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- Biodesign Safety committee Chair* ASU Biodesign 2018-Present
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 - EH & S Compliance Officer* Biodesign Institute 2009-Present
 - American Chemical Society ACS* 2000-Present
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 - Assistant Research Professor, Barrett Honors Faculty* 2019-Present
 - Biodesign Institute Outreach Advisory Team* 2012-2014

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