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## **RESEARCH STATEMENT**

Our lab is dedicated to understanding how neuromodulation organizes and encodes the internal states that influence behavior. We leverage the unique advantages of two model invertebrate systems for our research: the nematode *Caenorhabditis elegans*, and the orb-weaving spider *Uloborus diversus*. The condensed and completely mapped nervous system of *C. elegans*, combined with its genetic tractability, makes it an ideal system for associating the activities of specific neurons with specific and easily quantifiable behaviors. The complex yet easily quantifiable behavior of the spider's orb web provides us with a physical record of behavioral intent – a cognitive property that often must be inferred from an animal's actions, but which is explicitly recorded in the structure of the web. Distinct web structures are assembled using distinct behavioral strategies, which we are now associating with specific neurons and neuromodulatory pathways to ultimately understand how the physical structure of the web is encoded in the brain. Together, these invertebrate models provide us with exceptional behavioral and neuronal precision to understand how neuromodulation encodes behavioral strates.

## **EDUCATION AND TRAINING**

- 2008 2016 <u>Postdoctoral research</u>: State-dependent circuit dynamics of sensory perception in *C. elegans.* Postdoc advisor: Cori Bargmann The Rockefeller University, New York, NY
- 2001 2008 Ph.D., Biophysics <u>Doctoral research</u>: The development of protein microarrays to probe Receptor Receptor Tyrosine Kinase protein interactions. Thesis advisor: Gavin MacBeath Department of Chemistry, Harvard University, Cambridge, MA Current address: TScan Therapeutics, Waltham, MA
- 1997 2001 B.S., Biochemistry University of California, Davis, CA Research Advisor: Steven Theg

## ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- 07/2016 <u>Assistant Professor</u> Department of Biology, Krieger School of Arts and Sciences Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD
- 07/2016 <u>Assistant Professor</u> Solomon H. Snyder Department of Neuroscience, School of Medicine Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, MD

## HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2023 Teaching Award, CMDB Graduate Program, Johns Hopkins University
- 2022 Catalyst Award, Johns Hopkins University
- 2009 Marie-Josée and Henry Kravis Postdoctoral Fellowship
- 2003 NSF Pre-doctoral Fellowship
- 2001 Department Citation for Excellence in Biochemistry

2000	James and Lela Fulmor Scholarship
2000	HHMI Undergraduate Teaching Program
2000	HHMI Summer Honors Advance Research Program
1999	NSF Undergraduate Research Program
1998	Joseph Bonnheim Scholarship
1997	Chancellor Scholarship

## PUBLICATIONS

Google Scholar link.

### Assistant Professor – Johns Hopkins University:

- Peer-Reviewed Research Papers:
- Giraldo, D., Rankin-Turner, S., Corver, A., Tauxe, G.M., Gao, A.L., Jackson, D.M., Simubali, L., Book, C., Stevenson, J.C., Thuma, P.E., <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Mburu, M.M., Simulundu, E., McMeniman, C.J. A semi-field system for quantifying *Anopheles gambiae* attraction to human scent. *Current Biology*. doi: 10.1016/j.cub.2023.04.050 (2023).
- 2. Miller, J., Zimin, A.V., <u>Gordus, A.</u> Chromosome-level genome and the identification of sex. chromosomes in *Uloborus diversus*. *GigaScience* doi: 10.1093/gigascience/giad002. (2023).
- Corver, A., Wilkerson, N., Miller, J., <u>Gordus, A</u>. Distinct movement generate stages of spider web building. *Current Biology*. 31(22): 4983 – 4997. (2021).
- Acker, N., Smith, H., Devine, C., Oltjen, SL., Tsiropoulou, S., Smit-McBride, Z., Lange, K., Blacque, OE., Matsubara, JA., <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Golden, A., Vogel, BE. A complement factor H homolog, heparan sulfation, and syndecan maintain inversin compartment boundaries in *C. elegans* cilia. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*.. 118(16):e2016698118. (2021).
- Viets, K, Sauria, M, Chernoff, C, Anderson, C, Tran, S, Dove, A, Goyal, R, Voortman, L, <u>Gordus, A,</u> Taylor, J, Johnston Jr., RJ. Characterization of Button Loci that Promote Homologous Chromosome Pairing and Cell-Type-Specific Interchromosomal Gene Regulation. *Dev. Cell*.51(3):341-356.e7 (2019).

