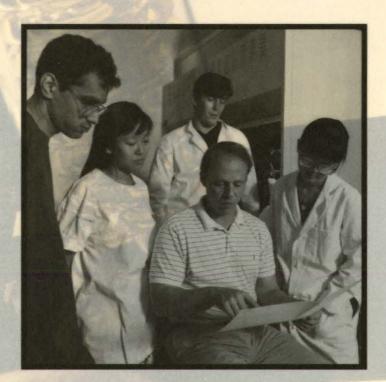
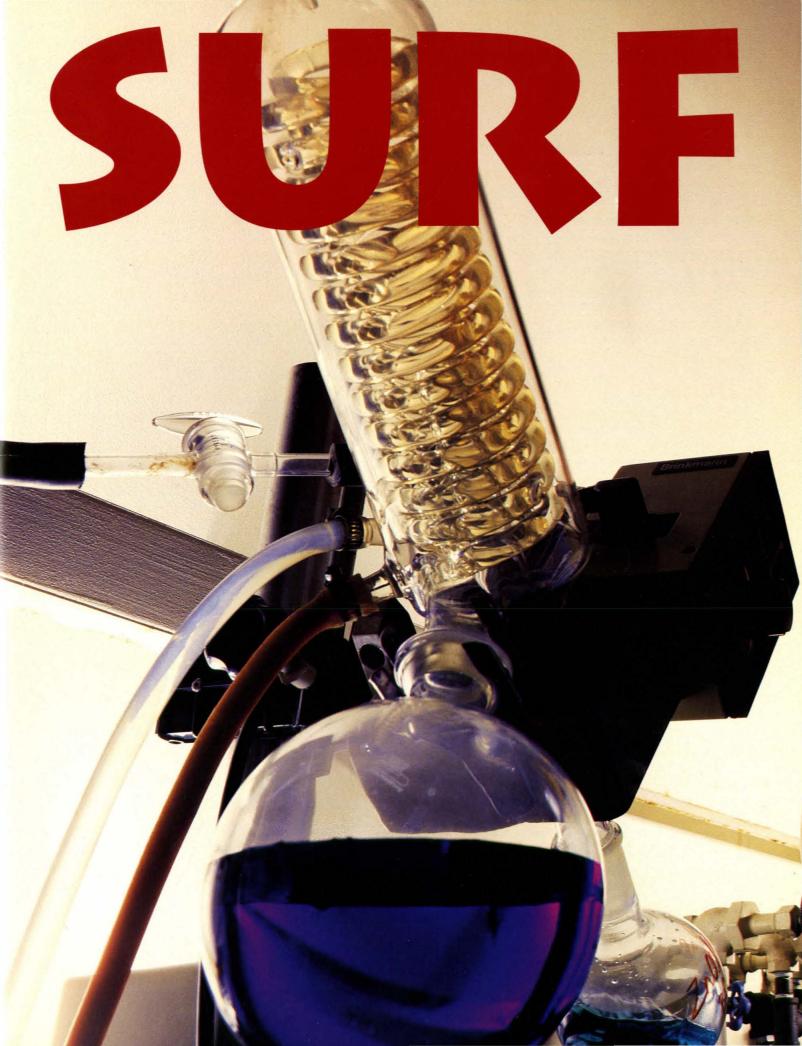
CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

Summer Undergraduate Research Fellowships Annual Report





ongratulations to SURF on another outstanding year! This summer marked the SURF program's sixteenth year-sixteen years of remarkable achievement and growth. As I have listened to the SURF seminars over the seven years since I have been President, I have come to value the achievements of SURF students and their research sponsors more and more. The SURF experience provides a researchoriented counterpoint to the normal classroom experience. It also fosters collegiality between the research sponsor and the student-between mentor and protégé. This combination creates a team that produces new ideas and discoveries through superlative mutual stimulation.

The success of the SURF program depends on the active involvement of many people. More than 450 individuals including donors, friends, students, research sponsors, and administrative staff participate on the Caltech SURF team. I want to express my deep gratitude to all, and especially to those who have given time, money, wise counsel, and leadership to enrich the students and the program. SURF is one of the activities that helps Caltech achieve its place of quality and excellence in the academic world. The Institute is indebted to those who make it possible.

