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RESEARCH INTERESTS

We develop experimentally informed constitutive and computational models, including physics-informed AI, to predict material behavior in extreme environments and address challenges across fields ranging from solid mechanics to biomedical science.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. Mechanical Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology Minor in Finance, Sloan School of Management, M.I.T.	2005 – 2010
M.S. Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics, University of Rhode Island	1998 – 1999
B. Tech. Mechanical Engineering, Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur	1994 – 1998

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

• Associate Professor of Engineering (<i>with tenure</i>) School of Engineering, <i>Brown University</i> , Providence, RI	2024 – present
• Director of Graduate Program for Biomedical Engineering Institute of Biology, Engineering, and Medicine, <i>Brown University</i> , Providence, RI	2024 – present
• Howard M. Reisman Assistant Professor of Engineering School of Engineering, <i>Brown University</i> , Providence, RI	2021 – 2024
• Tenure Track Assistant Professor of Engineering School of Engineering, <i>Brown University</i> , Providence, RI	2018 – 2021
• Mechanics Team Lead and Fitness for Service Research Area Lead <i>ExxonMobil Upstream Research</i> , Spring, TX	2017 – 2018
• Senior Technical Professional Advisor – Mechanics of Materials <i>ExxonMobil Upstream Organizations</i> (Exploration, Development and Production), Spring, TX	2017 – 2018
• Advisory Board Member, High-Pressure High-Temperature Subsea Systems <i>DeepStar Global Offshore Technology Development Consortium</i> , Houston, TX	2017 – 2018
• Advanced Research Associate <i>ExxonMobil Corporate Strategic Research</i> , Clinton, NJ	2015 – 2016
• Marine Team Lead <i>ExxonMobil Upstream Research</i> , Houston, TX	2013 – 2014
• Worldwide Deepwater Drilling Engineering Coordinator <i>ExxonMobil Upstream Research</i> , Houston, TX	2012 – 2013
• Senior Research Engineer – Subsea and Arctic <i>ExxonMobil Upstream Research</i> , Houston, TX	2010 – 2012
• Engineering Group Leader – High-speed Turbomachinery <i>KMC, Inc.</i> , W. Greenwich, RI	2003 – 2005
• Project and R&D Engineer – High-speed Turbomachinery <i>KMC, Inc.</i> , W. Greenwich, RI	2000 – 2002

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Dean's Award in Bioengineering, Brown University 2024
- Dean's Award for Excellence in Teaching in Engineering, Brown University 2023
- Brown Biomedical Innovations to Impact Award 2022
- Howard M. Reisman '76, P'09 Inaugural Endowed Chair 2021
- Brown Office of the Vice President of Research Seed Award 2021
- Richard B. Salomon Faculty Research Award, Brown University 2020
- Advisor to Novel Idea Team, ExxonMobil Upstream Global Intellectual Property 2017
- Senior Technical Professional Advisor (one for all upstream companies), ExxonMobil 2017

PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

*Corresponding author

Gupta, A., Konale, A., Ma, K., Alkhoury, K., Guduru, P., Bazilevs, Y., and **Srivastava, V.***, Modeling damage and fracture in additively manufactured polymeric triply periodic minimal surface lattices, *International Journal of Mechanical Sciences*, in review, 2026. <https://www.mechanicsarxiv.org/index.php/engineering/preprint/view/117>

Hajirezaei, M., Ghosh, D., Alkhoury, K., Lyakhovych, Z., Mathiowitz, E., **Srivastava, V.***, and Poling-Skutvik, R.*, Distinguishing Physical Plasticization and Chemical Degradation in Polymeric Liners, *Polymer Degradation and Stability*, in review, 2026.

Nocevski, N.O., Marx, M., **Srivastava, V.**, and Morgan, J.*, Viscoelastic, fatigue, and tensile response of scaffold-free, self-assembled dermal fibroblast tissue rings, *Acta Biomaterialia*, in review, 2026.

Qureshi, D.A., Shukla, K., and **Srivastava, V.***, Drug Release Modeling using Physics-Informed Neural Networks, *Journal of Drug Delivery Science and Technology*, 125, 108654, 2026. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jddst.2026.108654>

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Konale, A. and **Srivastava, V.***, A physics-informed neural network for modeling large deformation contact between elastomers and rigid bodies, *Journal of Applied Mechanics*, 1-11, 2026. <https://doi.org/10.1115/1.4072262>

Ma, K., Gupta, A., **Srivastava, V.**, Guduru, P., and Bazilevs, Y.*, Polymer-Based Architected Materials and Structures: Geometry, Experiments, Constitutive Modeling, and Advanced Simulations, *International Journal of Solids and Structures*, 331, 113911, 2026. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijsolstr.2026.113911>

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Daanish, Q.A., Bellala, V., Niu, S., and **Srivastava, V.***, A machine learning method to measure the embedded crack length and position in high-density polyethylene using ultrasound time signal, *Journal of Nondestructive Evaluation, Diagnostics and Prognostics of Engineering Systems*, 9(1), 011004, 2026. <https://doi.org/10.1115/1.4070539>

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Hajirezaei, M., Ferreira, A., Campbell, M., Ghosh, D., Alkhoury, K., Lyakhovych, Z., Mathiowitz, E., **Srivastava, V.**, and Poling-Skutvik, R. *, Environmental aging of polymers to evaluate their potential for remediating natural gas pipelines, *Industrial & Engineering Chemistry Research* 64 (36), 17724-17731, 2025.
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<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.iijplas.2023.103701>

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<https://doi.org/10.1007/s00366-022-01681-y>

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CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS

