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### RESEARCH INTEREST SUMMARY

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Elucidating physiology-based structure-function relationships in healthy and diseased tissues, tissue regeneration and repair, and biomimetic materials design by bridging materials science and engineering mechanics with the life-sciences.

### EDUCATION

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- 2001 **University of Colorado, Boulder, CO**  
Ph.D. Mechanical Engineering, University of Colorado at Boulder  
Dissertation: "Age related bone loss and treatment with cytokines in mice."  
Advisor: Steven J. Simske, Ph.D. (Aerospace Engineering Sciences)
- 1998 **University of Colorado, Boulder, CO**  
M.S. Mechanical Engineering, University of Colorado at Boulder  
Thesis: "The effects of age and dietary restriction without nutritional supplementation on whole bone structural properties in C57BL/6J mice."  
Advisor: Steven J. Simske, Ph.D. (Aerospace Engineering Sciences)
- 1993 **University of Colorado, Boulder, CO**  
B.S. Mechanical Engineering, University of Colorado at Boulder

### EXPERIENCE

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- 9/2014 – Present *Associate Professor*  
Mechanical Engineering, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO
- 1/2009 – Present *Associate*  
BioFrontiers Institute, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO
- 10/2013 – Present *Associate*  
Materials Science and Engineering Program, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO
- 3/2012 – Present *Assistant Clinical Professor, Dean's Faculty Appointment*  
Department of Orthopaedics, University of Colorado School of Medicine, Denver, CO
- 10/2009 – Present *Assistant Clinical Professor, Dean's Faculty Appointment*  
Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Colorado School of Medicine, Denver, CO
- 7/2016 – 7/2018 *Associate Chair of Undergraduate Studies*  
Mechanical Engineering, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO
- 1/2006 – 8/2014 *Assistant Professor*  
Mechanical Engineering, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO
- 1/2003 – 12/2005 *Visiting Research Associate*  
Materials Science, Queen Mary, University of London, UK
- 2/2003 – 12/2005 *Research Associate*

BioServe Space Technologies / Aerospace Engineering Sciences  
University of Colorado, Boulder, CO

8/2003 – 12/2004 *Adjunct Professor*  
Mechanical Engineering, University of Colorado, Boulder, CO

6/2001 – 12/2002 *Postdoctoral Research Associate*  
Materials Science, Queen Mary, University of London, UK

6/2001 – 12/2002 *Honorary Research Fellow*  
Anatomy and Developmental Biology, University College London, UK

5/1996 – 5/2001 *Graduate Research Assistant*  
BioServe Space Technologies & Mechanical Engineering  
University of Colorado, Boulder, CO

6/1995 – 1/1996 *Biomedical Engineering Intern*  
Division of Urology in the Department of Surgery  
University of Colorado Health Sciences Center, Denver, CO

11/1993 – 1/1995 *Environmental Remediation Project Engineer*  
EG&G, Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site, Golden, CO

5/1992 – 10/1993 *Systems Engineering Intern*  
EG&G, Rocky Flats Environmental Technology Site, Golden, CO

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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2018- Hudson Moore Endowed Professor, College of Engineering and Applied Science, University of Colorado

2018-2019 Broadening Opportunity through Leadership and Diversity (BOLD) Center Faculty Fellow, College of Engineering and Applied Science, University of Colorado

2016-2017 Faculty Leadership Institute, University of Colorado

2016-2017 College of Engineering and Applied Science Dean's Faculty Leadership Advancement Group (FLAG), University of Colorado

2015 Dean's Faculty Fellowship – Sabbatical Research Supplement

2015 Orthopaedic Research Society Collaborative Exchange Award

2013 University of Colorado Innovative Seed Grant Award for Thermal Fusion in Arteries

2013 Dean's Faculty Fellowship Award, College of Engineering and Applied Science, University of Colorado

2012 Implementation of Multicultural Perspectives and Approaches in Research and Teaching (IMPART) Faculty Fellowship Award Program for "*Assessing the role of trust in mentored engineering research experiences*", Office of Diversity and Equity, University of Colorado

2011 NSF Faculty Early Career Development (CAREER) Award

2010 Chancellor's Faculty Award for Excellence in STEM Education for "*Assessing YOU'RE@CU: A New Program to Promote Diversity in Engineering*", University of Colorado

2007 Junior Faculty Development Award (JFDA), Council on Research and Creative Work; University of Colorado.

2006 CU Leadership, Excellence, Achievement, and Diversity Alliance (LEAD) Faculty Appreciation Award.

2006 Council on Research and Creative Work (CRCW) Seed Grant Recipient; University of Colorado.

2001-present Sigma Xi Scientific Honor Society

2001-2002 Postdoctoral Fellowship, UK Medical Research Council, Discipline Hoppers Scheme

## PUBLICATIONS

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### I. Peer-Reviewed Journal Articles

#### I.A. Published & In Press

(‡graduate student or postdoc co-author; †undergraduate co-author; \*corresponding co-author)