Thomas E. Everhart President California Institute of Technology

DEDICATION

This year's SURF program is dedicated to the late Dr. Edward C. Posner whose commitment to the education of students was legend at Caltech and JPL. Through the SURF program alone, he directly influenced 60 students. Ed's legacy to the education of young people stretches far and touches many as evidenced by his involvement with SURF, one program on his long list of interests. In dedicating SURF to Dr. Posner, we recognize his outstanding contributions to the SURF program and his passion for education and research. n behalf of the SURF Board I extend our deep appreciation to Lew Allen who served as Chair of the Board from January 1992 to January 1994. Under Lew's strong leadership the SURF program became financially more robust through the important underwriting agreement with the Institute for SURF student stipends and through successful fund raising.

As the new Chair of the SURF Board, I am committed to the premier education afforded to Caltech students. SURF enhances the academic program by encouraging them to apply knowledge gained in the classroom to ask new questions and to solve problems at the forefront of science and



Carl Larson

technology. By introducing students to research and through its innovative programming, SURF provides tactical support for Caltech's strategic educational plan.

The mission of the SURF Board, written twelve years ago, remains our guiding principle: The SURF Board is a voluntary support organization consisting of individuals dedicated to the educational values of undergraduate research at Caltech, and who, through their advice, encouragement, and financial support, contribute to the vitality, continuity, and effectiveness of the SURF program.

The activities of the past year have supported our mission.

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- The Administration, through President Thomas Everhart and Provost Paul Jennings, agreed again this year to underwrite up to 20 stipends for Caltech students recommended by the Administrative Committee to receive awards. The agreement alleviates the uncertainty caused by the late receipt of stipend moneys. So far, SURF has not had to use any of the underwritten funds.
- We thank Joanne Clarey, Director, and Phyllis Hosey, Corporate Activities Coordinator, Corporate Relations Department for their innovation and effort in creating the Small Business Industrial Associates program. This summer five companies joined this new association, each sponsoring a SURF student, and gaining certain Institute privileges.

- The first Doris S. Perpall SURF speaking competition saw the best SURF speakers competing for three cash prizes. This contribution by Board member Bob Perpall to the SURF Communication Program provided important incentives for students to plan and organize their final presentations.
- The SURF Board committees remained active this year. The Campus Liaison Committee under the chairmanship of Bill Whitney coordinated the SURF Monday Night Discussions and the Roundtable speakers for this summer's program. The Student Relations Committee, chaired by Joanna Muir, held the annual thank-you-note-writing party to encourage named SURF students to personally thank their financial sponsors.

We look ahead to 1995 with the goal of meeting the fund-raising challenges for SURF and anticipate increasing opportunities for these bright and talented students. SURF depends upon the support of its many friends, and with your commitment, SURF's future is very bright! he SURF Administrative Committee sets the academic policies of the SURF Program, oversees the intellectual standards and advises the Caltech Administration on long term plans for development of SURF and other programs relating to SURF. The committee consists of faculty from each of the Institute's academic divisions, senior members of the JPL technical staff, student representatives and members of the Caltech administrative staff, including the SURF Director.

In addition to overseeing and planning, the Committee participates in SURF directly. Its members review all of the students' research proposals-more than 300 this year. All of the faculty members of the committee are or have been SURF research advisors.

During the past year the Committee worked closely with SURF Director Carolyn Merkel, Carl Larson and members of the SURF Board, and the Caltech Development Office to bring additional fellowship funds into the program. Specifically, we strongly support the Small Business Industrial Associates Program that will bring funds to support SURFers working with Caltech faculty on research of interest to these industrial firms. This will provide a vehicle for students to learn about



Terry Cole

research topics of interest to the commercial sector and to investigate industrial research and development career opportunities.

We were pleased with the success of the first Southern California Conference on Undergraduate Research held at Caltech during the past academic year. This conference was organized and led by the SURF staff. This event should become a California academic tradition.

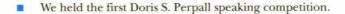
We look ahead with enthusiasm to the continuing development of undergraduate research at Caltech.

Carolyn Merkel

wo hundred sixteen students SURFed at Caltech this summer, the program's sixteenth year. Days filled with research, lunch time seminars, and dinner time discussions made for a rich and satisfying mix of activity, reported below.

SURF initiated many new activities this year.

- The SURF team took the lead in organizing and hosting the first Southern California Conference on Undergraduate Research.
- The Corporate Relations department developed unique industrial SURF opportunities for students jointly mentored by faculty and industrial researchers.