- Lu, A, Zhong, J., Bellala, V., and **Srivastava, V.***, Elastic-Viscoplastic-Damage in High-Density Polyethylene Under Chemical Environment, *SEM Annual Conference and Exposition on Experimental and Applied Mechanics*, 2022
- Kothari, M., Niu, S., and **Srivastava, V.**, Thermo-mechanically coupled model for phase transition in austenitic steels for low temperature applications, *25th International Congress of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics*, 2021
- Niu, S., Back, W., and **Srivastava, V.**, Accurate NDT Characterization of Hidden Flaws with Mechanics and Machine Learning, *Proceedings of Pipeline Research Council International Research Exchange*, 2021
- Thirumalai, N., **Srivastava, V.**, Hallai, J., Ma, N., Sarosi, P., Jun, H.J., and Baker, D., Hydrogen Permeation, Absorption and Trapping in Carbon Steels: A Comparison of Line Pipe and OCTG Steels, *Proceedings of the 29th International Ocean and Polar Engineering Conference*, 2019
- Jun, H.J., **Srivastava, V.**, Ma, N., Sarosi, P., and Thirumalai, N., Measuring Crack Propagation Resistance of Line Pipe Steels in Sour Service – A Comparative Study of Test Methods and Materials Response, *Proceedings of the 29th International Ocean and Polar Engineering Conference*, 2019
- Zheng, H., Slocum, S.T., Huang, J.Z., **Srivastava, V.**, Lee, S. and Wang, H.H., Numerical Analysis of Experimental Data of Subsea Jumper Vortex Induced Vibrations, *Proceedings of the ASME 34th International Conference on Ocean, Offshore and Arctic Engineering*, 2015
- Srivastava, V.**, Hallai, J., Campbell, B., and Kokkinis, T., Dynamic response of submerged buoys disconnected at large vessel offsets, *Proceedings of Arctic Technology Conference*, 2014
- Stright, S., **Srivastava, V.**, King, G., Smith, D.W., and Tears, N.C., Regeneration of first-generation subsea fields: the challenges of new wells in old infrastructure, *Society of Petroleum Engineers Drilling Conference Proceedings*, 2012
- Srivastava, V.**, Buitrago, J., and Slocum, S.T., Stress analysis of a cryogenic corrugated pipe, *Proceedings of the ASME 30th International Conference on Ocean, Offshore and Arctic Engineering*, 2011
- Chester, S.A., **Srivastava, V.**, and Anand, L., A thermo-mechanically-coupled theory for the damage and failure of amorphous polymers, *Proceedings of the SEM IMPLAST 2010 Conference*, 2010
- Srivastava, V.**, and Anand, L., On modeling the mechanical behavior of amorphous polymers for the micro-hot-embossing of microfluidic devices, *Proceedings of ASME International Mechanical Engineering Congress & Exposition*, 2008

INVITED TALKS

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| Society of Engineering Science Annual Technical Meeting, Purdue University, IN | 2026 |
| 17 th World Congress on Computational Mechanics, Munich, Germany | 2026 |
| 20 th U.S. National Congress on Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, Pasadena, CA | 2026 |
| SIMULIA R&D Technology, Dassault Systèmes, Johnston, RI | 2026 |
| DARPA Shape Adaptive Flexible Electronics Systems Workshop, Pawtucket, RI | 2026 |
| Keynote Speaker , Society of Engineering Science Annual Technical Meeting, Atlanta, GA | 2025 |
| AmeriMech Symposium on Mechanics of Materials Under Extreme Environment, Providence, RI | 2025 |
| 18 th U.S. National Congress on Computational Mechanics, Chicago, IL | 2025 |
| Keynote Speaker , Biodegradable Polymers as Medical Implants Workshop, <i>Indian Inst. of Tech.</i> , Delhi | 2024 |
| ASME Drucker Medal Symposium, <i>International Mechanical Engineering Congress</i> , Portland, OR | 2024 |
| Department of Mechanical Engineering, <i>University of Michigan</i> , Ann Arbor, MI | 2023 |

Celebrating the 80 th Birthday of Thomas J.R. Hughes, <i>Advances in Computational Mechanics</i> , Austin, TX	2023
Aerospace Engineering & Mechanics, <i>University of Minnesota – Twin Cities</i> , Minneapolis, MN	2023
Society of Engineering Science Annual Technical Meeting, Minneapolis, MN	2023
Symposium in Honor of Prof. Arun Shukla's 70 th Birthday, <i>University of Rhode Island</i> , Kingston, RI	2023
Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, <i>University of Southern California</i> , Los Angeles, CA	2023
College of Engineering Mechanics Seminar, <i>Georgia Institute of Technology</i> , Atlanta, GA	2023
Mechanical Engineering Mechanics Seminar, <i>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</i> , Cambridge, MA	2023
Mechanical Engineering Department Seminar, <i>Auburn University</i> , Auburn, AL	2023
CRUNCH Seminar, Division of Applied Mathematics, <i>Brown University</i> , Providence, RI	2023
Keynote Speaker , 19 th U. S. National Congress on Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, Austin, TX	2022
Department of Mechanical Engineering, <i>Indian Institute of Technology</i> , Kanpur, India	2022
School of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, <i>Nanyang Technological University</i> , Singapore	2022
Department of Aerospace Engineering, <i>Indian Institute of Science</i> , Bengaluru, India	2022
Department of Mechanical Engineering, <i>Indian Institute of Science</i> , Bengaluru, India	2022
Mechanical Engineering Department, <i>Alliance University</i> , Bengaluru, India	2022
Mechanical Engineering – Engineering Mechanics, <i>Michigan Technological University</i> , Houghton, MI	2022
Department of Mechanical and Industrial Engineering, <i>New Jersey Institute of Technology</i> , Newark, NJ	2022
Sibley School of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, <i>Cornell University</i> , Ithaca, NY	2021
<i>Pipeline Research Council International Research Exchange</i> , Houston, TX	2021
<i>ExxonMobil Research and Engineering</i> , Spring, TX	2021
University Research Series, <i>Naval Underwater Warfare Research Center</i> , Newport, RI	2021
Department of Mechanical, Industrial and Systems Engineering, <i>University of Rhode Island</i> , RI	2020
Department of Orthopaedics, <i>The Warren Alpert Medical School of Brown University</i> , Providence, RI	2019
Metallurgical Engineering and Material Science, <i>Indian Institute of Technology</i> , Mumbai, India	2019
Department of Applied Mechanics, <i>Indian Institute of Technology</i> , Delhi, India	2019
Biomedical Engineering, School of Engineering, <i>Brown University</i> , Providence, RI	2018
Ocean Science and Engineering, <i>Massachusetts Institute of Technology</i> , Cambridge, MA	2016
<i>International Symposium on Plasticity</i> , Puerto Vallarta, Mexico	2011
Department of Mechanical Engineering, <i>Indian Institute of Technology</i> , Kanpur, India	2010
<i>Singapore Institute of Manufacturing Technology</i> , Singapore	2009
<i>ExxonMobil Upstream Research Company</i> , Houston, TX	2008
<i>Sensitron Semiconductor</i> , Hauppauge, NY	2008
<i>Intel Corporation</i> , Hillsboro, OR	2008

