

# Team Adidas

# Introduction Slides

Designing and validating a model predicting the performance  
of layered materials in running shoe midsoles

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# Gavin Vandenberg

Team Lead

**Hometown:** Elmhurst, Illinois, USA

**Education:** BS Mechanical Engineering, Minor in Economics, MIT '21

## Previous Work Experience:

### **W.S. Darley & Co - Mechanical Engineering and Business Development Intern**

Engineered drone payload release system for first responders using SolidWorks, created and expanded Smart Firefighting Community to assist startups develop technology for first responders

### **Tripp-Lite - Mechanical Engineering Intern**

Modeled new components for server rack infrastructure using SolidWorks, communicated with sourcing partners to ensure correct part specifications using Excel database

**Skills:** CAD, Mechanical Design, MATLAB, Python, Business Optimization and Analytics

**Sports Interests:** Lacrosse (Varsity at MIT), Basketball, Football

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# Jess Sonner

Communications Lead

**Hometown:** Naperville, Illinois

**Education:** BS Mechanical Engineering, MIT '22

## **Previous Work Experience:**

### **Research Assistant - MIT Boyer Biology Lab**

- Collaborated with a postdoctoral fellow to develop and validate an expansion microscopy protocol, resulting in the physical expansion of murine heart tissue
- Modified a python script quantifying tissue expansion determining the success of protocol adjustments
- Trained other research assistants to accurately execute the protocol and increase performance of results

### **Office Assistant - Illinois Energy Windows and Siding**

- Handled customer phone calls ranging from inquires to complaints
- Relayed customer responses to office managers and brainstormed ways to improve customer satisfaction

**Skills:** Python, MATLAB, Microscopy

**Sports Interests:** Soccer (Varsity at MIT), Cross Country, Swimming, Basketball

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# Alice Hong

Team Member

**Hometown:** Seoul, Korea

**Education:** M.S. Media Arts and Sciences, MIT Media Lab, MIT '21

## Previous Work Experience:

### **Shima Seiki MFG., LTD - Trainee**

Got trained on MACH2XS, a computerized knitting machine; apply knitting techniques to ideate innovative textiles

### **3D Body Scanning Lab - User Experience Researcher**

Designed and customized wearables: protective gears and functional apparels, using 3D additive manufacturing

### **Thom Browne and Michael Kors - Textile Product Development Intern**

Created tech pack for Ready To Wears and managed the fabric supply chain of global Headquarters, using ApparelMagic

**Skills:** Fiber Science/Apparel Design, 3D Modeling, Rapid Prototyping, Usability Testing, HCI

**Sports Interests:** Lacrosse, Basketball, Tennis, Yoga

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# Olivia McGrath

## Team Member

**Hometown:** Chevy Chase, Maryland

**Education:** BS Mechanical Engineering, MIT '21

### Previous Work Experience:

#### **The Boeing Company - Government Operations Intern**

Created searchable database of radio frequency bands and their current allocations to determine appropriate frequencies for use by unmanned aircraft

Analyzed emergency aircraft evacuation demonstration results and the impact of seat sizes on passenger safety

#### **Université Catholique de Louvain - Summer Research Intern**

Analyzed micro CT scans of the enthesis to understand the effects of aging and type II diabetes on its structure

**Skills:** CAD, MATLAB, rapid prototyping

**Sports Interests:** Swimming (Varsity at MIT), Rowing (Former MIT Openweight)

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# Srimayi Tenali

## Team Member

**Hometown:** Melbourne Beach, FL

**Education:** BS Mechanical Engineering, Minor in Energy Studies, MIT '20

### Previous Work Experience:

#### **Boston Consulting Group - Summer Associate**

Developed analytics model for healthcare company with SQL, Alteryx, Excel to personalize consumer experience.

#### **Chevron - Marine Engineering Intern**

Analyzed deepwater system design to validate hydrodynamic response using FEA, Excel, MATLAB.

#### **EMBR Labs - Product Design Intern**

Conducted market research and field trials for new wearable. Developed user interface for product and app.

**Skills:** Product design, user interaction, rapid prototyping, data analytics

**Sports Interests:** Volleyball, Tennis

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# Alejandro Martinez

Team Member

**Hometown:** San Francisco, California

**Education:** B.S. Mechanical Engineering, MIT 2022

## Previous Work Experience:

### **MIT Media Lab City Science Group - Undergraduate Researcher**

Designed and manufactured storage units that optimized space and modularity for Piccolo Kitchen Project.

### **WSP Sweden - Engineering Intern**

Redesigned two improved mounting systems for Lidar and photo rigs that reduced power usage by 50%.

### **MOS.com - Engineering Intern**

Used JavaScript to retrieve information from an API to develop a 90,000+ point database

**Skills:** 3D-Modelling, MATLAB, 5+ years machining experience, rapid prototyping

**Sports Interests:** Cross Country, Track & Field, Basketball

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# Hayden Stalter

Team Member

**Hometown:** Greenwich, NY

**Education:** BS Mechanical Engineering, MIT '21

## Previous Work Experience:

### **Access Anvil Corporation - Mechanical Engineering / Technical Sales Intern**

Developed 3D models, drawings, and procedures to manufacture custom CNC milled EPS foam formwork and urethane formliners

### **The Phantom Laboratory - Mechanical Engineering Intern**

Designed new molds and casting / machining drawings used in the manufacture of high precision ISO certified test objects for the medical imaging and radiation therapy fields

**Skills:** CAD / CAM Software, Prototyping, MATLAB, Additive Manufacturing

**Sports Interests:** Lacrosse (Varsity at MIT), Soccer, Basketball

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# Israel Sosa

Team Member

**Hometown:** Del Rio, TX

**Education:** B.S. Mechanical Engineering, MIT 2020

## **Previous Work Experience:**

### **MIT Media Lab: Conformable Decoders - Undergraduate Researcher**

Researched and designed a wearable ultrasound device for traumatic brain injury patients with the use of blood flow mapping.

### **MIT Media Lab: Community Biotechnology Initiative & Lab for Innovation Science at Harvard- Undergraduate Researcher**

Developed an extensive survey on the specifications required to help remediate and detect unsafe levels of contaminants in water supplies in Ghana.

**Skills:** MATLAB, Arduino, CAD Modeling, Prototyping

**Sports Interests:** Football, Yoga, Golf, Basketball

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# Pablo Ampudia

Team Member

**Hometown:** San Antonio, TX

**Education:** B.S. Mechanical Engineering, MIT, Class of 2021

## Previous Work Experience:

### **TSO Logic - Software Engineer Intern**

Developed a function in Python that corrected misspelled words or phrases for the purpose of organizing data files that were highly unorganized

### **StandardAero - Mechanical Engineer Intern**

Managed an engineering and design project in which I produced preliminary designs and conducted a feasibility assessment for redesigning an existing maintenance stand for a new incoming aircraft engine

**Skills:** MATLAB, Python, CAD, Mechanical Design

**Sports Interests:** MIT Varsity Tennis, Soccer, Basketball

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