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EDUCATION

PhD SUNY at Buffalo, Chemical and Biological Engineering August 2021

Dissertation: "From Skin to Nervous System: Epidermal Neural

Crest Stem Cells and their Schwann cell Derivatives"

Advisor: Dr. Stylianos T. Andreadis

MS University of Houston, Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering January 2014

Advisor: Dr. Patrick Cirino

BS University of Patras, Chemical Engineering February 2012

Diploma Thesis: "Viscoelastic polymer film flow over 2D topography"

Advisor: Dr. John Tsamopoulos

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder, CO

October 2021 - present

<u>Postdoctoral Research Associate</u>, Dept. Chemical and Biological Engineering

Advisor: Dr. Kristi S. Anseth

- Engineered granular hydrogels for the controlled delivery of extracellular vesicle aiming towards bone regeneration in critical calvarial bone defects
- Developed functional biomaterial platforms for drug testing on the myofibroblast differentiation and calcium deposition of valvular interstitial cells for heart disease
- Implemented ML models for image analysis and shape classification of valvular interstitial cells towards a diagnostic platform for aortic heart valve stenosis

SUNY at Buffalo, Buffalo, NY

January 2015 - August 2021

Research Assistant, Dept. Chemical and Biological Engineering

Advisor: Dr. Stylianos T. Andreadis

- <u>In vitro:</u> Transdifferentiated human Skin Cells to Nervous System Cells suited for Neurobiological Disorders, Signaling Pathway Analysis
- *In vivo*: Worked with mouse neurological disorder models (demyelinated brain) for stem cell transplantation
- <u>Materials Cellular platform:</u> 3D microfibers for Stem cell differentiation and drug testing / 3D HA based hydrogels for in vivo stem cell transplantation delivery
- Computational: Bulk and Single Cell RNA seq analysis of human primary stem cells

University of Houston, Houston, TX

2012 to 2014

Research Assistant, Dept. Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering

Advisor: Dr. Patrick Cirino

- Bacterial Metabolic Engineering
- Bacterial Ligand Specificity for Biosensor Applications

General Chemistry of Greece, Athens, Greece

May - August 2005

Analytical Chemistry Intern, Dept. of Food and Heavy Metals

• HPLC, Infrared Spectroscopy, UV-VIS Spectroscopy, Gas Chromatography

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder, CO

Spring 2025

Co-Instructor, Dept. of Chemical and Biological Engineering

- System Analysis of Cells and Tissues
 - o Biological Transport Phenomena across Cells and Tissues
 - Developed lectures, homeworks, exams and supervised student groups' final projects

University of Colorado Boulder, Boulder, CO

Spring 2022

<u>Laboratory Teaching Assistant</u>, Dept. of Chemical and Biological Engineering

- Tissue Engineering Methods Laboratory
 - o Histology, Cell-Matrix interactions, Cell migration

Auburn University, Auburn, AL

Spring 2022

Guest Lecturer, Dept. of Chemical Engineering

- Cell and Tissue Engineering CHEN 5970
 - o Lecture on "Neuroengineering"

SUNY at Buffalo, Buffalo, NY

Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Chemical and Biological Engineering

•	CE Thermodynamics CE 304	Spring 2015
•	Fundamental Principles of Chemical Engineering CE 212	Fall 2015
•	CE Thermodynamics CE 304	Spring 2016

University of Houston, Houston, TX

Spring 2013

Teaching Assistant, Dept. of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering

- Laboratory of Unit Operations CHEE 3462
 - Designed Experiments, Designed and graded quizzes, Taught the lab for ca.
 40 undergraduate students

Journal Publications

(*denotes equal contribution)

