2021 REALITY CHECK.

President’s Report
Connecting the two promenades, the Technion Entrance Gate symbolizes a bridge between academic excellence and real-world innovation. The entrance runway to the future was designed by Schwartz Besnosoff Architects in collaboration with Rolka Studio.
Welcome to the 2021 President’s Report. This is an era in which we face unprecedented challenges to our health, the environment, and to the fundamental realities of our everyday lives. Never has the role of science in the service of humankind been more powerful. Meeting these real-world challenges is part of Technion’s unwavering mission, and the steps we take.

Notwithstanding the pandemic, this past year has been a good one for Technion with new records: we have signed a record number of research agreements with industry; the largest number of start-up companies were launched within a year; a record number of prizes were awarded to Technion researchers; a record number of students are on campus; and a record number of new faculty were recruited.

The academic year
We began this academic year against a backdrop of dynamically changing uncertainties due to the global pandemic. The 2021/22 year opened at Technion Haifa campuses on October 24th with COVID precautions in place, reverberating with a synergy of passion for the Technion ethos, and sobriety in the gravity of unfolding daily realities. Slightly over two thousand freshmen arrived on campus, of which 44 percent were women, bringing the student population to nearly 15,000 in 17 faculties. Some 10,000 are studying towards a bachelor’s degree, while the rest are pursuing advanced degrees, among them 1,354 doctoral students. Some 160 Master’s students are studying in the Jacobs Institute on Roosevelt Island and a thousand more in GTIIT, China.

The incoming enrolment was especially drawn towards faculties that prepare students for high-tech professions - Electrical and Computer Engineering, Computer Science and Data Science. The demand for Medicine remains very high. There are also signs of an emerging interest in Biotechnology and Food Engineering, the only faculty in the country which trains food engineers.

The strategic plan
During the past year, we finished drafting the strategic plan for the coming decade. The plan lays down the steps needed to maintain Technion’s global position among the top technological universities as it enters its second centennial.
Throughout the coming decade, Technion will strive to strengthen its position as an attractive and exciting university associated with leadership, innovation, and commitment to society; as a university with powerful ties with industry and government entities; and as an academic environment characterized by community, diversity, and unity.

Over the past six months, we have started to implement the plan, converting the strategy into a new reality. We developed a multi-year workplan with an action program for the coming two years. The foundations have been laid. To this end we have also shifted from a year-by-year budget to a five-year rolling budget and allocated the necessary means.

The main components of the plan include education, research, and ties with industry.

**Education**

We are revamping our unique Technion education study program to prepare students with both scientific-engineering knowledge, and skills adapted to the 21st century. This includes revising curricula content; exploiting new digital technologies to enhance and improve instruction and learning; and strengthening the Department of Humanities to provide our students with a broad education to equip them with the tools to make informed decisions concerning societal, ethical, and environmental impact.

Training a new class of scientists and entrepreneurs for leadership roles in cutting-edge research and disruptive technologies will generate tomorrow’s leaders in science and technology. By nurturing and sustaining a
Strategic plan kicks-off with the six Faculties of Biology, Biomedical Engineering, Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Medicine, and Biotechnology and Food Engineering.
“THE TECHNION SERVED AS A CORNERSTONE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF HIGH TECH AND IN WHAT IS NOW CALLED THE STARTUP NATION.”

- Angela Merkel
relationship with our students and alumni from the beginning of their studies and throughout their careers, we will strengthen the bond between Technion and industry, and Technion and policy makers.

Integral to realizing the vision, is attracting the best students and researchers to our ranks, and to develop and cultivate leadership among them and among our graduates. Locating and recruiting top faculty is a priority while creating the atmosphere and conditions on campus required to inspire a spirit of renewal and scientific excellence.

Research
We are shifting from investment in disciplinary research to tackling broad multidisciplinary challenges. So far, three frontiers have been identified: human health, sustainability including energy related aspects, and smart industry. To strengthen our focus on these areas, new research centers will bring together researchers from different disciplines collaborating on the same challenge but from different perspectives. These research initiatives will bring a sense of shared destiny to the faculties and help coordinate faculty recruitment.

To empower our research base, we require the recruitment of additional graduate students, research fellows, and an increase in the number of postdoctoral fellows. This expansion will be accompanied by building new laboratories and investing in advanced equipment.

These centers will leverage Technion’s capabilities in selected areas in which great resources will be invested. Where there are clear academic benefits to structural change, we will reduce fragmentation through structural changes, and by establishing thematic research centers.

Ties with industry
Today, breakthroughs in science and technology depend on multidisciplinary research and tight collaboration between academia and industry. We are creating a new ecosystem with industry, based on pioneering models for synergetic collaboration, that will best serve Israel and the world in the 21st century. Over the last year, Technion has expanded relations with industry, including signed research agreements with leading software and energy companies, and an agreement to establish the Carasso FoodTech Innovation Center. In the past two years we have resolved most IP issues to facilitate swift technology transfer from the Technion to industry. As a result, the number of startups launched annually by Technion researchers has tripled to 14 new companies a year and our portfolio has grown to over 100 companies.
“FROM PURE SCIENCE TO ROBUST ENGINEERING, FROM OUTER SPACE TO QUANTUM DIMENSIONS, WE ARE HERE FOR REAL AND WE ARE HERE FOR YOU.”

On October 24th, with COVID precautions in place, 2,000 freshmen arrived on campus bringing the student population to over 15,000 students in 17 faculties.
Promoting Women in Academia

A committee was established and tasked with proposing ways to increase the number of women among senior faculty. The committee submitted its report with the following findings: currently 23% of senior faculty are women; there is no bias in faculty recruitment and promotion processes; there is a shortage of women applying for postdocs; there are few women in the main academic committees, and none in senior management. The committee’s recommendations have been adopted in full and as a result, the number of women in the main academic committees has already grown significantly. The lack of women representation in senior management will be rectified in the coming months when I present my candidate for the position of Vice President for Academic Affairs. Starting in January 2022, five faculties will be headed by woman deans and two out of four pan-Technion deans are women.

In three years, we will celebrate Technion’s centenary since its doors were opened for academic study. We will launch the centennial program next June, and the celebrations will culminate with the anniversary in 2024.

Looking back to the humble beginnings in 1924, with a class of 17 students, we feel great pride in what we have achieved and where we are today. I truly hope to see you all in person at those festivities.

Prof. Uri Sivan, Technion President

Technion code of ethics (abbreviated)

- Strive for truth in research and education
- Advocate freedom of research and expression
- Act responsibly in all areas of academic activity
- Commit to honesty and transparency in the lab, classroom, and workplace.

Ratified by the Senate in 2021

[Image of Rebecca Boukhris, Prof. Uri Sivan, and Sydney Boukhris in front of a rendering of the André Deloro Building for Transformative Biomedical Sciences and Engineering.]
UAE

H.E. Mohamed Al Khaja is at home in a university environment, and there was great warmth in his visit to Technion on May 30th 2021, in the spirit of the Abraham Accords, which are a series of treaties normalizing diplomatic relations between Israel, the United Arab Emirates (UAE), Bahrain, Sudan, and Morocco. The Ambassador has a degree in political science from Northeastern University in Boston and an MBA from Vienna University of Economics and Business.

On tour for real at Technion City, Ambassador Al Khaja zoomed down to nano dimensions with a close look at the Technion Nano Bible, and touched base with top Technion research achievements, including discoveries of Technion’s Nobel Laureates. He also connected with some Technion-born startup legends, such as Mazor Robotics, founded on the basis of technology developed by Prof. Moshe Shoham, and Novocure, founded by Prof. Yoram Palti.

“I am very honored to be the Ambassador of the United Arab Emirates to Israel, and consider myself as an ambassador of peace and cooperation... We must work together to change the perception of people in the Middle East,” said Ambassador Al Khaja. “I will be happy to further encourage innovation and joint research between the Technion and our country, especially on issues associated with water and food security.”

“The Abraham Accords have opened up extensive opportunities for regional collaboration. Medicine, health, and science are subjects that connect people.”

- Prof. Uri Sivan
“THE TECHNION IS AN ESTEEMED RESEARCH CENTER WITH A WORLD REPUTATION, AND WE WILL BE DELIGHTED TO COLLABORATE ON ANY RESEARCH THAT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE WELLBEING OF THE RESIDENTS OF THE REGION.”