## • Invited Reviews:

- Ding, S.S., Fox, J., <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Joshi, A., Liao, J.C., Scholz, M. Fantastic beasts and how to study them: rethinking experimental animal behavior. *J. of Experimental Biology.* 227(4): jeb247003. (2024).
- 2. Flavell, SW. & <u>Gordus, A</u>. Dynamic functional connectivity in the static connectome of *Caenorhabditis elegans*. *Curr Opin Neurobiol*. 73:102515 (2022).
- **3.** <u>Gordus, A.</u> Social behavior: Using visual cues to guide dancing on the fly. *Current Biology.* 32(6):R284-R287(2021).

### • Preprints, in preparation, review, or revision (Assistant Professor):

- 1. Margolis, A. & <u>Gordus, A.</u> A stochastic explanation for observed local-to-global foraging states in Caenorhabditis elegans. arXiv. 10.48550/arXiv.2309.15174. (*in revision at Biology Letters*).
- 2. Parker, A., Mullins, J., Corver, A., Miller, A., Mosley, I., <u>Gordus, A.</u> An optogenetic assay for the dauer decision in C. elegans. MS ID BIORXIV2024589657. 2024.
- 3. Artiushin, G., Pollack, L., <u>Gordus, A</u>. The Brain Anatomy of *Uloborus diversus*. (*in preparation*, preprint will be posted in June 2024).

### Post-doctoral Fellow – The Rockefeller University, Cori Bargmann's Lab – all publications:

- Dana, H., Mohar, B., Sun, Y., Narayan, S., <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Hasseman, JP., Tsegaye, G., Holt, GT., Hu, A., Walpita, D., Patel, R., Macklin, JJ., Bargmann, Cl., Ahrens, MB., Schreiter, ER., Jayaraman, V., Looger, LL., Svoboda, K., Kim, DS. Sensitive red protein calcium indicators for imaging neural activity. *eLife*. e12727 (2016).
- 2. Larsch, J., Flavell, SW., Liu, Q., <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Albrecht, DR., Bargmann, CI. A circuit for gradient climbing in *C. elegans* chemotaxis. *Cell Reports*. 12(11):1748-60 (2015).
- 3. <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Pokala, N., Levy, S., Flavell, SW., Bargmann, Cl. Feedback from network states generates variability in a probabilistic olfactory circuit. *Cell*. 161(2), 215-27 (2015).
- Pokala, N., Liu, Q., <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Bargmann, Cl. Inducible and titratable silencing of Caenorhabditis elegans neurons in vivo with histamine-gated chloride channels. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*., 111(7), 2770-5 (2014).
- Akerboom, J., Carreras Calderón, N., Tian, L., Wabnig, S., Prigge, M., Tolö, J., <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Orger, M.B., Severi, K.E., Macklin, J.J., Patel, R., Pulver, S.R., Wardill, T.J., Fischer, E., Schüler, C., Chen, T.W., Sarkisyan, K.S., Marvin, J.S., Bargmann, C.I., Kim, D.S., Kügler, S., Lagnado, L., Hegemann, P., Gottschalk, A., Schreiter, E.R., Looger, L.L. Genetically encoded calcium indicators for multi-color neural activity imaging and combination with optogenetics. *Front. Mol. Neurosci*. 6(2), 1-29 (2013).
- Marvin, J.S., Borghuis, B.G., Tian, L., Cichon, J., Harnett, M.T., Akerboom, J., <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Renninger, S.L., Chen, T.W., Bargmann, C.I., Orger, M.B., Schreiter, E.R., Demb, J.B., Gan, W.B., Hires, S.A., Looger, L.L. An optimized fluorescent probe for visualizing glutamate neurotransmission. *Nat. Methods.*, 10(2), 162-70 (2013).
- Akerboom, J., Chen, T.W., Wardill, T.J., Tian, L., Marvin, J.S., Mutlu, S., Calderón, N.C., Esposti, F., Borghuis, B.G., Sun, X.R., <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Orger, M.B., Portugues, R., Engert, F., Macklin, J.J., Filosa, A., Aggarwal, A., Kerr, R.A., Takagi, R., Kracun, S., Shigetomi, E., Khakh, B.S., Baier, H., Lagnado, L., Wang, S.S., Bargmann, C.I., Kimmel, B.E., Jayaraman, V., Svoboda, K., Kim, D.S., Schreiter, E.R., Looger, L.L. Optimization of a GCaMP calcium indicator for neural activity imaging. *J. Neurosci.*, 32(40), 13819-40 (2012).

