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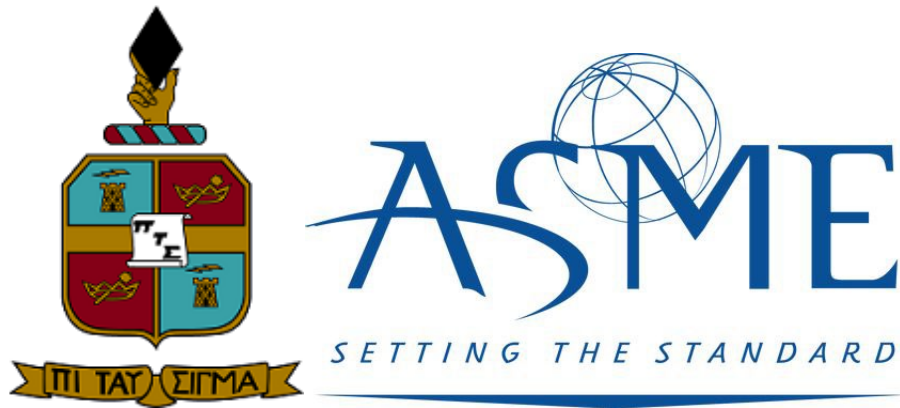
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PI TAU SIGMA-ASME AWARDS

Pi Tau Sigma (PTS), the International Mechanical Engineering Honor Society, and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME), each year, jointly offer three prestigious awards to recognize outstanding individuals for achievements in Mechanical Engineering. These awards are the Pi Tau Sigma Gold Medal Award, the Gustus L. Larson Memorial Award, and the Charles Russ Richards Memorial Award. A description on the rules for each award can be found in the ASME website.



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2024 Charles Russ Richards Memorial Award: Narayana Aluru

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2024 Thomas J. R. Hughes Young Investigator Award: Diego Misseroni

2024 Ted Belytschko Applied Mechanics Award: Xue Feng

2024 Zdeněk P. Bažant Medal: Yong Zhu

2024 Thomas K. Caughey Dynamics Medal: Friedrich Pfeiffer

2024 Warner T. Koiter Medal: H. Jerry Qi

2024 Daniel C. Drucker Medal: Pradeep Sharma

2024 Stephen P. Timoshenko Medal: Pierre Suquet

PI TAU SIGMA-ASME AWARD

Pi Tau Sigma Gold Medal Award



Raudel Avila

Assistant Professor of Mechanical Engineering
Department of Mechanical, Rice University, Houston, TX, USA

Raudel Avila joined the Department of Mechanical Engineering at Rice University in 2023, where he directs the Computational Mechanics and Bioelectromagnetics Laboratory. He earned his BSc in Mechanical Engineering from the University of Texas at El Paso in 2017 and his PhD in Mechanical Engineering from Northwestern University in 2023. At Northwestern, he focused on developing computational mechanics and electromagnetic models for bioelectronics. Dr. Avila has authored over 50 peer-reviewed publications in interdisciplinary journals, including *Science*, *Nature*, and *PNAS*, as well as leading mechanics journals such as the *Journal of the Mechanics and Physics of Solids* and the *Journal of Applied Mechanics*. In 2024, he was awarded the ASME Pi Tau Sigma Gold Medal for his outstanding contributions to mechanical engineering within 10 years of receiving his BSc.

Dr. Avila has made significant contributions in developing mechanics scaling laws and computational models in bioelectronics that led to major advances in establishing a mechanics modeling framework to understand physical phenomenon in injectable optofluidic devices, bio-integrated antennas, skin-integrated electronics, and bioresorbable cardiac devices.

His research focuses on creating numerical and analytical models for bio-integrated electronics to investigate key challenges in biomedical devices, including miniaturization, scalability, packaging, power limitations, tissue interactions, and energy absorption. In 2023, he received the ASME Applied Mechanics Division – Haythornthwaite Foundation Research Initiation Grant for his work on the mechanics of strain-insensitive bioelectronics. His broader goal is to integrate mechanics and electromagnetics to design and optimize biomedical technologies.

