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## EDUCATION

- Research Fellow* April 2020-Ongoing  
Center for Computational Biology (CCB) Flatiron Institute, Simons Foundation  
Mentor: Professor Michael J. Shelley
- Doctor of Philosophy, Applied Mechanics* Fall 2015-Fall 2019  
Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering (MAE)  
University of California, San Diego  
*Thesis: Problems on Viscous Dynamics of Passive and Active Microfilaments*  
Advisor: Professor David Saintillan  
GPA: 4.0/4.0
- Master of Science, Engineering Mechanics* Fall 2013-Spring 2015  
Biomedical Engineering and Mechanics  
Virginia Tech  
*Thesis: Catenaries in Viscous Fluid*  
Advisor: Professor James Hanna  
GPA: 4.0/4.0
- Bachelor of Engineering, Mechanical Engineering* 2009-2013  
Jadavpur University, India  
GPA: 8.9/10

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## RESEARCH EXPOSURE

- Biophysical Modeling Group* April 2020-Ongoing  
CCB, Flatiron Institute  
Research Fellow
- Metachronal waves in ciliary carpets
  - Spontaneous flows in phase-synchronizing active fluids
  - Continuum theories of coupled oscillators
  - Cytoplasmic flows in developing embryos: theory and modeling
- Microscale flow modeling, Saintillan Research Group* Fall 2015-Winter 2019  
MAE, UC San Diego  
Graduate research assistant
- Bending, buckling and coiling of actin filaments in shear and extensional flow
  - Spontaneous oscillations of filaments and hydrodynamic synchronization
  - Shear dispersion in porous media and its active analogs
  - Mixing, transport and drift due to swimming microorganisms
- Complex suspensions, Anke Lindner Research Group* Fall 2017-Fall 2019  
ESPCI, Paris  
Visiting student
- Rheology of suspension of flexible filaments
  - Buckling and fluctuation dynamics of semiflexible polymers
- Engineering Science and Mechanics, Virginia Tech* Fall 2013-Spring 2015  
Biomedical Engineering and Mechanics (BEAM)  
Graduate teaching assistant
- Dynamics and geometry of towed catenaries in viscous fluids
  - Chaotic advection, mixing, and geometric phase

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## PUBLICATIONS (\* denotes equal contribution)

1. **Brato Chakrabarti**, Sebastian Fürthauer and Michael J. Shelley, “Self-organized flows in phase-synchronizing active fluids”, under review, arXiv:2206.04035 (2022).
2. Francesco Bonacci, **Brato Chakrabarti**, David Saintillan, Olivia du Roure, and Anke Lindner “Dynamics of semiflexible polymers in oscillatory shear flows”, under review, arXiv:2205.08361 (2022).
3. Chenji Li, **Brato Chakrabarti**, Pedro Castilla, Achal Mahajan, and David Saintillan, “Hydrodynamics of swimming sperm cells powered by active filaments”, in revision, bioRxiv: <https://doi.org/10.1101/2022.04.10.487801> (2022).
4. **Brato Chakabarti**, Sebastian Fürthauer and Michael J. Shelley, “A multiscale biophysical model gives quantized metachronal waves in a lattice of cilia”, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the USA* **119** (2022).
5. **Brato Chakabarti**, Yanan Liu, Olivia du Roure, Anke Lindner, and David Saintillan, “Signatures of elastoviscous buckling in the dilute rheology of stiff polymers”, *Journal of Fluid Mechanics*, **919** A12 (2021).
6. **Brato Chakrabarti**, and David Saintillan, “Shear-induced dispersion in peristaltic flow”, *Physics of Fluids*, **32** 11302 (2020). **Invited:** “Contributions from Early Career Researchers 2020” and selected as a **featured** article.
7. **Brato Chakrabarti**, Charles Gaillard, and David Saintillan, “Trapping, gliding, vaulting: Transport of semiflexible polymers in periodic post arrays”, *Soft Matter*, **16** 5534 (2020).
8. **Brato Chakrabarti**, Yanan Liu, John Lagrone, Ricardo Cortez, Lisa Fauci, Olivia du Roure, David Saintillan, and Anke Lindner, “Flexible filaments buckle into helicoidal shapes in strong compressional flow”, *Nature Physics*, (2020).
9. **Brato Chakrabarti** and David Saintillan, “Hydrodynamic synchronization of spontaneously beating filaments”, *Physical Review Letters*, **123** 208101 (2019).
10. **Brato Chakrabarti** and David Saintillan, “Spontaneous oscillations, beating patterns and hydrodynamics of active filaments”, *Physical Review Fluids*, **4** 043102 (2019).
11. Roberto Alonso Matilla, **Brato Chakrabarti** and David Saintillan, “Transport and dispersion of active particles in periodic porous media”, *Physical Review Fluids*, **4** 043101 (2019).
12. Yanan Liu\*, **Brato Chakrabarti\***, David Saintillan, Anke Lindner and Olivia du Roure, “Tumbling, buckling, snaking: Morphological transitions of flexible filaments in shear flow”, *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the USA*, **115** 9438 (2018).
13. **Brato Chakrabarti** and James Hanna “Catenaries in Viscous Fluid”, *Journal of Fluids and Structure*, **66** 490–516 (2016).