#### Graduate Student - Harvard University, Gavin MacBeath's Lab - all publications:

- Koytiger, G., Kaushansky, A., <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Rush, J., Sorger, P.K., Macbeath, G. Phosphotyrosine Signaling Proteins that Drive Oncogenesis Tend to be Highly Interconnected. *Mol. Cell. Proteomics.*, 12(5), 1204-13 (2013).
- Mehlitz, A., Banhart, S., Mäurer, A.P., Kaushansky, A., <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Zielecki, J., Macbeath, G., Meyer, T.F. Tarp regulates early Chlamydia-induced host cell survival through interactions with the human adaptor protein SHC1. *J. Cell. Biol.*, 190(1), 143-57 (2010).
- Kaushansky, A., Allen, J.E., <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Stiffler, M., Karp, E.S., Chang, B.H., MacBeath, G. Quantifying protein-protein interactions in high throughput using protein domain microarrays. *Nature Protocols*, 5(4), 773-790 (2010).
- <u>Gordus, A.</u><sup>†</sup>, Krall, J.A.<sup>†</sup>, Beyer, E.<sup>†</sup>, Kaushansky, A., Wolf-Yadlin, A., Sevecka, M., Chang, B., MacBeath, G. Linear combinations of docking affinities explain quantitative differences in RTK signaling. *Mol. Syst. Biol.*, 5(235), 1-10 (2008).
- 5. Kaushansky, A., <u>Gordus, A</u>., Budnik, B.A., Lane, W.S., Rush, J., and MacBeath, G. System-Wide Investigation of ErbB4 Reveals that it is Substantially More Selective than the Other ErbB Receptors. *Chem. Biol.*,15(8), 808-817 (2008).
- 6. Kaushansky, A., Gordus, A., Chang, B., Rush J., MacBeath, G. A Quantitative Study of the

Recruitment Potential of all Intracellular Tyrosine Residues on EGFR, FGFR1 and IGF1R. *Mol. BioSys.*, 4, 1-10 (2008).

- 7. <u>Gordus, A.</u>, MacBeath, G. Circumventing the Problems Caused by Protein Diversity in Microarrays: Implications for Protein Interaction Networks. *JACS*, 128(42), 13668-13669 (2006).
- Jones, R.B.<sup>†</sup>, <u>Gordus, A.</u><sup>†</sup>, Krall, J.A., MacBeath, G. A Quantitative Protein Interaction Network for the ErbB Receptors Using Protein Microarrays. *Nature*, 439, 168-174 (2006). (<sup>†</sup> - co-first authors)

### Graduate Student - Harvard University, Xiaowei Zhuang's Lab - all publications:

 Bokinsky, G., Rueda, D., Misra, V.K., Rhodes, M.M., <u>Gordus, A.</u>, Babcock, H.P., Walter, N.G., Zhuang, X. Single-Molecule Transition-State Analysis of RNA Folding. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA*., 100(16), 9302-9307 (2003).

## EXTERNAL FUNDING

### **Current Funding:**

Sponsor:	NIH R35 GM124883
Role:	Principal Investigator
Project Period:	01/01/23 – 12/31/28 • \$270,000 direct costs/year
Title:	The influence of neuronal states on perception and behavior.
Goals:	Define behavioral states in organisms as direct functions of neuromodulation.
Sponsor:	NSF Division of Physics 2310707
Role:	Co-Principal Investigator
Title:	How Orb-Weaver Spiders Use Leg posture to Modulate Vibration Sensing of Prey on Webs.
Project Period:	07/1/23 – 6/30/26 • \$203,765 direct costs/year
Goals:	Define how the physics of leg posture dynamically contributes to behavioral discrimination of vibrational frequencies on the web.

## **Completed Research Support:**

Sponsor:	<u>Catalyst Award: Johns Hopkins University</u>
Role:	Principal Investigator
Title:	The Neuronal Encoding of Animal Architecture.
Project Period:	1/1/22 – 12/31/23
Goals:	Develop biological assays to perturb neuronal function in spiders.
Sponsor:	<u>Buck Institute</u>
Role:	Principal Investigator
Title:	scRNA sequencing of neuronal tissue from <i>Uloborus diversus</i> .
Project Period:	9/1/22 – 8/31/23
Goals:	Develop a cell-type atlas for the brain of <i>Uloborus diversus</i> .
Sponsor:	<u>NIH R35 GM124883</u>
Role:	Principal Investigator
Title:	The influence of neuronal variability on perception and behavior.
Project Period:	7/1/17 – 6/30/22
Goals:	Characterize sources of neuronal circuit variability.
Sponsor:	Whitehall Foundation
Role:	Principal Investigator
Title:	The influence of neuronal variability on perception and behavior.