Dr. Avila is the recipient of several prestigious honors, including the National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship (2018–2022), the Ford Foundation Predoctoral Fellowship (2018–2022), the ASME Auxiliary Elisabeth M. and Winchell M. Parsons Scholarship (2018), and the Outstanding Researcher Award from the International Institute of Nanotechnology (2019). In 2022, he was recognized as a Future Trailblazer in Engineering by Purdue University for his potential to advance representation and diversity in engineering. In 2017, he was selected as one of the Top 10 Seniors at the University of Texas at El Paso (the only mechanical engineer among approximately 5,000 graduates) and received the ASME Auxiliary Irma and Robert Bennet Scholarship.

The Pi Tau Sigma Gold Medal, established in 1938, recognizes outstanding achievement in mechanical engineering within ten years following graduation with a baccalaureate (bachelors) degree in Mechanical Engineering or related field. The award is bestowed for overall outstanding achievement in the mechanical engineering field during the set period of time.

PI TAU SIGMA-ASME AWARD

Gustus L. Larson Memorial Award



Sinan Keten

Jerome B. Cohen Professor of Mechanical Engineering
Professor of Mechanical Engineering and Civil and
Environmental Engineering and (by courtesy)
Biomedical Engineering
Associate Chair of Mechanical Engineering
Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, USA

Sinan Keten is the Jerome B. Cohen Professor of Mechanical Engineering, Civil & Environmental Engineering, and Biomedical Engineering (by courtesy), and the Associate Chair of the Dept. of Mechanical Engineering at Northwestern University. He joined Northwestern University faculty in 2010 after obtaining his Ph.D. from MIT. His research expertise is on computational materials design and mechanics with an emphasis on soft matter, and he has co-authored over 150 journal articles in this area. His research interests include multi-scale approaches and sequence-based learning models that describe the mechanical behavior of protein-based and bioprogrammable materials, conceptual design of synthetic catch bonds, robust magnetoelastic architected materials that self-assemble and heal under random excitation, and understanding of nanoconfinement and interfacial mechanics phenomena in nanocomposites. Prof. Keten has received honors including the Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE), selection for the 2024 Defense Science Study Group, Office of Naval Research (ONR) Young Investigator Program (YIP) Award, Society of Engineering Science Young Investigator Medal, ASME Sia Nemat Nasser Award, ASME Thomas J. R. Hughes Young Investigator Award, and ASCE Huber Prize. He is a Fellow of the American Physical Society. He served as an Associate Editor for the Journal of Applied Mechanics and currently serves as an Associate Editor for npj Computational Materials. He is the Society of Engineering Science Representative for the US National Committee on Theoretical and Applied Mechanics (USNC/TAM). He currently serves as the Vice-President of the Society of Engineering Science and will be its President in 2025.

The Gustus L. Memorial Award, established in 1974, is bestowed in recognition of distinguished contributions to the field of solid mechanics with special emphasis on the effective blending of theoretical and applied elements of the discipline, and on a high degree of leadership in the international solid mechanics community.

PI TAU SIGMA-ASME AWARD

Charles Russ Richards Memorial Award



Narayana R Aluru

Cockrell Family Regents Chair in Engineering #9
Walker Department of Mechanical Engineering
Oden Institute for Computational Engineering & Sciences
The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, TX, USA

Aluru received the B.E. degree with honors and distinction from the Birla Institute of Technology and Science (BITS), Pilani, India, in 1989, the M.S. degree from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, NY, in 1991, and the Ph.D. degree from Stanford University, Stanford, CA, in 1995. He was a Postdoctoral Associate at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Cambridge, from 1995 to 1997. He joined the Walker Department of Mechanical Engineering and the Oden Institute for Computational Engineering and Sciences at the University of Texas (UT) at Austin in August 2021. Prior to joining UT Austin, he was on the faculty at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC) from 1998 to 2021.