- Ambassador H.E. Mohamed Al Khaja
The André Deloro Building for Transformative Biomedical Sciences and Engineering at Technion is pivoted to be a dynamic, state-of-the-art multidisciplinary research center to advance the real challenges of human health in the 21st century. Housing up to 28 laboratories and with world-class equipment, the building will facilitate interdisciplinary synergy and the advance of the science, engineering, and technology of health from the space of inspiration, all the way to life-enhancing applications in the real world.

“A significant revolution in human health requires multidisciplinary efforts. The idea is to bridge medicine and life sciences, exact sciences, engineering, data science, and design,” said Technion President Prof. Uri Sivan. The initiative is supported by the Adelis Foundation.
“WITH THE UNPRECEDENTED PROGRESS OF NEW TECHNOLOGIES, WE ARE ENTERING A NEW PHASE IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF APPLIED AND CREATIVE RESEARCH IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN HEALTH.”

- Rebecca Boukhris, Adelis Foundation
Delving into reality, recall and immunological memory, Technion researchers at the Ruth and Bruce Rappaport Faculty of Medicine reveal how the memory of inflammation can both trigger illness, and protect health through anticipatory response.

Assoc. Prof. Asya Rolls and her team have again transcended prevailing dogma of immunological memory with an elegant demonstration of how insular neuronal ensembles in the brain both store and recover highly specific representations of immunity. The research highlights the delicate and complex interdependence between mind and the matter of physical health.

The study, published in Cell in November 2021, was led by Rolls and MD/PhD student Tamar Koren.

The research showed that during colon inflammation, several brain regions exert enhanced neuronal activity, one of which is the insular cortex. Identifying neurons in the insular cortex of mice with enhanced activity during inflammation, the researchers were able to trigger these neurons and cause a recurrence of inflammation in the same bodily location.

Having revealed a physiological mechanism of the psychosomatic bridge in which neurons trigger inflammation, Koren and colleagues then did some reverse engineering: by suppressing specific neurons in the insular cortex, they rapidly reduced inflammation. This discovery has the potential to generate new treatments for chronic inflammatory conditions such as Crohn’s disease, psoriasis, and other autoimmune conditions.

“The body needs to respond to infection as quickly as possible before the attacking bacteria or viruses can multiply. A shorter response time allows the body to defeat the infection faster and with less effort,” Rolls explained.

This work was supported by an ERC Starting Grant, the Allen and Jewel Prince Center for Neurodegenerative Disorders of the Brain, the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI), and the Wellcome Trust.
The Helen Diller Quantum Center is the Technion’s center for Quantum Science and Technology. It is a physical and virtual home for this tradition of excellence in Quantum Science, that is built on the legacy of Nathan Rosen, who worked with Einstein on entangled wave motions and the EPR paradox, and Asher Peres, a pioneer of Quantum Teleportation.

The center serves as a resource to over 50 faculty members and more than 200 graduate students, postdocs and scientists contemplating a range of Quantum fields including: Quantum Computing, Quantum Communication, Quantum Simulations, Quantum Sensors and Quantum Matter. It houses world class laboratories in Photonics, Nonlinear optics, Quantum dots, Superconducting qubits and Cold atoms. Six faculties of science and engineering are involved in the center: Physics, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Chemistry, Materials Science and Engineering, and Mechanical Engineering.

The Center also supports research, upgrades of laboratories and infrastructure centers, the recruitment of new faculty members, sponsorship of graduates and postdoc fellowships, the Peres-Rosen Distinguished Lecture Series, and seminars, workshops, and schools. It also promotes education with teaching laboratories in Quantum science and technology.
100 years ago in 1921, the young Prof. Albert Einstein was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics, “for his services to Theoretical Physics, and especially for his discovery of the law of the photoelectric effect.” A few years later in 1923, the scientist visited Technion where he planted a tree of vision - a vision whose fruits would endlessly multiply, from Einstein to Technion Prof. Nathan Rosen, from Rosen to Technion Prof. Asher Peres, from Peres to generations of Technion students who have the skills, expertise, and courage to truly dive into the mysterious and powerful undercurrents of quantum reality.

“REALITY IS MERELY AN ILLUSION, ALBEIT A VERY PERSISTENT ONE.”
- Technion founding father Prof. Albert Einstein

1921-2021 FROM NOBEL TO NOBEL

In 1923, Albert Einstein visited the original Technion Hadar campus.
It’s all for one and one for all as an Israeli-German team led by Distinguished Prof. Mordechai (Moti) Segev has revealed, in a recent paper in *Science*, how to force an array of tiny vertical cavity lasers to act together as a single coherent laser – a highly powerful laser network the size of a grain of sand.

Cell phones, medical devices, sensors, and fiber optic networks all use Vertical-Cavity Surface-Emitting Lasers (VCSELs) – semiconductor lasers of miniscule size of a few microns, which strictly limits power output. For years, scientists have sought to enhance the power emitted by semiconductor lasers by combining many tiny VCSELs and forcing them to act as a single coherent laser, but with limited success. Segev’s breakthrough uses a different scheme: it employs a photonic topological insulator platform, with a unique geometrical arrangement of VCSELs on the chip that forces the light to flow in a specific path.

This groundbreaking research demonstrates that it is theoretically and experimentally possible to combine VCSELs to achieve a powerful, robust, and efficient coherent laser, paving the way towards new applications for medical devices, communications, and a variety of real-world applications.

“We were like a bunch of lunatics searching for something that was considered impossible. And now we have made a large step towards real technology that has many applications.”

- Distinguished Prof. Moti Segev
“It is fascinating to see how science evolves,” says Segev, the Shillman Distinguished Professor of Physics and Electrical Engineering. “Back in 2015, when we started, nobody believed it was possible, because the topological concepts known at that time were limited to systems that cannot have gain. Yet all lasers require gain. So topological insulator lasers stood against everything known at the time.”

The international team included Segev’s PhD student Alex Dikopoltsev and Klembt’s PhD student Tristan H. Harder.

“TOPOLOGY, ORIGINALLY A BRANCH OF MATHEMATICS, HAS EMERGED AS A REVOLUTIONARY NEW TOOLBOX FOR CONTROLLING, STEERING AND IMPROVING LASER PROPERTIES.”

Prof. Sebastian Klembt, University of Würzburg
Using an ultrafast transmission electron microscope, Technion researchers have, for the first time, recorded the propagation of combined sound and light waves in atomically thin materials.

At the height of the pandemic lockdown, with the Kaminer lab at Technion City closed, graduate student Yaniv Kurman took his mathematical calculations home, where he predicted how light pulses should behave in 2D materials and how they could be measured. At the same time, fellow student Raphael Dahan realized how to focus infrared pulses into the group’s electron microscope and made the necessary upgrades to accomplish that.

Once lockdown was over, Assoc. Prof. Ido Kaminer’s group met for real and succeeded in proving Kurman’s theory, and even discovered new and unexpected phenomena. The scientists shone pulses of light along the edge of a 2D material, producing hybrid sound–light waves in the material. Not only were they able to record these waves, but they also found the pulses can spontaneously speed up and slow down. Surprisingly, the waves even split into two separate pulses, moving at different speeds. “The hybrid wave moves inside the material, so you cannot observe it using a regular optical microscope,” Kurman explained. “Our results could not have been achieved using existing methods. So, in addition to our

“Our new technique can image the motion of light without disturbing it.”
- Yaniv Kurman, PhD student
“THIS PRESENTS A REAL BREAKTHROUGH IN ULTRAFAST NANO-OPTICS AND REPRESENTS STATE OF THE ART AND THE LEADING EDGE OF THE SCIENTIFIC FRONTIER. THE OBSERVATION IN REAL SPACE AND IN REAL-TIME IS BEAUTIFUL AND HAS, TO MY KNOWLEDGE, NOT BEEN DEMONSTRATED BEFORE.”

- Prof. Harald Giessen, University of Stuttgart

The experiments were performed in the Robert and Ruth Magid Electron Beam Quantum Dynamics Laboratory headed by Prof. Ido Kaminer. Team members included Dr. Kangpeng Wang, Michael Yannai, Yuval Adiv, and Ori Reinhardt. Kaminer is a member of the Viterbi Faculty of Electrical and Computer Engineering and the Helen Diller Quantum Center.

scientific findings, we present a previously unseen measurement technique that will be relevant to many more scientific discoveries.”