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

Srivastava, V., Deformation, Damage and Fracture of Polymer Architected Materials, *U.S. National Congress on Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, Pasadena, CA, 2026*

Srivastava, V., Modeling Rate-Dependent Deformation and Fracture of Soft Polymers, *Materials Research Society Spring Meeting, Honolulu, HI, 2026*

Srivastava, V. (Keynote speaker), Machine learning for modeling the fracture of elastomer-like materials, *Society of Engineering Science Annual Technical Meeting, Atlanta, GA, 2025*

Konale, A., and **Srivastava, V.**, On modeling deformation, damage and fracture of soft polymers, *Society of Engineering Science Annual Technical Meeting, Atlanta, GA, 2025*

Alkhoury, K., and **Srivastava, V.**, A finite element implementation of a large deformation gradient-damage theory for fracture using Abaqus user material subroutines, *Society of Engineering Science Annual Technical Meeting, Atlanta, GA, 2025*

LoGiudice, K., and **Srivastava, V.**, Leveraging soft material mechanical testing methods to predict deformation-induced cell injury, *Society of Engineering Science Annual Technical Meeting, Atlanta, GA, 2025*

Srivastava, V., Rate-dependent deformation, damage and fracture of soft polymers, *AmeriMech Symposium on Mechanics of Materials in Extreme Environment, Providence, RI, 2025*

Srivastava, V. (Invited speaker) and Konale, A., Rate-dependent deformation and fracture of soft polymers, *18th U.S. National Congress on Computational Mechanics, Chicago, IL 2025*

Srivastava, V. (Keynote speaker), pH-Modulating and Therapeutic-Delivering Biodegradable Hydrogels to Improve Cancer Therapy, *Biodegradable Polymers as Medical Implants Workshop, Scheme for Promotion of Academic and Research Collaboration, New Delhi, India, 2024*

Srivastava, V. (Invited speaker) and Konale, A., Damage and fracture modeling of soft polymers, ASME Drucker Symposium, *International Mechanical Engineering Congress & Exposition, Portland, OR 2024*

Srivastava, V. (Invited speaker), Convolutional and Physics-Informed Neural Networks for Structural Mechanics Problems, *Society of Engineering Science Annual Technical Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, 2023*

Konica, S. and **Srivastava, V.**, A mechanistic study of solid electrolyte interphase instability in Li metal anode batteries, *Society of Engineering Science Annual Technical Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, 2023*

Konale, A. and **Srivastava, V.**, A large deformation model for quasi-static to high strain rate response of rate-stiffening soft polymers, *Society of Engineering Science Annual Technical Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, 2023*

Kottila, V.V., Parambil, N.K., Guduru, P. and **Srivastava, V.**, Effect of water on unidirectional fiber-reinforced composite: a computational study, *Society of Engineering Science Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, 2023*

Konale, A., Ahmed, Z., and **Srivastava, V.**, A computational model for rate-dependent material state transition response of rate stiffening gels, *17th U.S. National Congress on Computational Mechanics, Albuquerque, NM, 2023*

Niu, S., Zhang, E., Bazilevs, Y., and **Srivastava, V.**, Computational Data-Based Convolutional and Physics-Based Neural Networks for Structural Mechanics Problems, *17th U.S. National Congress on Computational Mechanics, Albuquerque, NM, 2023*

Konale, A., Ahmed, Z., and **Srivastava, V.**, A large deformation continuum theory for strong rate-dependent and material phase transition response of shear stiffening gels, *Society of Engineering Science Annual Technical Meeting, College Station, TX, 2022*

Srivastava, V. (Keynote speaker), Coupled mechanics from metastable phase transitioning steels to shock absorbing gels, *19th U. S. National Congress on Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, Austin, TX, 2022*

Zong, J., and **Srivastava, V.**, A higher-order morphoelastic beam model for biologically growing tubes and filaments, *19th U. S. National Congress on Theoretical and Applied Mechanics, Austin, TX, 2022*

Niu, S., and **Srivastava, V.**, FEA trained CNN to accurately characterize a crack and classify interacting flaws from experimental ultrasound measurements, *19th U. S. National Congress on Theoretical and Applied Mechanics*, Austin, TX, 2022

Ahmed, Z., LoGiudice, K., and **Srivastava, V.**, Hydrogels to regulate extracellular pH in the breast cancer microenvironment and improve chemotherapeutic efficacy, *12th AACR-JCA Joint Conference Breakthroughs in Cancer Research: Translating Knowledge into Practice*, Maui, HI, 2022

Zhong, J., Lu, A., Bellala, V., LoGiudice, K., and **Srivastava, V.**, Elasto-Viscoplastic-Damage in High Density Polyethylene Under Chemical Environment, *Society of Experimental Mechanics*, Pittsburgh, PA, 2022

Kothari, M., Niu, S., and **Srivastava, V.**, A Thermo-mechanical Continuum Model for Phase-Transitioning Austenitic Steels at Low Temperatures, *ASME International Mechanical Engineering Congress and Exposition*, virtual, 2021

Usherwood, T., LaJoie, Z., and **Srivastava, V.**, A Population, Behavior, and Vaccination-Based Model for the COVID-19 Pandemic, *ASME International Mechanical Engineering Congress and Exposition*, virtual, 2021

Sampath, S.G., Lu, A., and **Srivastava, V.**, A Novel Minimally Invasive Nitinol Based Spinal Cord Stimulation Device for Improved Pain Management, *Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting*, virtual, 2021

LaJoie, Z., Usherwood, T., and **Srivastava, V.**, A Model and Predictions for COVID-19 Considering Population Behavior and Vaccination, *Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting*, virtual, 2021