- A team of six SURFers joined Caltech's Young Engineering and Science Scholars program to create California education units and to try them out with the high school YESS participants.
- SURF coordinated Monday Night Barbecues for students in all Caltech summer programs creating a social environment to strengthen the student community.
- SURF joined the information superhighway this year listing all information on the World Wide Web, accessible to anyone on the Internet anywhere in the world.

Division	Total Number of Students	Number of Caltech Students	Number of Non-Caltech Students	Number of Research Sponsors
Biology	54	41	13	39
Chemistry and Chemical Engineering	ş 41	34	7	21
Engineering and Applied Science	28	26	2	19
Geological and Planetary Sciences	12	12	0	7
Humanities and Social Sciences	6	5	² 1	5
Physics, Mathematics and Astronomy	25	23	2	20
Jet Propulsion Laboratory	45	19	26	29
Off-Campus	5	5	0	5
	216	165	51	145

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PROFILE OF THE 1994 SURFERS

Freshmen	<1%
Sophomores	17%
Juniors	31%
Seniors	52%
Women SURFers	34%
Minority SURFers	13%

Young Engineering and Science Scholars SURF

A team of six SURF students, under the mentorship of Paul Robinson (Assistant to the Chief Technologist, JPL), researched, created, developed, and wrote California education units and tested their projects with the 40 high school participants in Caltech's Young Engineering and Science Scholars (YESS) program. Three of the units focused on various aspects of boomerangs; the other three were radio telescopes, physbics (the physics of Frisbees), and catapults. The goal of each project was to teach basic physics or engineering concepts around an unusual topic using a hands-on approach.

Minority Undergraduate Research Fellowships (MURF)

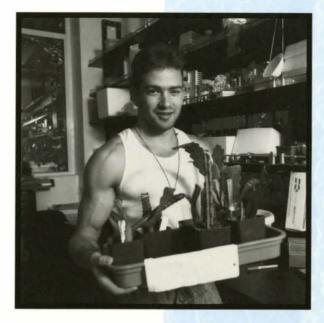
Fifteen students participated in the 1994 MURF program which runs concurrently and is closely integrated with SURF. The MURF program provides support for talented non-Caltech undergraduates to spend a summer working in a research laboratory and is aimed at improving the representation of African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans, Puerto Ricans, and Pacific Islanders in biological, chemical, and engineering sciences. MURF students participate in all aspects of the summer program.

Congratulations SURFers!

At Commencement 1994:

- 53% of students receiving their bachelor's degrees had completed a SURF.
- 65% of the students graduating with honors were former SURFers.
- 78% of the students receiving prizes were SURF students.

We are proud of these remarkable students!



SURF IS PROVIDING ME WITH MORE THAN A SUMMER JOB. I HAVE THE VALUABLE OPPORTUNITY TO TEST AND, I HOPE, PROVE MYSELF IN A LABORATORY SETTING BEFORE ATTEMPTING TO GO ON TO GRADUATE SCHOOL. I FEEL VERY FORTUNATE TO BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SURF PROGRAM.

Matthew Metz, Senior Richter Scholar

SURF PROGRAM AND ACTIVITIES

SURF Seminar Day

Each SURF student is required to give an oral presentation of his or her research on SURF Seminar Day in October. The symposium is modeled on a professional technical meeting with parallel oral and poster sessions. Donors, students, faculty, JPL staff, alumni, and parents attend the SURF seminars to hear the students' reports.

Communication Program

For many students, the required presentation on SURF Seminar Day is their first experience in public speaking. To help them prepare for this talk, SURF offers a communication program of seminars and small group workshops led by trained peer coaches. Mary Ann Smith, SURF communication consultant, designed the program and trained the coaches.

We were delighted with the long article, including color photographs, featuring a SURF peer coach group, which appeared in the August 15 edition of the *Los Angeles Times*. Reprint copies are available in the SURF office.

The SURF Talk Book

Now in its second printing, *The SURF Talk Book* provides written materials, exercises, guidelines, and checklists for presenters to help with organization and preparation for oral or poster presentations. This book contains the course material used in Peer Coach Workshops.

Peer Coach Workshops

Mary Ann Smith trained 15 Caltech SURFers to skillfully facilitate workshops to help students organize and prepare their oral presentations, learn public speaking techniques and skills, and to develop analogies to explain technical material to a non-technical audience. Through group interaction, students gain confidence and experience in talking about their research. Peer coaches also assisted with final rehearsals prior to SURF Seminar Day.