The discovery, published in Science, revolutionizes the capabilities of electron microscopes and opens the possibility of optical communication through atomically thin layers. “We are planning experiments that will measure vortices of light, experiments in Chaos Theory, and simulations of phenomena that occur near black holes. Moreover, our findings may permit the production of atomically thin fiber-optic “cables”, which could be placed within electrical circuits and transmit data without overheating,” said Kaminer.
New realities with artificial intelligence

Technion researchers are putting artificial intelligence to work for real with living solutions ranging from health to robotics. **In 2021, Technion AI was ranked No.1 in Europe.** AI collaborative initiatives at Technion are multidisciplinary, national and global, engaging industry and inspiring whole new generations of scientists and engineers. Currently, 46 Technion researchers are engaged in core AI research areas with more than 100 researchers in AI-related fields, including health and medicine, autonomous vehicles, smart cities, industrial robotics, cybersecurity, natural language processing, FinTech, and human-machine interaction.

**Informing Fauci**

“We were able to see how our research can make a real impact on policy making... in fact these papers have been cited by Anthony Fauci in a White House briefing.”

- Prof. Roy Kishony

In the midst of the pandemic, the research team at the laboratory of Prof. Roy Kishony met the global crisis with a rapid scientific response, offering insights, informed strategies, and vital information across the emergency frontier. This included a 2021 publication in *Nature Medicine* showing that in communities with high vaccination rates, there is significant decline in infection among the unvaccinated. For every 20 percent vaccinated in the community, there was a reduction of a factor of two in the infection rate of the unvaccinated. This paper was cited by Anthony Fauci at a White House briefing and was used by the director of the CDC to inform the decision to lift the recommendation on wearing masks. “It gives a real feeling of how we can close the gap from data to analysis, to actually making a major impact on policy making, and patient lives,” said Kishony.
AI gets real with antibiotics

“THIS IS A MAJOR MILESTONE IN PERSONALIZED MEDICINE ON THE WAY TO AI-BASED ANTIBiotic TREATMENTS, WHICH ARE PERSONALLY TAILORED TO THE PATIENT.”

- Prof. Roy Kishony

In partnership with Israel’s leading healthcare provider, Maccabi Healthcare Services, the Prof. Roy Kishony’s research team recently began applying an AI predictive algorithm to advise doctors on personalized antibiotic treatment for patients, initially focusing on urinary tract infections (UTI). Maccabi doctors report that the algorithm has led to a drop of around 35% in the need to switch antibiotics following the development of bacterial resistance to the drug prescribed.

Al gets personal

Researchers at the Rappaport Faculty of Medicine have developed an innovative algorithm to compare tumors at different stages of treatment. The tuMap algorithm places different tumors on a uniform scale to provide a benchmark for comparison. The tumors of different patients can thus be compared, as well as tumors of the same patient over the course of the disease. The resolution provided by the algorithm enables prediction of clinical indices with high accuracy, outperforming traditional tools. The researchers tested the algorithm on leukemia tumors. The findings were published in Cell Systems by Assoc. Prof. Shai Shen-Orr, Dr. Yishai Ofran, and Dr. Ayelet Alpert, in collaboration with Rambam Health Care Campus, Shaare Zedek Medical Center, and the University of Texas.
“THE FINANCIAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE PRIVATE MARKET ALONE ARE ESTIMATED AT USD 13.6B”

- Assoc. Prof. Beni Cukurel

An ultimate downsize

Tiny, long-range turbine power for applications ranging from biotechnology through to unmanned aircraft.
In a post-pandemic reality home delivery is a new normal with an endless range of applications for drone-delivery, from emergency aid to consumer goods.

A tiny and innovative Micro Turbine Generator developed by Assoc. Prof. Beni Cukurel and his Technion team promises to increase the flight range of drones five-fold. With patents pending, the engine is expected to impact industries from shipping, entertainment, to search-and-rescue.

The breakthrough at the Laboratory for Turbomachinery and Heat Transfer at the Faculty of Aerospace Engineering, results from a perception shift - instead of using lithium-polymer batteries, the researchers developed an entirely new type of gas turbine engine. For the first time, all the engine’s rotating components are 3D printed as a single unit, as well as the unique combustion chamber.
“THE THREE PRIZE WINNERS REPRESENT THE GROWING RECOGNITION THAT INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH THAT RUNS ACROSS FACULTY, DISCIPLINARY, INSTITUTIONAL AND NATIONAL BOUNDARIES IS AN ESSENTIAL CONDITION FOR BREAKTHROUGHS IN BASIC SCIENCE AND ITS TECHNOLOGICAL APPLICATIONS.”

- Prof. Uri Sivan
Technion energy innovation received the world’s biggest prize for smart mobility and alternative fuels for transportation. But the true value of this kind of innovation to our future is priceless.

The 2020 Eric and Sheila Samson Prime Minister’s Prize for Global Innovation in Smart Mobility and Alternative Fuels for Transportation was awarded to Prof. Avner Rothschild and Prof. Gideon Grader.

Rothschild and Grader are members of the Grand Technion Energy Program and the Faculties of Materials Science and Engineering and Chemical Engineering respectively. They were awarded the Groundbreaking Research Prize for their contribution to the development of innovative green energy technology, that aims to yield hydrogen at a competitive cost and with zero greenhouse gas emissions. To develop and commercialize the technology, the scientists founded the startup H₂PRO.

Asst. Prof. Yaniv Romano won the 2020 Smart Mobility Researcher Recruitment prize, for his innovative work in data science, machine learning and signal processing, including their application to smart transportation.
“RESEARCH IN CATALYSIS IS KEY TO SOLVING MANY OF THE GREAT CHALLENGES FACING HUMANITY. THE FUTURE OF OUR PLANET DEPENDS ON OUR ABILITY TO THINK DIFFERENTLY AND UNCOVER NEW WAYS TO ADDRESS GLOBAL SUSTAINABILITY ISSUES. THE GOAL OF THE NEW TECHNION CENTER FOR SUSTAINABLE PROCESSES AND CATALYSIS IS TO DISCOVER AND DEVELOP NEW CATALYSTS FROM NATURALLY ABUNDANT ELEMENTS, INTRODUCING A WHOLE NEW LEAGUE OF SUSTAINABLE PROCESSES.”

- Prof. Ilan Marek, Head of Center for Sustainable Processes and Catalysis
Membrane catalysis

Discoveries are flowing out of the laboratory of Assoc. Prof. Matthew Suss in the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, where research is having a catalytic impact on sustainability. With a system to let two electrolytes flow together without intermixing, MSc student Lihi Amit constructed a flow battery using bromine and zinc – cheap and readily available materials. This allows new batteries in which the expensive membrane can be replaced with the cheap and fluid membrane of each individual droplet. This innovative membraneless, single-flow battery with multiphase flow was recently reported in ChemSusChem.

Elsewhere in the lab, the science of desalination was simplified. An innovative modelling technique to predict the behavior of boron during desalination by means of capacitive deionization was showcased by PhD students Amit Shocron and Eric Guyes, with supervisor Prof. Matthew Suss and collaborators from Wageningen University and Wetsus. This emerging technique for water treatment and desalination uses cheaper, porous electrodes, as opposed to expensive membranes. When an electric current is applied, charged particles are adsorbed by the electrodes and hence removed from the water. The theoretical framework and experimental results were reported in PNAS in October 2021.
New faculty member at the Schulich Faculty of Chemistry, Asst. Prof. Renana Gershoni-Poranne arrived at Technion in October 2021 from ETH Zürich.

The Poranne research group is working in the field of computational physical organic chemistry. The work focuses on polycyclic aromatic systems, ranging from fundamental investigation into molecular properties and structure-property relationships to use of machine-learning and deep-learning models for data-driven molecular design and discovery. The aim it to develop user-friendly pipelines and methods that help connect these abstract properties to real-world synthetic strategies.

Poranne’s group works closely with collaborators around the world to better understand the reactivity and behavior of polycyclic aromatic systems, and to leverage their unique properties for various applications.

The group believes in an inclusive and collaborative culture, where team-work and mutual respect are top priorities.

A renaissance scholar, Gershoni-Poranne studied classical poetry for many years. She served as a soloist in the IDF Orchestra and was called to the microphone at many of the ceremonies held at Technion during her undergraduate and graduate studies.

As a graduate student at Technion, Poranne received the Schulich Graduate Fellowship twice, as well as numerous awards for excellence in teaching; as a postdoc, she received a VATAT Fellowship for exceptional women postdocs. In 2019, Renana was awarded a prestigious Branco Weiss Fellowship to support her research into the discovery of novel materials using a combination of computational chemistry and deep learning.
"WE KNOW WHAT FUNCTIONS WE REQUIRE. BUT HOW CAN WE DESIGN MATERIALS TO PERFORM THEM?"