Mays, G., Trivedi, S., Ahmed, Z., Logiudice K., and **Srivastava, V.**, A Hydrogel System for pH Regulation of the Tumor Microenvironment, *Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting*, virtual, 2021

Kothari, M. and **Srivastava, V.**, Thermo-mechanically coupled model for phase transition in austenitic steels for low temperature applications, *25th International Congress of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics*, virtual, 2021

Niu, S., and **Srivastava, V.**, Accurate NDT Characterization of Hidden Flaws with Mechanics and Machine Learning, *16th U.S. National Congress on Computational Mechanics*, virtual, 2021

Srivastava, V. (Invited Speaker) and Niu, S., Improved NDT Detection and Probabilistic Failure Prediction for Pipeline Anomalies, *PHMSA Pipeline Safety Research and Development Forum*, Arlington, VA, 2021

Kaiser, N.J., Bai, Y., **Srivastava, V.**, and Coulombe, K.L.K., Precision Collagen Microfiber Architecture for Engineering Tissue Anisotropy, *Regenerative Medicine Workshop*, Charleston, SC, 2020

Kaiser, N.J., Bai, Y., **Srivastava, V.**, and Coulombe, K.L.K., An Integrated Experimental-Computational Approach to Designing Bespoke Collagen Microfiber Architecture in Tissue Scaffolds for Anisotropic Mechanical Performance, *Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting*, Philadelphia, PA, 2019

PATENTS

pH regulating hydrogels that neutralize tumor acidosis and increase chemotherapy efficacy, **V. Srivastava, Z.**

Ahmed, S. Santoki, G. May, US12409187B2, granted 2025

<https://patents.google.com/patent/US12409187B2/en>

Shape Memory Alloy and Polymer Electrode Array for Minimally-Invasive Spinal Cord and Brain Stimulation and Recording, **V. Srivastava, A. Telfeian, and S. Sampath**, Patent No. 202190000584.6 (patent in China granted, U.S. in process)

Finalist in the American Academy of Pain Medicine x MIT Hacking Medicine Innovation Challenge, Miami, FL 2023

Computationally Trained Machine Learning Models for Non-Destructive Evaluation of Material and Structural Flaws, **V. Srivastava** and S. Niu, filed 2024

RESEARCH GRANTS

Source of Support: U.S. Department of Defense, Office of Naval Research

Title: Materials and Structures in Extreme Environments: Modeling, Experiments, and Data-Driven Design

Dates: 12/01/2025 – 11/30/2028

Role on Grant: PI, **Overall Grant Amount:** \$5,382,100

Lead Investigator for the research thrust “Polymers, Nature-Inspired Structures and Anti-Biofouling Solutions for Undersea Applications”

Brown School of Engineering News: <https://engineering.brown.edu/news/2026-01-12/srivastava-54m-grant>

Source of Support: U.S. Department of Defense, Naval Surface Warfare Center

Title: Mechanical Properties, Damage, and Failure in Additively Manufactured Advanced Polymers Subjected to Long-Term Seawater Exposure

Dates: 04/01/2025 – 03/30/2028

Role on Grant: PI, **Grant Amount:** \$300,000

Award: Dean’s Award in Bioengineering

Source of Support: Brown University

Title: Advancing and translating cancer therapy research toward pre-clinical studies

Dates: 07/01/2024 – 06/30/2025 **(Completed)**

Role on Grant: PI, **Grant Amount:** \$25,000

Source of Support: U.S. Department of Transportation

Title: Selection and Development of Safer Polymer and Composite Pipeline Liners through Microstructural and Macroscopic Study of Materials and Designs

Dates: 04/01/2023– 03/30/2026 **(Completed)**

Role on Grant: PI, **Grant Amount:** \$1,000,000

Source of Support: U.S. Department of Defense, Office of Naval Research

Title: Undersea Vehicle Science and Technologies: Multifunctional Structural Batteries, Materials for Extreme Environments and Multi-Metal Additive Manufacturing

Dates: 06/01/2023 – 05/30/2027

Role on Grant: Co-PI, **Grant Amount:** \$2,762,558

Lead Investigator for the research thrust “Soft tissue and cell damage under impact and shock loads”

Source of Support: U.S. Department of Defense, Office of Naval Research

Title: Predictive Modeling and Simulation for Next Generation Naval Undersea Vehicles and Platforms

Dates: 06/01/2022 – 05/30/2026

Role on Grant: Co-PI, **Grant Amount:** \$4,684,264

Lead Investigator for the research thrust “Deformation and damage of FRP and advanced composites.”

Source of Support: U.S. Department of Defense, Office of Naval Research

Title: Undersea Vehicle Science and Technologies: Multifunctional Structural Batteries, Materials for Extreme Environments and Multi-Metal Additive Manufacturing

Dates: 08/01/2022 – 07/31/2026

Role on Grant: Co-PI, **Overall Grant Amount:** \$3,751,412

Lead Investigator for the research area “Materials and Structures for Extreme Environment”

Brown School of Engineering News: <https://engineering.brown.edu/news/2021-09-27/onr-award>

Award: Brown Biomedical Innovations to Impact

Source of Support: Brown University

Title: Shape Memory Alloy Novel Minimally Invasive Neural Stimulation Device for Improved Pain Management

Dates: 10/01/2022 – 09/30/2023 **(Completed)**

Role on Grant: PI, **Grant Amount:** \$100,000

Brown University News: <https://www.brown.edu/news/2022-11-30/bbii>

Brown School of Engineering News: <https://engineering.brown.edu/news/2022-12-01/bbii-awards-2022>

Source of Support: General Motors

Title: General Motors-Brown University Collaborative Research Laboratory in Computational Materials Research

Dates: 12/01/2021 – 06/30/2024 **(Completed)**

Role on Grant: Co-PI (\$200,000), **Overall Grant Amount:** \$1,250,000

Lead Investigator for the “Modeling of Li metal deformation and SEI failure in Li-battery anode”

Source of Support: U.S. Department of Transportation

Title: Modeling Slow Crack Growth Under Thermal and Chemical Effects and Accurate NDT of Cracks for Fitness Predictions of Polyethylene Pipes

