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### **Education**

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#### **University of Michigan**

Doctor of Philosophy in Biomedical Engineering

Ann Arbor, Michigan

Expected Spring 2028

#### **University of Kansas**

Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering

Minor in Business, Minor in Biomedical Engineering

Honors Program

Lawrence, Kansas

May 2023

### **Research Experience**

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#### **University of Michigan, Graduate Student**

*Department of Biomedical Engineering*

Research Mentor: Dr. Alexandra Piotrowski-Daspit

Exploration of polymeric nanoparticles for nucleic acid delivery to multiple organs *in vivo* with a focus on engineering decoy nanoparticles for improved tissue tropism and reduced off-target accumulation

Ann Arbor, Michigan

2023-Present

#### **University of Kansas, Undergraduate Researcher**

*Department of Pharmaceutical Science*

Research Mentors: Dr. Cory Berkland and Dr. Grant Downes

Functionalization and synthesis of pro-insulin for antigen-specific immunotherapy for Type 1 Diabetes

Lawrence, Kansas

2021-2023

#### **Johns Hopkins University, REU Summer Scholar**

*Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering*

Research Mentors: Dr. Sangmoo Jeong and Alli Abolarin

Role of serine and glycine modulation on the metabolic behavior of acute myeloid leukemia for use in combination therapies for synergistic therapeutic efficacy

Baltimore, Maryland

Summer 2022

**University of Nebraska Lincoln, REU Summer Scholar** Lincoln, Nebraska  
*Department of Biological Systems Engineering* Summer 2021  
Research Mentors: Dr. Angela Pannier and Kari Heck  
Optimization of loading plasmid DNA into bacterial outer membrane vesicles for oral vaccine and gene delivery platform

**University of Kansas, Undergraduate Researcher** Lawrence, Kansas  
*Department of Bioengineering* 2020- 2021  
Research Mentors: Dr. Kenneth Fischer and Dr. Nolan Norton  
Segmentation of thumb metacarpal and trapezium bones from MRI scans for development of 3-D models and analysis of osteoarthritic risk of micropipette operation.

**University of Kansas, Undergraduate Researcher** Lawrence, Kansas  
*Department of Chemical Engineering* 2019-2020  
Research Mentors: Dr. Mei He and Dr. Shaobo Ruan  
Investigation of UV light treatment for increased exosome secretion of cells

**University of Kansas Medical Center, Biotechnology Program** Kansas City, Kansas  
*Department of Cancer Biology* 2018-2019  
Research Mentors: Dr. Prasad Dandawate and Dr. Shrikant Anant  
Cucurbitacin B and I inhibits colon cancer cell growth by targeting the Notch signaling pathway

## **Publications**

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**Panovich, P.** Ganesan, A. Angadi, A. Piotrowski-Daspit, A. Recent Advances in the Application of Polymeric Nanoparticles to the Pulmonary Delivery of mRNA, *Nanomedicine*, In Review

**Panovich, P.**, Piotrowski-Daspit, A. Engineered Decoys Prevent Phagocytic Clearance of Therapeutic Nanoparticles, *in preparation*.

Dandawate, P., Subramaniam, D., **Panovich, P.**, Standing, D., Krishnamachary, B., Kaushik, G., Thomas, S. M., Dhar, A., Weir, S. J., Jensen, R. A., & Anant, S. (2020). Cucurbitacin B and I inhibits colon cancer growth by targeting the Notch signaling pathway. *Scientific Reports*, 10(1), 1.

