

» Dr. Ram Dixit<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Yuanwei Fan<sup>1</sup>, Ms. Natasha Bilkey<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)

**114 - Investigating the role of deformation-deposition in anti-fouling response of mammalian fur**

» Prof. Ranajay Ghosh<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Hessein Ali<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Dipankar Biswas<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Milos Krsmanovic<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Andrew Dickerson<sup>1</sup> (1. university of central florida)

**115 - Extracting mechanical properties of plant cells from atomic-force microscopy and micro-compression experiments**

» Ms. Leah Ginsberg<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Eleftheria Roumeli<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Guruswami Ravichandran<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Chiara Daraio<sup>1</sup> (1. California Institute of Technology)

**116 - Characterization of Arabidopsis hypocotyl viscoelasticity**

» Mr. Ethan Hoppe<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Reid Chunn<sup>2</sup>, Mr. Ryan Emenecker<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Roger Rowe<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Kenneth Pryse<sup>3</sup>, Dr. Barbara Pickard<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Lucia Strader<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Guy Genin<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis, 2. Harris Stowe State University, 3. Washington University in Saint Louis)



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**117 - Bioprinting of complex 3D vascular networks within cell-laden hydrogels**

» Mr. Shen Ji<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Murat Guvendiren<sup>1</sup> (1. New Jersey Institute of Technology)

**118 - Distinguishing mechanical and structural effects on cellular mechano-responsiveness in a 3D porous scaffold**

» Mr. Shumeng Jiang<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Cheng Lyu<sup>2</sup>, Prof. Guy Genin<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Yanan Du<sup>2</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis, 2. Tsinghua University)

**119 - Upscaling active-gel theory of actomyosin cortex to epithelial mechanics**

» Dr. Sohan Kale<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Adam Ouzeri<sup>2</sup>, Dr. Alejandro Torres-Sánchez<sup>2</sup>, Prof. Marino Arroyo<sup>2</sup> (1. Virginia Tech, 2. Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya - BarcelonaTech)

**120 - Magnetoactive substrates for cell mechanobiology**

» Mx. Emile Kraus<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Andy Clark<sup>2</sup>, Dr. Alexander Bennett<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Paul Janmey<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Xuemei Cheng<sup>2</sup> (1. University of Pennsylvania, 2. Bryn Mawr College)

**121 - A spiral growth study to reveal chemical nature and plant cell wall mechanics using AFM-IR**

» Mr. Huiyong Li<sup>1</sup>, Ms. Natasha Bilkey<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Marcus Foston<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Ram Dixit<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)

**122 - In silico exploration of mechanical properties of extracellular matrix and cation channel activity in cartilage**

» Mr. Deng Li<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Kai chih Yeh<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Shu-Wei Chang<sup>1</sup> (1. National Taiwan University)

**123 - Opposite responses of normal hepatocytes and hepatocellular carcinoma cells to substrate viscoelasticity**

» Dr. Kalpana Mandal<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Ze Gong<sup>1</sup>, Mrs. Alexis Rylander Bennett<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Vivek Shenoy<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Paul Janmey<sup>1</sup> (1. University of Pennsylvania)

**124 - The functional impact of Nav1.5 sodium channel mechanosensitivity modeled by an in silico smooth muscle cell model**

» Mr. Arnaldo Mercado-Perez<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Peter Stregé<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Gianrico Farrugia<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Arthur Beyder<sup>1</sup> (1. Mayo Clinic)

**125 - Controlling osteoblast activity with copper-free azide-alkyne cycloaddition of integrin binding peptides to alginate hydrogels**

» Ms. Sydney Neal<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Era Jain<sup>1</sup>, Ms. Rama Balasubramaniam<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Nathaniel Huebsch<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Lori Setton<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)

**126 - Beyond tensegrity the Pavlides Elastegritty (PE)**

» Prof. Eleftherios Pavlides<sup>1</sup> (1. Roger Williams University)

**127 - Functional characterization of plant members of the Piezo mechanosensitive ion channel family**

» Dr. Ivan Radin<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Ryan Richardson<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Carlisle Bascom<sup>2</sup>, Mr. Ethan Weiner<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Magdalena Bezanilla<sup>3</sup>, Prof. Elizabeth Haswell<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis, 2. University of California, San Diego, 3. Dartmouth College)

**128 - Mechanisms of efficient hierarchical compaction of collagen by fibroblasts**

» Dr. Delaram Shakiba<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Farid Alisafaei<sup>2</sup>, Mr. Alireza Savadipour<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Roger Rowe<sup>3</sup>, Mr. Zhangao Liu<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Kenneth Pryse<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Vivek Shenoy<sup>2</sup>, Prof. Elliot Elson<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Guy Genin<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis, 2. University of Pennsylvania, 3. Washington University in Saint Louis)

**129 - Tissue interfacial stresses modulate cell-ECM interactions**

» Mr. Xuechen Shi<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Tiankai Zhao<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Sulin Zhang<sup>1</sup> (1. The Pennsylvania State University)

**130 - Maintaining self-control: Intramolecular regulation of cell death signaling by mechanosensitive channel MSL10**

» Ms. Jennette Shoots<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Debarati Basu<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Elizabeth Haswell<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)



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**131 - Efficient fabrication of lung-on-a-chip device with in situ imaging capabilities**

» [Ms. Whitney Sinclair](#)<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Deborah Leckband<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Paul Kenis<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Catherine Murphy<sup>1</sup> (1. University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign)

**132 - MD modeling of YAP mechanosensing in cancer progression**

» Mr. Tom Stadtmüller<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Patrick Onck<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Siewert-Jan Marrink<sup>1</sup>, [Prof. Erik Van der Giessen](#)<sup>1</sup> (1. University of Groningen)

**133 - Evaluating the effect of surface charge of piezoelectric fibrous scaffolds for plant cell culture**

» [Mr. Richard Vincent](#)<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Ryan Calcutt<sup>2</sup>, Dr. Derrick Dean<sup>3</sup>, Dr. Ram Dixit<sup>2</sup>, Dr. Treena Arinze<sup>1</sup> (1. New Jersey Institute of Technology, 2. Washington University in St. Louis, 3. Alabama State University)

**134 - Epithelial cells sense distant stiffness through ECM deformation and realignment**

» [Dr. Christopher Walter](#)<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Amit Pathak<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)

**135 - Mechanosensitive ion channels MSL7 and MSL8 play multiple roles in pollen biology**

» [Dr. Yanbing Wang](#)<sup>1</sup>, Prof. Elizabeth Haswell<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Gregory Jensen<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)

**136 - Biomolecular condensates in motion**

» [Mr. Edward Wilkinson](#)<sup>1</sup>, Mr. Ryan Emenecker<sup>1</sup>, Dr. Lucia Strader<sup>1</sup> (1. Washington University in St. Louis)

**137 - Mechanomorphogenesis of bacterial biofilms**

» [Prof. Jing Yan](#)<sup>1</sup> (1. Yale University)