- Renana Gershoni-Poranne
Technion researchers have developed an artificial molecule that could inhibit degenerative processes related to Alzheimer’s and other diseases.

Copper ions are a key component of the structure and function of various cells in the body. But their accumulation can lead to cell toxicity, causing dangerous conditions such as oxidative stress, cardiovascular disorders, and degenerative diseases of the brain, including Alzheimer’s.

One of the mechanisms involved in the development of Alzheimer’s is the formation of free radicals that damage the brain cells. These are oxidizing agents formed, among other things, by Cu–Aβ, a complex of copper and amyloid beta.

Aware that the breakdown of this complex, and the removal of copper from the amyloid, prevents cell death, inhibiting disease, the Technion team began to seek a more effective way to extract the copper by chelation. Chelation uses molecules that bind the copper ions and extract them from the amyloid. The team developed a new artificial chelator called P3. This is a peptide-like water-soluble synthetic molecule that performs its task selectively; it strongly binds copper and forms the complex CuP3, extracting the copper from the amyloid. By doing so, it inhibits and even suppresses the formation of harmful oxidizing agents, without creating new oxidation processes. Although it binds zinc ions and even extracts them from the amyloid faster than it extracts the copper ions, the binding to zinc is weaker, making the zinc-amyloid complex unstable, so in practice P3 mostly binds copper ions.

The study was led by Assoc. Prof. Galia Maayan and PhD student Anastasia Behar from the Schulich Faculty of Chemistry, in collaboration with Prof. Christelle Hureau from the Laboratoire de Chimie de Coordination du CNRS, Toulouse, France.
"Technion researchers have developed an artificial molecule that could inhibit degenerative processes related to Alzheimer’s and other diseases."
Is this steak for real?

“THE EARTH IS AT A TIPPING POINT AND WE FACE A STARK CHOICE: EITHER WE CONTINUE AS WE ARE AND IRREPARABLY DAMAGE OUR PLANET, OR WE REMEMBER OUR UNIQUE POWER AS HUMAN BEINGS AND OUR CONTINUAL ABILITY TO LEAD, INNOVATE AND PROBLEM-SOLVE.”

- Prince William, Founder of the Earthshot Prize

Can a bright future be a piece of meat? Technion’s slaughter-free steak is gaining recognition and acclaim from leaders across the world, as tissue engineering offers sustainable ways to feed the world without cruelty to animals and damage to the earth’s ecosystem.

Environmental concerns, a hungry and expanding world population, and the rise of vegetarian diets are making Aleph Farms a key player in the food tech industry. Co-founded in 2017 by Didier Toubia and Prof. Shulamit Levenberg of the Faculty of Biomedical Engineering, the company developed the world’s first slaughter-free ribeye steak by 3D bioprinting non-GMO cow cells. The engineered steak uses just a fraction of the land and water required to raise traditional cattle, it cuts greenhouse gas emissions drastically, and will not harm animals. Media reporters have hailed the taste and texture of the steak, which in the near future will be coming to a supermarket near you.

Prince William and Sir David Attenborough showcased the breakthrough in the first episode of “The Earthshot Prize: Repairing Our Planet,” considered the Nobel Prize for Environmentalism. “What’s produced is not just similar to beef - it is beef,” said Sir David Attenborough.
“IT TASTED OF A FUTURE FREE OF ANY FEELINGS OF GUILT FOR CRUELTY TO ANIMALS AND POLLUTION OF MOTHER EARTH. BUT REALLY, IT TASTED JUST LIKE A GOOD STEAK.”
- The Times

“It tasted of a future free of any feelings of guilt for cruelty to animals and pollution of Mother Earth. But really, it tasted just like a good steak.”
- The Times

They demonstrate how creativity and ingenuity can help solve some of humanity’s greatest challenges.”

- Leonardo DiCaprio, Board member of Aleph Farms

In addition, environmental activist and Academy Award winning actor, Leonardo DiCaprio, has joined Aleph Farms as an investor and board member. “Aleph’s extraordinary technology platform combined with their inclusive approach to bringing about systemic change in our food systems make them a leader in this field. With their one-of-a-kind cultivated steaks, they demonstrate how creativity and ingenuity can help solve some of humanity’s greatest challenges,” said DiCaprio.

“Growing meat like this is really so fast. It takes just three weeks compared with an average of two years using conventional methods of growing meat and it uses a fraction of the resources required for raising an entire animal for meat,” explains Prof. Levenberg in the Earthshot documentary which was released in the run-up to the COP26 United Nations climate talks. “It’s great to see the reaction when people try our cultured meat for the first time - it’s such a surprise - that realization that this is meat but we’ve not killed any cows to have it. It makes me feel proud to be doing this. We’re helping give people choices that help the planet.”

Aleph Farms 3D bioprinted the world’s first slaughter-free ribeye steak.
“THIS COURSE HAS THE POTENTIAL TO CREATE HOLISTIC IDEAS AND DESIGNS THAT GO MUCH FURTHER THAN WHAT EACH DISCIPLINE CAN CREATE INDIVIDUALLY.”
Called: “A Matter of Perspective,” the joint faculty course between Computer Science and Architecture led to projects that included a printed object that casts a shadow in various shapes when rotated; 3D “eclairs” dominated by a pattern of laser-cut parameters based on oxidation shape; a printed object that contains three different images, which reveal themselves depending on the direction from which you look at them; and 3D-printed lenses with transparency and color transitions that create shapes projected on the wall.

The 2021 course was taught by Prof. Gershon Elber (Computer Science), Prof. Miri Ben-Chen (Computer Science), Asst. Prof. Yoav Sterman (Architecture) and Dr. Kacper Pluta (postdoc). In the long term, the course is seen as a stepping stone towards joint research and collaboration between the two faculties.
“IMPACTING REALITY ATOM BY ATOM

“SINCE 2016, THE ZUCKERMAN FACULTY SCHOLARS PROGRAM HAS CONTRIBUTED TO ISRAEL’S ‘BRAIN GAIN’ BY BRINGING 30 ISRAELI SCIENTISTS BACK TO ISRAEL FROM THE UNITED STATES.”
- Eric and James Gertler, Trustees, Zuckerman Institute

Technion scientists have changed a material’s electrical properties by removing an oxygen atom. Applications include electronic-device miniaturization and reduction of energy consumption. The research was led by Asst. Prof. Yachin Ivry of the Faculty of Materials Science and Engineering, with postdoc Dr. Hemaprabha Elangovan and PhD student Maya Barzilay, and was published in ACS Nano.

The research group also demonstrated that oxygen vacancies can be engineered by exposing the material to electronic radiation. Consequently, it may also be possible to utilize the effect for radiation detectors, allowing for the early detection – and prevention – of nuclear accidents.

“Our main focus is controlling the onset of collective-electron phenomena at the nanoscale, mainly in ferroelectricity and superconductivity,” explains Ivry. “We seek to understand these fascinating phenomena scientifically and to facilitate them for next-generation low-power computational technologies and other nano and quantum devices.”

The Nano and Quantum Functional Structures Laboratory is headed by Prof. Ivry a Faculty Scholar in the Zuckerman STEM Leadership Program.
TECHNION SALUTES 5-YEARS TO THE ZUCKERMAN STEM LEADERSHIP PROGRAM
Technion took first place in October at Israel’s Formula SAE race which took place at MotorCity racing track in Beersheba.

Israel’s Formula SAE student teams – unable to participate in international competitions for two years because of COVID-19 – have established their own Formula Race for students. This year’s Technion team was the largest ever and they competed with students from Tel Aviv University, and Ben-Gurion University. Formula SAE is a series of international competitions in which university teams compete to design, manufacture, and race the best performing race cars.

Headed by Muans Omari, a Master’s student in the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering, the Technion team included over 60 students.

“This is a unique, adrenaline-intensive motorsport event that combines engineering theory and technological applications. We believe it will have a direct impact on the vehicle industry in Israel and encourage investors and local firms to develop vehicles and other relevant products.”

- Muans Omari, head of Technion Formula Team
Members of the Technion 2021 Formula SAE team took first place in the national competition.

Formula SAE student competition in pre-Corona times in Italy.
Air drums, dancing “spiders,” and robodogs were among many cool student projects presented at the Henry and Marilyn Taub Faculty of Computer Science. In a project fair held at the end of the 2021 school year, students graduating from the Faculty of Computer Science presented their work. These included mobile apps, virtual reality systems, and the evolving field of Internet of Things (IoT).