## **Presentations**

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**Annual Biomedical Engineering Society Meeting** October 2024  
Poster presentation on “Cargo-free Nanoparticle and Esomeprazole decoys Prevent Phagocytic Clearance of Therapeutic Polymeric Nanoparticles”

**Bio-interfaces and Regenerative Medicine Monthly Meeting** August 2024  
Oral presentation on “Cargo-free Nanoparticle and Esomeprazole decoys Prevent Phagocytic Clearance of Therapeutic Polymeric Nanoparticles”

**Ohio Valley Cystic Fibrosis Consortium, Columbus Ohio** March 2024  
Poster Presentation on “Engineered Decoy Pretreatment Avoids Phagocytic Clearance of Polymeric Nanoparticles”

**Institute for Nano Biotechnology In-House Symposium, Johns Hopkins University** August 2022  
Oral presentation on “Effect of Serine/Glycine on Metabolic Behavior of Acute Myeloid Leukemia”

**Annual C.A.R.E.S Symposium, Johns Hopkins University** July 2022  
Oral presentation on “Effect of Serine/Glycine on Metabolic Behavior of Acute Myeloid Leukemia”

**Annual Biomedical Engineering Society Meeting** October 2021  
Poster presentation on “Optimization of Loading Plasmid DNA into Bacterial Outer Membrane Vesicles”

**Summer Research Program Symposium, University of Nebraska-Lincoln** July 2021  
Poster presentation on “Optimization of Loading Plasmid DNA into Bacterial Outer Membrane Vesicles”

**University of Kansas Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Kansas** April 2021  
Oral presentation on “Developing 3-D Models of Thumb Carpometacarpal Joints to Analyze Impact of Pipette Operation”

**INTEL International Science and Engineering Fair, Phoenix Arizona** May 2019  
Poster presentation on “The Effect of Cucurbitacin B and I on Colon Cancer Cell Proliferation”

### **Abstracts at Scholarly Meetings**

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**Peyton Panovich**, Alexandra Piotrowski-Daspit (2024): Engineered Pretreatment Prevents Phagocytic Clearance of Therapeutic Nanoparticles, *Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting*: Baltimore, MD

**Peyton Panovich**, Kari Heck, Amanda E. Ramer-Tait, Angela K. Pannier (2021): Optimization of Loading Plasmid DNA into Bacterial Outer Membrane Vesicles, *Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting*: Orlando, FL (virtual attendance)

### **Workshops and Trainings**

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**NextProf Pathfinder** October 2024  
Workshop designed to prepare early career graduate students for careers in academia

### **Mentoring Experience**

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Mentored BME undergraduate, Aditi Ganesan, University of Michigan 2024-Present

## Leadership

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Biomedical Engineering Graduate Student Council <i>Retreat Chair</i>	2024-Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Managed annual planning of departmental retreat for new and returning graduate students</li></ul>	
Biomedical Engineering Graduate Student Council <i>Social Committee Member</i>	2023-Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Organized inter departmental mixers between chemical engineering, biomedical engineering, and pharmaceutical science departments</li></ul>	
SELF Engineering Leadership Program <i>Junior-Admit Fellow</i>	2021-2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Executed “Undergraduate Research Involvement Fair” as personal capstone project</li><li>Room and Space lead for High School Design planning committee</li></ul>	
Engineering Student Council <i>Vice President of Finance</i>	2021-2022
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Directed Funding Advisory Committee for School of Engineering</li><li>Distributed funding to student organizations</li></ul>	
Engineering Student Council <i>EXPO Finance Chair</i>	2020-2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Assisted in organizing Engineering Expo event for elementary and middle school students</li><li>Tabulated and monitored budget throughout the project</li></ul>	

## Awards and Honors

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National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship: Honorable Mention	2024
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Awarded to meritorious applications</li></ul>	
Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honors Society	2021-Present
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Engineering honor society recognized by esteemed scholarship and honorary character across all engineering disciplines</li></ul>	
Undergraduate Research Award	2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Research scholarships awarded to students pursuing creative independent research projects during their undergraduate education at the University of Kansas</li></ul>	
STEMMY Nominee	2020 & 2021
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Recognizes exemplary female scientists in Kansas City Area to increase gender diversity in STEM fields</li></ul>	
Dean’s Honor Roll All Semesters	2019-2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Awarded to top 10% of students within their field of study at the University of Kansas</li></ul>	

## Professional Memberships

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- American Society of Engineering Educators
- Biomedical Engineering Society
- American Institute of Chemical Engineers
- Society of Women Engineers

## References

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