

NJIT Sixth International Summer Research Symposium August 1st





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August 1, 2013

Welcome to New Jersey Institute of Technology's Sixth International Summer Research Symposium. It is indeed an honor and a pleasure to be the Chair of the 2013 International Summer Research Symposium and join with Program Directors Dr. Durgamadhab Misra (ECE), Dr. Sunil Saigal (CE), Drs. Bryan Pfister and Raquel Perez-Castillejos (BME), Mr. Balraj Mani (ME), Dr. Michael Ehrlich (SOM), Dr. John Federici (Physics), Dr. J. Meegoda (CE), and Ms. Zara Williams (McNair) in hosting the program.

The 2013 Research Symposium is the sixth such event showcasing the research efforts of undergraduate students from the NJIT Ronald E. McNair Program, Provost Summer Research Program, NSF REU Site on Neural Engineering Program, NJIT Summer Lean Innovation Accelerator Program, Heritage Institute of Technology, Kolkata, West Bengal, India, SKP Engineering College, Tiruvannanmalai, Tamil Nadu, India, Panipat Institute of Engineering Technology, Panipat, Haryana, India, and graduate students from Beijing University of Technology.

Ninety nine participants from the ten (10) programs will present posters describing their research accomplishments under the guidance of NJIT Faculty. This research symposium is the largest such event ever held at NJIT. We are extremely proud of the research efforts of all these students, the quality of the research presentations and the strong support of the NJIT faculty and staff in contributing to the success of today's event.

Angelo J. Perna, PhD

Symposium Chair and

McNair Program Director



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In an increasingly complex, global and technological society, it is critical that more students are encouraged to seek post-baccalaureate education in science, engineering and technology fields. NJIT has multiple initiatives of very high quality to achieve this outcome. The Sixth Annual International Summer Research Symposium combines ten excellent summer programs that provide opportunities for post-baccalaureate education and undergraduate research and provides evidence of these hard-wrought outcomes.

Under the very able leadership of the NJIT McNair staff, particularly that of its Director Dr. Angelo J. Perna and the program directors, this program continues to expand and offer opportunities to students to hone their academic and research skills.

With these outstanding achievements as our foundation, I look forward to the Sixth International Summer Research Symposium, the students' presentations and recognition of the faculty mentors. We thank the students for their diligence and hard work and the faculty mentors for the extra effort of our students. NJIT is clearly a leader in the state, nationally and globally in providing highly educated graduate students who are research competent.

Sincerely

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President







Dr. Angelo J. Perna and Ms. Zara Williams Program Directors

Paulina Alvarez (NJIT) - Chemical Engineering

Research: Production of Poorly Water Soluble Drug Nanoparticles via Wet Stirred Media

Milling (WSMM) and the Characterization.

Advisor: Dr. Ecevit Bilgili

James Bell (NJIT) - Computer Science

Research: Strengthening Relationship Analysis: A Theory-Based Taxonomy for Software

Engineering

Advisor: Dr. Michael Bieber

Alex Dominquez (NJIT) - Chemical Engineering

Research: Design of Chemical Penetration Enhancers for Insulin

Advisor: Dr. Laurent Simon

Yohana Garcia (NJIT) - Chemical Engineering

Research: Hydrogen Production from Solar Water Splitting Using Organic-based Catalysts

Advisor: Dr. Xianqin Wang

Ayad Hussain (NJIT) - Electrical Computer Engineering Technology

Research: Transform Method for the analysis of Electrical and Microelectronic Circuits

Advisor: Dr. Michael Booty

Sana Nasim (NJIT) - Biomedical Engineering

Research: Electrospinning the mimic of fibrous protein of the extracellular matrix of

articular cartilage using a sulfated polysaccharide and gelatin

Advisor: Dr. George Collins and Dr. Bruno Mantilla

Warren Negron (NJIT) - Civil Engineering Department

Research: Correlation Study of Cell Phone and Safety Belt Usage

Advisor: Dr. Janice Daniel

Mohsin Shabbir (NJIT) - Electrical Computer Engineering Technology

Research: Developing a Low-Cost Precise GPS Receiver

Advisor: Dr. John Miima

Steve Susanibar (NJIT) - Applied Physics

Research: Vibration Powered Impact Recorder (VPIR) for Measurement of Ammunition

Integrity

Advisor: Dr. Gordon Thomas

Carmen Webb (NJIT) - Chemical Engineering

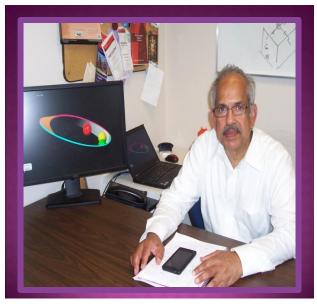
Research: Development of a New Batch Reactor Experiment for Chemical Engineering

