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CV and Publications 12/2024

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— Current Position

2015– *Distinguished Professor of Physics*, Department of Physics, UNIST, Ulsan
2015– *Group Leader*, Center for Soft and Living Matter, Institute for Basic Science

— Education and Previous Employment

2011–2015 *Long-term Member*, Institute of Advanced Study, Princeton.
2005–2013 *Senior researcher*, Physics of Complex Systems, Weizmann Institute.
2000–2004 *Fellow*, Center for Physics and Biology, Rockefeller University, New York.
 Host: Prof. Albert Libchaber
1995–2000 *Ph.D. in Physics*, Weizmann Institute, *Universality in Microemulsions*,
 Supervisor: Prof. Samuel A. Safran.
1991–1995 *M.Sc. in Physics*, Weizmann Institute.
1988–1990 *B.Sc. in Physics and Mathematics* (Talpyot), Hebrew University, Jerusalem.

— Service

Teaching

Landmark Experiments in Biology (2006); Statistical Physics (2007, 2017-20); Information in Biology (2012); Errors and Codes (IAS, 2012); Theory of Living Matter (2016); Special Topics in Soft Matter (2023-24).

Review Board, Editor

Swiss National Fund, SystemsX.ch – Systems Biology in Switzerland (2010-2020).
CRI – Centre de Recherches Interdisciplinaires, Paris (2010-).
PNAS – guest editor.

Organizing committees

Physics 2 Biology school, Weizmann Institute (2010).
Workshop on Physics of Active and Charged Matter, IBS Ulsan (2016).

— Students and post-doctoral fellows

John McBride (postdoc, 2018-)
Kisung Lee (postdoc, 2023-)
Himanshu Swami (postdoc, 2023-)
Somya Mani (postdoc, 2018-2024)
Tamoghna Das (postdoc, 2018-2023) postdoc KIAS
Ashwani Tripathi (postdoc, 2018-2023) postdoc Technion
William Pineros (postdoc, 2019-2022) postdoc U. Luxemburg
Guolong Zhu (postdoc, 2021- 2022) Prof. at Hunan U.

Sandipan Dutta (postdoc, 2016-2021), Prof. at BIRS Pileni
Vladimir Reinharz (postdoc, 2018-2020), Prof. at U. Montreal.
YongSeok Jho (research fellow, 2016-2017), Prof. at GyeongSang U.
Yoni Savir (Ph.D., 2005-2011) Prof. at Technion.
Adam Lampert (Ph.D., 2008-2012) Prof. at Hebrew U. Rehovot
Arbel Tadmor (M.Sc., 2006-2008) researcher at TRON.
Maria Rodriguez Martinez (Postdoc, 2007-2009), PI at IBM Zurich
Rami Pugatch (Potdoc, 2010-2013), Prof. at Ben-Gurion University.
Tamar Friedlander (Postdoc, 2009 -2012) Prof. at Hebrew University.

— Collaborations

Albert Libchaber (Rockefeller University)
Stanislas Leibler (Rockefeller University and Institute for Advanced Study)
Jean-Pierre Eckmann (Geneva University)
Hyuk Kyu Pak (IBS center for soft and living matter)
G.V. Shivashankar (PSI and ETH Zurich)
Jordi Soriano-Fradera (Barcelona University)
Elisha Moses (Physics, Weizmann Inst.)
Uri Alon (Molecular Cell Biology, Weizmann Inst.)
Roy Bar-Ziv (Materials and Interfaces, Weizmann Inst.)
Ron Milo (Plant Biology, Weizmann Inst.)
Yoni Savir (Technion)

—— List of Publications

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107. Weinreb EM, McBride JM, Siek M, Rougemont J, Renault R, Peleg Y, Unger T, Albeck S; Sussman JL, Grzybowski BA, Zocchi G, Eckmann, J-P, Moses, E, Tlusty T (2024) High-shear regions in an enzyme impact viscoelastic mechanics and activity. *Nature Physics - accepted*.
106. Libchaber A, Tlusty T (2024) Life sets off a cascade of machines. *Proc Nat Acad Sci USA – accepted*.
105. McBride JM & Tlusty T (2024) AI-Predicted Protein Deformation Encodes Energy Landscape Perturbation. *Physical Review Letters* 133, 098401.
104. McBride JM, Koshevarnikov A, Siek M, Grzybowski BA, & Tlusty T (2024) Statistical Survey of Chemical and Geometric Patterns on Protein Surfaces as a Blueprint for Protein-mimicking Nanoparticles. *Small Structures*. 2400086.
103. Eckmann J-P, Sobolev YI, & Tlusty T (2024) Tumbling Downhill Along a Given Curve. *Notices of American Mathematical Society* 71(6): 740-747.
102. McBride JM & Tlusty T (2024) The Physical Logic of Protein Machines. *J Stat Mech*. 2024(2):024001.
101. Zhu G, Gao L, Wang Y, Tlusty T, & Yan L-T (2024) Programmable Potentials Choreograph Defects in a Colloidal Crystal Shell. *Physical Review Letters* 132(4):048201.
100. McBride JM, Polev K, Abdirasulov A, Reinharz V, Grzybowski BA, & Tlusty T (2023) AlphaFold2 Can Predict Single-Mutation Effects. *Physical Review Letters* 131(21):218401.