1. Preprint: Friedman MA, Abood A, Senwar B‡, Zhang Y, Maroni CR, **Ferguson VL**, Farber CR, Donahue HJ\*. Genetic Variability affects the Skeletal Response to Unloading. *bioRxiv* (2020).
2. Preprint: Barthold JE, St. Martin BM, Sridhar SL, Vernerey F, Schneider SE, Wacquez A, **Ferguson VL**, Calve S, Neu CP\*. Percolation of Microparticle Matrix Promotes Cell Migration and Integration while Supporting Native Tissue Architecture. *bioRxiv*. (2020)
3. Wilmoth R‡, **Ferguson VL**, Bryant SJ\*. A 3D, Dynamically Loaded Hydrogel Model of the Osteochondral Unit to Study Osteocyte Mechanobiology. *Adv. Healthcare Mater.* 9(22), 2001226. (2020).
4. Lindley E, Wuthrich Z, Ortega A, **Ferguson VL**, Patel VV\*. rhBMP-2 Improves Spine Fusion in a Vitamin D Deficient Rat Model. *Int J Spine Surgery*. 14(5):694-705. (2020).
5. Fischenich KM, Wahlquist JA, Wilmoth RL, Cai L, Neu CP, **Ferguson VL**\*. Human articular cartilage is orthotropic where microstructure, micromechanics, and chemistry vary with depth and split-line orientation. *Osteoarthritis Cartilage*. S1063-4584(20)31058-X (2020).
6. Sinha J, Podgórski M, Tomaschke A‡, **Ferguson VL**, Bowman CN\*. Phototriggered Base Amplification for Thiol-Michael Addition Reactions in Cross-linked Photopolymerizations with Efficient Dark Cure. *Macromolecules*. 53, 15, 6331–6340 (2020).
7. Aziz A, Wilmoth R‡, **Ferguson V**, Bryant S\*. IDG-SW3 osteocyte differentiation and bone extracellular matrix deposition are enhanced in a 3D MMP-sensitive hydrogel. *ACS Applied BioMaterials*. 3(3): 1666-1680. (2020).
8. Smith RC\*, Cramer MS, Mitchell PJ, Lucchesi J, Ortega AM, Livingston EW, Ballard D, Zhang L, Hanson J, Barton K, Berens S, Credille K, Bateman TA, **Ferguson VL**, Ma L, Stodieck, LS. Inhibition of myostatin prevents microgravity-induced loss of skeletal muscle mass and strength. *PLoS ONE* 15(4): e0230818. (2020).
9. Abad B, Knobloch JL, Frazer TD, Hernández-Charpak JN, Cheng HY, Grede AJ, Giebink NC, Mallouk TE, Mahale P, Nova NN, Tomaschke AA‡, **Ferguson VL**, Crespi VH, Gopalan V, Kapteyn HC, Badding JV, Murnane MM\*. Nondestructive Measurements of the Mechanical and Structural Properties of Nanostructured Metalattices. *Nano Lett.* (2020)
10. Coulombe JC‡, Senwar B‡, **Ferguson VL**\*. Spaceflight-Induced Bone Tissue Changes that Affect Bone Quality and Increase Fracture Risk. *Curr Osteoporos Rep. Review*. 18(1):1-12. (2020).
11. Kegelman CD, Coulombe JC‡, Jordan KM, Horan DJ, Qin L, Robling AG, **Ferguson VL**, Bellido TM, Boerckel JD\*. YAP and TAZ Mediate Osteocyte Perilacunar/Canalicular Remodeling. *J Bone Miner Res*. 35(1):196-210. (2020).
12. Heveran CM‡, Schurman CA, Acevedo C, Livingston EW, Howe D, Schaible EG, Hunt HB, Rauff A, Donnelly E, Carpenter RD, Levi M, Lau AG, Bateman TA, Alliston T, King KB, **Ferguson VL**\*. Chronic kidney disease and aging differentially diminish bone material and microarchitecture in C57Bl/6 mice. *Bone*. 127:91-103 (2019).
13. Aisenbrey EA, Tomaschke AA‡, Schoonraad SA, Fischenich KM, Wahlquist JA‡, Randolph MA, **Ferguson VL**, Bryant SJ\*. Assessment and prevention of cartilage degeneration surrounding a focal chondral defect in the porcine model. *Biochem Biophys Res Commun*. 514(3):940-945 (2019).
14. Yu Y, Rodriguez-Fontan F, Eckstein K, Muralidharan A, Uzcategui AC, Fuchs JR, Weatherford S, Erickson CB, Bryant SJ, **Ferguson VL**, Hadley Miller N, Li G, Payne KA\*. Rabbit Model of Physeal Injury for the Evaluation of Regenerative Medicine Approaches. *Tissue Eng Part C Methods*. 25(12):701-710 (2019).
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16. Shaw N, Erickson C, Bryant SJ, **Ferguson VL**, Krebs MD, Hadley-Miller N, Payne KA\*. Regenerative Medicine Approaches for the Treatment of Pediatric Physeal Injuries. *Tissue Engineering Part B: Reviews* 24(2): 85-87 (2018).