Undergraduates

Advisor: Dr. Robert Barat







Dr. Sunil Saigal and Prof. Balraj Mani Program Directors

Arianit Agushi (NJIT) - Mechanical Industrial Engineering

Research: A Repository of Animations of Mechanism Simulations

Advisor: Prof. Balraj Mani (Design Well)

Timothy Barnes (NJIT) - Mathematical Science

Research: Mathematical Modeling of Magnetic Particles in Blood Flow Applied to Magnetic

Drug Targeting

Advisor: Dr. Shahriar Afkhami

Margaret Christian (NJIT) - Biomedical Engineering

Research: Optimizing Alginate Microfiber Scaffolds for Controlling Stem Cell Proliferation

and Differentiation

Advisor: Dr. Cheul H.Cho

Dillon Collins (NJIT) - Civil and Environmental Engineering

Research: Prediction of Sediment Erosion using Optical Granulometric Methods

Advisor: Dr. John Schuring and Dr. Norbert Elliot

Amanda Cronce (NJIT) - College of Architecture and Design **Research:** Haptic Feedback Technologies for User Interfaces

Advisor: Prof. Augustus Wendell

Nadhiesky Dos Santos (NJIT) - Engineering Technology

Research: Utilizing Infrared and Near-Infrared Interpolation Techniques to Analyze Passive

Radiation as a Foundation of a Hand Held Medical Scanner

Advisor: Dr. David Lubliner

Sean Fisher (NJIT) - College of Computing Sciences

Research: Collaborative Learning through Assessment: User Studies and Pilot Planning

Advisor: Dr. Michael Bieber

Sunil Jethwa (NJIT) - College of Computing Sciences

Research: Hyper-Local Social-Activity Group Recommendations

Advisor: Dr. Quentin Jones

Theodore Karakosmas (NJIT) - Mathematical Science

Research: Exploring the Effects of Regenerative Inward Currents on Bursting Properties

Advisor: Dr. Amitabha K. Bose

Krzysztof Kozak (NJIT) - Civil and Environmental Engineering

Research: Growing Algal Biomass for Wastewater Nutrient Recovery and Biofuel Production

Advisor: Dr. Wen Zhang

Lucas Lamb (NJIT) - Physics

Research: The Effect of Atmospheric Conditions on Terahertz Wireless Communications

Advisor: Dr. John Federici

Hannelore MacDonald (NJIT) - Biology

Research: Blob Breaks Bank: An Amoeboid Organism's Strategy for Solving the Two-

Armed Bandit Problem **Advisor**: Dr. Simon Garnier

Kyle Magera (NJIT) - School of Management

Research: Cloud Business Intelligence

Advisor: Dr. Jerry Fjermestad

Matthew Marsh (NJIT) - Biomedical Engineering

Research: The Effect of Electrospun Piezoelectric Scaffolds on Endothelial Cell Growth

Advisor: Dr. Eun Jung Lee

Stephanie Maruca (NJIT) - Physics

Research: Artificial Pancreas **Advisor:** Dr. Gordon Thomas

Kabir Mitra (NJIT) - Mechanical Industrial Engineering

Research: A Repository of Animations of Mechanism Simulations

Advisor: Prof. Balraj Mani (Design Well)

Glenn Monroe (NJIT) - Mechanical Industrial Engineering

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Christopher Moyer (NJIT) - Mechanical Industrial Engineering **Research:** A Repository of Animations of Mechanism Simulations

Advisor: Prof. Balraj Mani (Design Well)

Nicholas Nalywako (NJIT) - College of Computing Science

Research: Understanding Requirements for Coalescing Social Support Systems

Advisor: Dr. Quentin Jones

Kevin Nipal (NJIT) - College of Computing Science

Research: Collaborative Learning through Assessment: User Studies and Pilot Planning

