



ANALYST TRAINING  
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**Aarati Asundi**

I am a fifth year graduate student in the BMS program. Before coming to UCSF, I spent one year of graduate school at UC Davis in their Pharmacology and Toxicology graduate program. There, I joined Dr. Noelle L'Etoile lab, which uses the model organism *C. elegans* to understand adaptation and neuronal plasticity. However, my thesis project has now become more focused on examining the role of the small RNA pathway in the cell cycle and I have therefore developed a close collaboration with Dr. Andrei Goga. Outside of lab, I am a medical writer and video editor for Youreka Science, a group that promotes public science education by producing easy to understand whiteboard videos about the latest biomedical research from various fields. I really enjoy learning about the newest developments research has to offer and I hope that, as a partner of Evexia, I can use this to analyze the science behind biotech companies.



**George Chen**

George is an electrical and software engineer at Theranova, a San Francisco-based medical device incubator, where he works on different medical device projects that get spun into different companies. He received a Master's in Translational Medicine degree from the University of California, Berkeley and University of California, San Francisco and a Bachelor's in Biomedical Engineering and Electrical Engineering from Johns Hopkins University. Prior to this, he was involved in Aezon, a student-team that competed in the Qualcomm Tricorder XPrize Competition, and was a student researcher in the Johns Hopkins Popel Systems Biology Lab, as well as the Embedded Systems Engineering Lab at the University of Pennsylvania.



## **Dan Holohan**

I am a 4th-year BMS student working in the Bluestone lab and a member of EVEXIA since June 2016. My thesis work applies chimeric antigen receptor (CAR) technology to study the mechanisms of tolerance mediated by regulatory T cells (Tregs) in type 1 diabetes. Post-graduation, I plan on entering consulting to apply my knowledge of cancer and autoimmunity in the healthcare and biotechnology sectors. I applied to ATP in order to meet other fund members and gain the skills necessary to confidently make my own pitches to the group. EVEXIA is filled with members of various expertise, so I'm excited to see what ideas we come up with for investment!



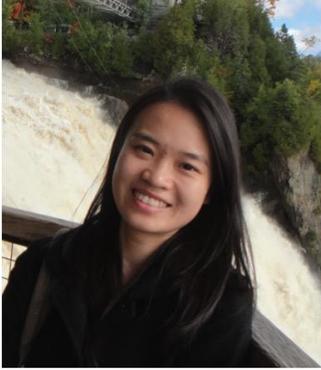
## **Alex Etlin, PhD**

I am a postdoc in UCSF, where I study the changes that occur in the spinal cord in the setting of nerve injury, leading to neuropathic pain, and how to mitigate them. Over the course of my career I authored a number of research articles as well as book chapters. In addition to my academic interests I have a strong passion for Biotechnology industry. In this regard, I founded a consultancy dedicated to providing market research and medical writing services to early-stage start-ups. Through these experiences, I gained deep understanding of drug and medical devices development processes, intellectual property laws and FDA regulations.



## **Saharsh Patel, MD**

I studied Public Health at Johns Hopkins, attended medical school at the University of Florida, and am currently a resident physician at UCSF. Outside of taking care of patients directly, I hope to impact health outcomes through fostering innovation. I've worked in management consulting at ZS Associates and served as an Associate at Healthbox Global Partners. With my free time, I enjoy going to the gym to play basketball and lift, catching up with friends, and reading.



## **Wenyu Luo, PhD**

My name is Wenyu Luo, a postdoc fellow in Dr. Yuh-Nung Jan's lab at UCSF. I'm studying innate behaviors and stress-induced psychiatric diseases in animal models. Outside of lab, my passions include Zumba, Pilates, yoga, and various business-related internships. From the EVEXIA ATP3 program, I wish to learn to make investment decisions and to manage a Bio Fund's portfolio.



## **Thomas Hennings**

My name is Thomas Hennings, I am a BMS graduate student in the UCSF Diabetes Center where I study pancreatic beta-cells. My primary expertise is in both type 1 and type 2 diabetes mellitus, and after completing my PhD I intend to pursue a career in the biotechnology industry. I joined EVEXIA in December 2015 to learn more about investing and business in the biotech sector. I am very excited to be a part of ATP and eager to utilize my expertise to add to the already impressive success of the EVEXIA fund. I look forward to meeting everyone and getting started soon!



## **Chris Margono**

Chris Margono grew up in Southern California, and moved to the Bay Area from Seattle, WA, where he lived for a year. He studied chemistry at UC Riverside, and with an interest in global health proceeded to work for a Ugandan NGO and IHME, a quantitative research institute funded by the Gate's Foundation. Passionate about health, he began medical school at UCSF where he discovered interests in business and technology. For fun, he enjoys consumer electronics, playing the drums, and travel. He takes pride in the fact that he is half Indonesian, and has learned how to speak the language!