Project Period: 1/1/17 – 12/31/20 Goals: Characterize sources of neuronal circuit variability.

## PRESENTATIONS

### Invited talks:

- 2024 New York University: Neuroscience Institute
- 2024 The International Behavioural and Neural Genetics Society
- 2024 University of Wisconsin, Madison: Department of Integrative Biology
- 2024 Massachusetts Institute of Technology: Picower Institute
- 2023 École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne
- 2023 Max Planck Institute for Neurobiology of Behavior
- 2023 Max Planck Institute for Brain Research
- 2023 Max Planck Institute for Biological Intelligence
- 2023 Oxford University: Department of Biology
- 2023 Johns Hopkins University: Department of Mechanical Engineering
- 2023 University of Illinois, Chicago: Department of Biological Sciences
- 2022 Cornell University: Department of Neurobiology and Behavior
- 2022 University of Texas, Arlington: Department of Biology
- 2022 Kavli Institute of Theoretical Physics: The Neurophysics of Locomotion
- 2022 Rockefeller University: Kavli Symposium on Non-Model Organisms
- 2021 Mid-Atlantic Society for Developmental Biology
- 2021 Towson University: American Society of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology (ASBMB)
- 2021 HHMI Janelia Research Campus
- 2021 Science Museum of Virginia
- 2021 Princeton University: Center for the Physics of Biological Functions
- 2021 State University of New York at Geneseo: Department of Biology
- 2020 Johns Hopkins University: Department of Biology, Ru Chih Huang Symposium
- 2020 University of Rochester: Department of Biology
- 2020 World Wide Neuro: Invertebrate Neuroecology
- 2020 Brandeis University Department of Biology
- 2020 Florida Atlantic University Institute for Human Health & Disease Intervention
- 2020 University of Southern California Division of Molecular and Computational Biology
- 2019 Harvard University Museum of Comparative Zoology
- 2019 University of Maryland, Baltimore County Department of Biology
- 2019 University of Akron Department of Biology
- 2019 University of Michigan Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology Department
- 2019 University of Würzburg Behavioral Physiology and Sociobiology
- 2018 Kavli Institute for Theoretical Physics Workshop Speaker: Neural computations for sensory navigation
- 2017 Harvard University Biophysics 242r guest lecturer
- 2017 University of Pennsylvania Philadelphia Area Worm Meeting
- 2017 Carnegie Institution for Science Department of Embryology
- 2017 University of California, Santa Cruz Department of Electrical Engineering
- 2017 The George Washington University Department of Biology
- 2017 Johns Hopkins University Krieger Mind/Brain Institute

## Meeting Platform Presentations:

2023 Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology, Austin, TX

- 2022 Society for Neuroscience, San Diego, CA
- 2022 American Association of Arachnology, Davis, CA
- 2021 Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology
- 2019 International Congress of Arachnology, New Zealand
- 2019 American Association of Arachnology, Lexington, VA
- 2016 Society for Neuroscience, Washington D.C.

### Meeting organizer:

- 2023 Organizing Committee for the International C. elegans Conference
- 2023 Session Chair: Society for Neuroscience.
- 2021 Session Chair: Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology
- 2022 Abstract Review Committee: COSYNE
- 2018 Abstract Review Committee: COSYNE
- 2019 Abstract Review Committee: COSYNE