Advisor: Dr. Michael Bieber

Nkemjika Ojini (NJIT) - College of Computing Science

Research: Differential Expression Analysis of Next-Generation Sequencing Data using

Open-Source Software **Advisor:** Dr. Zhi Wei

Jeffrey Pablo (NJIT) - Mechanical Industrial Engineering

Research: A Repository of Animations of Mechanism Simulations

Advisor: Prof. Balraj Mani (Design Well)

Krupal Patel (NJIT) - Mechanical Industrial Engineering

Research: A Repository of Animations of Mechanism Simulations

Advisor: Prof. Balraj Mani (Design Well)

Katrina Rak (NJIT), Gabriela Dory (PhD Candidate) and Christina Qiu (Livingston High

School) - Chemistry

Research: The Dump of New Jersey: Emotional Experiences of Living in an Environmental

Justice Community

Advisor: Dr. Zeyuan Qiu and Dr. Mei Fu (NYU)

Melanie Rodrigues (NJIT) - Chemistry

Research: Optimizing the Efficiency of Biofuel Cells

Advisor: Dr. Iqbal Zafar

Andrea Roeser (NJIT) - Biology

Research: The Role of Linear Currents in Neural Oscillations

Advisor: Dr. Farzan Nadim

Faidy Rusingue (NJIT) - Chemical Engineering

Research: Hydrogen Production from solar water splitting over TiO2-based catalysts

Advisor: Dr. Xianqin Wang

Brian Taylor (NJIT) - Mechanical Industrial Engineering

Research: A Repository of Animations of Mechanism Simulations

Advisor: Prof. Balraj Mani (Design Well)

David (Nic) Thibodeaux (NJIT) - Biomedical Engineering

Research: Quantitative Instrumentation to Study Neural Control and Variability of

Vergence Facility

Advisor: Dr. Tara L. Alvarez

Katherine Uske (NJIT) - Biomedical Engineering

Research: Characterizing the Controlled Release of Bioactive Proteins From a Composite

Biomimetic Material

Advisor: Dr. Treena L. Arinzeh

Esther Zipori (NJIT) - Chemistry

Research: Anticipating Post-Automobility: The Role of Sustainable Systems Innovation

Advisor: Dr. Maurie Cohen







Dr. Bryan Pfister and Dr. Raquel Perez-Castillejos Program Directors

Eric Apgar (Harding University) - Electrical Engineering Research: Visual and Haptic Feedback for Manual Control of Ambulation in Virtual **Enviornments Advisor:** Dr. Richard Foulds Scott Cole (Clemson University) - Bioengineering **Research:** Effects of Stereoscopic Vision Training on the Vergence System Towards Therapeutic 3D Gaming **Advisor:** Dr. Tara Alvarez Isaac DuPree (University of Illinois Urbana Champaign) - Bioengineering Research: Visual and Haptic Feedback for Manual Control of Ambulation in Virtual **Environments** Advisor: Dr. Richard Foulds **Devon Mason (Virginia Commonwealth University)** - Biomedical Engineering Research: Encapsulation of Schwann cells for Neurite Differentiation in a Microfluidic Model Advisor: Dr. Cheul Cho Joalene Mason (Hampton University) - Electrical Engineering **Research:** Effects of Stereoscopic Vision Training on the Vergence System Towards Therapeutic 3D Gaming **Advisor:** Dr. Tara Alvarez Dana Mathews (TCNJ) - Biomedical Engineering Research: Guided Axonal Growth for Nerve Repair using Novel Fibrous Collagen Conduit with GAG Mimetic Advisor: Dr. Treena Arinzeh and Dr. Bryan Pfister Daniel Meshoyrer (NJIT) - Biomedical Engineering Research: Guided Axonal Growth for Nerve Repair using Novel Fibrous Collagen Conduit with GAG Mimetic Advisor: Dr. Treena Arinzeh and Dr. Bryan Pfister Luis Morales (Middlesex County College) - Biology and Engineering Science Research: Visual and Haptic Feedback for Manual Control of Ambulation in Virtual **Environments** Advisor: Dr. Richard Foulds Bhavika Patel (Lawrence Technological University) - Biomedical Engineering Research: Encapsulation of Schwann cells for Neurite Differentiation in a Microfluidic

Model

Caitlyn Ryan (Mercer University) - Biomedical Engineering

Research: Encapsulation of Schwann cells for Neurite Differentiation in a Microfluidic