- 1. Batan D.*, <u>Tseropoulos G*.</u>, Kirkpatrick B.E., Bishop C., Bera K., Khang A. Weiser-Evans M.E., Anseth K. S., "*PTEN regulates Myofibroblast Activation in Valvular Interstitial Cells based on Subnuclear Localization*", Advanced Biology: 2400540
- 2. Khang A., Barmore A. <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Bera K. Batan, D., Anseth S. K., "Automated Prediction of Fibroblast Phenotypes Using Mathematical Descriptors of Cellular Features", ." Nature Communications 16.1 (2025): 1-17
- 3. <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Mehrotra P., Podder K. A., Willson E., Koontz A., Feltri L., Bronner M. E., Andreadis S. T., "Immobilized NRG1 accelerates differentiation towards functional Schwann cells, mediated through YAP/TAZ nuclear translocation", (2024) Advanced Science: 2402607.
- 4. Podder A., Mohamed A. M., Seidman R., <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Polanco J. J., Lei P., Sim F., Andreadis S. T., "Supramolecular Shear-Thinning Hydrogels Promote Oligodendrocyte Progenitor Cell Survival and Remyelination in the Central Nervous System", (2024) Science Advances, 10(28), eadk9918.
- 5. Mehrotra P., Ikhapoh I., Lei P., <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Zhang Y., Wang J., Liu S., Andreadis S. T., "Wnt/BMP mediated metabolic and epigenetic reprogramming preserves multipotency of skin derived neural crest like stem cells", (2023) Stem Cells, 41 (3), 287-305
- 6. Choudhury D., Rong N., Ikhapoh I., Rajabian N., <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Wu Y., Mehrotra P., Thiyagarajan R., Shahini A., Seldeen K., Troen R. B., Lei P, Andreadis S. T., "Inhibition of glutaminogenesis restores mitochondrial function in senescent stem cells", (2022), Cell reports, 41 (9)
- 7. Podder A. K.*, Mohamed A. M.*, <u>Tseropoulos G.*</u>, Nasiri B., Andreadis S. T. "Engineering nanofiber scaffolds with biomimetic cues for differentiation of skin derived neural crest-like stem cells to Schwann cells", (2022), International Journal of Molecular Sciences 23 (18), 10834
- 8. Mehrotra P., Koontz A., <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Kerosuo L., Mehrotra P., Bronner M. E., Andreadis S.T. "Adult tissue–derived neural crest-like stem cells: Sources, regulatory networks, and translational potential", (2020), Stem cells translational medicine 9 (3), 328-341.

- 9. Rong N., Mistriotis P., Wang X., <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Zhang Y., Wang J., Liu S., Andreadis S. T., "Restoring extracellular matrix synthesis in senescent stem cells", (2019), The FASEB Journal 33 (10), 10954-10965.
- 10. Moghadasi Boroujeni S., <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Bronner M. E., Andreadis S. T., "Neural crest stem cells from human epidermis of aged donors maintain their multipotency in vitro and in vivo", (2019), Scientific reports 9 (1), 1-12
- 11. <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Moghadasi Boroujeni S., Bajpai V. K., Lei P., Andreadis S. T., "Derivation of neural crest stem cells from human epidermal keratinocytes requires FGF-2, IGF-1, and inhibition of TGF-β1", (2018), Bioengineering & translational medicine 3 (3), 256-264
- 12. Bajpai V. K., Kerosuo L., <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Cummings K. A., Wang X., Lei P., Liu B., Liu S., Popescu G. K., Bronner M. E., Andreadis S. T., "*Reprogramming postnatal human epidermal keratinocytes toward functional neural crest fates*", (2017), Stem Cells 35 (5), 1402-1415
- 13. <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Dimakopoulos Y., Tsamopoulos J., Lymperatos G., "On the flow characteristics of the conical Minoan pipes used in water supply systems, via computational fluid dynamics simulations", (2013), Journal of archaeological science 40 (4), 2057-2068

Journal Paper Pre-prints / under review / in preparation

- 1. <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Bera K., Kirkpatric B. E., Jaschke W. M., Burdick J. Anseth K. S., "Substrate Mechanical Properties regulate Mesenchymal Stromal Cell derived Extracellular Vesicles uptake", in preparation for imminent submission to Biomaterials
- 2. <u>Tseropoulos G.*</u>, Jaschke W. M.*, Friend N. E., Khang A., Anseth K. S., "Engineering Mesenchymal Stromal Cell derived Extracellular Vesicles to regulate Calvarial Defect Bone Regeneration in Osteoporotic rats", in preparation
- 3. Jaschke W. M., O'donnell, D., Holdren A, <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Anseth K.S. "Chemical and physical properties of hydrozone crosslinked PEG hydrogels on the diffusion of Extracellular Vesicles", in preparation
- 4. <u>Tseropoulos G.</u>, Bera K., Petrich N., Anseth K. S. "Close encounters: the signaling interactions between Yap/Taz and biomaterial scaffolds", review, in preparation