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19. Heveran CM‡, Rauff A, King KB, Carpenter RD, **Ferguson VL\***. A new open-source tool for measuring 3D osteocyte lacunar geometries from confocal laser scanning microscopy reveals age-related changes to lacunar size and shape in cortical mouse bone. *Bone*, 110, 115-127 (2018).
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42. Mao XW, Pecaut MJ, Stodieck LS, **Ferguson VL**, Bateman TA, Boussein ML, Gridley DS\*. Biological and metabolic response in STS-135 space-flown mouse skin. *Free Rad Res* 48(8): 890-897 (2014).
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44. Dodson RB‡, Rozance PJ, Mecham RP, Fleenor BS, Petrash CC†, Shoemaker LG‡, Hunter KS, **Ferguson VL\***. Thoracic and abdominal aortic increased hyperelastic stiffness and extracellular matrix changes in intrauterine growth restricted (IUGR) fetal sheep. *Am J Physiology – Heart C.* 306(3):H429-37 (2014).
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52. Dodson RB‡, Rozance PJ, Reina-Romo E, **Ferguson VL**, Hunter KS\*. Hyperelastic remodeling in the intrauterine growth restricted (IUGR) carotid artery in the near-term fetus. *J Biomech.* 46 (5):956-963 (2013).
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54. Cezo J‡, Kramer E‡, Taylor K, **Ferguson V**, Rentschler M\*. Temperature measurement methods during direct heat arterial tissue fusion. *IEEE Trans Biomed Eng* 60 (9):2552-2558 (2013).
55. Campbell SE‡, **Ferguson VL**, Hurley DC\*. Nanomechanical mapping of the osteochondral interface with contact resonance force microscopy and nanoindentation. *Acta Biomater.* 8 (12):4389-4396 (2012).
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60. Lloyd SA, Simske SJ, Bogren LK†, Olesiak SE‡, Bateman TA, **Ferguson VL\***. Effects of Combined Insulin-like Growth Factor 1 and Macrophage Colony-stimulating Factor on the Skeletal Properties of Mice. *In Vivo* 25 (3):297-305 (2011).
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### I.B. Manuscripts, In Review

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## PRESENTATIONS

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### I. Invited Lectures at Conferences, Universities, Institutes and Companies

1. "Mice in Space – Challenges in transporting mice to the International Space Station." Animal Transportation Association Annual Meeting. Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates. March 2, 2020.
2. "Chronic kidney disease affects multi-scale relationships between bone structure, chemistry, and function and skeletal fragility." Renal Research Conference. Department of Nephrology, University of Colorado School of Medicine Anschutz Campus. November 4, 2019.
3. "Multimodal Assessment of Zonal Articular Cartilage: Correlation of Mechanics, Structural Organization, and Biochemistry." International Cartilage Regeneration and Joint Preservation Society. Vancouver, B.C. October 5-10, 2019.
4. "Measuring Multi-Scale Relationships Between Bone Structure, Chemistry and Function and the Importance to Skeletal Fragility." Orthopaedic Research Society 48<sup>th</sup> International Musculoskeletal Biology Workshop. Sun Valley, ID. July 25-28, 2019.
5. "Multimodal assessment of zonal articular cartilage and interfaces: Guiding 3D printable constructs for osteochondral tissue regeneration." Summer Biomechanics, Bioengineering, and Biotransport Conference. Seven Springs, PA. June 25-28, 2019.
6. "Mouse Bone Microarchitecture and Strength Following Short and Long-Term Exposure to Microgravity." ISS R&D Conference, Rodent Research technical Session I. Washington D.C., July 21, 2017.
7. "Structure and properties are critical for function and repair of dental tissues." 32nd Annual Research Day, School of Dental Medicine, University of Colorado, Anschutz Medical Campus, Aurora, CO. February 12, 2016.

