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Positions and Employment

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2007-2011 Associate Professor of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, Johns Hopkins University.
2005-2008 Director of the Undergraduate Program, Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, Johns Hopkins University.
2000-2007 Assistant Professor of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, Johns Hopkins University.
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Honors and Awards

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