Aluru's research group made pioneering contributions to nanofluidics. Some of the new physical phenomena his group has shown include the significance of size effects in confined fluids and the breakdown of classical theories, charge inversion near interfaces, fast transport of water in carbon nanotubes, observation of anomalous hexagonal ice-like structures of water in nanotubes, coupling between rotational and translational motions of confined fluids, existence of multiphase structure of water near interfaces, hydrodynamics in single atom thick membranes, universal reduction in dielectric response of confined fluids, dynamic and weak double layers in ultrathin nanopores, and Coulomb drag effects where ions drag electrons and vice versa in nanofluidics. Many of these phenomena have subsequently been observed experimentally. Furthermore, his work also corrected classical theories (Hagen-Poiseuille theory, Simpson's theory, and Lucas-Washburn theory), which have been in existence for centuries, to account for nanoscale physical phenomena. In a series of papers, Aluru's group developed multiscale approaches where interatomic potentials used in molecular dynamics have been incorporated into classical theories. These methods have been shown to accurately predict all aspects of fluid properties including structure, dynamics, thermodynamics, and transport.

Aluru received the NSF CAREER award in 1999, 2001 CMES Distinguished Young Author Award, Xerox Award for Faculty Research from UIUC in 2002, ASME Gustus L. Larson Memorial Award in 2006, Ted Belytschko Applied Mechanics Division Award from ASME in 2020, USACM Gallagher Young Investigator Award in 2007 and the USACM J. Tinsley Oden Medal in 2017. He was named a Willett Faculty Scholar and a University Scholar at UIUC. At UIUC, he held the Richard W. Kritzer Distinguished Professorship from 2009-2021. He received the Distinguished Alumnus Award from BITS (Pilani, India) in 2017 and the UIUC College of Engineering Teaching Excellence Award in 2012. He is a Fellow of USACM, IACM, ASME, AAAS, and APS. He served as the Director of the Computational Science and Engineering Program at UIUC from 2012-2017. He served as the Secretary (2018-2020), Vice-President (2020-2022) and President (2022-2024) of the United States Association for Computational Mechanics.

The Charles Russ Richards Memorial Award, established in 1944 by Pi Tau Sigma in coordination with ASME, is presented to an engineering graduate who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in mechanical engineering twenty years or more following graduation with a baccalaureate degree. The award is bestowed for overall outstanding achievement in the mechanical engineering field during the set period of time.

Eshelby Mechanics Award for Young Faculty



Tal Cohen

Associate Professor
Civil & Environmental Engineering
Mechanical Engineering
Massachusetts Institute of Technology

For insightful and innovative contributions that have advanced our understanding of the mechanics of engineering materials under extreme conditions.

Tal Cohen is an Associate Professor at MIT. She joined the Department of Civil & Environmental Engineering in November 2016 and has a joint appointment in the Department of Mechanical Engineering. She received both her MSc and PhD degrees in Aerospace Engineering at the Technion in Israel. Following her graduate studies, Tal was a postdoctoral fellow for two years at the Department of Mechanical Engineering at MIT and continued for an additional postdoctoral period at the School of Engineering and Applied Sciences at Harvard University. She received the ONR Young Investigator award and the NSF CAREER award in 2020, and the ARO Young Investigator award in 2019. Earlier awards include the MIT-Technion Postdoctoral Fellowship, and the Zonta International Amelia Earhart Fellowship. Her research, which combines both theoretical and experimental tools, is broadly aimed at understanding the nonlinear mechanical behavior and constitutive sensitivity of solids. This includes behavior under extreme loading conditions, involving propagation of shock waves and dynamic cavitation, material instabilities, and chemo-mechanically coupled phenomena such as material growth. Among various contributions, Cohen's research group developed the Volume Controlled Cavity Expansion (VCCE) method; a minimally invasive technique for measuring local nonlinear mechanical properties of soft and biological materials. VCCE is currently being applied in human tissue for disease research and diagnosis.