8. "Multiscale mechanics of biological tissue -- Coupling small-scale property measurements with chemistry and structure." Department of Bioengineering, University of New South Wales, Sydney, Australia. Nov. 26, 2015.
9. "Overcoming Challenges in Nanoindentation of Biological Tissues and Biomaterials." NanoBio Node Nanoindentation Workshop. University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL, USA. April 1, 2015.
10. "Reverse Engineering of the osteochondral interface." Presented at the Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting, San Antonio, October 23, 2014.  
"Challenges and Solutions for Quantitative In Vivo Ultrasound Elastography of the Human Cervix in Pregnancy." Presented at the World Congress on Biomechanics, Boston, MA, July, 2014.
11. "Deconstructing the osteochondral interface using structure-composition-property relationships at micrometer length scales." Presented at the World Congress on Biomechanics, Boston, MA, July, 2014.
12. "Measurement of bone quality: Direct Assessment - Nanoindentation." Presented at the American Association of Orthopaedic Surgeons Bone Quality and Fracture Prevention Symposium, Rosemont, IL, May 17, 2013.
13. "Integration of mineralized and soft tissues facilitates effective function of the bone-cartilage interface." Musculoskeletal Biomechanics Section, Southwest Research Institute. March 5, 2013.
14. "Nanoindentation of hydrated or wet samples." Invited lecture in Short Course on Nanoindentation, TMS Annual Meeting. March 3, 2013.
15. "Non-hormonal countermeasures for bone loss in microgravity." Invited talk for the American Society of Space and Gravitational Research. November 29, 2012.
16. "Contribution of dissimilar materials and structural organization to effective function of the osteochondral interface", University of Delaware, Department of Biomedical Engineering. November 7, 2012.
17. "Integration of mineralized and soft tissues facilitates effective function of the bone-cartilage interface?" Colorado State University, Department of Mechanical Engineering. April 30, 2012.
18. "Integration of mineralized and soft tissues facilitate effective function of the bone-cartilage interface", Symposium TT: Interfaces in Materials, Biology, and Physiology, Materials Research Society Spring meeting. San Francisco, CA. April 12, 2012.
19. "Grading of tissue mechanical properties, microstructure, and composition facilitate effective function of the bone-cartilage interface" Boston University, Department of Mechanical Engineering. November 18, 2011.
20. "Combining proteomic profiles with ultrasound elastography – developing a new method to quantify premature birth risk." Butcher Symposium, University of Colorado, Westminster, CO. November, 2011.
21. "Material analysis of the osteochondral interface in the growing human vertebral endplate." Philadelphia Spine Symposium, University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia PA. November, 2011.
22. "Mixed-Methods Assessment of Research-Based Undergraduate Mentoring Program." Discipline Based Education Research (DBER), University of Colorado, Boulder CO. December, 2011.
23. "Materials Science Tools Guide the Design of Engineering Biomaterials." CIMBposium – Bridging Disciplines: Collaborative Bioscience at CU-Boulder. University of Colorado, Boulder, CO. November, 2010.
24. "The bone-cartilage interface: Properties, structure, function, and physiology." Department of Integrative Physiology Colloquium, University of Colorado, Boulder CO. September, 2010.
25. "Mechanical failure of tissues in preterm birth." Maternal and Fetal Medicine Seminar Series, University of Colorado School of Medicine, Denver, CO. December, 2010.
26. "Viscoelastic nanoindentation of mineralized tissues." Third International Conference on Mechanics of Biomaterials & Tissues (ICMOBT). Clearwater Beach, FL. December 17, 2009.
27. "Tissue Function in Pregnancy: Amnion Strength and Umbilical Artery Stiffness." Program in Reproductive Sciences (PiRS) seminar series, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, University of Colorado, Denver, CO. November 3, 2009.
28. "Contributions to the nanomechanical heterogeneity of mineralized tissues." American Society International Mechanical Engineering Congress and Exposition (ASME IMECE). Lake Buena Vista, Fl. November, 2009.
29. "Tissue-level Mechanical Property Heterogeneity in Mineralized Tissues." Materials Research Society Fall Meeting: Symposium Z. Mechanical Behavior of Biological and Biomedical Materials. Boston, MA. December, 2008.
30. "Structure-Function Relationships within Umbilical Cord Tissues." Frontiers in Pregnancy Symposium, Anschutz Medical Campus, Aurora, CO. November 14, 2008.
31. "Nanoindentation of mineralized tissues: Elastic, plastic, and viscous contributions." Materials Research Society Fall Meeting: Symposium AA. Nanoindentation and Nanotribology IV. Boston, MA. December, 2007.

32. "Analysis of hard biological tissues at very small scales." Max Planck Institute for Metals Research. Stuttgart, Germany. November, 2006.
33. "Muscle and Bone Deterioration During Weight Unloading and Spaceflight." Amgen Inc., Thousand Oaks, CA. February, 2005.
34. "Nanomechanical testing of biological tissues." Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Colorado. Boulder, CO. December, 2004.
35. "Musculoskeletal deterioration and countermeasures in mice." Department of Aerospace Engineering Sciences. University of Colorado, Boulder, CO. November, 2004.
36. "Nanoindentation applied to biosensors and biological- and biomedical- materials." Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering, Colorado School of Mines. Golden, CO. April, 2004.
37. "New advances in the biomechanics of mineralized tissues." Oregon Health Sciences University, Division of Endocrinology, Department of Surgery. Portland, OR. April, 2004.
38. "Articular calcified cartilage." 2004 Colorado Orthopaedics Research Retreat. Louisville, CO. January, 2004.
39. "New advances in the biomechanics of mineralized tissues." Bucknell University, Department of Biomedical Engineering. Lewisburg, PA. April, 2003.
40. "Modulus and mineralisation of articular calcified cartilage and subchondral bone via nanoindentation and quantitative backscattered electron imaging and applications to bone experiments from STS-108." University of Colorado, Department of Aerospace Engineering Sciences. Boulder, CO. February, 2003.
41. "Engineering considerations in mineralised tissues." Department of Anatomy and Developmental Biology, University College London. October, 2002.
42. "Bone from an engineering perspective." Department of Anatomy and Developmental Biology, University College London. October, 2001.
43. "Prevention of age related bone loss by increasing peak bone mass." Amgen Inc., Thousand Oaks, CA. October, 2000.