Dates: 09/01/2020 – 08/31/2023 **(Completed)**

Role on Grant: PI, **Grant Amount:** \$250,000

Award: Research Seed Award

Source of Support: Brown University

Title: Responsive Hydrogel Based pH Regulation of Cancer Tumor Microenvironment to Reduce Metastasis

Dates: 03/01/2021 – 06/30/2023 **(Completed)**

Role on Grant: PI, **Grant Amount:** \$50,000

News articles: [Brown Herald](#) and [Brown 2021-seed-awardees](#)

Source of Support: Rhode Island State Commerce Corporation, Hitachi

Title: Understanding Microstructural Variables and their effects on Thermoplastic Polyurethane Properties

Dates: 10/01/2020 – 07/31/2021 **(Completed)**

Role on Grant: PI, **Grant Amount:** \$50,000

Award: Richard B. Solomon Faculty Research Award to recognize excellence in scholarship

Source of Support: Brown University

Title: Bio-inspired Novel Hydrogel Architecture for Energy Harvesting

Dates: 05/01/2020 – 06/30/2022 **(Completed)**

Role on Grant: PI, **Grant Amount:** \$13,300

Brown School of Engineering News: <https://engineering.brown.edu/news/2020-04-08/university-awards>

Source of Support: U.S. Department of Transportation

Title: Improved NDT Detection and Probabilistic Failure Prediction for Interacting Pipeline Anomalies

Dates: 10/01/2019 – 09/30/2022 **(Completed)**

Role on Grant: PI, **Grant Amount:** \$250,000

Source of Support: Rhode Island State Commerce Corporation, Gliaview LLC

Title: Biopolymers for Cranial Prosthesis Application

Dates: 06/01/2019 – 05/31/2020 **(Completed)**

Role on Grant: PI, **Grant Amount:** \$50,000

TEACHING

Course evaluation scale: *Highest effectiveness* = 5 to *Lowest effectiveness* = 1

Brown Engineering News: <https://engineering.brown.edu/news/2023-05-02/teaching-mentoring-dei-awards>

Undergraduate Course:

ENGN 1210: Biomechanics	<i>(upper-level core course)</i>
• Spring 2026: 42 students (95% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 4.75;	Course Effectiveness: 4.63
• Spring 2025: 42 students (88% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 4.78;	Course Effectiveness: 4.88
• Spring 2024: 34 students (85% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 4.67;	Course Effectiveness: 4.56
• Spring 2023: 42 students (86% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 4.79;	Course Effectiveness: 4.65
• Spring 2022: 33 students (88% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 4.77;	Course Effectiveness: 4.58
• Spring 2021: 26 students (77% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 4.95;	Course Effectiveness: 4.74
• Spring 2020: 27 students (96% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 4.88;	Course Effectiveness: 4.74
• Spring 2019: 22 students (82% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 4.67;	Course Effectiveness: 4.44

ENGN 1750: Advanced Solid Mechanics	<i>(upper-level elective)</i>
• Fall 2025: 13 students (62% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 4.67;	Course Effectiveness: 4.5

Graduate Course:

ENGN 2911R: Analytical Modeling for Biomechanical and Biomedical Systems	<i>(new course developed in 2018)</i>
• Fall 2024: 15 students (80% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 4.91;	Course Effectiveness: 4.75
• Fall 2021: 15 students (93% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 4.93;	Course Effectiveness: 4.93
• Fall 2020: 22 students (91% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 4.70;	Course Effectiveness: 4.68
• Fall 2019: 13 students (100% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 5.00;	Course Effectiveness: 5.00
• Fall 2018: 9 students (89% response). Instructor Effectiveness: 5.00;	Course Effectiveness: 4.63

Brown School of Engineering News: <https://engineering.brown.edu/news/2020-04-17/conversations-covid>

Course Instructor at ExxonMobil

• Fitness for Service of Structures: Overview and Case Studies	2017
• Offshore and Arctic Engineering: Deepwater Field Development	2013 –2014
• Floating Drilling School: Drilling Riser and Stationkeeping Systems	2012 – 2014

ADVISING

Postdoctoral fellows advised

Keven Alkhoury, Ph.D. (Solid Mechanics)	2024 – current
Damage and failure of polymers	
Vaishakh Kotilla Veedu, Ph.D. (Solid Mechanics)	2022 – 2025
Hygroscopic damage and failure of fiber-reinforced composites	
(next position: Lecturer in Mechanical Engineering at the Auckland University of Technology)	
Shabnam Konica, Ph.D. (Solid Mechanics)	2022 – 2023
Continuum scale modeling of Li anode surface instabilities	
(next position: FEA Developer, Dassault Systèmes)	

Jun Zhong, Ph.D.	(Solid Mechanics)	2020 – 2022
Modeling of cell-extracellular matrix interactions, polyethylene damage and failure modeling (next position: Scientist, Bristol Myers Squibb)		
Mrityunjay Kothari, Ph.D.	(Solid Mechanics)	2018 – 2019
Thermo-mechanically coupled modeling of metastable austenitic steels (next position: tenure-track Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering at the University of New Hampshire)		

Doctoral dissertations supervised

Prathik Narayanan	(Solid Mechanics)	2024 – current
Expected Completion: 2028		
Deepro Ghosh	(Solid Mechanics)	2023 – current
Expected Completion: 2027		
Kevin LoGiudice	(Biomedical Engineering)	2021 – current
Expected Completion: 2027		
Zahra Ahmed	(Biomedical Engineering)	2019 – current
Expected Completion: 2026		
Aditya Konale	(Solid Mechanics)	2021 – 2026 (Graduated)
<u>Thesis:</u> Soft Material Deformation and Damage Mechanics: Experiments, Modeling and Computations <i>School of Engineering Best Dissertation Award</i> (position after graduation: Applied Materials)		
Sijun Niu	(Solid Mechanics)	2018 – 2022 (Graduated)
<u>Thesis:</u> Finite Element and Neural Networks for Flaw Characterization and Plasticity Models (position after graduation: Display Mechanical Engineer, Apple Inc.)		