Scientists as Speakers

Scott Fraser, Anna L. Rosen Professor of Biology, spoke to SURFers on *Biological Imaging: An Interdisciplinary Application to the Study of Embryonic Patterning.* Following his lively, enthusiastic, informative presentation, he discussed how he prepares a talk for various audiences, the importance of communicating technical information to lay audiences, and how he develops analogies to help the audience understand technical information.

Doris S. Perpall SURF Speaking Awards

The first Doris S. Perpall SURF speaking competition was held during the year. Robert C. Perpall, a member of the SURF Board, endowed the prize as an incentive for students to prepare excellent final oral presentations on SURF Seminar Day. Three prizes were awarded at the conclusion of a three-round competition. Winners were Jonathan Weinstein, Adele Shakal, and Jasmine Anderson.

Professional Development Seminars

Caltech alumnus William M. Whitney, Ph.D. (Division Technologist, Observational Systems Division, JPL) coordinated a series of six informal weekly discussions on issues students will face as they prepare for and commence their professional careers. The sessions and participants were:

Role of Communication in Careers Mary Ann Smith, SURF Communication Consultant

Scientists as Speakers

Scott Fraser, Ph.D., Anna L. Rosen Professor of Biology, Caltech

Decision Making: Yes, You Can Change Your Mind! Kathleen Bartle-Schulweis, Director, Women's Center, Caltech

Important Career Decisions: The Benefits of Thinking Ahead

William M. Whitney; Julia Kornfield, Ph.D., (SURF '81, B.S. '83), Assistant Professor of Chemical Engineering, Caltech; Jacklyn Green, Ph.D., Project Scientist, SR-71 Hypersonic Aircraft Research Platform, JPL; Michal Peri, Ph.D. (Ph.D. '94, Caltech).

Career Options: What Can You Do with a Technical Background?

Carolyn Merkel; Pedro Pizzaro, Ph.D. (Ph.D. '93), McKinsey and Company, Inc.; Eric Korevaar (B.S. '81), President, Astro Terra Corporation; James Dunn, M.D., Ph.D. (B.S. '85), Resident in General Surgery, University of California, Los Angeles; Virgil Shields, Ph.D. (B.S. '74), Member of the Technical Staff, JPL.

Ethical Conduct and Misconduct in the Workplace William M. Whitney; Ann Bussone, Director, Employee Relations, Caltech; Kathleen Katovich, Associate General Counsel, Caltech/JPL; Gerard Tembrock, Manager, Business Ethics Office, JPL.

Seminars

Special Seminar by Professor Freeman Dyson SURF welcomed Freeman Dyson, Professor of Physics at the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton, a Distinguished Visiting Scientist at JPL this summer. Professor Dyson inspired an enthusiastic and interactive audience of students and faculty with his talk, *Modern Directions in Applied Physics*.

Weekly Noon Seminars

Each Wednesday, members of the Caltech faculty or JPL technical staff presented overviews of their areas of research. Speakers and topics were:

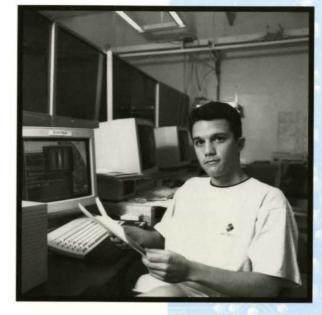
Jesse L. Beauchamp, Professor of Chemistry, Probing the Secrets of Biological Molecules Trapped in an Electromagnetic Bottle

Geoffrey A. Blake, Associate Professor of Cosmochemistry, New Tools for Exploring Stratospheric Chemistry

S. George Djorgovski, Associate Professor of Astronomy, Exploring the High-Redshift Universe from Palomar and the Keck

Diane Evans, Jet Propulsion Laboratory, SIR-C Project Scientist

Douglas Flamming, Assistant Professor of History, African Americans and the Transformation of the Democratic Party, 1865 - 1965



THIS SURF PROJECT HAS HELPED ME TO CONFIRM MY FEELINGS ABOUT A CAREER IN RESEARCH WHILE WORKING ON TOPICS AT THE LEVEL OF GRADUATE STUDENTS HERE AT CALTECH.