## II. Oral Conference Presentations (presenter in bold; *awards underlined and in italics*)

1. **Eckstein K**, Hergert J, Uzcategui C, Bryant S, McLeod R, Ferguson V. "Architected Composite Material Design For 3D Printed Biomimetic Cartilage Implants." Proceedings of the Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting, October 2020.
2. **Wilmoth R**, Bryant S, Ferguson V. "Mature Osteocyte Differentiation In A 3D MMP-Sensitive Hydrogel To Study Cell Signaling." Proceedings of the Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting, October 2020.
3. **Senwar B**, Friedman MA, Farber CR, Donahue HJ, Ferguson VL. Bone microarchitecture and composition contribute to bone fracture risk in the genetically diverse diversity outbred (DO) founder mouse strains. American Society for Bone and Mineral Research. September 11-14, 2020. *2020 ASBMR Young Investigator Award.*
4. **Wilmoth R**, Sharma S, Ferguson V, Bryant S. PGE-2-induced osteocyte signaling is mediated by 3D culture environments. Summer Biomechanics, Bioengineering, and Biotransport Conference. Virtual. June 17-20, 2020.
5. **Khadangale S**, Hajebrahimi S, Ferguson V, Lynch M, Mukherjee D. Fluid-structure interaction framework for fluid flow through the bone lacunar-canalicular system with morphological variations. Summer Biomechanics, Bioengineering, and Biotransport Conference. Virtual. June 17-20, 2020.
6. **Barthold J**, Cai L, McCreery, Fischenich K, Ferguson V, Neu C. Acellular osteochondral plug as a defect repair in sheep decreased localized strain concentration but is unable to integrate with surrounding tissue. Summer Biomechanics, Bioengineering, and Biotransport Conference. Virtual. June 17-20, 2020.
7. **Fischenich K**, Eckstein K, Payne K, Ferguson V. Growth plate cartilage exhibits orientation and depth dependent strain fields under loading. Summer Biomechanics, Bioengineering, and Biotransport Conference. Virtual. June 17-20, 2020.
8. **Crespo V**, Uzcategui C, Fischenich K, Bryant S, McLeod R, Ferguson V. Using stereolithography (SLA) to manufacture hydrogels with specific mechanical properties for scaffolding in tissue engineering. Summer Biomechanics, Bioengineering, and Biotransport Conference. Virtual. June 17-20, 2020.
9. **Coulombe J**, Mullen Z, Ferguson V. Novel, micrometer scale assessment of peri-lacunar bone mineral density in 3D. Summer Biomechanics, Bioengineering, and Biotransport Conference. Virtual. June 17-20, 2020.

