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## Education

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Ph.D., Chemical and Biological Engineering 08/2013 – 12/2017  
Advisers: Juergen Hahn and B. Wayne Bequette  
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY  
Dissertation title: Data-Driven Modeling for Uncertain Biological Systems

B.S., Chemical Engineering 08/2008 – 12/2012  
B.S., Biochemistry  
Texas A&M University, College Station, TX  
graduated *summa cum laude*

## Professional Experience

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Assistant Professor 08/2023 – Present  
Department of Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering  
Tulane University, New Orleans, LA

Postdoctoral Fellow 01/2018 – 08/2023  
James T. Willerson Center for Cardiovascular Modeling & Simulation  
Adviser: Michael S. Sacks  
The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX

Intern – Research and Development 06/2015 – 09/2015  
Modeling and Translational Biology Group  
Supervisor: Tom Wilde  
ZeroChaos (Contracted to GlaxoSmithKline), King of Prussia, PA

Undergraduate Research Assistant 08/2010 – 07/2013  
Department of Chemical Engineering  
Adviser: Arul Jayaraman  
Texas A&M University, College Station, TX

NSF Research Experience for Undergraduates 05/2012 – 08/2012  
Department of Chemical Engineering  
Adviser: Robert S. Parker  
University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA

## Honors and Awards

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W. David Smith, Jr. Graduation Publication Award AIChE Computing and Systems Technology Division	11/2022
William N. Gill Prize for Excellence in Dissertation Research Department of Chemical Engineering, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	05/2018
Student Travel Award Foundations of Computer-Aided Process Optimization / Chemical Process Control Conf.	01/2017
Founders Award of Excellence Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute	05/2015
Outstanding Graduating Senior Department of Chemical Engineering, Texas A&M University	12/2012

## Professional Activities

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### Research Grant Review Panel

American Heart Association Reviewer-in-Training	06/2019 – 06/2020
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### Journal Article Review

Optimal Control Applications and Methods  
Metabolites  
Journal of Process Control  
Control Engineering Practice

### Conference Abstract Review

Summer Biomechanics, Bioengineering, and Biotransport Conference	06/2020
Undergraduate Research, Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Annual Meeting	10/2019
8th IFAC Conference on Foundations of Systems Biology in Engineering (FOSBE)	10/2019
7th IFAC Conference on Foundations of Systems Biology in Engineering (FOSBE)	08/2018

### Conference and Professional Society Involvement

Session Chair – AIChE Annual Meeting: “Applied Math for Biological/Biomedical Systems”	11/2023
Session Chair – BMES Annual Meeting: “Translational Advances Using ‘Omics”	10/2022
Publication Chair – Foundations of Systems Biology in Engineering (FOSBE)	08/2022
Reviewer – Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Student Chapter Development Reports	06/2020

### Professional Society Memberships

American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE)  
North American Vascular Biology Organization (NAVBO)  
American Heart Association (AHA)

## Previous Funding

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Project Title:	Dynamic Modeling of Mechanotransduction in the Bicuspid Aortic Valve: Separating the Effects of Altered VICs from Altered Mechanics	
Funding Agency:	National Heart Lung and Blood Institute	Award Number: F32 HL149210
Award Program:	Ruth L. Kirschstein NRSA Individual Postdoctoral Fellowship (F32)	Award Amount: \$208,182.00
Award Dates:	09/01/2020 – 08/30/2023	
<b>Principal Investigator:</b>	<b>Daniel P. Howsmon</b>	
Project Sponsor:	Michael S. Sacks	
Project Co-sponsor:	Giovanni Ferrari	
Collaborating Investigator:	Kristi S. Anseth	
Collaborating Investigator:	Aaron Baker	

Project Title:	Elucidating the Dynamics of Valve Interstitial Cells in Health and Disease: A Mathematical Modeling Approach	
Funding Agency:	American Heart Association	Award Number: 18POST33990101
Award Program:	Association-wide Postdoctoral Fellowship	Award Amount: \$103,328.00
Award Dates:	07/01/2018 – 06/30/2020	
<b>Principal Investigator:</b>	<b>Daniel P. Howsmon</b>	
Project Sponsor:	Michael S. Sacks	
Collaborating Investigator:	Kristi S. Anseth	