Master's thesis supervised

Megha Agrawal	(Biomedical Engineering)	2025 - current
<u>Thesis:</u> Biomechanics of wrist joints		
Matthew Fang	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2026)
<u>Thesis:</u> Characterization of Alkaline-Accelerated Degradation of 3D-Printed Polylactic Acid Scaffolds		
Dingyi Yang	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2025)
<u>Thesis:</u> Mechanobiological Effects of Residual Stress on Epithelial Cell Morphology		
Tarik Matthew Simpson	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2025)
<u>Thesis:</u> A preliminary investigation of damage in marine mammal tissue due to mechanical loads using silicon rubber (ECOFLEX) as a representative material		
Rachel Rowey	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2025)
<u>Thesis:</u> Development of a Method for A-Scan Ultrasound Localization of Solid, Nonpalpable Breast Lesions		
Karolina Palac	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2025)
<u>Thesis:</u> Development of a Method for A-Scan Ultrasound Localization of Solid, Nonpalpable Breast Lesions		
Dashaun Simon	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2024)
<u>Thesis:</u> An Experimental Study of a Flexible, Self-Healing Strain Sensor		
Hyun Young Nam	(Solid Mechanics)	Graduated (2023)
<u>Thesis:</u> A Slow Crack Growth Model for High-Density Polyethylene under Thermal and Chemical Environment (next position: Ph.D. student at Brown University)		

Francesca Abulencia	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2023)
<u>Thesis:</u> A Method for the Detection and Characterization of Breast Tumors using Ultrasound with CNN		
(next position: Clinical Informatics Analyst, InterSystems)		
Andrea Lu	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2022)
<u>Thesis:</u> Response and Failure of HDPE and UHMWPE under Chemical, Biological, and Thermal Environments		
(next position: Associate Marketing Manager, BD Medical Device Company)		
Anna Rusnak	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2022)
<u>Thesis:</u> Using Convolutional Neural Network for Early Breast Cancer Detection		
(next position: Research Associate, Computational Biology/AI at FL84)		
Gavin May	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2022)
<u>Thesis:</u> Effect of pH-Regulation on Chemotherapeutic Efficacy		
(next position: Ph.D. student at Yale University)		
Kevin LoGiudice	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2021)
<u>Thesis:</u> Responsive Hydrogel-Based pH Regulation to Reduce Malignant Phenotypes in Breast Cancer Cells (next position: Ph.D. student at Brown University)		
Shruti Trivedi	(Chemical Engineering)	Graduated (2021)
<u>Thesis:</u> Development of Hydrogel Systems for pH Regulation of Cancer Tumor Microenvironment		
(next position: Senior Associate Scientist at Pfizer Pharmaceutical R&D)		
Shailen Sampath	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2021)
<u>Thesis:</u> Shape Memory Nitinol Based Minimally Invasive Spinal Cord Stimulation Lead Concept for Pain Relief		
(next position: Medical student at Columbia University)		
Yifei Bai	(Solid Mechanics)	Graduated (2020)
<u>Thesis:</u> Computational modeling of anisotropic engineered heart tissue		
(next position: Ph.D. student at the University of Oxford)		
Savan Santoki	(Fluid Mechanics)	Graduated (2020)
<u>Thesis:</u> A biocompatible hydrogel system for active pH control		
(next position: Founder, Advanced Magnetic Products)		
Luis Marquez	(Fluid Mechanics)	Graduated (2020)
<u>Thesis:</u> Design and analysis of a new minimally invasive spinal cord stimulation device		
(next position: Mechanical Engineer at Veranex)		

Undergraduate honors research thesis supervised

Owen Landry	2026
<u>Thesis:</u> Strain Rate Material Response of Synthetic Tissue Surrogates of the Marine Mammal melon	
Stella Chen	2025
<u>Thesis:</u> Damage and Failure of Polylactic Acid Filament in a Saltwater Environment	
Daanish Aleem Qureshi	2025
<u>Thesis:</u> Detecting Dietary Patterns and Health Status Using Machine Learning Through Photos of Hands	
Jamie Saito	2025
<u>Thesis:</u> Acidosis and Hypoxia Induced Responses in Patient-Derived Organoids Drive Development of pH-Modulating Hydrogel Immunotherapy	
Justin Moustouka	2025
<u>Thesis:</u> Development of a Tunable Microfabrication-Based Platform for Cell Migration Studies under 3D Spatial Confinement	
Angelina Schorr	2024
<u>Thesis:</u> Cancer Cell Response to Chemical Stimuli in Engineered Tumor Microenvironments	

Rachel Rowey	2024
<u>Thesis:</u> Immune Checkpoint Inhibitor Releasing and pH-Modulating Hydrogels for Acidosis-Dependent Immunosuppression	
Karolina Palac	2024
<u>Thesis:</u> Mechanical Considerations for In Vitro Studies of Cell Behavior	
Venkatsai Bellala	2024
<u>Thesis:</u> Development of a Drop Tower to Experimentally Study Moderate Rate Cell Injury	
Ishita Gupta	2024
<u>Thesis:</u> Inducing polymer mesophases and analyzing their properties in non-mesogenic polymers	
Ruth Sullivan	2023
<u>Thesis:</u> Experimental Validation of FEA Trained Neural Network for Characterization of Soft Tissue Anomalies	
Zachary LaJoie	2022
<u>Thesis:</u> A mathematical model for COVID-19 considering population behavior, variants, and vaccination	
Shailen Sampath	2020
<u>Thesis:</u> Design of Minimally Invasive Percutaneous Spinal Cord Stimulation Leads using Shape Memory Polymer and Super Elastic Alloy	