The Eshelby Mechanics Award for Young Faculty, launched in 2012, is given annually to rapidly emerging junior faculty who exemplify the creative use and development of mechanics. The intent of the award is to promote the field of mechanics, especially among young researchers, and commemorate the memory of Professor John Douglas Eshelby. While interdisciplinary work that bridges mechanics with physics, chemistry, biology and other disciplines is encouraged, the ideal awardee will demonstrate clear inspiration from mechanics in his or her research.

Thomas J. R. Hughes Young Investigator Award



Diego Misseroni, Ph.D.

Professor of Aerospace Structures,
University of Trento, Trento, Italy

For contributions to the fundamental understanding of the mechanical behavior of architected metamaterials by innovative experimental realizations leading to new insights and theoretical findings.

Diego Misseroni is a Full Professor of Aerospace Structures at the University of Trento, Italy. He earned both his Bachelor's and Master's degrees in Civil Engineering with honors from the University of Trento. In 2013, he completed his PhD in "Solid and Structural Mechanics" at the same institution. In 2014, he was a Marie Curie Experienced Researcher at the University of Liverpool, UK. Afterward, he returned to the University of Trento as a Tenure-Track Researcher and was promoted to Associate Professor in 2022, before achieving the rank of Full Professor in 2024. In 2023, he was a Fulbright Visiting Scientist at the School of Engineering and Applied Science, Princeton University.

Dr. Misseroni extensive research interests span the Mechanics of Solids, Materials, and Structures, encompassing architected materials, metamaterials, and origami engineering. Additionally, he delves into flexible structures, buckling phenomena, and instabilities of structures undergoing large deformations. Dr. Misseroni approach to research is a combination of theoretical modelling, numerical simulations and experimental activity that always ends with the realization of proof-of-concept prototypes. Dr. Misseroni has obtained important scientific achievements as documented by his numerous publications in top-tier journals in solid and structural mechanics, as well as in multidisciplinary journals, several of which have been featured on journal covers.

Dr. Misseroni has received several awards, including an ERC Consolidator Grant, the Extreme Mechanics Letters (EML) Young Investigator Award, a Fulbright Fellowship – Research Scholar Award, the Zwick Roell Science Award, and the Paul Roell Medal, all in 2022. He was also honored with the 2022 Trentino Research Award for Young Researchers, the AIMETA Junior Prize in 2017, and the DICAM Teaching Excellence Award from the University of Trento in both 2019 and 2024.

The Young Investigator Award was established in 1998 and renamed the Thomas J.R. Hughes Young Investigator Award in 2008. The award recognizes special achievements in applied mechanics for researchers who have not reached their 41st birthday by December 31st of the year of the awards presentation.

Ted Belytschko Applied Mechanics Award



Xue Feng

Professor of Engineering Mechanics and state key laboratory of Flexible Electronics Technology
Tsinghua University, Beijing, China

For his fundamental contributions to theories of interfacial mechanics, and pioneering the transfer printing techniques leading to functional systems of heterogeneous materials including stretchable inorganic electronics with applications to biomedicine, biomedical engineering and industrial scale production of flexible integrated circuits.

Professor Xue Feng is a tenured professor of Tsinghua University. He received Ph.D. from the Department of Engineering Mechanics, Tsinghua University in 2003, and was a postdoc (2004-2007) at the University of Illinois at Urbana Champaign and the California Institute of Technology. He is also the founding director of the state key laboratory of Flexible Electronics Technology.

Professor Feng has been engaged in the research of solid mechanics and flexible electronics. Based on the principles of mechanics, he has developed the basic design theory and core manufacturing technology of flexible integrated devices, with applications in a diverse range of engineering disciplines. The developed devices and equipment have been adopted by many universities, research institutes, and industry. His fundamental research has been transformed to various products of flexible electronics. He has published more than 280 papers in journals such as Nature, Science, Nature Materials, Science Advances, National Science Review, 9 of which are selected as highly cited papers by ESI. He has over 100 patents, more than 30 of which are licensed or in active use.