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29. A. Khang, Q. Nguyen, X. Feng, **D. P. Howsmon**, and M. S. Sacks, “Three-dimensional analysis of aortic valve interstitial cell shape and its relation to contractile behavior,” *Acta Biomaterialia*, vol. 163, pp. 194–209, Jun. 2023. DOI: 10.1016/j.actbio.2022.01.039
28. T. M. West, **D. P. Howsmon**, M. W. Messida, H. N. Vo, A. A. Janobas, A. B. Baker, and M. S. Sacks, “The effects of strain rate and level on aortic valve interstitial cell activation in a 3D hydrogel,” *APL Bioengineering*, vol. 7, no. 2, p. 026101, 2023. DOI: 10.1063/5.0138030 **FEATURED ARTICLE**
27. L. Bansal, E.-M. Nichols, **D. P. Howsmon**, J. Neisen, F. Cunningham, S. Petit-Frere, S. Ludbrook, and V. Damian, “Mathematical modeling of complement pathway dynamics for target validation and selection of drug modalities for complement therapies,” *Frontiers in Pharmacology*, vol. 13, p. 855743, Apr. 2022. DOI: 10.3389/fphar.2022.855743
26. A. Khang\*, E. M. Lejeune\*, A. Abbaspour, **D. P. Howsmon**, and M. S. Sacks, “On the 3D correlation between myofibroblast shape and contraction,” *Journal of Biomechanical Engineering*, vol. 143, no. 9, p. 094503, Sep. 2021. DOI: 10.1115/1.4050915
25. E. Castillero, **D. P. Howsmon**, B. V. Rego, Y. Xue, C. Camillo, S. Keeney, K. H. Driesbaugh, T. Kawashima, I. George, R. C. Gorman, J. H. Gorman III, M. S. Sacks, R. J. Levy, and G. Ferrari, “Altered responsiveness to TGF- $\beta$  and BMP and increased CD45+ cell presence in mitral valves are unique features of ischemic mitral regurgitation,” *Arteriosclerosis, Thrombosis, and Vascular Biology*, vol. 41, no. 6, pp. 2049–2062, Jun. 2021. DOI: 10.1161/ATVBAHA.121.316111 **EDITOR’S PICK**
24. **D. P. Howsmon** and M. S. Sacks, “On valve interstitial cell signaling: The link between multiscale mechanics and mechanobiology,” *Cardiovascular Engineering and Technology*, vol. 12, pp. 15–27, Feb. 2021. DOI: 10.1007/s13239-020-00509-4
23. K. M. Kodigepalli, K. Thatcher, T. West, **D. P. Howsmon**, F. J. Schoen, M. S. Sacks, C. K. Breuer, and J. Lincoln, “Biology and biomechanics of heart valve extracellular matrix,” *Journal of Cardiovascular Development and Disease*, vol. 7, no. 4, p. 57, Dec. 2020. DOI: 10.3390/jcdd7040057
22. S. Ayoub, **D. P. Howsmon**, C.-H. Lee, and M. S. Sacks, “On the role of predicted mitral valve interstitial cell deformation on its biosynthetic behavior,” *Biomechanics and Modeling in Mechanobiology*, Aug. 2020. DOI: 10.1007/s10237-020-01373-w
21. **D. P. Howsmon**\*, B. V. Rego\*, E. Castillero, S. Ayoub, A. H. Khalighi, R. C. Gorman, J. H. Gorman III, G. Ferrari, and M. S. Sacks, “Mitral valve leaflet response to ischaemic mitral regurgitation: From gene expression to tissue remodeling,” *Journal of the Royal Society Interface*, vol. 17, no. 165, p. 20200098, May 2020. DOI: 10.1098/rsif.2020.0098
20. **D. P. Howsmon**\*, S. M. Quinn\*, J. Hahn, and S. P. Gilbert, “Kinesin-2 heterodimerization alters catalytic properties to control entry into the processive run,” *Journal of Biological Chemistry*, vol. 293, no. 35, pp. 13389–13400, Jul. 2018. DOI: 10.1074/jbc.RA118.002767
19. **D. P. Howsmon**, T. Vargason, R. A. Rubin, S. Melnyk, S. J. James, R. Frye, and J. Hahn, “Multivariate techniques enable biochemical classification of children with autism spectrum disorder versus typically-developing peers: A comparison and validation study,” *Bioengineering and Translational Medicine*, vol. 3, no. 2, pp. 156–165, May 2018. DOI: 10.1002/btm2.10095 **TOP CITED ARTICLE 2018 – 2019**
18. T. Vargason, **D. P. Howsmon**, and J. Hahn, “From data to diagnosis: The search for biochemical markers of autism spectrum disorder,” *Chemical Engineering Progress*, vol. 114, no. 5, pp. 40–45, May 2018
17. G. P. Forlenza, F. M. Cameron, T. T. Ly, D. Lam, **D. P. Howsmon**, N. Baysal, G. Kulina, L. Messer, P. Clinton, C. Levister, S. D. Patek, C. J. Levy, R. P. Wadwa, D. M. Maahs, B. W. Bequette, and B. A. Buckingham, “Fully closed-loop multiple model probabilistic predictive controller artificial pancreas performance in adolescents and adults in a supervised hotel setting,” *Diabetes Technology & Therapeutics*, vol. 20, no. 5, pp. 335–343, May 2018. DOI: 10.1089/dia.2017.0424