Almog Algranti, Nadav Abayov, and Yarden Wolf created air drums. Using computer vision algorithms, their app detects the drumsticks in the user’s hands, and plays as if the user were seated at a drum set. “I play piano, and recently got interested in drums,” Algranti [pictured] explained. “This was an opportunity for me to create an ‘instrument’ that would let me practice without the financial investment in a drum set, and without disturbing the neighbors.”

Almog Algranti
Shooting stars

Two new asteroids discovered by Technion student Aseel Nama of the Faculty of Biomedical Engineering will be named after her. Nama’s discovery came as part of NASA’s asteroid-hunting campaign. Nama grew up in Deir al-Asad in the Galilee region. Her studies involved the mastery of segmentation – the division of images into sections – in the laboratory of Prof. Dan Adam. She credits that skill for the asteroid discoveries. “I got a set of photos and videos from NASA to search for new asteroids,” she explains. “I called my ‘team’ ANI (Aseel Nama Israel) and the asteroids I discovered will be called ANI1801 and ANI2001.”
A living Technion legend, Maj. Gen. (Res.) Amos Horev was honored in October, with the inauguration of the Amos Horev Sports Arena.

Maj. Gen. (Res.) Amos Horev served as president of the Technion from 1982-1973. During this tenure he contributed greatly to the development of the campus and invested considerably in the well-being of the students. To help students who fought in the Yom Kippur War he sent faculty members to outposts to deliver lectures on site and also arranged for recordings of lectures on campus. Horev established the psychological service at Technion and the audio-visual library at the Moshe and Paloma Carasso Center for Self-Study. He took care of the students at Technion by providing them with student jobs on campus, by building student residences, an Olympic-size pool, and the sports center. During his tenure, the campus doubled its built-up area to 260,000 square meters and the Rappaport Family Medical Science Building, home to the Medical Faculty, was built in Bat Galim.
“WITHOUT EXCELLENCE, OUR SMALL COUNTRY WILL NOT ENDURE. FOR ME, THIS NEW STRUCTURE IS ALSO AN EXPRESSION OF EXCELLENCE.”

- Maj. Gen. (Res.) Amos Horev
If reality is a flow of information, and information is data, then the phrase “information is power” gathers immense relevance. Across the faculties, and through all emerging fields of research, the ability to compute becomes definitive to progress and discovery. In this, the new High Performance Computing (HPC) Center at Technion is a living intelligent resource, delivering world-class high performance computational capabilities to Technion researchers and students, providing the resources to efficiently solve the most demanding computational problems. The center includes ZEUS - a computer cluster of 1056 cores and hosted and maintained by the Division of Computing and Information Systems.

Crunching Zeus
“THE NEW HIGH PERFORMANCE COMPUTING CENTER HAS BEEN LAUNCHED FOLLOWING A STRATEGIC DECISION TO DOUBLE TECHNION COMPUTING CAPABILITIES IN THE COMING YEARS.”

Prof. Boaz Golany, Executive Vice President and Director General
GUANGDONG TECHNION
FIRST GRADUATING CLASS

Technion history is happening in China, 149 students received their Bachelor’s degrees in July 2021 at the Guangdong Technion - Israel Institute of Technology. “GTIIT is the first and only endeavor of its kind in the mutual history of China and Israel,” said Technion President Prof. Uri Sivan. “The language of science bridges geographies and cultures to connect all people for the benefit of humanity. It is this language that you, dear graduates, have acquired at GTIIT.”

“TWO ANCIENT NATIONS, WHICH SHARE THE VALUES OF KNOWLEDGE, SCHOLARSHIP, AND INNOVATION FOR THOUSANDS OF YEARS, HAVE BRIDGED ACROSS GEOGRAPHY AND LANGUAGE TO CREATE THE MARVEL THAT WE CELEBRATE TODAY.”

-Prof. Uri Sivan
Prof. Oded Rabinovitch
Senior Vice President

Technion is undergoing significant organizational and conceptual changes in order to improve instruction and mentoring campus-wide, which will provide our graduates with a richer and broader education through teaching, learning, and research. These changes are being realized through a broad array of initiatives, as highlighted below:

Department of Humanities and Arts
The department is undergoing a complete transformation to evolve it from a service unit offering courses in sports, English, and humanities, to a center that supports in-depth study and research. The department’s new mission emphasizes the importance of the field of Humanities as an integral part of the education of engineers and scientists through research, mentoring, and teaching with focus on history and philosophy of science and engineering, ethics, and social and environmental awareness.

International campus
The ongoing conceptual and organizational changes regarding the decentralization of the Technion International School, aim to strengthen the international culture campus-wide. This activity, which is critical at a time when international relations have been directly affected by the coronavirus crisis, aims at a cultural change on campus, taking a significant step towards reinforcing Technion as a major player in the global arena.

Center for Promotion of Learning and Teaching
The center’s mission has been redefined to become the primary facilitator for the transformation of learning and teaching within the faculties in addition to its current role. The strategy is to motivate individual faculty members, as well as the whole faculty, to broaden teaching capabilities, to exploit the latest digital techniques, and to integrate advanced methodologies into the Technion’s curriculum.

English Language Studies
Undergraduate English language courses have been revised and revamped to emphasize reading, writing, comprehension and communication skills. Technion has also begun to implement the Council of Higher Education’s requirement to teach two mandatory professional courses in English. A pilot scheme will be launched to teach English to graduate students with a focus on communication skills.

Undergraduate School Admissions
Technion is investigating new methodologies for screening potential undergraduate candidates including: the replacement of the psychometric exam with a math test; combination of the “sechem” and a personal interview; or credits acquired outside of Technion. The goal of these experimental models is to recruit outstanding students who otherwise would not be accepted, and to increase the diversity of the student population.

Entrepreneurship Center
t-Hub, the Technion Entrepreneurship Center continues to develop and integrate formal and
extra-curricular entrepreneurship courses and activities at all levels, throughout the campus, such as the undergraduate study program in entrepreneurial leadership. We are integrating entrepreneurial training for graduate students, including: the Start Up MBA program, the t-start programs and t-doc entrepreneurship programs for PhD students. Also in the pipeline are programs for faculty, an Entrepreneurship Day in collaboration with Eurotech, and other such activities.

These above initiatives are accompanied by a comprehensive in-depth process led by Prof. Hossam Haick, Dean of Undergraduate Studies and Prof. Arnon Bentur, and focus on the development of a strategic plan for undergraduate studies at Technion. The aim is to redefine the objectives of undergraduate studies with an emphasis on education, rather than just teaching and learning, within the framework of Technion’s overarching strategic plan. The goal is to augment the added value of the Technion graduate, creating the leaders of tomorrow. An in-depth analysis of undergraduate studies was conducted to identify fundamental challenges, including:

- Combining subjects from the humanities, social sciences, life sciences and data sciences to develop leadership in engineering and science
- Encouraging interdisciplinary, multidisciplinary, and supraddisciplinary studies
- Recruiting candidates who best fit the profile of our ideal graduate
- Creating teaching models that maximize interactions with faculty members to leverage the potential of Technion’s human capital.

On a final note, it is impossible to talk about the past year without relating to the pandemic. Since Friday, March 13, 2020, when exams were canceled because of the pandemic, not a single day has gone by without dealing with issues related to the pandemic and its implications for Technion.

During this period, Technion underwent significant and accelerated changes as online learning and teaching became the new normal, continuing throughout the entire academic year. Consequently, we reinvented how we teach, examine, and communicate with our students and how they learn. Not only that. We then reinvented how we teach, learn, and communicate with students within the framework of new hybrid teaching models. For this purpose, we worked closely with the heads of the academic departments, the Technion Deans, the center for promotion of learning and teaching, and the Campus administration to plan and provide the academic, physical, computing, and operational infrastructure required across the whole campus during the pandemic.

After intense planning and preparations, I am happy to report that this semester, we welcomed the return of students en masse to campus, a return to face-to-face teaching and learning, accompanied by distance learning using an array of online means, and the vital and constructive interaction that derives from being on campus.
Prof. Shimon Marom  
*Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs*

The Office for Academic Staff handles the appointment, tenure, and promotion of faculty and teaching fellows; sabbaticals and vacations; trips abroad; the appointment of postdocs and academic visitors; scholarships; and prizes. Key facts and initiatives are reported below.

