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## EDUCATION

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- PhD **University of California, Berkeley**, Chemical Engineering, GPA: 4.0 Expected May 2020  
Advisor: Markita P. Landry  
Thesis: Designing Single-Walled Carbon Nanotube Optical Sensors for the Detection of Proteins
- BS **California Institute of Technology**, Chemical Engineering, With Honors, GPA: 3.7 June 2015  
Advisor: Frances H. Arnold  
Thesis: Exploring the Robustness of Mutations on Conserved Active Site Residues Through the Directed Evolution of Cytochrome P450

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## HONORS AND AWARDS

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- **National Defense Science & Engineering Graduate (NDSEG) Fellowship** 2017 – 2020
- **AIChE Student Paper Competition in Sensor Technology - Best Presentation Award** 2019
- **AIChE Food, Pharmaceutical and Bioengineering Division Oral Presentation Award** 2018
- **UC Berkeley Graduate Division Travel Award** 2018
- **AIChE Carbon Nanomaterials Graduate Award Session - First Runner Up** 2017
- **National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship**, (Declined in favor of the NDSEG) 2017
- **Lam Research Fellow**, UC Berkeley 2016 – 2017  
Awarded to two graduate students from the College of Chemistry annually by Lam Research
- **RIKEN Quantitative Biology Center Travel Fellowship** 2016
- **Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor**, UC Berkeley 2016
- **Merck Index Award**, Caltech 2015  
Awarded to one outstanding student in the College of Chemistry in their senior year
- **SanPietro Travel Grant**, Caltech 2015  
Travel grant awarded to up to 4 applicants annually for solo adventurous travel

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## PUBLICATIONS

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- 11) Pinals, R.L., **Chio, L.**, Ledesma, F., Landry, M.P. Invited submission in preparation for *Analyst*. (2020)
- 10) **Chio, L.**, Pinals, R.L., Murali, A., Goh, N.S., Landry, M.P. Covalent Surface Modification Effects on Single-Walled Carbon Nanotubes for Multimodal Optical Applications. Under review at *Advanced Functional Materials*. Available on *bioRxiv* (2019), DOI: [10.1101/837278v1](https://doi.org/10.1101/837278v1)
- 9) Lui, A.,\* Wang, J.,\* **Chio, L.**, Landry, M.P. Synthetic Probe Development for Measuring Single or Few-Cell Activity and Efflux. *Methods in Enzymology*, (2019), DOI: [10.1016/bs.mie.2019.06.019](https://doi.org/10.1016/bs.mie.2019.06.019)
- 8) **Chio, L.**, Del Bonis-O'Donnell, J.T., Kline, M.A., Kim, J.H., McFarlane, I.R., Zuckermann, R.N., Landry, M.P. Electrostatic-Assemblies of Single-Walled Carbon Nanotubes and Sequence-Tunable Peptoid Polymers Detect a Lectin Protein and its Target Sugars. *Nano Letters*, (2019), DOI: [10.1021/acs.nanolett.8b04955](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.nanolett.8b04955)
- 7) Demirer, G.S., Zhang H., Matos J.L., Goh, N., Cunningham, F.J., Sung, Y.H., Chang R., Aditham, A.J., **Chio L.**, Cho, M.J., Staskawicz, B., Landry, M.P. High Aspect Ratio Nanomaterials Enable Delivery of Functional Genetic Material Without DNA Integration in Mature Plants. *Nature Nanotechnology*, (2019), DOI: [10.1038/s41565-019-0382-5](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41565-019-0382-5)
- 6) Del Bonis-O'Donnell, J.T., **Chio, L.**, Dorhliac, G., McFarlane, I.R., Landry, M.P. Advances in Nanoparticles in Brain Imaging. *Nano Research*, (2018), DOI: [10.1007/s12274-018-2145-2](https://doi.org/10.1007/s12274-018-2145-2)
- 5) **Chio, L.**,\* Yang, D.,\* Landry, M.P. Surface Engineering of Nanoparticles to Create Synthetic Antibodies. *Methods Mol. Bio.*, (2017) 1575: 363-380, DOI: [10.1007/978-1-4939-6857-2\\_23](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-1-4939-6857-2_23)