16. **D. P. Howsmon**, N. Baysal, B. A. Buckingham, G. P. Forlenza, T. T. Ly, D. M. Maahs, T. Marcal, L. Towers, E. Mauritzen, S. Deshpande, L. M. Huyett, J. E. Pinsker, R. Gondhalekar, F. J. Doyle III, E. Dassau, J. Hahn, and B. W. Bequette, “Real-time detection of infusion site failures in a closed-loop artificial pancreas,” *Journal of Diabetes Science and Technology*, vol. 12, no. 3, May 2018. DOI: 10.1177/1932296818755173
15. **D. P. Howsmon**, J. B. Adams, U. Kruger, E. Geis, E. Gehn, and J. Hahn, “Erythrocyte fatty acid profiles in children are not predictive of autism spectrum disorder status: A case control study,” *Biomarker Research*, vol. 6, p. 12, Mar. 2018. DOI: 10.1186/s40364-018-0125-z
14. D.-W. Kang, Z. E. Ilhan, N. G. Isern, D. W. Hoyt, **D. P. Howsmon**, M. Shaffer, C. A. Lozupone, J. Hahn, J. B. Adams, and R. Krajmalnik-Brown, “Differences in fecal microbial metabolites and microbiota of children with autism spectrum disorders,” *Anaerobe*, vol. 49, pp. 121–131, Feb. 2018. DOI: 10.1016/j.anaerobe.2017.12.007
13. **D. P. Howsmon**<sup>\*</sup>, S. Steinmeyer<sup>\*</sup>, R. C. Alaniz, J. Hahn, and A. Jayaraman, “Empirical modeling of t cell activation predicts interplay of host cytokines and bacterial indole,” *Biotechnology and Bioengineering*, vol. 114, no. 11, pp. 2660–2667, Nov. 2017. DOI: 10.1002/bit.26371
12. F. M. Cameron, T. T. Ly, B. A. Buckingham, D. M. Maahs, G. P. Forlenza, C. J. Levy, D. Lam, P. Clinton, L. H. Messer, E. Westfall, C. Levister, Y. Y. Xie, N. Baysal, **D. Howsmon**, S. D. Patek, and B. W. Bequette, “Closed-loop control without meal announcement in type 1 diabetes,” *Diabetes Technology & Therapeutics*, vol. 19, no. 9, pp. 527–532, Aug. 2017. DOI: 10.1089/dia.2017.0078
11. G. P. Forlenza<sup>\*</sup>, S. Deshpande<sup>\*</sup>, T. T. Ly, **D. P. Howsmon**, F. Cameron, N. Baysal, E. Mauritzen, T. Marcal, L. Towers, B. W. Bequette, L. M. Huyett, J. E. Pinsker, R. Gondhalekar, F. J. Doyle, D. M. Maahs, B. A. Buckingham, and E. Dassau, “Application of zone model predictive control artificial pancreas during extended use of infusion set and sensor: A randomized crossover-controlled home-use trial,” *Diabetes Care*, p. dc170500, Jun. 2017. DOI: 10.2337/dc17-0500