### Selected presentations at national or international meetings by Gordus lab members:

- 2024: Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology Darya Task (parallel session talk)
- 2023: 24<sup>th</sup> International *C. elegans* Meeting; Glasgow, Scotland Rebekka Paisner (parallel session talk)
- 2023: 24<sup>th</sup> International C. elegans Meeting; Glasgow, Scotland Amanda Ray
- 2023: Society for Neuroscience Hsin-Yi Hung (parallel session talk)
- 2023: Society for Neuroscience Gregory Artiushin (parallel session talk)
- 2023: American Arachnological Society Hsin-Yi Hung (parallel session talk)
- 2023: American Arachnological Society Darya Task (parallel session talk)
- 2023: American Arachnological Society Abel Corver (parallel session talk)
- 2023: American Arachnological Society Gregory Artiushin (parallel session talk)
- 2023: Gordon Research Conference Hsin-Yi Hung
- 2022: American Physical Society Hsin-Yi Hung
- 2022: American Physical Society Abel Corver (parallel session talk)
- 2021: American Arachnological Society Hsin-Yi Hung
- 2021: Society for Neuroscience Abel Corver (parallel session talk)
- 2020: American Arachnological Society Abel Corver (parallel session talk <u>Student Award for Best</u> <u>Presentation</u>)
- 2020: Plant & Animal Genome Conference Jeremiah Miller
- 2019: American Arachnological Society Abel Corver (parallel session talk)
- 2019: American Arachnological Society Jeremiah Miller (parallel session talk)
- 2019: Cold Spring Harbor Meeting on Genome Informatics Jeremiah Miller
- 2019: Society for Neuroscience Ariel Parker
- 2018: Janelia: New Genetic Tools for Nonmodel Organisms Jeremiah Miller (parallel session talk)

## **PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES**

#### Grant Reviews:

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<ul> <li>Modulation</li> </ul>

2021	Ad hoc reviewer. NSF: IOS Neural Systems Cluster – Modulation
2018	External reviewer. NSF: IOS Neural Systems Cluster
2017	External reviewer. NSF: IOS Neural Systems Cluster
2016	External reviewer. NSF: IOS Neural Systems Cluster

#### Journal Reviews:

BMC Biology, Current Biology, eLife, EMBO Molecular Systems Biology, G3, GigaScience, Journal of Insect Science, Nature Communications, , Neuron, Royal Society, Science Advances, Scientific Data.

## **TRAINEES**

## Postdoctoral Fellows (2):

2020 – present Gregory Artiushin, NSF Postdoctoral Fellow

2021 – present Darya Task

## Graduate Students mentored in the Gordus Lab (8):

- 2023 present Calvin Runnels, NSF Predoctoral Fellow
- 2021 present James Mullin
- 2020 present Hsin-Yi Hung
- 2019 present Rebekka Paisner, Graduate Student Teaching Award
- 2018 present Amanda Ray
- 2018 2023 Abel Corver, Kavli Predoctoral Fellow
- 2017 2023 Jeremiah Miller, NSF Predoctoral Fellow
- 2017 2022 Ariel Parker, Nathaniel Boggs, Jr. Ph.D. Scholar, Society for Neuroscience Scholar

#### Undergraduate Students mentored in the Gordus Lab (30):

2024 – present	Ronolla Joseph
2024 – present	Prarthana Daswani
2023 – present	Seyram Gafrey
2023 – present	Ysa Hernandez
2023, summer	Vashanti Presley (Amgen Scholar)
2023	Evan Liang
2022 – present	Matt Bekele
2022 – present	Anthony Rabinovich
2022 – 2023	Natalie Pardo
2022 – 2023	Lia Kim
2022 – 2023	Camille Torrico
2021 – 2022	Temi Kilawole
2021	Mahnoor Abid
2020 – 2022	Talal Widatalla
2020 – 2022	Lucas Polack
2020	Meron Teklu
2019 – 2021	Fiona Sweeney
2019 – 2020	Amanda Rodriguez Orengo
2019 – 2020	Rebecca Foertsch
2019, summer	Lindsay Anderson (REU Scholar)
2018 – 2022	Andrew Margolis
2018 – 2022	Jeffrey Zhou

2018	Michelle Zhang
2018, summer	Brandon Trejo (REU Scholar)
2018 – 2020	Zachary Hsu
2018 – 2020	Andrew Massoud
2018 – 2020	Joaquin Reategui
2017 – 2019	Anastasia Miller
2017	Leah Evans
2016 – 2017	Nicolas Wilkerson