## In preparation

1. **Brato Chakrabarti**, Sebastian Fürthauer and Michael J. Shelley, “Continuum theory for oscillators with steric interactions”.

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## CONFERENCE ARTICLES AND PRESENTATIONS (presenter underlined)

1. Brato Chakabarti, Sebastian Fürthauer and Michael J Shelley, *Self-organized flows in phase-synchronizing active fluids*, at the APS March Meeting, 2022, Chicago, USA.
2. Brato Chakabarti, Sebastian Fürthauer and Michael J Shelley, *A multiscale biophysical model gives quantized metachronal waves in a lattice of cilia*, at the APS March Meeting, 2022, Chicago, USA.
3. Francesco Bonacci, Brato Chakrabarti, Olivia du Roure, Anke Lindner, and David Saintillan, *Dynamics of semiflexible filaments in oscillatory shear flows*, at the Annual European Rheology Conference, Sevilla, 2022.
4. Brato Chakabarti, Sebastian Fürthauer and Michael J Shelley, *A multiscale biophysical model gives quantized metachronal waves in a lattice of cilia*, at the 74th Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics, November 2021, Phoenix, USA.
5. David Saintillan, Chenji Li, Brato Chakrabarti, Pedro Castilla, and Achal Mahajan *An integrated chemomechanical model of sperm locomotion reveals two fundamental swimming modes*, at the 74th Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics, November 2021, Phoenix, USA.

6. David Saintillan, Yanan Liu, John Lagrone, Ricardo Cortez, Lisa Fauci, Olivia du Roure, Anke Lindner, and Brato Chakrabarti *Viscous dynamics of elastic filaments: from buckling instabilities to rheology*, at the APS March Meeting, 2021 (online).
7. Brato Chakrabarti, Yanan Liu, Olivia du Roure, Anke Lindner, and David Saintillan, *Signatures of elastoviscous buckling in the dilute rheology of stiff polymers*, at the 73rd Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics, November 2020 (online).
8. David Saintillan, and Brato Chakrabarti, *Hydrodynamic synchronization of spontaneously beating filaments*, at the 72nd Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics, November 2019, Seattle, USA.
9. Brato Chakrabarti, Yanan Liu, John Lagrone, Ricardo Cortez, Lisa Fauci, Olivia du Roure, David Saintillan, and Anke Lindner *Helical buckling of flexible filaments in viscous flow*, at the 72nd Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics, November 2019, Seattle, USA.
10. Anke Lindner, Brato Chakrabarti, Yanan Liu, Olivia du Roure and David Saintillan, *The dynamics of flexible Brownian fibers in viscous flows* at The Annual European Rheology Conference, Slovenia, April 8-11, 2019.
11. Brato Chakrabarti and David Saintillan, *Spontaneous oscillations and hydrodynamics of active micro-filament* at the 71st Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics, November 2018, Atlanta, USA.
12. Roberto Alonso Matilla, Brato Chakrabarti and David Saintillan, *Asymptotic transport and dispersion of active particles in periodic porous media* at the 71st Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics, November 2018, Atlanta, USA.
13. Brato Chakrabarti, Yanan Liu, David Saintillan, Anke Lindner and Olivia du Roure, *The dynamics of flexible and Brownian filaments in viscous flows* at the 71st Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics, November 2018, Atlanta, USA.
14. Brato Chakrabarti, Yanan Liu, David Saintillan, Anke Lindner and Olivia du Roure, *Buckling and migration of semi-flexible filaments* at the 70th Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics, November 2017, Denver, USA.
15. David Saintillan and Brato Chakrabarti, *Shear dispersion in peristaltic pumping* at the 70th Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics, November 2017, Denver, USA.
16. James Hanna and Brato Chakrabarti, *Catenaries in viscous fluid*. 24<sup>th</sup> ICTAM, Montreal, August 2016.
17. Brato Chakrabarti and David Saintillan. *Drift, Mixing and Diffusivity in Stokes Flow*. Presented at the Southern California (SoCal) Fluids X, April 2016, UC Irvine, California, USA.
18. Brato Chakrabarti and James Hanna. *Catenaries in viscous fluid*. At the 68th Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics, November 2015, Boston, USA.
19. Brato Chakrabarti and James Hanna. *Catenaries in Drag*. Presented at the 67th Annual Meeting of the APS Division of Fluid Dynamics, November 2014, San Francisco, USA.