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Serge Belongie, Senior Carl and Shirley Larson SURF Fellow Melany L. Hunt, Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering, Particle Flows

Stephen L. Mayo, Assistant Professor of Biology and Assistant Investigator, Howard Hughes Medical Institute, *Protein Design Automation* (Steps Toward an Ultimate Biotechnology)

Axel Scherer, Associate Professor of Electrical Engineering, Nanofabrication of Semiconductor Structures: Have Our Dreams Come True?

Nai-Chang Yeh, Assistant Professor of Physics, Novel Vortex Properties of High-Temperature Superconductors

Each Friday members of the JPL technical staff presented summaries of their work to the JPL SURF students. Speakers and their topics were:

Martin G. Buehler, Electronics and Control Division, *Reliability and Radiation Assurance Experiment (RRELAX) for the Clementine Mission*

Bonnie J. Buratti, Earth and Space Science Division, *The Bursty Nature of 2060 Chiron*

William H. Duquette, Information Systems Division, Exploration of Huge Data Sets Through Parallel Image Rendering -or- How to Monopolize Expensive Super-Computers

Jacklyn R. Green, Observational Systems Division, The SR-71 Blackbird: NASA's Newest High Speed, High Altitude Research Aircraft

Deborah J. Jackson, Telecommunications Science and Engineering Division, *Photonic Processors: A Systems Approach*

Steven E. Johnson, Systems Division, SURFSAT-1

Norman E. Lay, Systems Division, Mobile Satellite Communications Research at JPL

Allen P. Nikora, Office of Engineering and Review, Software Reliability

Sarita Thakoor, Electronics and Control Division, Can Ferroelectric Memories Replace Disk Drives?

Roundtable Discussions

Roundtable discussions provided students the opportunity to meet in small groups with leaders in academia, industry, or government to discuss current topical or career development issues. Discussion leaders this summer were:

Lew Allen, Retired Director, JPL, National Security Research and Development in the Post-Cold War Era

Jay Aller, Science Writer for Caltech, and Lisa Wilson, Science Writer for Pasadena Star-News, Communicating Science to the Lay Public

James M. Bower, Associate Professor of Biology, Teaching Science to Pre-College Students and Teachers

Bill Gross, Chair and Founder, Knowledge Adventure, Inc., *The Entrepreneurial Experience*

Melany L. Hunt, Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering, *Career and Family Intersection*

Carl A. Kukkonen, Director for the Center for Space Microelectronics Technology, JPL, *Raising Money for Research and Development or for Business*

Arthur J. Murphy, Jr., Technology Development Manager, JPL, Recent Changes in Research and Development Opportunities in Industrial and Government Laboratories

Henry McBay, Distinguished Visiting Scientist at JPL

Jerry Nunnally, Director of Development, From Student to Alum

Mimi Sengupta (B.S. '93, SURF '90, '91), First-Year Medical Student at University of California, Los Angeles, *From Caltech to Medical School*

Monday Night Barbecues

SURF coordinated weekly barbecues for students in all summer programs on the campus. The dinners, held in front of Winnett Center, offered students a chance to get together for fellowship, food, and fun. The barbecues immediately preceded the SURF Professional Development Seminars.

CONFERENCES

Southern California Conference on Undergraduate Research (SCCUR)

SURF organized and hosted the first annual SCCUR conference in November, 1993. Over 400 students, faculty, and administrators attended the symposium with more than 125 students presenting their research in oral and poster sessions. The second conference will be held at Caltech on November 19, 1994. Keynote speakers will be Fredrick H. Shair (Manager, Educational Affairs, JPL, and founder of the SURF program) who will speak on *Grand Challenges for Science in Society* and Joann M. Stock (Associate Professor of Geophysics) who will speak on *The Stress Fields that Cause Earthquakes in Southern California*. The third conference will be held at the Claremont Colleges.

National Conference on Undergraduate Research (NCUR)

Twenty Caltech students attended the eighth annual NCUR at Western Michigan University in April, 1994. This conference is multidisciplinary including the sciences, mathematics, engineering, humanities, and fine and performing arts. Students report the experience was stimulating, interesting, and rich. Caltech hosted the fifth NCUR in 1991 as part of the Institute's centennial celebration.



I HAVE LEARNED A GREAT DEAL ABOUT THIS PROJECT AND HAVE GAINED INVALUABLE LABORATORY EXPERIENCE. CONVERSATIONS WITH STUDENTS FROM OTHER SCHOOLS AND FROM OTHER COUNTRIES HAVE HELPED ME REALIZE I AM EXTREMELY FORTUNATE TO HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO DO THIS EXCITING AND CHALLENGING WORK.