10. **Wilmoth R**, Aziz A, Uzcategui C, Ferguson V, Bryant S. An Osteocyte 3D Culture System to Study Osteochondral Strains and Fluid Flow in an ex vivo Model. Society For Biomaterials Annual Meeting. Seattle, WA. April 3-6, 2019. *Student Travel Achievement Recognitions (STARs) for outstanding abstracts submitted by students.*
11. **Tomaschke A**, Muralidharan A, Bryant SJ, McLeod RM, Ferguson VL. Mechanical characterization of graded hydrogel/polymer interfaces to assess robustness. Materials Research Society Fall Meeting. Boston, MA. December 1-6, 2019.
12. **Coulombe JC**, Livingston E, Ortega A, Mullen Z, Wiens A, Bateman T, Vance E, Stodieck L, Ferguson V. Microgravity deleteriously affects micrometer length scale features in mouse bone in a site- and age-dependent manner. American Society for Space and Gravitational Research. Denver, CO. November 20-23, 2019.
13. **Eckstein K**, Payne K, Ferguson V. Microindentation maps two gradients in mechanical properties across the zones of the growth plate. Summer Biomechanics, Bioengineering, and Biotransport Conference. Seven Springs, PA. June 25-28, 2019.
14. **Fischenich K**, Wahlquist J, Ferguson V. Collagen fiber orientation and mechanical properties correlate across human articular cartilage zones. Summer Biomechanics, Bioengineering, and Biotransport Conference. Seven Springs, PA. June 25-28, 2019.
15. **Coulombe JC**, Estell E, Sherk V, Becker K, Rosen C, Ferguson V. DOCK7 Deletion Diminishes Bone Material Properties and Osteocytes Dendrite Morphologies. J Bone Miner Res 32 (Suppl 1). Annual Meeting of the American-Society-for-Bone-and-Mineral-Research (ASBMR), Orlando, FL. September 20-23, 2019.
16. **Coulombe JC** and Ferguson VL. 3D Peri-Lacunar bone Mineral Density Changes with Oblateness. XIVth Congress of the International Society of Bone Morphometry (ISBM). Lake Buena Vista, FL. September 23-26, 2019.
17. **Senwar B**, Boussein ML, Stodieck LS, Ferguson VL. 13 Days of Microgravity Exposure Diminishes Cortical Bone Material Quality in Growing C57BL/6Mice. Podium presentation in "Mechanical Loading in Bone; Bone Mechanics", Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, Austin, TX, USA. February 1-5, 2019.
18. **Kegelman CD**, Coulombe JC, Jordan KM, Horan DJ, Robling AG, Ferguson VL, Bellido TM, Boerckel JD. YAP and TAZ mediate osteocyte perilacunar/canalicular remodeling. Podium presentation in "Mechanobiology and Cell Matrix Interactions: Bone Biology", Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, Austin, TX, USA. February 1-5, 2019.
19. **Tomaschke AA**, Fiedler CI, Aisenbrey EA, Wahlquist JA, Kleinjan E, Aziz A, Randolph MA, McLeod RR, Bryant SJ, Ferguson VL. A Biocompatible, 3D Printed Stiff Hydrogel for Osteochondral Tissue Engineering. Oral Presentation in "Biomaterials and Tissue Regeneration", Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, San Diego, CA, USA. March 19-22, 2017.
20. **Wahlquist J**, Aziz A, Randolph M, Bryant S, Neu C, Ferguson V. Zonal Articular Cartilage Exhibits Poroelastic Behavior. Oral Presentation in "Biomechanics of Biomaterials", Biomedical Engineering Society Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, USA. October 5-8, 2016.
21. **Ishihara Y**, Ferguson V, Bateman T, Boussein M, Lotinun S, Paszty C, Stodieck L, Baron R. Evidence for autocrine effects of sclerostin on osteocytes: Sclerostin Antibody Treatment Prevents Spaceflight-induced Osteocytic Osteolysis and Skeletal Bone Loss in Mice. Oral Presentation 1015, American Society of Bone and Mineral Research, Atlanta, GA, September 16-20, 2016.
22. **Heveran C**, Ortega A, Cureton A, Livingston E, Bateman T, Levi M, King K, Ferguson V. Moderate Chronic Kidney Disease Impairs Bone Quality in Skeletally Mature C57Bl/6 Mice. Paper No. 0002. In Orthopaedic Research Society, Las Vegas, NV, USA. March 28, 2015.
23. **Ferguson VL**, Deconstructing the osteochondral interface using structure-composition-property relationships at micrometer length scales, 6-9 Joint and Soft Tissue Mechanics Session. In: Transactions of the 7<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Biomechanics, Boston, MA, July 6-11, 2014.
24. **BN Briggs, CA Barnard, VL Ferguson**. Microstructural and Compositional Contributions to Placental Membrane Mechanics and Timing of Rupture, 11-13 Biomechanics of pregnancy and delivery II Session. In: Transactions of the 7<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Biomechanics, Boston, MA, July 6-11, 2014.
25. **Stender ME**, Regueiro RA, Ferguson VL. An anisotropic model for articular cartilage damage to elucidate mechanisms underlying the initiation and progression of osteoarthritis, 15-16 Osteoarthritis Session. In: Transactions of the 7<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Biomechanics, Boston, MA, July 6-11, 2014.
26. **Ferguson VL and Briggs BN**. Challenges and Solutions for Quantitative In Vivo Ultrasound Elastography of the Human Cervix in Pregnancy, 9-13 Biomechanics of the Cervix Session. In: Transactions of the 7<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Biomechanics, Boston, MA, July 6-11, 2014.

