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Education

Ph.D., Molecular, Cellular, and Developmental Biology, The Graduate Center, City University of New York (CUNY); M.Phil. Biology, The Graduate Center, CUNY; B.S., Biology, Macaulay Honors College at College of Staten Island (CUNY)

Scientific Interests

- Cancer biology
- Translational research
- Therapeutic development
- DNA damage/repair
- mRNA processing and gene expression
- Endocrinology.

I applied to iCURE because...

I have always been interested in translational research and to learn how to apply basic research studies into a clinical setting in order to identify new potential biomarkers and/or develop novel therapies. I applied to iCURE because I am confident that the resources, collaborations, expertise, and mentorship opportunities within the NCI will equip me with the skills necessary to carry out this goal of mine and expand my knowledge beyond basic research, bridging together basic and clinical work.

My favorite traditions/holidays...

Eating an Argentine style barbecue (asado).

My hometown is...

Staten Island, New York.

In my spare time, I enjoy...

I enjoy spending time with my family and friends, trying new HIIT workouts and dessert spots, and traveling to other states/countries.

A few of my favorite things...

- Favorite place traveled to is Rome.
- Favorite fitness studio is GRIT bxnq (NYC).
- Favorite TV show is Friends.