**New Faculty Recruitment**

As of October 1st, 2020, 60 new faculty members started research and teaching at Technion, of which 15 are women; these numbers include three Technion faculty that are based in Jacobs Technion-Cornell Institute. Four more faculty will join the Technion in March 2022. Note that five of the faculty who joined the Haifa campus are non-Israelis, which maybe an indication of a welcome trend. We are deep in the process of recruiting for the next academic year (beginning October 2022). The number of faculty members at Technion is climbing at a steady rate (October 2019: 563, October 2020: 576, October 2021: 578); the proportion of women faculty remains ca. 20%. I would like to thank the Deans, the Senate committee members, the Faculty Administrations, and the Faculty Office, who swiftly adapted to the new work environment that was thrust upon us by the pandemic.

**Postdoctoral Fellows**

In the 2020-21 academic year, there were 368 postdocs, 229 from overseas (compared to around 414 in the previous year, of which 273 were from overseas). This is a fair number given the pandemic constraints. We have been flexible in our recruitment procedures for postdocs, from obtaining special entry visas to Israel, to approval of working remotely. We were proactive regarding the situation of graduates from other Israeli research institutes; many of whom could not travel overseas due to the pandemic, and we invited them to join Technion research groups. Perhaps this exposure of first-rate graduates to Technion will have a positive impact on the profile of candidates for the coming years.

**Key Initiatives**

In addition to the regular workload, we promoted several new initiatives.

- Together with the Deans, we completed a long process of updating the academic regulations regarding appointment and promotion procedures and redefined the make-up of our academic faculty. This includes streamlining the teaching faculty into a single track; defining the status of research fellows in order to improve our ties with industry; and defining the rank of ‘professor of practice’ and ‘professor of creative arts’ as per the Council for Higher Education guidelines.

- We are proactive in our efforts to increase the representation of women on all important academic committees. This has not been an easy task, as there are only 35 females (out of 216) at the rank of full professor Technion-wide. I am happy to report that women professors now comprise 39% of the two major senate committees, that handle hiring, tenure, and promotion of senior Technion faculty.

- On the recommendation of the Senate, an ethical code of conduct for faculty members and senior management was prepared and ratified.

- With the help of Prof. Ariel Orda, our liaison with the Jacobs Institute in New York, we established regulations, guidelines, and procedures to regulate working with Cornell Tech.

- Other issues handled included: mentoring new faculty; streamlining faculty submissions for prestigious prizes and awards; appointment of distinguished professors; procedures to approve deferred retirement; remuneration for additional academic workload; and procedures for approving requests to work outside Technion.
The academic year 2019/20 was marked by the worst pandemic the world experienced over the last 100 years. In spite of the pandemic and the long periods of lockdowns, Technion’s research activity maintained a strong momentum.

Sponsored Research
Research contracts signed in 2019/20 by the Research Authority amounted to $108.4 million - a record high. In the previous two years the Technion’s research contracts totalled $90 million in 2017/18 and $101.5M in 2018/19. The main increase in income was from competitive grants in Israel, mostly the Israel Science Foundation (ISF) and also government contracts. We performed fairly well in winning European grants. On the negative side we saw a decline in contracts from industry, including the Innovation Authority, due to the pandemic.

In 2019/20 Technion researchers submitted 180 proposals to the ISF and won 69 grants (39% success rate). This is compared to 192 submissions and 82 grants in 2018/19 and 64 grants out of 179 submissions in 2017/18. Overall, the success rate of Technion researchers for ISF funding continues to be higher than the national rate.

A highlight of 2019/20 was winning an unprecedented number of 4 European FET grants. This is one of the most prestigious and competitive grant programs of the EU. To win, the proposal must articulate a radical new vision with strong potential for technological breakthrough.

Technion continued to invest heavily in research infrastructure for new faculty. In 2019/20 we invested NIS 70.5M in new faculty research allocations, compared to NIS 74M in 2018/19 and NIS 63.5M in 2017/18.

Challenge:
The main challenge we now face is Israel’s position vis-a-vis the EU grant agencies. The EU is starting the new Horizon Europe program this year and Israel is not yet a partner. This is already impacting our ability to apply for Horizon Europe-related grants. In addition, the EU recently announced that associated countries (for example Britain and Israel) are excluded from certain programs, including space and quantum technology. Even when Israel joins Horizon Europe, new restrictions may limit the grants available to Israeli scientists.

External Research Funding
In addition to the external funding mentioned above, Technion received contributions from donors for individual researchers or for the creation of research infrastructures in the sum of $12M, the same amount in 2018/19, and $17.4M in 2017/18.

Challenge:
Donations tend to be focused on specific fields (e.g., healthcare). To address this issue, the Technion Research Directory was established in 2018, which is a searchable database of proposal abstracts to help donors find topics of interest.

COVID-19 Research
Immediately at the outset of the pandemic in Israel, about 50 Technion labs turned their attention to research to combat the disease. Some of these labs achieved significant results. For example, Prof. Eyal Zussman’s lab developed a face mask sticker that greatly enhances effectiveness; Prof. Naama Geva-Zatorsky’s lab developed a novel, fast and low-cost COVID-19 diagnostic kit; Prof. Friedler developed a method to detect the virus and track its proliferation through the sewage system. The technology developed by Friedler’s group was deployed successfully at Technion and enabled us to curb the chain of infection in the dormitories.
International Collaboration
Expanding scientific collaboration with institutes abroad is an important goal for Technion. A significant example of such collaboration is our membership in Eurotech – an alliance of six leading European technological schools: Technion, TUM (Munich), EPFL (Lausanne), DTU (Copenhagen), Ecole Polytechnique (Paris) and TU/e (Eindhoven). We are also members of CESAER, the leading association of European universities of technology.

We have joint projects with University of Michigan (together with the Weizmann Institute) and University of Waterloo. We maintain our long-term partnership with the Universities of Aachen and Julich. New ties were established in 2020 with the Einstein Hospital in Sao Paulo, Tokushima University in Japan, and the Ingham Institute in Australia.

Industrial Collaboration
We attribute great importance to collaboration with industry. We believe that industrial contracts are a win-win situation. Technion benefits from research support, student ties, and providing our faculty with up-to-date knowledge of emerging needs. Industry benefits from Technion’s commitment to help Israeli industry and the country’s economy. A recurring obstacle in recent years has been the issue of IP ownership. We resolved this problem by creating flexible models for industrial contracts. Each company is encouraged to select its preferred model. Indeed, several new contracts were signed and several more are in progress. Some contracts are pending because of the pandemic. New industrial contracts in 2019/20 amounted to $8.3M compared to $8.8M in 2018/19. We expect a considerable number of new such contracts in 2020/21. One of our goals is to make Technion a hub for traditional industries, including food and pharma.

Pre-Clinical Research
The pre-clinical research authority provides animal research facilities for faculty members at Technion, affiliated hospitals, and companies. The facilities are in two separate locations, one in the Medical School and one on the main Technion campus.

In 2019/20, the authority started to implement its development plan that was drafted the previous year. This plan includes a revised budget structure, new infrastructure, and improved services for commercial entities. In addition, we started preparations for upgrading our facility to conform with the AAALAC standards.

Challenge:
Maintaining a high level pre-clinical facility is crucial for conducting first-rate research in the life sciences. Such a facility is extremely expensive to operate as new equipment is continuously needed. We invested heavily in this facility in 2020/21 and have allocated funds for 2021/22.

Translational Research
The translation of knowledge is handled by the Technion Technology Transfer (T3) Office, a division of the Technion Research and Development Foundation (TRDF), Ltd. TRDF is a for-profit company, owned by Technion and the Executive Vice President for Research serves as its CEO. Income from licenses and royalties plays an important role in supporting Technion research infrastructure. We also emphasize commercialization of scientific discoveries to foster an ecosystem of innovation and entrepreneurship on campus. The Technion considers translational research an important contribution to the State of Israel.

The T3 unit underwent a complete restructuring that started in 2018/19 and was completed
New external research contracts – total
(Thousands USD, “Foundations” include all competitive grant agencies except those of the EU).

New external research contracts – breakdown to various sources
(Thousands USD, “Foundations” include all competitive grant agencies except those of the EU).
in 2019/20. A new director was hired; the business staff was replaced; and the management of the patent portfolio was outsourced to a specialist law firm.

New models for commercialization were developed during 2020, with the understanding that different approaches are needed for different disciplines. The results are impressive. For instance, 14 spinoff companies were launched in 2019/20 compared to 6 companies in 2018/19 and a similar number in 2017/18.