Model

Advisor: Dr. Cheul Cho

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Dr. Michael Ehrlich Program Director

Margaret Christian (NJIT) - Biomedical Engineering Research: MSP - Multiple Stitch Producing Device

Advisor: Dr. William Hunter and Dr. Ronald Chamberlain

Isaac Daudelin (NJIT) - Biology Research: TouchCare Technologies

Advisor: Dr. Atam Dhawan, Dr. Cesar Bandera, Dr. Jorge Golowasch and Dr. Nadmin

Amira Esseghir (NJIT) - Biology / Dental

Research: AutisMInd - Therapeutic Device for Autistic Children

Advisor: Dr. Cesar Bandera and Dr. Atam Dhawan

Ruth Fombrun Research: Sahshe

Advisor: Dr. Michael Ehrlich

William Heberling (NJIT) - Electrical Engineering

Research: TouchCare Techonogies

Advisor: Dr. Atam Dhawan, Dr. Cesar Bandera, Dr. Jorge Golowasch and Dr. Nadmin

Jeremy Jen (NJIT) - Biology

Research: TouchCare Technologies

Advisor: Dr. Atam Dhawan, Dr. Cesar Bandera, Dr. Jorge Golowasch and Dr. Nadmin

Livia Kuruvila (NJIT) - Biomedical Engineering

Research: AutisMind - Therapeutic Device For Autistic Children

Advisor: Dr. Cesar Bandera and Dr. Atam Dhawan

Dean Munley

Research: BandBox

Advisor: Dr. Michael Ehrlich

Cheryl Allen- Munley Research: BandBox

Advisor: Dr. Michael Ehrlich

Ellika Salari (NJIT) - Biology Research: Swim Safe Systems

Advisor: Dr. Atam Dhawan and Dr. Cesar Bandera

Brian Taylor (NJIT) - Mechanical Engineering

Research: TouchCare Technologies

Advisor: Dr. Atam Dhawan, Dr. Cesar Bandera, Dr. Jorge Golowasch and Dr. Nadmin

Caron White

Research: Sahshe

Advisor: Dr. Michael Ehrlich





Dr. Jay Meegoda Program Director

Chase Johnson (NJIT) - Civil Engineering / Environmental Engineering Research: Physical modeling of Increase in Bearing Capacity due to Geo-fabrics Advisor: Dr. Jay Meegoda

Christal Kuriakose (NJIT) - Civil Engineering

Research: Numerical modeling of Increase in Bearing Capacity due to Geo-fabrics

Advisor: Dr. Jay Meegoda





Dr. John Federici Program Director

Andrew deStefan (Ramapo College) - Engineering Physics

Research: Exploring the Properties of Nanoscale Ferroelectric Oxides

Advisor: Dr. Trevor Tyson

Constantino Stavrou (Ramapo College) - Engineering Physics

Research: Characterization of Chromic Sensors/Hyperspectral Imaging Camera

Advisor: Dr. John Federici

Jilliam Hauck (Ramapo College) - Engineering Physics

Research: Resonance Measurements of Smart Shunt To Help Treat Brain Injuries

Advisor: Dr. Gordon Thomas





Dr. Sanchoy Das Program Director

Zhixin Huang (Beijing University of Technology) - Engineering Management

Research: Application Case Study of MS-Project Solution For A Construction Project in

China

Advisor: Dr. Xuanqi Zhang and Dr. Sanchoy Das

Yubi Lin (Beijing University of Technology) - Engineering Management

Research: Application Case Study of MS-Project Solution For A Construction Project in

China

Advisor: Dr. Xuanqi Zhang and Dr. Sanchoy Das

Wenke Sun (Beijing University of Technology) - Engineering Management

Research: Design of a Reorder Policy For A N-Store Single Warehouse Supply Chain

Advisor: Dr. Xuanqi Zhang and Dr. Sanchoy Das

Tenglong Zhang (Beijing University of Technology) - Engineering Management **Research:** Design of a Reorder Policy For A N-Store Single Warehouse Supply Chain