99. Saeed I, Pak HK, & Tlusty T (2023) Quasiparticles, flat bands and the melting of hydrodynamic matter. *Nature Physics* 19(4):536-544.
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92. Pineros WD & Tlusty T (2022) Spontaneous chiral symmetry breaking in a random driven chemical system. *Nat Commun* 13(1):2244.
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85. Mani S & Tlusty T (2021) A comprehensive survey of developmental programs reveals a dearth of tree-like lineage graphs and ubiquitous regeneration. *BMC Biology* 19(1):111.
84. Eckmann J-P & Tlusty T (2021) Dimensional reduction in complex living systems: Where, why, and how. *BioEssays* 43(9):2100062.
83. Wang H, Park M, Dong R, Kim J, Cho Y-K, Tlusty T, & Granick S (2020) Boosted molecular mobility during common chemical reactions. *Science* 369(6503):537-541.
82. Reinharz V & Tlusty T (2020) $\alpha\beta$ DCA method identifies unspecific binding but specific disruption of the group I intron by the StpA chaperone. *RNA* 26(11):1530-1540.
81. Piñeros WD & Tlusty T (2020) Kinetic proofreading and the limits of thermodynamic uncertainty. *Physical Review E* 101(2):022415.
80. Paneru G, Dutta S, Tlusty T, & Pak HK (2020) Reaching and violating thermodynamic uncertainty bounds in information engines. *Physical Review E* 102(3):032126.
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78. Libchaber A & Tlusty T (2020) Walking droplets, swimming microbes: on memory in physics and life. *Comptes Rendus. Mécanique* 348(6-7):545-554.
77. Jee A-Y, Tlusty T, & Granick S (2020) Master curve of boosted diffusion for 10 catalytic enzymes. *Proc Nat Acad Sci USA* 117(47):29435-29441.

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75. Jee A-Y, Chen K, Tlusty T, Zhao J, & Granick S (2019) Enhanced Diffusion and Oligomeric Enzyme Dissociation. *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 141(51):20062-20068.
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73. Paneru G, Lee DY, Tlusty T, & Pak HK (2018) Lossless Brownian Information Engine. *Physical Review Letters* 120(2):020601.
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71. Jee AY, Cho YK, Granick S, & Tlusty T (2018) Catalytic enzymes are active matter. *Proc Nat Acad Sci USA* 115(46):E10812-E10821.
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69. Dutta S, Eckmann JP, Libchaber A, & Tlusty T (2018) Green function of correlated genes in a minimal mechanical model of protein evolution. *Proc Nat Acad Sci USA* 115(20):E4559-E4568.
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67. Tlusty T, Libchaber A, & Eckmann JP (2017) Physical Model of the Genotype-to-Phenotype Map of Proteins. *Physical Review X* 7(2).
66. Beatus T, Shani I, Bar-Ziv RH, & Tlusty T (2017) Two-dimensional flow of driven particles: a microfluidic pathway to the nonequilibrium frontier. *Chemical Society Reviews*.
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62. Lampert A & Tlusty T (2016) Where Two Are Fighting, the Third Wins: Stronger Selection Facilitates Greater Polymorphism in Traits Conferring Competition-Dispersal Tradeoffs. *Plos One* 11(2).
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59. Shani I, Beatus T, Bar-Ziv RH, & Tlusty T (2014) Long-range orientational order in two-dimensional microfluidic dipoles. *Nature Physics* 10(2):140-144.
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57. Savir Y & Tlusty T (2013) The Ribosome as an Optimal Decoder: A Lesson in Molecular Recognition. *Cell* 153(2):471-479.
56. Lampert A & Tlusty T (2013) Resonance-induced multimodal body-size distributions in ecosystems. *Proc Nat Acad Sci USA* 110(1):205-209.
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46. Savir Y, Noor E, Milo R, & Tlusty T (2010) Cross-species analysis traces adaptation of Rubisco toward optimality in a low-dimensional landscape. *Proc Nat Acad Sci USA* 107(8):3475-3480.
45. Rodríguez Martínez M, Soriano J, Tlusty T, Pilpel Y, & Furman I (2010) Messenger RNA fluctuations and regulatory RNAs shape the dynamics of a negative feedback loop. *Physical Review E* 81(3):031924.
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40. Savir Y & Tlusty T (2009) Molecular Recognition as an Information Channel: The Role of Conformational Changes. *2009 43rd Annual Conference on Information Sciences and Systems*, :835-840.
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34. Tadmor AD & Tlusty T (2008) A coarse-grained biophysical model of E. coli and its application to perturbation of the rRNA operon copy number. *PLoS Comp Bio* 4(5).

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