These 14 spinoff companies offer various technological solutions such as a non-invasive blood count device; rapid and simple detection of pathogens; attention evaluation; solar electricity generation; spinal cord injury; zero-knowledge proof system for blockchains; lung disorders; biological and genomic informatics solutions; fintech software; assessment of fatigue during radiotherapy for breast cancer with/without homeopathy treatment; chemotherapy-induced cell activation to improve tissue regeneration; structural optimization using nonlinear dynamics; minimally-invasive continuous clinical monitoring of small molecules; and naturally targeted drugs and a gene delivery system.

A total of 71 new agreements (licenses, industrial and innovation authority contracts) were signed in 2019/20 compared to 41 in 2018/19 and 47 in 2017/18.

We now have a patent portfolio of 715 families, compared to 635 in 2018/19 and to 550 families in 2017/18. New software installed in 2019/20 enables better management and recovery of uncollected patent royalties.

During 2019/20, we streamlined our monitoring process of spinoff companies based on Technion inventions. A new user-friendly database with detailed information of these companies was created. We maintain the right to make additional investments both to support these companies and to minimize dilution of our holdings when new investments are raised. Prominent private spinoff companies founded by faculty include Aleph Farms (cultured meat), Xact Robotics (medical robotic navigation), Starkware (blockchain software), H2Pro (hydrogen manufacturing), Codota (software), Qdema (quantum computation), Canasoul (cannabis), Cytoreason (bioinformatics) and many more. We are particularly proud of earlier Technion spinoff companies traded on NASDAQ, including Novocure, currently the highest-valued Israeli company on NASDAQ.

The TRDF recognizes the importance of investment in research infrastructure. To this end, we established a new internal fund in 2019/20 with an initial budget of NIS 6M. The fund was used to match outside grants (VATAT and ISF), for a Technion-wide safety project, for the preclinical authority and more. We expect to grow this fund which is fully financed by our success in commercializing Technion technologies.
Budget
The Technion’s 2020/2021 operating budget was NIS 1,599M, with a planned deficit of NIS 50M, which was higher than the previous year.

Income from VATAT was budgeted with an increase of NIS 16M compared to the previous year, mainly due to an increase in the number of students. Income from Technion funds included a withdrawal of the 2019/2020 interest accrued from the pension reserve fund. Income from Technion societies was budgeted at NIS 44M, which is lower than in the previous year, due to the pandemic. The main change in expenditure is increased allocations for student fellowships. Pension payments are expected to increase as well.

As in the previous year, the main challenges for 2020/2021 were the recruitment and absorption of new faculty; improving the quality of teaching; and upgrading facilities.

The deficit will be covered by a withdrawal from an internal unrestricted fund.

The Technion Management decided to prepare a multi-year development budget built on a 5-year development plan supported by a 5-year development budget. Each year the Technion Council reviews the full 5-year horizon and approves the first year of the plan. The development budget comprises: construction; faculty recruitment; research infrastructure; special projects; preventive maintenance; computing infrastructure; safety; and strategic initiatives. The budget approved for 2020/21 was NIS 170M.

Technion 2019/2020 operating budget was NIS 1,580M, with a planned deficit of NIS 42M. The actual deficit was NIS 47M. The deficit is covered by a withdrawal from an internal unrestricted fund.

Total donations from Technion societies during 2019/2020 amounted to $79.2M, including $11.8M for the Operating Budget. Total expenditure on development projects during 2019/2020 was NIS 189.7M. As of September 30, 2020, Technion investments amounted to NIS 7,032M. The actuarial liability of Technion, as of September 30, 2020 was NIS 6.6B (the consolidated liability of Technion and TRDF was NIS 7.1B).

Corona Crisis
During January 2020 the World Health Organization (WHO) announced the outbreak of the rapidly spreading Coronavirus as a global pandemic. Along with the effect on human life, the outbreak of the virus had significant global and local economic and macroeconomic impact, with growing implications.

With the spread of the virus, capital markets around the world and in Israel responded with a sharp decline in prices and rising volatility.
However, as of mid-April 2021, most markets and indices in Israel and around the world have seen price increases that have erased most of the declines.

As a result, the Technion investment portfolio, which also includes marketable securities and equities and is therefore affected by capital market trends, yielded returns as follows: during the period October 1, 2019 until September 30, 2020 a return of 1.5% was recorded. From October 1, 2020 to the end of February 2021, a return of 5.4% was recorded.

Throughout the crisis, the Technion Investment Committee has monitored the state of the capital markets in Israel and abroad. It acted accordingly and in line with the investment policy established by the Technion Council, which is subject to VATAT regulations regarding Israeli university investments.

Technion continues to monitor developments regarding the pandemic in Israel and around the world and acts in accordance with the authorities’ guidelines. Technion upgraded teaching infrastructure to support online instruction and learning, including the necessary investment in equipment, hardware and software.

The Corona crisis has led to increased student enrollment for the 2020/2021 academic year. The State of Israel began an extensive vaccination campaign in December 2020 and today a large percentage of the population is vaccinated. Since the pandemic is evolving and is characterized by uncertainty, Technion cannot assess the full impact of the pandemic on its activities.

Physical Development

The Division of Construction and Maintenance at Technion faced a challenging year in 2021, navigating the obstacles posed by the pandemic which erupted in March 2020. While frontal teaching on campus ceased, and stricter regulations for research activities and administrative work were issued, most of the construction and maintenance activities continued. In many cases the work progressed at an even faster pace than anticipated.

Taking advantage of the opportunity offered by a nearly empty campus, and working in accordance with stringent Health Ministry regulations, we expedited construction and maintenance operations throughout the entire campus, shortening the schedules of many projects, while experiencing delays in several projects due to difficulties in obtaining supplies.

During this period, the Division focused on completing projects that typically incur a great deal of noise and disturb in-class teaching. An example of this is the Viterbi Faculty of Electrical and Computer Engineering’s underground parking garage for which excavation of hard rock at a depth of eight meters was required.

Other examples include: Ullmann Teaching Center – fifth and six floor renovations were completed, including the addition of a fire prevention sprinkler system; Zielony Student Union Building – the entire food court was renovated; teaching facilities and study centers across campus – installation of multimedia equipment to facilitate remote learning.
The Elyachar Central Library and Zielony Student Union Building were renovated and extended, and new dormitories and a sports arena were built for students.

Many new labs were established in multiple faculties, and additional research buildings are either under construction or in various planning stages. Electricity, air conditioning systems, and plumbing were modernized. Within the framework of the Green Campus campaign, more solar roof panels were added, and a new electrical supply using natural gas is being investigated.

The campus is being enhanced to make it more walkable and bikeable. New signposts, campus wide, are improving orientation.

Documentation of the Technion Campus Heritage buildings (in addition to the Hadar Campus Complex) is in progress, including guidelines for the renovation of these buildings to meet contemporary standards.

Projects Status Report
Division of Construction and Maintenance

Under Construction
- New Zisapel Electrical Engineering Building: 5,250 m², budget NIS 87.23M
- Broshim - 2 new high-rise dormitory buildings: 143 apartments for families, couples and singles, budget NIS 157.5M
- New Andrew and Aviva Goldenberg Architecture Studio Pavilion: 900 m², budget NIS 17M
- New Sagol Center for Intelligent Composite Materials: 2,800 m², 3-story building for research laboratories, budget NIS 33M
- Mehoudar Creative Design Center Renovation: budget NIS 13.8M
- Polak Visitors Center Renovation: budget NIS 3.6M
- New water collection reservoir for potable water: 1,500 m³, budget NIS 5M
- New Clinical Skills Training Center: 1,000 m², budget NIS 9.86M (excluding multimedia)

In the Planning Stage
- New Rappaport Building for Advanced Medical Research (2): 16,000 m²
- Chemical Waste Disposal Site: budget NIS 5M
- Expansion and renovation of Health Food Innovation Center Pilot Plant: 2,500 m², budget NIS 31M
- New 3-story Rosman Computer Center building: 2,082 m², budget NIS 23M
- New Taub building adjacent to existing Taub Faculty of Computer Science building: 5.5-story, 3-story car park; 11,845 m²
- New Andre Deloro Building for Transformative Biomedical Sciences & Engineering: 5-story, car park, 15,100 m², budget NIS 120M
The passing year has seen a continuation of changes within PARD. As we continued to operate under the uncertainty that the COVID19 crisis has brought with it, the structural reconstruction of the Division continued nonetheless. A notable example is incorporating the International Marketing Department into PARD, which enables us to better coordinate marketing efforts and utilize resources more efficiently. The Public Affairs Department also went through a significant overhaul following the retirement of its director and staff.