10. T. Vargason, **D. P. Howsmon**, D. L. McGuinness, and J. Hahn, “On the use of multivariate methods for analysis of data from biological networks,” *Processes*, vol. 5, no. 3, p. 36, Jul. 2017. DOI: 10.3390/pr5030036
9. **D. P. Howsmon**, U. Kruger, S. Melnyk, S. J. James, and J. Hahn, “Classification and adaptive behavior prediction of children with autism spectrum disorder based upon multivariate data analysis of markers of oxidative stress and DNA methylation,” *PLoS Computational Biology*, vol. 13, no. 3, e1005385, Mar. 2017. DOI: 10.1371/journal.pcbi.1005385 **JOURNAL COVER**
8. T. Vargason, **D. P. Howsmon**, S. Melnyk, S. J. James, and J. Hahn, “Mathematical modeling of the methionine cycle and transsulfuration pathway in individuals with autism spectrum disorder,” *Journal of Theoretical Biology*, vol. 416, pp. 28–37, Mar. 2017. DOI: 10.1016/j.jtbi.2016.12.021
7. **D. P. Howsmon**, F. Cameron, N. Baysal, T. T. Ly, G. P. Forlenza, D. M. Maahs, B. A. Buckingham, J. Hahn, and B. W. Bequette, “Continuous glucose monitoring enables the detection of losses in infusion set actuation (LISAs),” *Sensors*, vol. 17, no. 1, p. 161, Jan. 2017. DOI: 10.3390/s17010161
6. J. Adams, **D. P. Howsmon**, U. Kruger, E. Geis, E. Gehn, V. Fimbres, E. Pollard, J. Mitchell, J. Ingram, R. Hellmers, D. Quig, and J. Hahn, “Significant association of urinary toxic metals and autism-related symptoms — A nonlinear statistical analysis with cross validation,” *PLoS ONE*, vol. 12, no. 1, e0169526, Jan. 2017. DOI: 10.1371/journal.pone.0169526
5. B. W. Bequette, F. Cameron, N. Baysal, **D. Howsmon**, B. Buckingham, D. Maahs, and C. Levy, “Algorithms for a single hormone closed-loop artificial pancreas: Challenges pertinent to chemical process operations and control,” *Processes*, vol. 4, no. 4, p. 39, Oct. 2016. DOI: 10.3390/pr4040039
4. **D. P. Howsmon** and J. Hahn, “Regularization techniques to overcome over-parameterization of complex biochemical reaction networks,” *IEEE Life Sciences Letters*, vol. 2, no. 3, pp. 31–34, Sep. 2016. DOI: 10.1109/LLS.2016.2646498
3. **D. Howsmon**<sup>\*</sup>, J. G. Zheng<sup>\*</sup>, B. Zhang, J. Hahn, D. McGuinness, J. Hendler, and H. Ji, “Entity linking for biomedical literature,” *BMC Medical Informatics and Decision Making*, vol. 15, S4, Suppl 1 May 2015. DOI: 10.1186/1472-6947-15-S1-S4

