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The goal of my current research is to use high resolution imaging techniques to interrogate outstanding questions in cardiovascular cell biology, with a focus on the signaling pathways that trigger heart muscle contraction. In the Wah Chiu lab, I am using cryo-electron tomography-based imaging approaches to connect the molecular and cellular scales of biology and accelerate our understanding of human health and disease.

HONORS AND AWARDS

- K99/R00 MOSAIC Scholar, NIH/NHLBI (12/2021-current)
- Cardiovascular Imaging T-32 Fellowship, Stanford CVI-NIH/NIBIB (09/2019-11/2021)
- NSF GRFP Fellow, NSF/Graduate Research Fellowship Program (03/2013-12/2017)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- Doctor of Philosophy, University of California San Francisco (2017)

Publications

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- **Mapping the conformational landscape of a dynamic enzyme by multitemperature and XFEL crystallography.** *eLife*
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