Ph.D. thesis committees served

Jiahao Liu	(Solid Mechanics)	2026 - current
(Thesis Advisor: Yuri Bazilevs, Ph.D.)		
Zoe Pace	(Biomedical Engineering)	2026 - current
(Thesis Advisor: Kareen Coulombe, Ph.D.)		
Zakhar Lyakhovych	(Biomedical Engineering)	2025 – current
(Thesis Advisor: Edith Mathiowitz, Ph.D.)		
Landon Begin	(Biomedical Engineering)	2025 – current
(Thesis Advisor: Joseph Crisco, Ph.D.)		
Basel White	(Biomedical Engineering)	2025 – current
(Thesis Advisor: Michelle Dawson, Ph.D.)		
Sarah Planchak	(Biomedical Engineering)	2025 – current
(Thesis Advisor: Anubhav Tripathi, Ph.D.)		
Lily Cordner	(Biomedical Engineering)	2024 – current
(Thesis Advisor: Ian Wong, Ph.D.)		
Nazanin Ahmadi	(Biomedical Engineering)	2024 – current
(Thesis Advisor: George Karniadakis, Ph.D.)		
Alex Hruska	(Biomedical Engineering)	2023 – current
(Thesis Advisor: Ian Wong, Ph.D.)		
Krishangi Krishna	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2026)
(Thesis Advisor: Kimani Toussaint, Ph.D.)		
Ke Ma	(Solid Mechanics)	Graduated (2026)
(Thesis Advisor: Yuri Bazilevs, Ph.D.)		
Zicheng Yan	(Solid Mechanics)	Graduated (2025)
(Thesis Advisor: David Hennen, Ph.D.)		
Shaunak Shende	(Solid Mechanics)	Graduated (2025)
(Thesis Advisor: Yuri Bazilevs, Ph.D.)		
Kiera Dwyer	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2025)
(Thesis Advisor: Kareen Coulombe, Ph.D.)		

Harsh Jagad	(Materials Engineering)	Graduated (2025)
(Thesis Advisor: Yue Qi, Ph.D.)		
Mitchell Harling	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2024)
(Thesis Advisor: Kimani Toussaint, Ph.D.)		
Deanna Stueber	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2024)
(Thesis Advisor: Vicki Colvin, Ph.D.)		
Weican Li	(Solid Mechanics)	Graduated (2024)
(Thesis Advisor: Yuri Bazilevs, Ph.D.)		
Josephine Kalshoven	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2024)
(Thesis Advisor: Joseph Crisco, Ph.D.)		
Cu Huy	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2024)
(Thesis Advisor: Arto Nurmikko, Ph.D.)		
Ramisa Fariha	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2024)
(Thesis Advisor: Anubhav Tripathi, Ph.D.)		
Enrui Zhang	(Applied Mathematics)	Graduated (2023)
(Thesis Advisor: George Karniadakis, Ph.D.)		
Ryan Dubay	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2023)
(Thesis Advisor: Eric Darling, Ph.D.)		
Alicia Minor	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2023)
(Thesis Advisor: Kareen Coulombe, Ph.D.)		
Wenqiang Fang	(Solid Mechanics)	Graduated (2022)
(Thesis Advisor: Haneesh Kesari, Ph.D.)		
Cameron Baptista	(Biomedical Engineering)	Graduated (2022)
(Thesis Advisor: Edith Mathiowitz, Ph.D.)		
Xiuqi Li	(Solid Mechanics)	Graduated (2021)
(Thesis Advisor: David Henann, Ph.D.)		
Yixiang Deng	(Fluids and Thermal Sciences)	Graduated (2021)
(Thesis Advisor: George Karniadakis, Ph.D.)		
Weilin Deng	(Solid Mechanics)	Graduated (2019)
(Thesis Advisor: Haneesh Kesari, Ph.D.)		
Kaushik Vijaykumar	(Solid Mechanics)	Graduated (2019)
(Thesis Advisor: Haneesh Kesari, Ph.D.)		
Michael Jandron	(Solid Mechanics)	Graduated (2019)
(Thesis Advisor: David Henann, Ph.D.)		

Master's thesis committees served

Anh Vu	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Ian Wong, Ph.D.)	2026
Alfonso De Los Cobos	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Joseph Crisco, M.D.)	2026
Nicholas Nocevski	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Jeffrey Morgan, Ph.D.)	2026
Sharon Roberts	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Eric Darling, Ph.D.)	2026
Jack Blocker	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Anita Shukla, Ph.D.)	2026
Amulya Kadaba	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Jillian Beveridge, Ph.D.)	2025
Jinqian Li	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: George Karniadakis, Ph.D.)	2025
Samantha Zalk	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Jillian Beveridge, Ph.D.)	2024

Achilles Gatsonis	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: George Karniadakis, Ph.D.)	2024
Alejandro Marzoratti	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Ian Wang, Ph.D.)	2023
Madison Altieri	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Joseph Crisco, M.D.)	2023
Braxton Morrison	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Michelle Dawson, Ph.D.)	2023
Dana Leichter	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Richard Gilbert, M.D.)	2022
Anyaa Shah	(Biotech, Thesis Advisor: Edith Mathiowitz, Ph.D.)	2022
Itzel Aponte	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Vicki Colvin, Ph.D.)	2021
Tobias Clevinger	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Edith Mathiowitz, Ph.D.)	2021
Julian Montagut	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Jonghwan Lee, Ph.D.)	2020
Sheila Velagapudi	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Edith Mathiowitz, Ph.D.)	2020
Gina Vimbela	(Biomedical Engineering, Thesis Advisor: Anubhav Tripathi, Ph.D.)	2019
Travis Nguyen	(Biotechnology, Thesis Advisor: Edith Mathiowitz, Ph.D.)	2019

Undergraduate researchers advised

Yana Boneva, Amherst College, Physics, Class of 2028	2026 – current
Sanidhya Dwivedi, University of Rhode Island, Physics, Class of 2027	2026 – current
Ryan Li, Mechanical Engineering, Class of 2029	2026 – current
Daniel Hu, Mechanical Engineering and Applied Math, Class of 2028	2026 – current
Daniela Suarez, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2029	2025 – current
Nour Mousbah, Mechanical Engineering, Class of 2028	2025 – current
Nikash Long, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2028	2025 – current
Owen Landry, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2028	2025 – current
Melissa Truong**, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2028	2025 – current
Dariana Alvarez-Ortiz**, Mechanical Engineering, Class of 2028	2025 – current
Blane Henok**, Electrical Engineering, Class of 2028	2025 – current
Talia Lang**, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2028	2025 – current
Angela Zeng**, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2028	2025 – current
Riyan Amin, UIUC Mechanical Engineering, Class of 2027	2025
Valeria Quero**, Computer Science, Class of 2028	2025
Katrina Truong, Mechanical Engineering, Class of 2026	2024 – 2025
Mia Kamisato**, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2027	2024 – current
Emilio Peveri**, Applied Math and Biology, Class of 2026	2024 – current
Xinai Zhang, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2026	2024 – 2025
Hellie Chen**, Materials Engineering, Class of 2027	2024 – 2025
Ian Lau**, Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Class of 2026	2023 – current
Justin Moustouka***, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2025	2024 – 2025
Stella Chen**,***, Mechanical Engineering, Class of 2025	2023 – 2025
Jamie Saito***, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2025	2023 – 2025
Daanish Qureshi, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2025	2022 – 2025
Angelina Clark, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2025	2023 – 2024
Manu Chigzoie**, Chemical Engineering, Class of 2026	2024