2. **D. Howsmon** and B. W. Bequette, “Hypo- and hyperglycemic alarms: Devices and algorithms,” *Journal of Diabetes Science and Technology*, vol. 9, no. 5, pp. 1126–1137, Apr. 2015. DOI: 10.1177/1932296815583507
1. C. Klemashevich, C. Wu, **D. Howsmon**, R. C. Alaniz, K. Lee, and A. Jayaraman, “Rational identification of diet-derived postbiotics for improving intestinal microbiota function,” *Current Opinion in Biotechnology*, vol. 26, pp. 85–90, Apr. 2014. DOI: 10.1016/j.copbio.2013.10.006

## Books and Book Chapters

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1. A. Khang, **D. P. Howsmon**, E. Lejeune, and M. S. Sacks, “Multi-scale modeling of the heart valve interstitial cell,” in *Multi-scale Extracellular Matrix Mechanics and Mechanobiology*, ser. Studies in Mechanobiology, Tissue Engineering and Biomaterials, Y. Zhang, Ed., vol. 23, Springer, 2020, pp. 21–53, ISBN: 978-3-030-20181-4. DOI: 10.1007/978-3-030-20182-1

## Submitted Abstracts

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2. D. Stromberg, T. Raymond, V. Nadkarni, A. Thomas, G. Centers, and **D. P. Howsmon**, “Interposed abdominal compression CPR: Early results from a multicenter comparison to standard CPR in the cardiac ICU,” 8th World Congress of Pediatric Cardiology and Cardiac Surgery, Washington D.C., Aug. 27–Sep. 1, 2023
1. **D. P. Howsmon**, M. F. Mikulski, R. P. Lion, C. M. Mery, and D. Stromberg, “Detecting central venous catheter occlusions with alterations in venous pressure waveforms,” 8th World Congress of Pediatric Cardiology and Cardiac Surgery, Washington D.C., Aug. 27–Sep. 1, 2023

## Conference Presentations

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20. **D. P. Howsmon**, K. Colman, I. Arienamo, M. F. Mikulski, R. P. Lion, R. Patel, C. M. Mery, and D. Stromberg, “Elimination of noise and sensor drifts in pediatric pressure transducers for the prediction of central venous catheter-related thrombosis events,” American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting, Phoenix, Arizona, Nov. 13–18, 2022
19. **D. P. Howsmon** and M. S. Sacks, “Proteomics-informed signal transduction modeling of valve interstitial cell activation,” American Institute for Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California (Virtual Meeting), Nov. 15–20, 2020
18. A. Khang, E. Lejeune, Q. Nguyen, X. Feng, A. Abbaspour, **D. P. Howsmon**, and M. S. Sacks, “The interrelationship between cell shape and local deformation in gel-embedded valve interstitial cells,” Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Annual Meeting, San Diego, California (Virtual Meeting), Oct. 14–17, 2020
17. **D. P. Howsmon**, B. V. Rego, E. Castillero, S. Ayoub, A. H. Khalighi, R. C. Gorman, J. H. Gorman, III, G. Ferrari, and M. S. Sacks, “Mitral valve leaflet response to myocardial infarction: From gene expression to tissue remodeling,” Summer Biomechanics, Bioengineering, and Biotransport Conference, Vail, Colorado (Virtual Meeting), Jun. 17–20, 2020
16. M. S. Sacks, B. V. Rego, **D. P. Howsmon**, and S. Wells, “What is the remodeling potential of the native heart valve?” Heart Valve Society (HVS) Annual Meeting, Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, Feb. 15–16, 2020
15. B. V. Rego, **D. P. Howsmon**, S. Ayoub, A. H. Khalighi, E. Castillero, G. Ferrari, R. C. Gorman, J. H. Gorman, III, and M. S. Sacks, “Mitral valve remodeling after myocardial infarction: Tissue and cellular adaptation to altered stresses,” Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Annual Meeting, Philadelphia, PA, Oct. 16–19, 2019
14. **D. P. Howsmon** and M. S. Sacks, “Integrating cell mechanics and signaling to quantify mechanical information processing by valvular interstitial cells,” US National Congress on Computational Mechanics (USNCCM), Austin, TX, Jul. 28–Aug. 1, 2019
13. **D. P. Howsmon** and M. S. Sacks, “A mathematical model for valvular interstitial cell signaling,” 8th Biennial Heart Valve Biology & Tissue Engineering Meeting, London, England, Sep. 26–28, 2018
12. **D. P. Howsmon**, T. Vargason, U. Kruger, and J. Hahn, “Biomarker identification in autism spectrum disorder: Common pitfalls and emerging strategies,” American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Oct. 29–Nov. 3, 2017 **BEST PRESENTATION IN SESSION AWARD**
11. **D. P. Howsmon**, T. Vargason, and J. Hahn, “Role of folate-dependent one-carbon metabolism and transsulfuration pathways in autism spectrum disorder,” 2nd Bioengineering & Translational Medicine Conference, Minneapolis, Minnesota, Oct. 28–29, 2017 **INVITED PLENARY PRESENTATION**
10. **D. P. Howsmon** and J. Hahn, “Regularization techniques for biochemical reaction networks,” Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM) Computational Science and Engineering, Atlanta, Georgia, Feb. 27–Mar. 3, 2017 **INVITED PRESENTATION**
9. D. Maahs, F. Cameron, T. T. Ly, B. A. Buckingham, C. Levy, G. Forlenza, D. Lam, P. Clinton, L. Messer, E. Westfall, C. Levister, Y. Y. Xie, N. Baysal, **D. P. Howsmon**, S. D. Patek, and B. W. Bequette, “Multiple model probabilistic predictive control: Is a pre-meal bolus necessary?” The 10th International Conference on Advanced Technologies and Treatments for Diabetes (ATTD), Paris, France, Feb. 15–18, 2017

