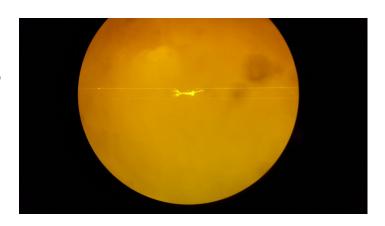
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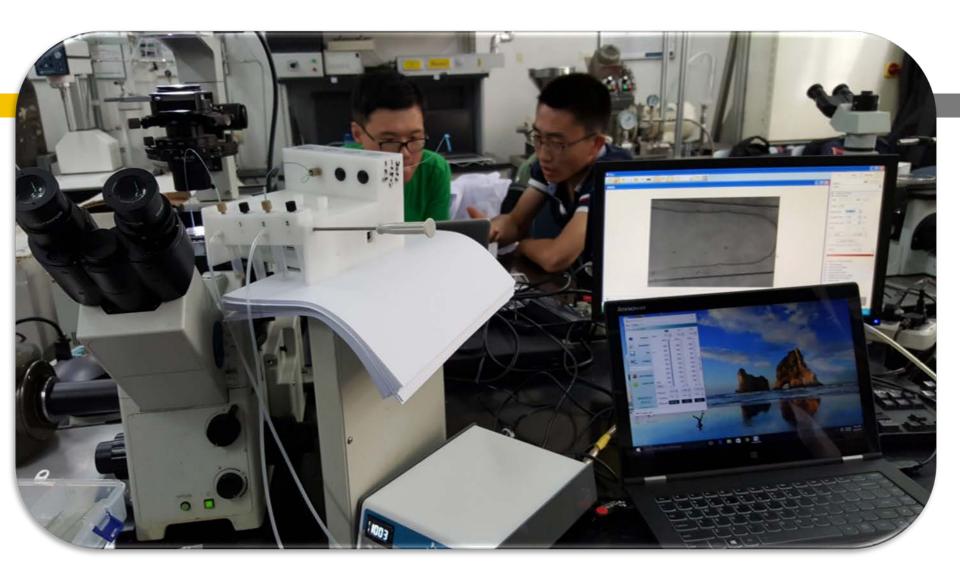
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The Work

- Focus on microfluidics under the Mechanical Engineering department
- Designed experiments to circulate Red Blood Cells within channels that were mere micrometers in diameter
- Resulting cell changes related to medical applications (e.g. malaria detection)







The experimental setup

Most Rewarding

 Connecting with the great grad students at the lab

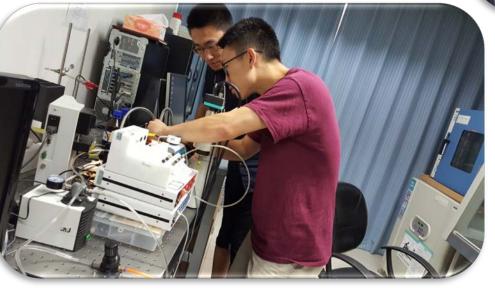


Independence in exploring new parts of Chinese culture





Microscope training

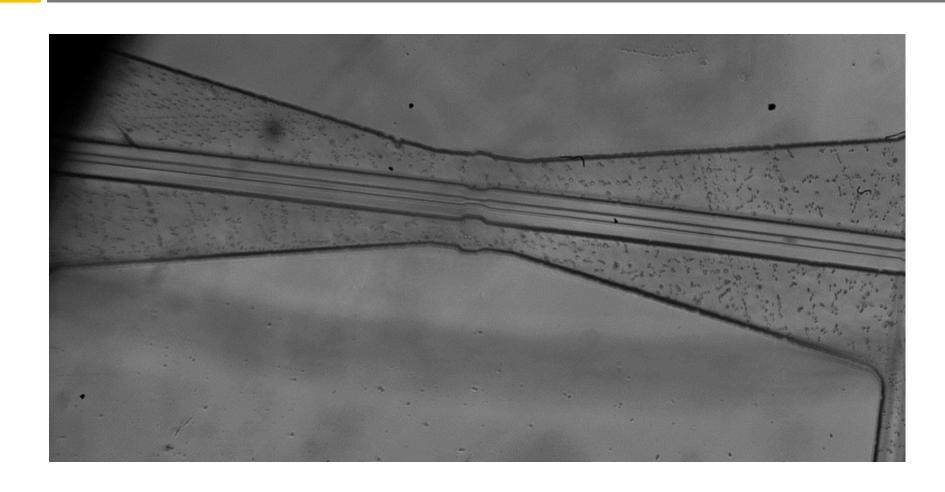


Learning how to circulate cells

Impact

- Successfully completed the experiment and showed a change in cell elasticity
- Completion of my portion means that future students can continue where I left off
- Next steps of the project
 - Inserting gas into the channels to see how the cells react when in conditions that accurately represent the human body

Red Blood Cell Channel with Adjacent Gas Channels for Future Works



Educational Impact

- Exposed me to an intense research environment along with an academic conference at the end of the program
- Able to learn from seasoned professors as they discussed their fields
- This project presented an overlap of several interesting areas, particularly mechanical engineering at a micro-scale being applied for medical purposes

Snapshots from the Academic Conference







