

# Xin Tang

## Curriculum Vitae

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### EDUCATION

**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**  
Ph. D., Mechanical and Science Engineering Dec. 2013

**Case Western Reserve University**  
M. S., Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering July 2006

**University of Science and Technology of China**  
B.S. (w/ honor), Theoretical & Applied Mechanics July 2003

### POSITIONS & EMPLOYMENT

**University of Florida** 2018 – now  
Assistant Professor

**Harvard University** 2013 – 2017  
Post-doctoral fellow

**Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI)** 2014 – 2017  
Post-doctoral fellow

### FELLOWSHIPS & GRANTS

**UF Cancer Center University Scholar Program** Feb. 2021  
**UF University Scholar Program** Feb. 2019  
**UF Health Cancer Center Pilot** Sep. 2018 – Dec. 2019  
**Gatorade Award for Assistant Professor** Sep. 2018 – now  
**NSF IGERT Fellowship** Sep. 2010 – Nov. 2013  
**Mavis Future Faculty Fellowship** Sep. 2010 – Sep. 2012  
**NSF Travel Grant to ASME** Oct. 2011  
**NSF Fellowship for Cancer Nanotech Institute** May 2011  
**NSF Fellowship for Cancer Nanotech Institute** May 2010  
**NSF Fellowship for Nano-manufacture Institute** May 2011  
**Case Prime Dean's Fellowship** Sep. 2003 – Sep. 2006

### HONORS & AWARDS

**2nd Place Poster & Presentation Award** Oct. 2012  
**Outstanding Overseas Students Award** Sep. 2012  
**Best Nanoscale Science Poster Award** Nov. 2011  
**Featured Image of the Week** Aug. 2011  
**Poster Award in Regenerative Biology** March 2011  
**Conference Travel Grant** Oct. 2007 & 2008  
**Outstanding Undergraduate Thesis** July 2003  
**Outstanding Undergraduate Scholarship** Sep. 2001

### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Functional *in vivo* imaging (light-sheet, confocal, super-resolution, 2-photon), Neuroscience, Mechanobiology, CRISPR/Cas9 Genome editing, Bio-nanotechnology, and Theory

RESEARCH &  
PROFESSIONAL  
EXPERIENCE

<b>Ralph E. Powe Junior Faculty Award</b> <i>Ad Hoc</i> reviewer	2020 & 2021
<b>Soft Matter Symposium, University of Florida</b> Co-organizer	2018 & 2019
<b>National Institute of Health (NIH)</b> Panel reviewer	2018 – now
<b>National Science Foundation (NSF)</b> Panel and <i>ad hoc</i> reviewer	2018 – now
<b>Neuroscience Journal Club, Harvard University</b> Co-organizer at Cohen lab	2014 – 2018
<b>Technische Universität München, Germany</b> Visiting scholar	2012
<b>NSF CMMB IGERT Student Leadership Council</b> Co-organizer	2011– 2013
<b>ASME IMECE Conference</b> Session co-chairs	2011– 2012
<b>Center for Cellular Mechanics (CCM)</b> Graduate Student Leader and Organizer	2008– 2011

JOURNAL  
PUBLICATIONS

1. Liang C, Tanaka M, Lepler S, Zheng, B, Siemann D, **Tang X**. “Decoding intra- and extracellular Ca<sup>2+</sup> dynamics with all-optical sensing, control, and modeling”. 2021, (in submission to bioRxiv).
2. Luo Q, Zhang J, Lin G, Huang M, Tanaka M, Lepler S, Guan, J, Siemann D, **Tang X**. “Automatic multi-functional integration program (AMFIP) for all-optical electro-mechanobiology interrogation”. 2021, (bioRxiv DOI: 10.1101/2021.03.31.437936; <https://biorxiv.org/cgi/content/short/2021.03.31.437936v1>)
3. **Tang X**, Rossmann M, Zon L, Engert F, Cohen A. “All-optical interrogation of the neuro-vascular systems in larval zebrafish”. 2021, (in submission to bioRxiv).
4. Li K, Yin X, Huang M, Liang C, Tan Y, **Tang X**. “Biophysics of tumor growth and progression”. 2021, (in submission to bioRxiv).
5. Zhang Y, Shi X, Zhao T, Huang C, Wei Q, **Tang X**, Santy LC, Saif MTA, Zhang S. “A traction force threshold signifies metastatic phenotypic change in multicellular epithelia”. *Soft Matter*. 2019 Sep 18;15(36):7203-7210.