8. B. W. Bequette, F. Cameron, N. Baysal, **D. P. Howsmon**, B. A. Buckingham, D. M. Maahs, and C. Levy, "Algorithms for a closed-loop artificial pancreas: Challenges and solutions pertinent to chemical process operations and control," American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting, San Francisco, California, Nov. 13–18, 2016
7. **D. P. Howsmon** and J. Hahn, "Regularization techniques for biochemical reaction networks," Northeast Bioengineering Conference, Binghamton, New York, Apr. 5–7, 2016 **INVITED KEYNOTE PRESENTATION**
6. D. M. Maahs, G. P. Forlenza, R. P. Wadwa, L. Messer, B. W. Bequette, F. Cameron, **D. P. Howsmon**, L. Huyett, E. Dassau, F. J. Doyle III, S. D. Patek, E. Schertz, E. Mauritzen, A. Mandell, D. DeSalvo, T. T. Ly, and B. A. Buckingham, "Weak points in closed-loop technology: Fault detection and mitigation," 9th International Conference on Advanced Technologies and Treatments for Diabetes (ATTD), Milan, Italy, Feb. 3–6, 2016
5. **D. P. Howsmon**, W. Dai, and J. Hahn, "Generalization of a parameter set selection procedure for nonlinear systems," American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting, Salt Lake City, Utah, Nov. 8–13, 2015
4. J. Hahn and **D. P. Howsmon**, "Regularization techniques for biochemical reaction networks," Foundations of Systems Biology in Engineering (FOSBE), Boston, Massachusetts, Aug. 9–12, 2015 **INVITED PLENARY PRESENTATION**
3. **D. P. Howsmon**, S. Steinmeyer, R. C. Alaniz, A. Jayaraman, and J. Hahn, "Neural networks elucidate T cell priming conditions for adoptive transfer," Northeast Bioengineering Conference, Troy, NY, Apr. 17–19, 2015
2. **D. Howsmon**, W. Dai, and J. Hahn, "Identifying and validating systems pharmacology models," American Society for Clinical Pharmacology & Therapeutics (ASCPT) Workshop on Quantitative Systems Pharmacology: Multiscale Model-Based Drug Development through Integrating Systems Biology and Pharmacometrics, New Orleans, Louisiana, Mar. 4–7, 2015 **INVITED PRESENTATION**
1. B. W. Bequette and **D. P. Howsmon**, "Hypo- and hyperglycemic alarms: Devices and algorithms," Diabetes Technology Meeting, Bethesda, Maryland, Nov. 6–8, 2014 **INVITED PRESENTATION**

