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Paige is a fifth-year neuroscience PhD candidate who studies the development of eye movements using baby fish. She earned her undergraduate degree from New College of Florida, where she focused on neurodegenerative disease and the long-term effects of traumatic brain injury. After graduation, Paige worked in the lab of [Helen E. Scharfman, PhD](#), on early-life interventions in mouse models of Alzheimer's disease pathology. After a great experience at SURP, Paige decided to attend Vilcek Institute of Graduate Biomedical Sciences and join the lab of [David Schoppik, PhD](#). She has pivoted away from disease and now uses cutting-edge optical techniques to understand circuit development driving behavior. Outside of the lab, Paige enjoys baking and finding trivia night spots to dominate with friends..



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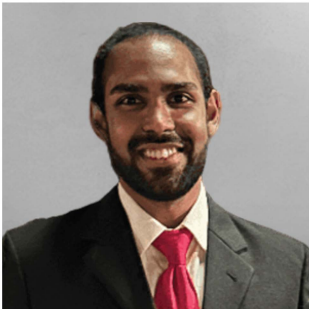
Elaine received her undergraduate degree from the University of Puerto Rico at Ponce. She joined SURP and studied prostate cancer in the labs of [Michael J. Garabedian, PhD](#), and [Susan K. Logan](#). After an excellent summer experience, Elaine returned to Vilcek Institute of Graduate Biomedical Sciences to complete her graduate studies. She is currently a third-year PhD candidate working in the lab of [Teresa Davoli, PhD](#). Elaine is interested in understanding chromosome-specific aneuploidies and how they lead to cancer immune evasion in solid tumors. Outside of the lab, she enjoys going to the movies and trying new food.



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A first-generation PhD student, Teni received her undergraduate degree from Penn State. During that time, she joined the Hanna-Rose lab, where she worked on understanding the role of NAD⁺ metabolism on developmental phenotypes in *C. elegans*. She discovered her love for host-pathogen interactions during her time as a student in SURP. She worked in the lab of [Ana M. Rodriguez, PhD](#), investigating the Plasmodium falciparum factors initiating the loss of blood brain barrier integrity associated with cerebral malaria. Following this passion, she matriculated into the microbiology training program at NYU Grossman School of Medicine in 2020. Teni is now a third-year PhD student in the lab of [Jeffrey N. Weiser, MD](#), where she studies the clearance mechanisms of Streptococcus pneumoniae colonization. Outside of the lab, Teni enjoys trying out new restaurants, relaxing in the park, listening to podcasts, and journaling.



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Mohammad is an MD/PhD student at NYU Grossman School of Medicine interested in translational research. His undergraduate research was on understanding X-chromosome dosage compensation in *C. elegans*. His PhD work was in microbiology studying the mechanism of an interferon-stimulated RNA helicase on virus translation. In his free time, Mohammad enjoys reading, going to the gym and restaurants, outdoor activities, and learning anything new, with a penchant for science-related things.