6. Lee J, Abdeen AA, **Tang X**, Saif TA, Kilian KA. "Matrix directed adipogenesis and neurogenesis of mesenchymal stem cells derived from adipose tissue and bone marrow". *Acta Biomater.* 2016 Sep 15; 42:46-55.
7. Lee J, Abdeen AA, **Tang X**, Saif TA, Kilian KA. "Geometric guidance of integrin mediated traction stress during stem cell differentiation". *Biomaterials.* 2015 Nov; 69:174-83.
8. **Tang X**, Tofangchi A, Anand SV, Saif TA. "A novel cell traction force microscopy to study multi-cellular system". *PLoS Comput Biol.* 2014 Jun;10(6):e1003631.
9. **Tang X**, Kuhlenschmidt TB, Li Q, Ali S, Lezmi S, Chen H, Pires-Alves M, Laegreid WW, Saif TA, Kuhlenschmidt MS. "A mechanically-induced colon cancer cell population shows increased metastatic potential". *Mol Cancer.* 2014 May 29; 13:131.
10. **Tang X**, Saif T. "Adhesivity of Colon Cancer Cells during in vitro Metastasis". *International journal of applied mechanics.* 2013; 05(03).
11. **Tang X**, Wen Q, Kuhlenschmidt TB, Kuhlenschmidt MS, Janmey PA, Saif TA. "Attenuation of cell mechanosensitivity in colon cancer cells during in vitro metastasis". *PLoS One.* 2012;7(11): e50443.
12. **Tang X**, Ali MY, Saif MT. "A Novel Technique for Micro-patterning Proteins and Cells on Polyacrylamide Gels". *Soft Matter.* 2012 Jul 21;8(27):7197-7206.
13. Cha C, Jeong JH, **Tang X**, Zill AT, Prakash YS, Zimmerman SC, Saif TA, Kong H. "Top-down synthesis of versatile polyaspartamide linkers for single-step protein conjugation to materials". *Bioconjug Chem.* 2011 Dec 21;22(12):2377-82.
14. **Tang X**, Cappa T, Kuhlenschmidt T, Kuhlenschmidt M, Saif T. "Specific and Non-Specific Adhesion in Cancer Cells with Various Metastatic Potentials". In: *Mechanobiology of Cell-Cell and Cell-Matrix Interactions.* New York: Springer Science; 2011.
15. **Tang X**, Li D, Lewandowski J, Prakash V. "Effects of Microstructure on High Strain Rate Deformation and Flow Behavior of Al-Mg-Si Alloy (AA 6061) under Uniaxial Compression and Combined Compression and Shear Loading". *Materials Science and Technology.* 2011; 27(1):13.

16. **Tang X**, Bajaj P, Bashir R, Saif T. "How Far Cardiac Cells Can See Each Other Mechanically". *Soft matter*. 2011; 7:6151.
17. Bajaj P, **Tang X**, Saif TA, Bashir R. "Stiffness of the substrate influences the phenotype of embryonic chicken cardiac myocytes". *J Biomed Mater Res A*. 2010 Dec 15;95(4):1261-9.
18. **Tang X**, Kuhlenschmidt TB, Zhou J, Bell P, Wang F, Kuhlenschmidt MS, Saif TA. "Mechanical force affects expression of an in vitro metastasis-like phenotype in HCT-8 cells". *Biophys J*. 2010 Oct 20;99(8):2460-9.
19. **Tang X**, Lewandowski J, Prakash V, Kooistra G, Wadley H. "Inertial Stabilization of Buckling at High Rates of Loading and Low Test Temperatures: Implications for Dynamic Crush Resistance of Aluminum-alloy-based Sandwich Plates with Lattice Core". *Acta materialia*. 2007; 55(8):2829.
20. **Tang X**, Prakash V, Lewandowski J. "Dynamic Tensile Deformation of Aluminum Alloy 6061-T6 and 6061-OA". *Journal of Experimental Mechanics*. 2007; 22(3):305.
21. Wang R, **Tang X**, Wang D, He S. "Measurement of Varied-line-space Grating Line Frequency by Phase-shift Moiré Interferometry". *Journal of University of Science and Technology of China*. 2004; 34(5).
22. Wang R, **Tang X**, Cao Y, He S. "Measurement of Two-dimensional Varied-linespace Gratings". *Journal of Experimental Mechanics*. 2004; 19(3):324.

**SERVICE & LEADERSHIP**

**University of Florida: Dept. of MAE**

Member, Graduate Recruitment & Admission	2019– now
Member, PhD Qualifying Exam (Continuum Mech.)	2018– now
Committee, PhD defense of four PhD students	2018– now
Participant, Faculty Search & Interview	2018– now

**UF Health Cancer Center (UFHCC)**

Reviewer, Symposium Posters	2020– now
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**REVIEWER**

**Journals:** *Advanced Materials*; *Advanced Materials Technology*; *Applied Physics Letter*; *Biofabrication*; *Biomaterials*; *Biomedical Optics Express*; *Biomedical Physics & Engineering Express*; *Chemical Society Reviews*; *Extreme Mechanics Letter*; *Journal of Applied Physics*; *Journal of Materials Chemistry*; *Journal of Physics: Condensed Matter*; *Lab on a Chip*; *Materials Horizons*; *Nanotechnology*; *Optics Express*; *Optics Letter*; *Physical Biology*; *Physics of Fluids*; *Physics Review E*; *Physical Review Letters*;

Review of Scientific Instruments; RSC Advances; Small; Soft Matter.

**Conference Abstract:** Biomedical Engineering Society; American Society of Mechanical Engineering; IEEE.