27. **Kramer EA**, Ferguson VL, Rentschler ME. Biothermomechanics of Thermal Tissue Fusion: A Multi-Faceted Interaction, 4-14 Biothermomechanics Session. In: Transactions of the 7<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Biomechanics, Boston, MA, July 6-11, 2014.
28. Allen W, Anderson RT, Frazier CD, Ferguson VL, **Carpenter D**. The role of mechanics in guiding the spatial orientation of the osteocyte lacunar-canalicular system. 8-11 Mechanics of Tissue and Organ Development III: Multiscale Measurements and Modeling Session. In: Transactions of the 7<sup>th</sup> World Congress of Biomechanics, Boston, MA, July 6-11, 2014.
29. **Cezo J**, Kramer E, Schoen JA, Ferguson V, Rentschler ME. Tissue Storage Ex vivo Significantly Increases Vascular Fusion Bursting Pressure. The Society of American Gastrointestinal Endoscopic Surgeons, Salt Lake City, UT, April, 2014.
30. **Briggs BN**, Donnelly M, Muljadi P, Ferguson VL. Ultrasound elastography calibrated reference materials development to measure in vivo tissue stiffness. In: Transactions of the 2014 American Institute of Ultrasound Medicine Annual Convention, Las Vegas, NV, March 29 – April 2, 2014.
31. **Ortega AM**, Paietta RC, Gonzalez SM, Stodieck LS, Ferguson VL Spaceflight related changes in structure and strength of mouse trabecular and cortical bone from the STS-118 Space Shuttle Mission, Paper #SBC2013-14785. In: Transactions of the ASME Summer Bioengineering Conference, Sunriver, OR, June 26 - 29 2013.
32. **Ferguson VL**, Cureton A, Shum LC, Loayza M, Bateman TA, Levi M, King KB Kidney disease increases bone turnover in young adult C5Bl/6 mice. In: Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, January 26-29, 2013.
33. **Paietta RC**, Burger E, Patel V, Kinneberg K, Ferguson VL Development and aging of the osteochondral interface within the human vertebral endplate. In: Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, San Antonio, TX, January 26-29, 2013.
34. **Tsai JY**, Berg AN, Kotys-Schwartz D, Louie B, Ferguson VL Am I a boss or coach? Graduate students mentoring undergraduates in research. In: Proceedings of the American Society for Engineering Education Annual Conference and Exposition, Atlanta, GA, June 23 - 26 2013.
35. **Berg A**, Tsai J, Louie B, Ferguson V. The importance of trust in a research-based undergraduate mentoring program. Paper presented at the UNM Mentoring Institute, Conference Albuquerque, NM, October 24-26, 2012.
36. **Bouxsein M**, Bateman TA, Hanson AM, Pruitt T, Livingston E, Lemus M, Stodieck LS, Ellman R, Spatz J, Warmington KS, Tan HL, Hill D, Dwyer D, Ortega A, Maurya S, Stolina M, Lotinun S, Baron R, Paszty C, Ferguson VL Sclerostin Antibody Treatment Improves Bone Mass, Microarchitecture and Mechanical Properties in Mice Exposed to Microgravity: Results from the STS-135 Shuttle Mission. In: Proceedings of the 2012 American Society of Bone and Mineral Research, Minneapolis, MN, October 12-15 2012.
37. **Dodson RB**, Ferguson VL, Rozance PJ, Reina-Romo E, Hunter KS Hyperelastic Model of Collagen Fiber Orientation in the Fetal Growth Restricted Carotid Artery, Paper # SBC2012-80256. In: American Society of Mechanical Engineers Summer Bioengineering Conference, Fajardo, Puerto Rico, June 20-23 2012.
38. **Dodson RB**, Ferguson VL, Rozance PJ, Hunter KS Increased Stiffness of the Abdominal Aorta With Intrauterine Growth Restriction in the Near-term Fetal Sheep, Paper # SBC2012-80634. In: American Society of Mechanical Engineers Summer Bioengineering Conference, Fajardo, Puerto Rico, June 20-23 2012.
39. **Ellman R**, Ferguson VL, Livingston E, Lemus M, Louis L, Spatz J, Warmington KS, Tan HL, Hill D, Stolina M, Lotinun S, Baron R, Paszty C, Stodieck LS, Bouxsein M, Bateman TA Site- and Compartment-specific Effects of Microgravity on the Skeleton in Mice Flown on the STS-135 Shuttle Mission. In: Proceedings of the 2012 American Society of Bone and Mineral Research, Minneapolis, MN, October 12-15 2012.
40. **Ellman R**, Ferguson VL, Livingston E, Lemus M, Louis L, Spatz J, Stodieck LS, Bouxsein M, Bateman TA Effect of spaceflight on bone mineral density and microarchitecture in mice: results from STS-135. In: Proceedings of the 2012 NASA Human Research Program Investigators' Workshop, Houston, TX, February 14-16 2012.
41. **Jonscher KJ**, Choudhury M, Ferguson V, Gridley DS, Pecaut MJ. Of mice and microgravity: Does SIRT3 play a role in oxidative stress-induced metabolic dysfunction? Paper presented at the 1st Annual International Space Station Research and Development Conference, Denver, CO, June 26 - 28, 2012.
42. **Tsai JY**, Berg A, Kotys-Schwartz DA, Louie B, Ferguson VL Graduate Students Mentoring Undergraduates in Research: Attitudes and Reflections about these Experiences. In: Proceedings of the American Society for Engineering Education Annual Conference and Exposition, San Antonio, TX, June 10-13 2012.