Joseph Olagundoye**, Computer Engineering, Class of 2026	2024
Rachel Rowey^^^****, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2024	2022 – 2024
Karolina Palac****, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2024	2022 – 2024
Angelina Schorr^^**** ^{xx} , Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2024	2021 – 2024
Venkatsai Bellala****, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2024	2020 – 2024
Ruth Sullivan****, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2023	2020 – 2023
Serly Chohmalian**, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2026	2023
Eshanika Urs, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2026	2023
Thomas Usherwood ⁺ , ^{xx} , Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2022	2020 – 2022
Zachary LaJoie****^^^, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2022	2020 – 2022
William Back**, Engineering Physics, Class of 2022	2020 – 2021
Roberto Castro**, Chemical Engineering, Class of 2022	2019 – 2021
Amy Oh, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2022	2018 – 2021
Shailen Sampath****, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2020	2019 – 2020
Isaac Nathoo**, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2021	2018 – 2020
Norbesida Bagabila**, Biomedical Engineering, Class of 2021	2019
Sarah Berman, Meredie Cohen, and Mariko Kishimoto (Capstone advisor)	2020
*Barry Goldwater Scholarship, ^Outstanding BME Senior Award, **Presidential Scholarship, ^{xx} NSF GRF, ^^The Neal Mitchell '58 Systems Thinking Project Award, ^^^Doris M. and Norman T. Halpin Prize, **UTRA Undergraduate Research Award, ****Honors Thesis Advisee	

OUTREACH AND SERVICE

To the university

Director of Graduate Studies for Biomedical Engineering Program	2024 – present
Exploratory Academic Advisor	2019 – present
Biomedical Engineering Concentration Advisor	2022 – 2024
Biomedical Engineering Graduate Program Committee Member	2021 – 2022
Hibbitt and Hope St Postdoc Fellows Committee	2023 – 2024
Biomedical Engineering Industry Liaison	2019 – 2024
Honors Thesis Program Committee, School of Engineering	2018 – 2024
Critical Challenge Project Advisor, Executive Masters in Science & Technology Leadership	2018 – 2023

To the profession

Reviewer for journals: *Acta Biomaterialia*, *Journal of the Mechanics and Physics of Solids*, *Mechanics of Materials*, *International Journal of Plasticity*, *International Journal of Solids and Structures*, *Journal of Applied Mechanics*, *Soft Matter*, *International Journal of Mechanical Science*, *Engineering with Computers*, *Extreme Mechanics Letters*, *Composites Part B*, *Experimental Mechanics*, *International Journal of Impact Engineering*, *Carbohydrate Polymers*, *Cellular and Molecular Bioengineering*, *Cold Regions Science and Technology*, *Materials Today Communications*, *Energy*, *Materials & Design*, *Computers in Biology and Medicine*, *Computers and Structures*, *European Journal of Mechanics /A Solids*, *International Journal of Numerical Methods in Biomedical Engineering*, *Scientific Reports*, *ACS Biomaterials Science & Engineering*, *Composites Communications*

Organized the AmeriMech Symposium on “Mechanics of Materials in Extreme Environments” at Brown University (Providence, RI) in 2025. **Brown News:** <https://engineering.brown.edu/news/2025-09-25/amerimech>

Organized a mini symposium on “Mechanics of Materials under Extreme Environments” in the U.S. National Congress on Computational Mechanics (Chicago, 2025).

Organizer for MiniSymposia on “Soft Materials” in Society for Engineering Science (Austin 2023, Atlanta 2025, West Lafayette 2026) and on “Mechanics of Materials under Extreme Environments” in the U.S. National Congress on Computational Mechanics (Chicago, 2025).

Panel: U.S. Department of Transportation PHMSA Core R&D Program 2020

Panel: National Science Foundation, Division of Civil, Mechanical and Manufacturing Innovation 2019

Advisory Board Member, High-Pressure High-Temperature Subsea Systems 2017 – 2018
DeepStar Global Offshore Technology Development Consortium (Represented ExxonMobil on a board including leaders from other oil and gas majors (Chevron, Equinor, Occidental, and Shell)

Member of the Ph.D. Board of Examiners for the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi 2023 – present
Symposium co-chair: Society of Experimental Mechanics (2023), Society of Engineering Science (2023)

To the community

Faculty advisor to South Asian scholars in STEM (SASS) for student professional development 2023 – present

STEM Outreach: Lectures to *Lincoln School* (all girls K-12) on mechanics of materials 2019, 2020, 2021

Invited lecture titled “*Arctic, Energy and Environment*” 2019

for the Brown course titled Social Impact of Emerging Technologies – The Role of Scientists/Engineers

Invited speaker, Brown Biomedical Engineering and Biotechnology Ph.D. program annual retreat 2019

Panelist “Transition from postdoc to faculty,” Brown postdoctoral retreat 2019

Panelist “Getting into the industry as a Ph.D. scientist/engineer,” 2019

Brown Biomedical Engineering and Biotechnology Ph.D. program annual retreat

Panelist “Industry perspective,” Brown Biomedical Engineering Society 2019

ExxonMobil’s Campus Ambassador to M.I.T. 2014 – 2017

AFFILIATIONS

American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Materials Research Society, Society of Engineering Science, Society of Experimental Mechanics, Biomedical Engineering Society