Oral Presentations

- 1. Tseropoulos G., Rao V., Balouch A., Donahue S., Anseth K. S., "Granular hydrogel scaffolds modulate MSC microenvironment and extracellular vesicle secretion to influence bone regeneration in vivo.", 2024, 12th World Biomaterials Congress, Daegu, S. Korea
- 2. Tseropoulos G., Rao V., Balouch A., Donahue S., Anseth K. S., "Granular Hydrogel Scaffolds Modulate MSC Microenvironment and Extracellular Vesicle Secretion for Calvarial Defect Bone Regeneration", 2023, American institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE), Orlando, FL
- 3. Tseropoulos G., Andreadis S.T., "From Skin to Nervous System: Epidermal Neural Crest Stem Cells, an Autologous, Multipotent Cell Source for Neurodegenerative Disorders" 2020, American institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE), Virtual
- 4. Tseropoulos G., Wilson E., Feltri L. M., Andreadis S. T., "Immobilized NRG1-Fc Enhances Differentiation of Human Epidermal Neural Crest to Schwann Cells and Promotes Radial Sorting", 2020, American institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE), Virtual
- 5. Tseropoulos G, Boroujeni S. M., Bajpai V., Andreadis S. T., "From Skin to Nervous System: Experimental and Bioinformatics Approaches Investigating Signaling in Neural Crest Stem Cells from Interfollicular Human Epidermis", 2018 American institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE), Pittsburgh, PA
- 6. Tseropoulos G., Boroujeni S. M., Bajpai V., Andreadis S. T.," *Derivation of neural crest stem cells from human epidermal keratinocytes requires FGF-2, IGF-1, and inhibition of TGF-β1*", 2016 *American institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE)*, San Francisco, CA

Select Poster Presentations

- 1. Tseropoulos G., Polanco J., Boroujeni S. M., Gao N., Gunawan R., Sim F., Andreadis S.T., "Glabrous Keratinocyte Derived Neural Crest Stem Cells as a Cell Source for Neurodegenerative Disease Therapeutics", 2019, Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES), Philadelphia, PA
- 2. Tseropoulos G., Boroujeni S. M., Polanco J., Bajpai V., Gao N., Gunawan R., Sim F., Andreadis S.T., "From Skin to Nervous System: Epidermal Neural Crest Stem Cells, an Autologous, Multipotent Cell Source for Demyelinating Disorders", 2019, New York Science Technology and Mathematics (NYSTEM), Stem Cells in Regenerative Medicine (SCiRM) Symposium, Best Poster Award

3. Tseropoulos G., Boroujeni S. M., Bajpai V., Andreadis S. T., "From Skin to Nervous System: Epidermal Neural Crest Stem Cells and Their Schwann Cell Derivatives", 2017, International Society for Stem Cell Research (ISSCR), Boston, MA

HONORS AND AWARDS

Gerontelis Graduate Student Award	2019
Stem Cells in Regenerative Medicine (SCiRM-NYSTEM) poster award	2019
TA award (Thermodynamics CE203)	2016

MENTORING EXPERIENCE

Graduate Students

Morgan Klaus Scheuerman, currently *Postdoc at CU Boulder*Edgart Flores, currently *Postdoc at CU Boulder*Ekaterina Landgren, currently *Postdoc at CU Boulder*Matthew Jaschke, currently *Ph.D. student at CU Boulder*Ali Borelli, currently *Postdoc at CU Anschultz*Dilara Batan, currently *Scientist II at Genentech*Pihu Mehrotra, currently *Postdoc at Princeton*Ashis Kumar Podder, *PhD Graduate student SUNY UB*Samaneh Moghadasi Boroujeni, *M.S. Graduate student SUNY UB* (2019)
Anna Bystran, *M.S. Graduate student SUNY UB* (2018)
Surya Selvam, *M.Eng. Graduate student SUNY UB* (2017)

Undergraduate Students

Deven Lemercier, currently *Undergraduate Student at CU Boulder*Carrie Bishop, currently *Graduate Student at UCSD*Jack Grossman, currently *Graduate Student University of Tokyo, Japan*Aydia Gatto, currently *Highschool student at Boulder High*

COMMUNITY SERVICE, LEADERSHIP POSITIONS AND SELECT OUTREACH

University of Colorado Boulder

Postdoctoral Association of Colorado (PAC) President (2022-23, 2025-2026) Secretary (2023-24)

American Institute of Chemical Engineering

AICHE 2024

Session Chair "Engineered Biomimetic Tissue Models I: Engineering Vascularization and Cardiovascular Models"

Nature reviews Molecular Cell Biology

Reviewer

SUNY at Buffalo

Mark Diamond Research Foundation Committee member (2017-2019)

Hellenic Graduate Student Association

President (2017-2020)

Vice President (2015-2016)

University of Patras

Chemical Engineering Department Curriculum Committee Member (2010-2012)

Outreach

- University of Boulder Colorado
 - o Science Community Outreach Program and Education (2022)
- SUNY at Buffalo
 - o Science is Elementary (2015-2020)

LANGUAGES

Greek: Native Language

English: Full Professional Proficiency

German: Professional Working Proficiency

French: Limited Working Proficiency

REFERENCES

Dr. Kristi S. Anseth, Distinguished Professor, Tisone Professor Chemical and Biological Engineering, BioFrontiers Institute

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