Professor Feng is a member of the European Academy of Sciences and Arts. He is also an ASME fellow, a fellow of the Society of Engineering Science, and a fellow of the Society for Experimental Mechanics. He has received a series of awards and, including: ASME Melville Medal (2023); Qiushi Outstanding Youth Award, China (2022), which is awarded annually to 25 recipients selected from all disciplines of science and engineering; Ho Leung Ho Lee Foundation Science and Technology Innovation Prize, China (2022), which is awarded annually to 20 recipients selected from all disciplines of science and engineering.

Professor Feng served as an Associate Editor of ASME Journal of Applied Mechanics, and is currently the Associate Editor of Applied Mechanics Reviews. He also launched two new journals on flexible electronics, named as FlexTech and Wearable Electronics, as an editor-in-chief for both journals. He launched the international conference on flexible electronics (ICFE) in 2018, and consecutively served as the chair of the conference five times (ICFE 2018, 2019, 2021, 2022, and 2023). This series of conferences is now recognized as the most influential international conference on flexible electronics.

The Applied Mechanics Award was established in 1988 and renamed the Ted Belytschko Applied Mechanics Award in 2008. The award is given to an outstanding individual for significant contributions in the practice of engineering mechanics; contributions may result from innovation, research, design, leadership or education.

Zdeněk P. Bažant Medal



Yong Zhu

Andrew A. Adams Distinguished Professor
Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering
North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC, USA

For pioneering contributions in the field of nanomechanics through development and application of novel, innovative instrumentation to discover new deformation mechanisms and understand their mechanistic origins, leading to advances in mechanics of nanomaterials for both soft electronics and soft robotics.

Yong Zhu is the Andrew A. Adams Distinguished Professor and Associate Head for Research and Faculty Advancement in the Department of Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering at North Carolina State University. He received his B.S. degree from the University of Science and Technology of China (USTC) in 1999, followed by an M.S. in 2001 and a Ph.D. in 2005 from Northwestern University, Evanston, IL. After completing a postdoctoral research fellowship at the University of Texas at Austin, he joined NC State in 2007.

Dr. Zhu has made substantial contributions to mechanics and engineering applications of nanomaterials. He has pioneered the development of microelectromechanical systems (MEMS) for in-situ mechanical testing of nanomaterials within electron microscopy, significantly advancing our understanding of size effects and deformation mechanisms at the nanoscale. His research has uncovered novel phenomena in crystalline nanowires, including recoverable plasticity in twinned nanowires, anelasticity driven by point defect diffusion, detwinning under tensile loading, hydrogen embrittlement in metal nanowires, and the brittle-to-ductile transition in silicon nanowires. Additionally, he has investigated the interfacial mechanics between nanomaterials and stretchable substrates, a crucial aspect for their practical applications. In addition to his fundamental work, Dr. Zhu has creatively employed nanomaterials for emerging technologies, including stretchable electronics and soft robotics. His group has developed a range of soft wearable sensors for monitoring both human and plant health.

Dr. Zhu is a Fellow of the ASME and the Society for Experimental Mechanics (SEM). His work has been recognized with many honors and awards, including the Gustus L. Larson Memorial Award and the Sia Nemat-Nasser Award from ASME, the James R. Rice Medal from the Society of Engineering Science (SES), and the Friedrich Wilhelm Bessel Research Award from the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation. He was also honored with the JSA Young Investigator Lecture Award from SEM. At NC State, Dr. Zhu was named a University Faculty Scholar and received the Alcoa Foundation Engineering Research Achievement Award from the College of Engineering. He has been active in serving the mechanics and materials community, including serving as Chair of the ASME Materials Division. Currently he is on the Board of Directors for SES and the U.S. National Committee on Theoretical and Applied Mechanics.