- 4) Del Bonis-O'Donnell, J.T., Beyene, A. G., **Chio, L.**, Demirer, G. S., Yang, D., Landry, M.P. Engineering Molecular Recognition with Bio-mimetic Polymers on Single Walled Carbon Nanotubes. *Journal of Visualized Experiments* (2017), e55030, DOI: [10.3791/55030](https://doi.org/10.3791/55030)
- 3) Landry, M.P., Ando, H., Chen, A., Cao, J., Kottadiel, V. I., **Chio, L.**, Yang, D., Dong, J., Lu, T., Strano, M.S. Single-Molecule Detection of Protein Efflux from Isolated Microorganisms using Fluorescent Single Walled Carbon Nanotube Sensor Arrays. *Nature Nanotechnology*, (2017) DOI: [10.1038/nnano.2016.284](https://doi.org/10.1038/nnano.2016.284)
- 2) McIntosh, J. A., Heel, T., Buller, A., **Chio, L.**, Arnold, F. H. Structural Adaptability Facilitates Histidine Heme Ligation in Cytochrome P450. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, (2015) 137(43): 13861-13865, DOI: [10.1021/jacs.5b07107](https://doi.org/10.1021/jacs.5b07107)
- 1) Bergner, M., Duquette, D. C., **Chio, L.**, Stoltz, B. M. Exceedingly Efficient Synthesis of Grandifloracin and Acylated Analogues. *Organic Letters*, (2015) 17: 3008-3010, DOI: [10.1021/acs.orglett.5b01292](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.orglett.5b01292)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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### Markita P. Landry's Research Group - UC Berkeley

Berkeley, CA

*PhD Candidate, Graduate Student Researcher*

Fall 2015 – present

- Constructing and characterizing nanoscale biosensors for the label-free detection of small protein analytes, particularly VEGF and oxytocin, using non-covalently linked single-walled carbon nanotubes and amphiphilic polymers, such as peptoids and DNA aptamers
- Developing single-walled carbon nanotubes with targeted biological recognition elements for high-contrast imaging and a modular platform of sensor production using covalent bioconjugation

### Frances H. Arnold's Research Group - Caltech

Pasadena, CA

*Undergraduate Student Researcher*

Winter 2014 – Summer 2015

- Built enzyme libraries of the monooxygenase cytochrome P450 through directed evolution to enable the development of non-native enzyme cyclopropanation functionality for chemical synthesis
- Resolved structural rearrangements of the active site in P450 Cyp119 using absorbance spectroscopy and X-ray crystallography showing unprecedented flexibility of the active site that allows further protein directed evolution

### Research Conjugation Lab - Genentech

South San Francisco, CA

*Protein Isolation Intern*

Summer 2014

- Synthesized through maleimide-sulfhydryl chemistry and preliminarily tested 8 novel antibody-drug conjugates for preclinical trials
- Improved antibody-drug conjugation purification through novel separation technology by altering the isoelectric point of the antibody

### Gregory Stephanopoulos & Gerald R. Fink Groups - Whitehead Institute, MIT

Cambridge, MA

*Hannah Bradley SURF Fellow*

Summer 2013

- Created pH-sensitive fluorescent yeast strains through gene cloning in development of a quantitative high-throughput screen to improve biofuel production

### Brian M. Stoltz's Research Group - Caltech

Pasadena, CA

*Undergraduate Student Researcher, Arthur R. Adams SURF Fellow*

Fall 2011 – Fall 2012

- Synthesized cancer treatment drugs through the development of less hazardous organic synthesis techniques

## PRESENTATIONS

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- 14) **237th Electrochemical Society Meeting:** The Impact of Covalent Functionalization on Single-Walled Carbon Nanotube Biosensor Fluorescence and Function; Oral Presentation; Montreal, Canada; May 2020
- 13) **American Institute of Chemical Engineers Annual Meeting:** The Impact of Covalent Functionalization on Single-Walled Carbon Nanotube Sensor Fluorescence and Function; Oral Presentation; Orlando, FL; November 2019
- 12) **American Institute of Chemical Engineers Annual Meeting:** Protein Detection with Peptoid-Functionalized Carbon Nanotube Optical Sensors; Oral Presentation; Orlando, FL; November 2019
- 11) **National Defense Science and Engineering Graduate Fellows Symposium:** High-throughput Development of Optical Sensors for Biological Detection; Poster Presentation; San Diego, CA; August 2019