Amanda Eckermann, Sophomore Ernest Haywood Swift SURF Endowment Fund

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SURF FUNDING

As with any fellowship, SURF students receive a stipend; in 1994 the amount was \$3600 for the ten week period, a total salary budget of \$777,600. Most of these funds are raised from external, non-federal sources as shown in the table below. Since the Institute pays administrative costs for the program, and research sponsors pay research expenses, all moneys raised from other sources are used for student stipends or special research-related opportunities.

Individuals	8%
Endowment	12%
Corporations/Foundations	16%
JPL and NASA	21%
Caltech Faculty and other	
Institute Sources	43%

Current Operating Funds

We thank the Administration for agreeing again this year to underwrite up to 20 SURF stipends against funds expected, but not yet received, from fund-raising efforts. This agreement has been important in allowing us to make SURF awards on schedule and eliminating the lengthy waiting list necessary in previous years. We thank President Thomas Everhart and Provost Paul Jennings for continuing this agreement. We are pleased to report that we will not draw on Institute underwriting this year.

Donors who contribute the amount of a SURF stipend (\$3600) or more, by annual contributions or through endowment, are listed with the students in the index of students and sponsors in the annual report. The sponsors frequently meet the students whom they have supported. All funds raised from private sources are used to support Caltech students doing SURF projects with Caltech faculty.

Small Business Industrial Associates

Joanne Clarey, Director, and Phyllis Hosey. Corporate Activities Coordinator, Corporate Relations Department, established the Small Business Industrial Associates program to encourage small companies to affiliate with Caltech. An annual fee supports a SURF stipend and gives companies access to such Caltech resources as the library and the Research Directors Conference. The SURF students carry out their projects in joint collaboration with a Caltech faculty member and a researcher at the company on problems often initiated by the company. This program gives SURF students the opportunity to expand their research experiences into the industrial environment. Initial response from the students and their research sponsors has been enthusiastic and positive.

Cryopharm; First Quadrant Corporation; Kinemetrics, Inc.; Kinetics Technology International Corporation; and Vestar, Inc. are the five charter companies in this program.

Endowment Funds

The SURF endowment was created to ensure the continuation of the program. Individuals may establish an endowment, named as the donor designates, for \$100,000; the proceeds from the fund will support one student annually in perpetuity. A SURF endowment is an excellent investment in the future of bright and talented students. Currently, 22 endowmentsupported students SURF each summer.

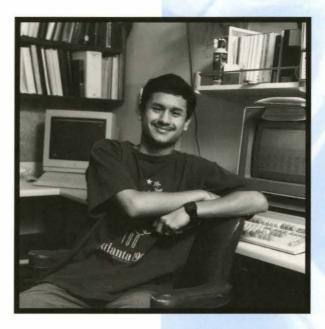
This year we were delighted to add the Arthur Rock SURF Endowment to this list. Given by Teledyne, Inc., this fund was established in honor of Mr. Rock upon his retirement last spring as a director of the corporation.

Memorial Funds

We thank the family, friends, and colleagues of Erika Vote for their generous contributions to the Erika C. Vote SURF Memorial Fund. This fund will support a woman student working in the Microdevices Laboratory at the Jet Propulsion Laboratory, a fitting memorial to a young woman who was enthusiastic about learning and captivated by her own undergraduate research experiences. We also thank the contributors to the Edward C. Posner and the Chandler C. Ross memorial funds for their continued generosity in providing stipends in honor of their colleagues.

THE SURF TEAM

The SURF team numbers more than 450 individuals. SURF's long-term success can be attributed to the strong commitment of the research sponsors and outstanding students. We depend upon and value the generous financial contributions of our many friends, the vigorous support of the SURF Board, the dedication of the SURF Administrative Committee, and the efforts of our volunteers and consultants. With great skill, competence, and good humor Susan Clark and Carol Casey attend to the day-to-day, year round details of making SURF happen. A special acknowledgement to Fred Shair, without whom there would be no program. Thank you, SURF team!



SURF IS TRULY A GREAT OPPORTUNITY FOR UNDERGRADUATES TO GAIN EXPERIENCE IN SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH AND TO LEARN SKILLS THAT WILL HELP IN GRADUATE SCHOOL, INDUSTRY, AND OTHER FUTURE PURSUITS. ABOVE ALL, SURF FUELS THE LOVE FOR SCIENCE THAT BROUGHT ME TO CALTECH IN THE FIRST PLACE.