The Zdeněk P. Bažant Medal was established in 2022 by the Applied Mechanics Division and recognizes an individual who has made significant contributions to the field of mechanics through research, practice, teaching and/or outstanding leadership.

Thomas K. Caughey Dynamics Medal



Friedrich Pfeiffer

TUM Emeritus of Excellence, former Chair and former Industry Positions,
TUM School of Engineering and Design,
Technische Universität München, Germany

For his many contributions as a researcher, educator and practitioner in the field of Nonlinear Dynamics which have resulted in significant advances in the modeling, analysis, simulation, design and manufacture of many mechanical/fluid power transmission, robotic and aerospace systems.

Friedrich Pfeiffer, born in 1935, received his Dr.-Ing. in Aerodynamics from the Technische Hochschule Darmstadt, Institut für Flugtechnik in 1965. Then, he joined the aerospace company Messerschmitt-Bölkow-Blohm (MBB), München, and, after 16 years industry, he became Professor of Applied Mechanics, Technical University München, in 1982. He was retired in 2001 and continued then various scientific activities.

Professor Pfeiffer served as head of the MBB space dynamics department from 1969 to 1975, as technical manager of a company producing propulsion units for guided missiles from 1976 to 1978 and in addition as a technical division manager for guided missiles from 1980 to 1982, when he started a new career as professor and scientist, faculty of mechanical engineering, TUM. He served at TUM as a member of the faculty council from 1984 to 2000, as a dean of the faculty together as member of the TUM Senate from 1993 to 1995, and in various external scientific organizations, for example, Senate of National Research Foundation (DFG) from 1996-2002, Chair Hercules-Science-Foundation Brüssel 2008-2015, Council University Bundeswehr (military university) 2008-2016, Rector CISM Udine 2010-2016. In addition he served automotive and mechanical engineering industry as a consultant. He served as a Vice-President and President of GAMM (Gesellschaft für Angewandte Mathematik und Mechanik) from 2002-2007 and was associate editor of various scientific journals.

Professor Pfeiffer published more than 200 papers, seven books and some book contributions. He is member or fellow in scientific societies, so ASME (fellow), IEEE (fellow), GAMM (former president, vice-president), VDI, DGLR, EUROMECH, IUTAM(chair working group dynamics), and he organized a couple of national and international conferences. He was awarded by three honorary doctors (Moscow 1998, Dresden 2004, Bologna 2008) and by prestigious awards like Körber Preis Hamburg 1990, order of merit (Bundesverdienstkreuz am Bande) 2000,

Bavarian Order of Merit 2006, Leonardo da Vinci Award 2010, ASME-IDETC, USA and Calvin W. Rice Lecture Award 2013, ASME-IDETC, USA.

The Thomas K. Caughey Dynamics Award was established in 2008 and is conferred in recognition of an individual who has made significant contributions to the field of nonlinear dynamics through practice, research, teaching, and/or outstanding leadership.

Warner T. Koiter Medal



H. Jerry Qi

Woodruff Professor
George W. Woodruff School of Mechanical Engineering
Georgia Institute of Technology, Atlanta, GA, USA

For his significant contributions to nonlinear mechanics and multiphysics behaviors of active polymers through experimentation and theoretical modeling and by applying the fundamental understanding to pioneer and lead the emerging field of 4D printing.