43. **Tsai JY**, Berg A, Kotys-Schwartz DA, Louie B, Ferguson VL. Comparing Mentor and Mentee Perspectives in a Research-Based Undergraduate Mentoring Program. In: Proceedings of the ASME 2012 International Mechanical Engineering Congress & Exposition, Houston, TX, November 9-15, 2012.
44. **Briggs B**, Ferguson VL. Mechanical properties of spontaneously and artificially ruptured human amnion. Paper # SBC2011-53860. Transactions of the ASME Summer Bioengineering Conference, Farmington, PA, June 2011.
45. **Dodson RB**, Hunter KS, Ferguson VL. Elastic properties of the human umbilical cord in preeclampsia. Paper #SBC2011-53673. Transactions of the ASME Summer Bioengineering Conference, Farmington, PA, June 2011.
46. **Campbell SE**, Ferguson, VL, and Hurley, DC. Viscoelastic measurements of the bone-cartilage interface: linking multiscale mechanical properties. International Conference on the Mechanics of Biomaterials and Tissues, Waikoloa, HI, December, 2011.
47. **Campbell SE**, Ferguson VL, Hurley DC. Linking nano- and micromechanical measurements of the bone-cartilage interface. Materials Research Society Fall Meeting, Boston, MA, November, 2011.
48. **Campbell SE**, Ferguson VL, Hurley DC. Viscoelastic mapping of the bone-cartilage interface: understanding at the multiscale. Seeing at the Nanoscale, Santa Barbara, CA, July, 2011.
49. **Cezo J**, Ferguson V, Rentschler ME Computational Modeling of Direct Heat Tissue Fusion, Paper # IMECE2011-62134. In: American Society of Mechanical Engineers International Mechanical Engineering Congress and Exposition, Denver, CO, November 13-15 2011.
50. **Paietta RC**, Burger E, Ferguson VL. Material properties of the developing bone-cartilage interface in the human spine. Paper # SBC2011-53774. Transactions of the ASME Summer Bioengineering Conference, Farmington, PA, June 2011.
51. Tsai J, Berg A, Kotys-Schwartz D, Louie B, **Ferguson VL**. Mixed-Methods Assessment of Research-Based Undergraduate Mentoring Program. Paper presented at the Discipline-Based Educational Research Seminar Series, Boulder, CO, November 29, 2011.
52. **Tsai JY**, Kotys-Schwartz D, Ferguson V, Louie B Assessing efficacy of a new research-oriented peer mentoring program: YOU'RE@CU. In: Proceedings of the ASME 2011 International Mechanical Engineering Congress and Exposition (IMECE), November 13 - 15 2011.
53. Ferguson VL, Paietta RC, Olesiak SE, **Oyen ML**. Nanoindentation of hierarchical mechanical properties in bone tissue. Paper # USNCTAM2010-1324. Transactions of the 16<sup>th</sup> US National Congress of Theoretical and Applied Mechanics. State College, PA. June 27 - July 2, 2010.
54. **Ferguson VL**. "Nanoindentation of Hierarchical Mechanical Properties in Bone Tissue." Bone Tissue: Hierarchical Simulations for Clinical Applications (BTHSCA1) Conference. UCLA, Los Angeles, CA. April, 2010.
55. **Gridley DS**, Green LM, Bianski B, Stodieck LS, Ferguson VL, Slater JM, Pecaut MJ. STS-118 spaceflight effects on expression of liver genes associated with metabolism and tissue remodeling. Paper presented at the 21st NASA Space Radiation Investigator's Workshop, Long Island, NY, May 16 - 19, 2010.
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2. **Fischenich KM**, Payne K, Ferguson VL. Bulk Mechanics and Depth Dependent Strain of Bovine Growth Plate Cartilage. Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting. Phoenix, AZ. February 7-11, 2020. Poster presentation.
3. **Senwar B**, Bouxsein ML, Stodieck LS, Ferguson VL. 13 days of microgravity exposure lowers bone formation and maturation rates in growing C57BL/6N mice. American Society for Space and Gravitational Research. Denver, CO. November 20-23, 2019.
4. **Coulombe JC**, Estell E, Sherk V, Becker K, Rosen C, Ferguson V. DOCK7 Deletion Diminishes Bone Material Properties and Osteocytes Dendrite Morphologies. J Bone Miner Res 32 (Suppl 1). Annual Meeting of the American-Society-for-Bone-and-Mineral-Research (ASBMR), Orlando, FL. September 20-23, 2019.
5. **Coulombe JC** and Ferguson VL. 3D Peri-Lacunar Bone Mineral Density Assessment: A Novel Approach. Orthopaedic Research Society 48<sup>th</sup> International Musculoskeletal Biology Workshop. Sun Valley, ID. July 25-28, 2019. *"Alice L. Jee" Award winner.*
6. **Yu Y**, Fontan FR, Eckstein KE, Muralidharan A, Uzcategui AC, Erickson C, Weatherford S, Fuchs J, McLeod RR, Bryant SJ, Ferguson VL, Hadley-Miller N, Payne KA. A 3D printed implant filled with cartilage mimetic hydrogel for the treatment of physeal cartilage injuries in a rabbit model. Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, Austin, TX, USA. February 1-5, 2019.
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9. **Sherk VD**, Heveran CM, Foright RD, Johnson GC, Ferguson VL, MacLean PS. Influence of Diet and Exercise on fracture toughness and bone geometry and microscale properties in female and male rats. Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, Austin, TX, USA. February 1-5, 2019.
10. **Coulombe J**, Fisher L, Ferguson VL. Evolving osteocyte morphology and network organization with maturation and aging in male C57BL/6J mice. Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, Austin, TX, USA. February 1-5, 2019.
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