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## INVITED TALKS

1. 'The waves within us', Simons Foundation Lecture Series, Flatiron Institute, 2022.
  2. 'A multiscale biophysical model gives quantized metachronal waves in a lattice of cilia', Frontiers in Applied & Computational Mathematics, New Jersey Institute of Technology, 2022.
  3. 'Hydrodynamics of Active Matter', Jadavpur University, 2021.
  4. 'Metachronal waves in ciliary arrays', Brown Bag Seminar, Center for Computational Biology, Flatiron Institute, 2020.
  5. 'Helical buckling of actin filaments in compressional flow', Biophysical Modeling group, Center for Computational Biology, Flatiron Institute, 2019.
  6. 'Viscous dynamics of active and passive microfilaments', Department of Physics, University of California, Santa Barbara, 2019.
  7. 'Spontaneous oscillations and hydrodynamic synchronization of active filaments', ESPCI, Paris, France 2019.
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## AWARDS AND HONORS

- **Early Career Researcher** awarded by the journal *Physics of Fluids*, 2020.
- **Powell Fellow**, UCSD by Jacobs school of Engineering, 2015.
- **Pratt Presidential Graduate Fellowship** by Virginia Tech to the incoming graduate students, 2013-2014.
- **Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering** fellowship by the Government of India, 2013.
- **Awarded Gold Medal** for best performance in Fluid Mechanics in Bachelor of Engineering (Mechanical Engineering, Jadavpur University), 2013.
- **Summer Research Fellowship** by the Indian Academy of Sciences, 2012.
- **National Merit Scholarship** for outstanding performance in school leaving examination, 2009.

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## REVIEWER OF ARCHIVED JOURNALS

- Journal of Fluid Mechanics
- Physical Review Letters
- Physical Review Fluids
- Physical Review E
- Soft Matter
- Journal of Computational Physics
- Physica D
- New Journal of Physics
- Journal of Mathematical Fluid Mechanics
- Proceedings of the Royal Society A

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### At Virginia Tech

- Fall 2013: Teaching Assistant, Statics (ESM 2104)
- Spring 2014: Teaching Assistant, Dynamics (ESM 2204)
- Fall 2014: Teaching Assistant, Analytical mechanics (ESM 3214)
- Spring 2015: Teaching Assistant, Vibrations (ESM 3134)

### At UCSD

- Winter 2017: Teaching Assistant, Fluid mechanics (MAE 210 A)
- Fall 2018: Teaching Assistant, Introduction to mathematical physics (MAE 105).
- Spring 2019: Teaching Assistant, Hydrodynamic stability (MAE 210 C)

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