Professor H. Jerry Qi is the Woodruff Endowed Professor in the School of Mechanical Engineering at Georgia Institute of Technology and is the site director of NSF IUCRC on Science of Heterogeneous Additive Printing of 3D Materials (SHAP3D). He received his undergraduate and graduate degrees from Tsinghua University and a ScD degree from MIT. After one-year postdoc at MIT, he joined University of Colorado Boulder as an assistant professor and moved to Georgia Tech in 2014. Prof. Qi's research is in the field of nonlinear mechanics of polymers and focuses on developing fundamental understanding of multiphysics properties of active polymers through experimentation and constitutive modeling then applying these understandings to application designs. He has been working on a range of active polymers, including shape memory polymers, light activated polymers, covalent adaptable network polymers (or vitrimers), and liquid crystal elastomers. In recent years, he has also been working on integrating active materials with 3D printing. He and his collaborators pioneered the 4D printing concept. He is a recipient of NSF CAREER award (2007), Sigma Xi Best Faculty Paper Award (2018), Gerhard Kanig Lecture by the Berlin-Brandenburg Association for Polymer Research (2019), and the James R. Rice Medal from Society of Engineering Science (2023), and the T. H. H. Pian Award from International Conference on Computational & Experimental Engineering and Sciences (2024). He was elected to an ASME Fellow in 2015.

The Warner T. Koiter Medal, established in 1996, is bestowed in recognition of distinguished contributions to the field of solid mechanics with special emphasis on the effective blending of theoretical and applied elements of the discipline, and on a high degree of leadership in the international solid mechanics community.

Daniel C. Drucker Medal



Pradeep Sharma

Hugh Roy and Lillie Cranz Cullen Distinguished University Professor
Dean of Cullen College of Engineering
University of Houston, Houston, TX

For pioneering contributions to the foundation of solid mechanics and their connection with statistical mechanics, electricity, and magnetism.

Pradeep Sharma is the Hugh Roy and Lillie Cranz Cullen Distinguished University Professor and the Dean of Cullen College of Engineering at the University of Houston. He received his Ph.D. in mechanical engineering from the University of Maryland at College Park in the year 2000. Subsequent to his doctoral degree, he was employed at General Electric R & D for more than three years as a research scientist. He joined the mechanical engineering department at the University of Houston in January 2004.

His research interests and contributions include soft matter, surface energy, flexoelectricity, theory of homogenization, coupling of mechanical deformation and electromagnetic fields, quantum materials, metamaterials, statistical mechanics and physics of materials, biophysics, and human perception of music.

He is a member of the US National Academy of Engineering. His other honors and awards include the Young Investigators Award from Office of Naval Research, Thomas J.R. Hughes Young Investigator Award from the ASME, Texas Space Grants Consortium New Investigators Program Award, the Fulbright fellowship, the Melville medal, the James R. Rice medal from the Society of Engineering Science, ASME Charles R. Russ medal, the Society of Engineering Science medal, Guggenheim award, the Cozzarelli prize from the National Academy of Science, and the University of Houston Research Excellence Award. He is a fellow of the ASME, the associate editor of the Journal of the Mechanics and Physics of Solids, and the chief editor of the Journal of Applied Mechanics. He serves on the editorial board of several other journals. He has served as the President of the Society of Engineering Science and member and Chair of the Executive Committee of the Applied Mechanics Division of the ASME.

The Daniel C. Drucker Medal was established in 1997 and is conferred in recognition of distinguished contributions to the field of applied mechanics and mechanical engineering through research, teaching, and service to the community over a substantial period of time.

Stephen P. Timoshenko Medal



Pierre M. Suquet

Senior Researcher (Emeritus)
Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique
Marseille (France)

For pioneering contributions in the development of homogenization methods for composite materials.

Pierre Suquet is a former student at the Ecole Normale Supérieure in Paris where he received his BS in Mathematics. After a MS in Theoretical Mechanics from the University Pierre et Marie Curie (UPMC) in Paris, he joined the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (CNRS) as a junior scientist in 1978. He obtained his PhD and his Thèse d'Etat, all from UPMC, while being at the Laboratoire de Mécanique Théorique. In 1983 he was appointed Professor at the University of Montpellier and in 1988 he returned to CNRS as a senior scientist at the Laboratoire de Mécanique et d'Acoustique in Marseille. He headed this laboratory from 1993 to 2000. In 2000-2001 he spent a sabbatical year at Caltech where he was the Clarke Millikan visiting Professor. He has held part-time teaching positions at Ecole Polytechnique (Paris) from 1986 to 2008. His research interests are in the field of theoretical solid mechanics where he is interested in the formulation of constitutive relations for solid materials when several scales interact, especially in composite materials and polycrystals. His work covers mathematical analyses of elastoplasticity, homogenization and computational (spectral) methods for nonlinear composites, micromechanical problems and ductile failure of materials.