- 10) **American Institute of Chemical Engineers Annual Meeting:** Probing Peptoid-Carbon Nanotube Coatings for Biological Imaging; Oral Presentation; Pittsburgh, PA; November 2018
- 9) **American Institute of Chemical Engineers Annual Meeting:** Protein Detection with Peptoid-Functionalized Carbon Nanotube Optical Sensors; Oral Presentation; Pittsburgh, PA; November 2018
- 8) **Molecular Foundry User Meeting:** Optimizing Peptoid-Carbon Nanotube Coatings for Biological Sensing; Oral Presentation; Berkeley, CA; August 2018
- 7) **American Institute of Chemical Engineers Annual Meeting:** Carbon Nanomaterials Graduate Award Session; Oral Presentation; Minneapolis, MN; November 2017
- 6) **American Institute of Chemical Engineers Annual Meeting:** Antibody-Mimetic Protein Detection with Peptoid-Functionalized Near-Infrared Carbon Nanotube Optical Sensors; Oral Presentation; Minneapolis, MN; November 2017
- 5) **Molecular Foundry's 10<sup>th</sup> Peptoid Summit:** Peptoid-Carbon Nanotube Sensors for Protein Detection; Lightning Round Presentation and Poster Presentation; Berkeley, CA; August 2017
- 4) **Zuckerberg Biohub Interlab Confab:** The Power of Near Infrared Light to Probe Complex Biological Systems; Poster Presentation; San Francisco, CA; August 2017
- 3) **Center for the Physics of Living Cells Summer School:** Peptoid-Carbon Nanotube Sensors for Protein Detection; Poster Presentation; Urbana-Champaign, IL; June 2017
- 2) **RIKEN Quantitative Cell Biology Symposium:** Synthetic Antibodies for Direct Near-infrared Imaging of Cellular Metabolites and Proteins; Poster Presentation; Osaka, Japan; September 2016
- 1) **University of California Systemwide Bioengineering Symposium:** Nanoparticle-Polymer Conjugates for Near-Infrared Biomolecular Detection; Poster Presentation; San Francisco, CA; June 2016

## TEACHING AND MENTORING EXPERIENCE

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### Markita P. Landry's Research Group - UC Berkeley

Berkeley, CA

*Research Mentor*

Spring 2016 – Present

- Managed three undergraduate students and three rotation students on independent research projects

*Transition to Excellence Research Mentor*

Summer 2019

- Mentored a California community college student in her first research opportunity

### UC Berkeley Graduate Student Instructor

Berkeley, CA

*Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics*

Spring 2018

- Instructed 55 undergraduate students in discussion section each week
- Created course material for 160 undergraduate students on a core curriculum course about the laws of thermodynamics, energy cycles, phase equilibria, fugacity, and chemical activity

*Technical Communications for Chemical Engineers*

Spring 2016

- Instructed 50+ undergraduate students in discussion section each week
- Improved students' communication skills for scientific presentations, technical writing, and ethics

*Introduction to Chemical Engineering Design*

Fall 2015

- Led weekly discussion sections for 20 students on process development, conservation laws, and energy and mass balances
- Honored with an Outstanding Graduate Student Instructor award for teaching excellence

## VOLUNTEER AND SERVICE EXPERIENCE

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**Contributing Reviewer for Nano Letters, ACS Sensors, Scientific Reports, Journal of the American Chemical Society**

**American Institute of Chemical Engineers**

Fall 2011 – present

- **Caltech Undergraduate Chapter:**

Fall 2011 – Spring 2015

*Freshmen Representative (Fall 2011 – Spring 2012), Secretary (Fall 2012 – Spring 2014):* Engaged students across the chemical engineering major in outreach and academic support activities including: student-to-student mentoring, industrial mentoring, and information panels

**Chemical Engineering Graduate Student Advisory Committee** – UC Berkeley Fall 2015 – present

- Organizing a student-invited speaker symposium for the chemical engineering department
- Elected to plan a department social to promote communication between staff, professors, and students

**Graduate Women Engineers** – UC Berkeley Fall 2015 – present

- **Speaker Series Chair** (Fall 2017 – Spring 2019) – organized a speaker series with 4 speakers a year aimed at the professional development of women engineers
- **Industry and Alumni Relations Chair** (Fall 2019 – Spring 2020) – coordinating industry mentorship and establishing industry partnerships and sponsorship

**Bay Area Scientists in Schools** – UC Berkeley Fall 2016 – Spring 2019

- **Instructor** – taught second graders a hands-on lesson on soils within the East Bay Area community

**Biotech Connection Bay Area** Spring 2019 – Fall 2019

- **Consultant** – Guided client strategy in the prioritization of oncological indications

**Expanding Your Horizons** – UC Berkeley Spring 2017 – Spring 2019

- **Finance Planning Committee** (Fall 2017 – Spring 2019) – managed and raised over \$23,000 every year for a one-day Bay Area STEM conference for middle school girls

**Graduate Pathway Symposium** – UC Berkeley Fall 2015 – Fall 2017

- **Mentor** – mentored 4 first generation students about graduate school
- **Recruitment Committee Member** – coordinated with area colleges to mentor students on graduate school

**Graduate Assembly** – UC Berkeley August 2016 – May 2017

- **Delegate Alternate** – voted as a delegate alternate for the chemical engineering department with the ability to vote on graduate student policies enacted by the Graduate Assembly during the absence of primary delegates
- **Committee on Teaching Member** – sole graduate student representative in a committee with professors to make recommendations on good teaching practices schoolwide and evaluated candidates for the Distinguished Teaching Award, the highest UC Berkeley award on teaching

**Be A Scientist Program** – UC Berkeley February 2016 – May 2016

- **Mentor** – mentored 5 seventh graders with hands-on instruction on independent science projects