José Miguel Hurtado, Jr., Junior Richter Scholar

SURF INDEX OF STUDENTS AND SPONSORS

STUDENT

SAKENA ABEDIN Harvard University Senior, Ch

MINA AGANAGIC Senior, Ph

PRABHAT AGARWAL Trinity College, Cambridge University Senior, Ph

DONNA A. AKUTAGAWA Junior, Bi Howard Hughes Medical Institute SURF Fellow

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ANNALIESE K. BEERY Sophomore, Bi Northern California Associates SURF Endowment

TOPIC

Modification of Microperoxidase-8

Applications of Time-Dependent Hartree-Fock to Studies of Atomic Collisions

Wavelet-Analysis of Structure and Scaling Processes in Interstellar Clouds

BDNF-Expressing Cells in the Visual System of Xenopus laevis

A Simple Neural Network Used to Investigate Mechanisms of Figure Ground Segmentation

Detection of Cleavage of DNA by Rhodium Complexes in Bacteria

Vibration-Induced Mixing and Segregation Phenomena in Granular Materials

Cloning and Sequencing of CYIIIa P71 Transcription Factor cDNA

Infrared Observations of the Influence of the Impact of Comet P/Shoemaker-Levy 9 on the Atmosphere of Jupiter

A Study of Copper Uptake by the Type I Methanotroph *Methylobacter albus* BG8

PI and AP3 Protein Distribution in Wild Type and Transgenic Arabidopsis thaliana

Raman Thermometer

Creation of a Myogenin Transplacement Vector for Use in Transgenic Mice

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ANDREW J. CHAIKIN University of St. Andrews Senior, Ma/Ph

RAYMOND S. CHAN Junior, Ph/Ma NASA SURF Fellow

TOPIC

The Use of Two-Dimensional Gabor Functions for the Analysis of Local Orientation

Magnetite-associated Proteins of Cryptochiton stelleri

Financial Data Forecasting Using Wavelet Radial Basis Neural Networks

Determining the Heat Capacity for Binary Fluids with Fixed Impurities

Investigation of Magnetotactic Bacteria

Teachers Touch the Sky: A Week Long Astronomical Workshop for Elementary School Teachers

Development of Interactive Database Software for Japanese Department

A New Resolution for 2-amino-2'-hydroxy-1,'1 - binapthyl

On the Modal Analysis of Microwave Resonators Towards Optimization of the Quality Factor: A Finite Element Approximation

A Study on Cytochrome c Oxidase: An Insight into the Mystery of Aging?

To Photometrically Reduce NSFCAM Images of Shoemaker-Levy 9 Collision with Jupiter

Initial Spin of Degenerate Dwarfs

RESEARCH SPONSOR

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LUCY CHEN Senior, Bi Samuel P. and Frances Krown SURF Endowment

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WILLIAM C. CHUONG Senior, Bi

MATTHEW A. CLAPP Senior, EE

TOPIC

Investigation of a Solid Superacid: ZrO_2 Promoted by Iron, Manganese and Sulfate

Characterization of *Strongylocentrotus purpuratus* Coelomocyte cDNA Library

Femtosecond Studies Employing Molecular Dynamics

The Energetic Cost of Different Brain Structures

Parallelization and Visualization Of Electromagnetic Scattering Code

Probing the Spliceosome Using Affinity Cleavage

The Infrared Studies of the Center of the Galaxy

How Does the Nervous System Control Mating Behavior in *C. elegans*?

The Development of Electron-Transfer Activated Cobalt Drugs

Clarifying the Role of Brain Area Uva in the Motor Control of Zebra Finch Song

NMR Conformational Analysis of Butanedioic Acid in DMSO

Applications of Digital Analysis in the Resolution of Timing of Purkinje Cell Afferents in the Rat Cerebellar Cortex

KidSAT Science and Education Plan

RESEARCH SPONSOR

Mark E. Davis Warren and Katherine Schlinger Professor of Chemical Engineering

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Ahmed Zewail Linus Pauling Professor of Chemical Physics

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Stephen Taylor Assistant Professor of Computer Science

Peter B. Dervan Bren Professor of Chemistry

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Thomas J. Meade Senior Research Fellow in Biology

Masakazu Konishi Bing Professor of Behavioral Biology

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