Pierre Suquet was awarded the Mandel Prize by the Ecole des Mines and Ecole Polytechnique (France) in 1988, the Ampère Prize by the French Academy of Sciences in 2000, the Koiter medal by the ASME in 2006 and the Prager medal by the Society for Engineering Science in 2024. He has given several prestigious lectures in Mechanics, including the Midwest Mechanics lectures and a sectional lecture at the ICTAM 2012. He has chaired the French National Committee for Mechanics from 2010 to 2022, has served as the Secretary General of the European Society for Mechanics (EUROMECH) and is an Honorary member of this Society. He is a member of the French Academy of Sciences and an international member of the National Academy of Engineering (USA).

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2016	Andrea Prosperetti	1991	George Abrahamson
2015	James Barber	1990	Owen Richmond
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2017	Wei Yang	2002	James K. Knowles
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2015	Kaushik Bhattacharya	2000	Giulio Maier
2014	Guruswami Ravichandran	1999	Charles R. Steele
2013	Norman A. Fleck	1998	Viggo Tvergaard
2012	Erik Van der Giessen	1997	Warner T. Koiter
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2018	Ares J. Rosakis	1984	Joseph B. Keller		
2017	Viggo Overgaard	1983	Daniel C. Drucker		
2016	Raymon W. Ogden	1982	John W. Miles		
2015	Michael Ortiz	1981	John H. Argyris		
2014	Robert M. McMeeking	1980	Paul M. Naghdi		
2013	Richard M. Christensen	1979	Jerald L. Ericksen		
2012	Subra Suresh	1978	George F. Carrier		
2011	Alan Needleman	1977	John D. Eshelby		
2010	Wolfgang G. Knauss	1976	Erastus H. Lee		
2009	Zdenek P. Bazant	1975	Chia-Chiao Lin		
2008	Sia Nemat-Nasser	1974	Albert E. Green		
2007	Thomas J.R. Hughes	1973	Eric Reissner		
2006	Ken L. Johnson	1972	Jacob P. Den Hartog		
2005	Grigory I. Barenblatt	1971	Howard W. Emmons		
2004	Morton E. Gurtin	1970	James J. Stoker		
2003	Lambert B. Freund	1969	Jakob Ackeret		
2002	John W. Hutchinson	1968	Warner T. Koiter		
2001	Ted Belytschko	1967	Hillel Poritsky		
2000	Rodney J. Clifton	1966	William Prager		
1999	Anatol Roshko	1965	Sydney Goldstein		
1998	Olgierd C. Zienkiewicz	1964	Raymond D. Mindlin		
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1996	J. Tinsley Oden	1962	Maurice A. Biot		
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2018	P. Sharma	1987	J.R. Rice	1953	D. Young
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2014	L. A. Bergman	1983	W.G. Gottenberg	1949	M. Goland
2013	K. M. Liechti	1982	R.C. Diprima	1948	W.W. Murray
2012	A.J. Rosakis	1981	R.M. Christensen	1947	H.W. Emmons
2011	T.E. Tezduyar	1980	R.S. Rivlin	1946	J. Poritsky
2010	Z. Suo	1979	R. Skalak	1945	J.N. Goodier
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2008	K. Ravi-Chandar	1977	Y.C. Fung	1943	J.H. Keenan
2007	T.N. Farris	1976	J. Miklowitz	1942	H.L. Dryden
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2002	D. Krajcinovic	1971	S. Levy	1937	C.R. Soderberg
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