## TEACHING

### Teaching at Johns Hopkins University:

- 2020 2024 <u>Course director</u>, *Quantitative Biology and Biophysics Lab* (AS.250.618). Core Graduate course. I taught the entire course.
- 2019 present <u>Course director (2024) and instructor (2020-2024)</u> with Dr. Christian Kaiser and Dr. Vincent Hilser, *Quantitative Biology and Biophysics* (AS.020.674). Core graduate course. I taught ½ of the course in 2024, and 1/3 of the course 2020-2023.
- 2023 <u>Course instructor</u> with Dr. Emily Fisher, *Genetics* (AS.020.303). Core undergraduate course. I taught ½ of the course.
- 2019 2021 <u>Course instructor</u> with Dr. Emily Fisher, *Genetics* (AS.020.303). Core undergraduate course. I taught ½ of the course.
- 2020-2021 <u>Course instructor</u> with Dr. Gul Dolen, *Readings in Neuroscience* (ME.440.801). Core Graduate course. I taught ½ of the course.
- 2018 <u>Course instructor</u>, *Quantitative Methods in Biology* (AS.020.341). Elective Undergraduate course. I taught the entire course.
- 2019 2023 Guest lecturer, *Neuroscience Cognition* (ME.440.812), 1 lecture.
- 2019 2023 Guest lecturer, *The Biology of Disease* (AS.020.314), 2 lectures.
- 2017 Guest lecturer, *Genomes & Development* (AS.020.637), 1 lecture.

#### Teaching at Marine Biological Laboratory (Woods Hole, MA):

2023 <u>Course instructor</u>, *Biology of Aging.* 6 week intensive summer course of daily lectures and 12 hour/day laboratory training.

## UNIVERSITY AND DEPARTMENTAL SERVICE

#### University Service (Johns Hopkins University):

2023 – present Member, Undergraduate Neuroscience Program Committee
 2021 – present Member, University Expository Writing Program Advisory Board
 2020 – present Member, Johns Hopkins University Research Administration (JHURA) Advisory Council
 2018 – present PURA undergraduate proposal review committee, Johns Hopkins University

#### Department of Biology (Johns Hopkins):

2021– present Coordinator, Graduate Admissions Interviews

2020 – present	Coordinator, Rotation Assignments
2018 – 2019	Member, Faculty Search Committee in Cell Biology
2017 – 2018	Member, Faculty Search Committee in Quantitative Biology
2016 – present	Mentor, Graduate Rotation Students: 32 students
2016 – present	Member, GBO/Preliminary Exam Committee: 24 students
2016 – present	Member, Thesis Committee: 6 active; 12 total (excluding my students).
2017 – 2018 2016 – present 2016 – present 2016 – present	Member, Faculty Search Committee in Quantitative Biology Mentor, Graduate Rotation Students: 32 students Member, GBO/Preliminary Exam Committee: 24 students Member, Thesis Committee: 6 active; 12 total (excluding my studen

# Solomon H. Snyder Department of Neuroscience (Johns Hopkins):

2022 – present	Executive Committee for Diversity and Inclusion
2020 – present	Member, Graduate Admissions Committee
2016 – present	Mentor, Graduate Rotation Students: 4 students
2016 – present	Member, GBO/Preliminary Exam Committee: 7 students
2016 – present	Member, Thesis Committee: 1 active, 1 total.

## Other Departments (Johns Hopkins):

Physics: Member, GBO/Preliminary Exam Committee: 1 student
Physics: Member, Thesis Committee: 1active, 1 total.
Biomedical Engineering: Member, Thesis Committee: 1active, 1 total.
Biophysics: Member, GBO/Preliminary Exam Committee: 2 students
Chemistry: Member, GBO/Preliminary Exam Committee: 1 student

## Other Institutions:

2020 – present UMBC, Biology: Member, Thesis Committee: 1 student

# **OTHER ACTIVITIES**

## Outreach:

2022 – present	<u>Spider Adventures</u> : In collaboration with the Ingenuity Program, I host a small group of high school students who assist my lab with field sampling spiders and extracting DNA in the early autumn.
2022 – present	<u>FiGURE</u> : Train and host under-represented minority (URM) freshmen for one semester in the lab to provide research experience.
2019 – 2022	<u>INSPIReD</u> : Founder of organization on campus to promote diversity and inclusion of under-represented minorities in the sciences at Johns Hopkins University.
2018 – present	Ingenuity Program: Research mentor for 4 Baltimore Polytechnic Institute students.
2018 – present	Roland Park Elementary and Middle School: Science Fair Judge.
2017 – 2021	<u>Centro Sol</u> : Research mentor for summer high school students from Baltimore Latino Community.

## Media Engagement:

2022 – 2023	Moment of Um: Children's podcast guest.
2021	FunKids Radio (United Kingdom): Children's radio show guest.
2021	IEEE Soft Robotics: Science podcast guest.
2021	Public Broadcasting Service (PBS): Unpaid scientific consultant for <i>Elinor Wonders Why</i> .