Advisor: Dr. Xuanqi Zhang and Dr. Sanchoy Das





Dr. Durgamadhab Misra Program Director

Utsav Agarwal (HIT) - Chemical Engineering

Research: Desalination of water through membrane Technology

Advisor: Dr. Kamalesh Sirkar

Indu Priyadharshini Ambikapathy (SKPEC) - Electrical Computer Engineering

Research: High-K Gate Stack Characterization

Advisor: Dr. Durgamadhab Misra

Anik Bhattacharya (HIT) - Computer Science

Research: An efficient algorithm to improve content-based image search in the world

wide web

Advisor: Prof. Chengjun Liu

Shuvodip Bhattacharya (HIT) - Electrical Computer Engineering

Research: High-K Gate Stack Characterization

Advisor: Dr. Durgamadhab Misra

Abhishek Chakraborty (HIT) - Civil Engineering

Research: Effects of Road Maintenance Projects on Highway Network

Advisor: Dr. Steven Chien

Joy Ghosh (HIT) - Civil Engineering

Research: Improving the bearing capacity of foundation by geo-synthetics

Advisor: Dr. Jay Meegoda

Rajdeep Ghosh (HIT) - Civil Engineering

Research: Analysis of Relationship between weather and traffic accidents

Advisor: Dr. Steven Chien

Vaibhav Gulati (PIET) - Computer Science

Research: Speech to Text Conversion: Application to Learning Videos Desprition

Advisor: Dr. Vincent Oria

Nivesh Gupta (PIET) - Computer Science

Research: Mobile Distributed Computing In The Cloud

Advisor: Dr. Cristian Borcea

Sonal Handa(PIET) - Computer Science

Research: Cloud Computing Advisor: Dr. Reza Curtmola

Shruti Mangla (PIET) - Computer Science

Research: Cloud Computing Advisor: Dr. Reza Curtmola

Satyam Mishra (HIT) - Civil Engineering

Research: A Simple Test Method For Rapid Measurement of Fine content in Soils

Advisor: Dr. Mohamed Mahgoub

Ananthi Mohan (SKPEC)- Electrical Computer Engineering

Research: High-K Gate Stack Characterization

Advisor: Dr. Durgamadhab Misra

Aupal Mondal (HIT) - Civil Engineering

Research: Optimization of Modulus of Elasticity Through Empirical Blending

Advisor: Dr. Mohamed Mahgoub

Anchita Mukherjee (HIT) - Electrical Computer Engineering

Research: Video and Image Forensics

Advisor: Dr. Yun Shi

Bharath Narayanasamy (SKPEC) - Electrical Computer Engineering

Research: Video Coding for multi-rate multimedia streaming

Advisor: Dr. Abdallah Khreishah

Neeti (PIET) - Computer Science

Research: Cloud Computing Advisor: Dr. Reza Curtmola

Ankit Kumar Poddar (HIT) - Electrical Computer Engineering

Research: Video and Image Forensics

Advisor: Dr. Yun Shi

Tanika Roychowdhury (HIT) - Civil Engineering

Research: Improving the bearing capacity of foundation by geo-synthetics

Advisor: Dr. Jay N Meegoda

Sagnik Saha (HIT) - Mechanical Industrial Engineering

Research: Automobile Assembly Line Simulation using "Flexsim Software"

Advisor: Dr. Sanchoy Das

Oshin Sangwan (BRCM CET) - Electrical Computer Engineering Research: Video Coding for multi-rate multimedia streaming

Advisor: Dr. Abdallah Khreishah

Hemalatha Santhini Devi Raju (SKPEC) - Electrical Computer Engineering

Research: Video Coding for multi-rate multimedia streaming

Advisor: Dr. Abdallah Khreishah

Balakrishanan Venkatasubramanian (SKPEC) - Mechanical Industrial Engineering

Research: Automobile Assembly Line Simulation using "Flexsim Software"

Advisor: Dr. Sanchoy Das

Sumidha Verma(PIET) - Computer Science

Research: Sensing Game **Advisor:** Dr. Cristian Borcea





Dr. Nuggehalli Ravindra Program Director

Name: Mahindra Bandari (Science Park), Elisa Liang (JFK Memorial High

School), Shushumitha Priadeep (JFK Memorial High School), Srimangala

Selvaganapathi (JFK Memorial High School)

Research: Magnetic Fields - Fundamentals

Advisor: Dr. Nuggehalli Ravindra

Name: Chukwuebuka Dike (Newark Bridges High School), Willear Gimniene

(Union City High School), Steven Li (Union City High School), Danielle

Peart (RU)

Research: Magnetic Fields - Applications

Advisor: Dr. Nuggehalli Ravindra