## Posters

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28. T. M. West, **D. P. Howsmon**, R. Tuscher, M. G. Zheng, O. Snapper, A. A. Janobas, and M. S. Sacks, "Characterizing valve interstitial cell stress fiber formation in valve interstitial cells: A computational-experimental approach," Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Annual Meeting, Seattle, Washington, Oct. 11–14, 2023
27. M. F. Mikulski, **D. P. Howsmon**, C. D. Fraser Jr, C. M. Mery, and R. P. Lion, "Trajectory mapping patient hemodynamics after the arterial switch operation using dynamic principal component analysis," 8th World Congress of Pediatric Cardiology and Cardiac Surgery, Washington D.C., Aug. 27–Sep. 1, 2023
26. **D. P. Howsmon**, T. M. West, M. G. Zheng, A. A. Janobas, and M. S. Sacks, "Modeling endothelin-driven stress fiber formation in valve interstitial cells: A computational-experimental approach," Vasculata, New Orleans, Louisiana, Jul. 17–20, 2023
25. T. M. West, **D. P. Howsmon**, M. W. Messida, H. N. Vo, A. A. Janobas, A. B. Baker, and M. S. Sacks, "The effects of strain rate and level on aortic valve interstitial cell activation in a 3D hydrogel," Heart Valve Society Annual Meeting, Malaga, Spain, Mar. 29–Apr. 1, 2023
24. **D. P. Howsmon**, T. M. West, and M. S. Sacks, "Leveraging advances in proteomics to mathematically model cell signaling processes: A case study on TGF $\beta$  signaling in valve interstitial cells," American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting, Phoenix, Arizona, Nov. 13–18, 2022
23. M. G. Zheng, **D. P. Howsmon**, T. M. West, and M. S. Sacks, "Towards a computational model of endothelin-1 signaling in valve interstitial cells," Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, Oct. 12–15, 2022
22. **D. P. Howsmon**, T. M. West, and M. S. Sacks, "A phosphoproteomics-informed computational model of endothelin-1 signal transduction in valve interstitial cells," Foundations of Systems Biology in Engineering (FOSBE), Boston, MA, Aug. 28–31, 2022



21. **D. P. Howsmon**, T. M. West, R. Tuscher, and M. S. Sacks, “A proteomic-informed mathematical model of TGF $\beta$ 1-induced aortic valve interstitial cell activation,” Heart Valve Society Annual Meeting, Miami, Florida, Mar. 3–5, 2022
20. E. Castillero, **D. P. Howsmon**, B. V. Rego, Y. Xue, R. C. Gorman, M. S. Sacks, R. J. Levy, and G. Ferrari, “Ischemic mitral regurgitation is associated with impaired transforming growth factor/bone morphogenic protein signaling and increased CD45+ cell presence in mitral valve interstitial cell population,” American Heart Association (AHA) Scientific Sessions, Dallas, Texas (Virtual Meeting), Nov. 14–16, 2020
19. **D. P. Howsmon**, B. V. Rego, E. Castillero, S. Ayoub, A. H. Khalighi, R. C. Gorman, J. H. Gorman, III, G. Ferrari, and M. S. Sacks, “Cellular mechanisms of mitral valve remodeling after myocardial infarction,” Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Annual Meeting, San Diego, California (Virtual Meeting), Oct. 14–17, 2020
18. E. Castillero, **D. P. Howsmon**, B. Rego, Y. Xue, R. C. Gorman, M. S. Sacks, R. J. Levy, and G. Ferrari, “Transforming growth factor  $\beta$  pathway gene expression changes in an ovine model of ischemic mitral regurgitation,” American Heart Association (AHA) Scientific Sessions, Philadelphia, PA, Nov. 16–18, 2019
17. **D. P. Howsmon**, B. V. Rego, E. Castillero, S. Ayoub, A. H. Khalighi, R. C. Gorman, J. H. Gorman, III, G. Ferrari, and M. S. Sacks, “Mitral valve remodeling and mechanotransduction in ischemic mitral regurgitation: A multi-scale investigation,” Vascular Biology 2019, Monterrey, California, Oct. 27–31, 2019
16. **D. P. Howsmon** and M. S. Sacks, “Toward a multiscale model of valvular interstitial cells: An integrin-mediated mechanotransduction module,” 63rd Annual Meeting of the Biophysical Society, Baltimore, Maryland, Mar. 2–6, 2019
15. **D. P. Howsmon** and M. S. Sacks, “Mathematical modeling of cellular networks regulating extracellular matrix synthesis and actin dynamics in valvular interstitial cells,” Cellular and Molecular Bioengineering (CMBE) Conference, San Diego, California, Jan. 2–6, 2019
14. **D. P. Howsmon** and M. S. Sacks, “A first mathematical model for valvular interstitial cell signaling,” Biomedical Engineering Society (BMES) Annual Meeting, Atlanta, Georgia, Oct. 17–20, 2018
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