Staffing vacant positions within PARD continues to be a challenge, with the uncertainty that the COVID19 crisis brought to the labor market being a contributing factor. Nonetheless, we were able to staff all vacant managerial positions within the Division with highly experienced professionals recruited through a rigorous process.

While the pandemic limited some aspects of our operations, other areas were not affected as drastically. In some cases, we were even able to expand the scope of our work, mainly through applying new digital means.

An excellent example of this trend is the area of visits on campus. While the David and Janet Polak Visitors Center had to close its doors during lockdowns, and the number of visitors went down from 12,427 in 2019 to 2,710 in 2020, PARD produced in collaboration with our societies worldwide, over 50 webinars and online events featuring Technion faculty and management and reaching thousands of people globally. Other significant events held online included the 2021 graduation ceremonies and the 2020 Board of Governors. The new on-campus digital studio was a tremendous asset in our efforts.

The Donor Services department has also undergone a restructuring, as part of which two teams were established to take care of different aspects of donor acquisition, stewardship, and retention.

The mission of the Donor Services department is to ensure that Technion priorities are adhered to throughout the fundraising process, all the while providing the best services to our societies and donors. The Donor Relations team focuses on donor stewardship. It works closely with Technion management, faculty, and societies to produce tailored materials to present to potential and current donors.

The Gift Administration and Compliance team works with Technion management, research, and administrative staff to produce accurate and feasible budgets, financial reports, and post-gift compliance mechanisms.

In its new structure, the department produced the following over the past year:

- 170 project proposals prepared
- 155 projects were adopted
- 366 reports prepared
- 3,000 scholarships and fellowship personal thank you letters

PARD continued its efforts to expand and increase the Technion’s presence in the public eye. Our PR efforts include both traditional and social media. From October 1st, 2020, to June 27th, 2021, we published some 145 press releases (Hebrew and English), 7 newsletters (Hebrew and English), and 2 Technion Magazines (Winter 2020 and Summer 2021) and continued to disseminate news, articles, videos and publish posts on our Hebrew and English social media platforms daily.
FACTS AND FIGURES
2020–2021
NEW GIVING 2020-2021

GUARDIANS 2020

Technion Guardians have made the highest level of commitment to the Institute

Helena and Berek Bigos
MN, USA

John Finberg
Tivon, Israel

ISEF-Israel Scholarship Education Foundation

Jeffrey Louis
CA, USA

Bernard and Lusia Milch
NY, USA

Dr. Eric Schmidt
NY, USA

Steven Schwarz and Henryk Schwarz, NJ, USA

Dr. Natalie Shaffer
Montreal, Canada

Dr. Allan and Goldie Singer and Family, CA, USA

Estate of Aliza Yemini
Herzliya, Israel

GIFTS 2020-2021

Bernard and Annabel Abraham First Steps Fund to Support Assoc. Prof. Ari Turner

Avraham Ashkenazi Space Defense Research Fund

Bar-Nir Bergreen Family Graduate Student Research Lounge

Olga and Euval Shlomo Barrekette Academic Chair

Berrie Foundation Fund for Planning the Advanced Manufacturing Center

Jeremy and Debbie Brown Apartment in the Undergraduate Student Village in Memory of M. Harvey Brown

Buncher Family Foundation Gift for CMU-Technion AI Research Partnership

Milton H. Callner Fund for the First Steps Program

Chadera Enterprises Ltd. Gift to the Guy Sela Memorial Project

May/Blum/Dahl MRI Research Center

Davis Family Fund for Additive Manufacturing Center

Estate of Sylvia Davison to Support Broshim Dorms

Cathy and James Deutchman Technion Maintenance Fund

Emerson Family Faculty Recruitment Fund for Prof. Yuval Garini

Field Family Fund for Atidim Program in Memory of Edward J. Field

Fischer Fund for the Development of Undergraduate Courses in the Department of Humanities and Art

Gellman-Lasser Fund for Medical and Biomedical Research and Innovation

Solvin and Wendy Gordon Emergency Vehicles

Hittman Family Foundation Biomedical Innovation Fund

Hyman Mitchner Trust Fund

Jerold and Judi Jacover Apartment in the Stanley Shalom Zielony GSV

Mark S. Kahn Family Fund for Applied Research in Biomedical Engineering and Science

Inge Marcus Endowment Fund for the Jack Kadesh Career Advancement Chair

New Giving spans June 1, 2020 to June 31, 2021
A complete list of giving is available at: presidentsreport.technion.ac.il
Frederic and Trisha Margulies Fund for the Ofanim Program

Dan Maydan Gift for the Neuroscience Collaborative Research Initiative

Mentormore Foundation Gift to the Guy Sela Memorial Project

Hy and Myrna Mitchner Lapidim Lounge

David and Janet Polak Family Distance Learning Studio

Victoria and Robert Polak Fund for the Amos Horev Sports Arena

Morton and Beverley Rechler Family Foundation Faculty Prizes for Excellence in Research

Benjamin Reznik Fund for Applied Technology Development for the Defense and Security of Israel

Said Cohen Foundation Atidim Program Fund

Dr. Natalie Shaffer Distance Learning Studio

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Nina Sabban, USA
Arnold Recht, Canada
Rachel Rosenblum, USA
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REPRESENTATIVES OF GROUPS AND ORGANIZATIONS

ISRAEL ASSOCIATION OF ENGINEERS AND ARCHITECTS
Ehud Noff
Amnon Bar-Tal
Emanuel Zvi Liban

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Sigal First

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Prof. Marcelle Machluf
Prof. Amit Mellor*

PROFESSORS EMERITI
Prof. Moshe Moshe

TEACHING STAFF UNION
Aviv Sharon

FACULTY ASSOCIATION
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Naftali Blau

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Riva Kayzelman

ADMINISTRATIVE WORKERS UNION
Aliza Blasberg

PENSIONERS ASSOCIATION
Moshe Barak

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Undergraduate Students
Ido Biran

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Dr. Itan Blech, USA
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Leona Chanin, USA
Frances Helen Cohen, USA
Elizabeth Corob, Great Britain
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Richard Davidson, USA
Michael Dresner, Israel
Prof. Jerome Drexlcr, USA
Meyer G. Frank, USA
Joseph Freed, USA
Dr. Avi Friedman, Canada
Michael Frienze, USA
Pearl Gameroff, Canada
Dr. Terry N. Gardner, USA
Edward R. Goldberg, USA
Sofia L. Grimbarg, Argentina
Gary Gross, USA
Jack Hahn, Canada
Dr. Michael Helper, Canada
Dr. Christian Hodler, Germany
PD Dr. med. Victor E. Hofman,
Switzerland
Mag. Gen. [res.] Amos Horev, Israel
Charles Houseen, USA
Ivoncy B. Joschpe, Brazil
Dr. Irwin Jacobs, USA
Maggie Kaplan, USA
Barbara Kay, USA
Nathan Kirsh, South Africa
Stephen B. Klein, USA
Alexander Lidow, USA
Raphael Mishan, USA
Jonathan Mitchell, USA
Ruth Nathanson Leventhal, USA
Justice Shoshana Netanyahu, Israel
Prof. Dr. Ewald Noff, Austria
Dr. Edgar H. Paltzer, Switzerland
Samuel Pisan, France
David Polak, USA
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* Technion Council member
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LEADERSHIP 2020-2021

All data correct to May 1st, 2021

DEANS

Dean of Undergraduate Studies
Prof. Hossam Haick

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Dean of the Azrieli Division of Continuing Education and External Studies
Clin. Prof. Stavit Allon-Shalev

Dean of Students
Prof. Ayelet Fishman

ACADEMIC HEADS

Faculty of Aerospace Engineering
Prof. Tal Shima

Faculty of Architecture and Town Planning
Assoc. Prof. Jacob Yasha Grobman

Faculty of Biology
Prof. Yael Mandel-Gutfreund

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Prof. Haim Azhari

Faculty of Biotechnology and Food Engineering
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Prof. Nahum Shimkin

Department of Humanities and Arts
Prof. Ohad Nachtomy

Faculty of Industrial Engineering and Management
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Faculty of Mathematics
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Vice Chancellor
Prof. David Gershoni

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Jacobs Program Head at Technion
Prof. Ariel Orda

Technion Program for Excellence
Prof. Idit Keidar

Center for Pre-university Education
Prof. Noam Soker

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Prof. Ester Segal

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Prof. Jackie Schiller

Deputy Vice President for Academic Affairs
Prof. Avi Ostfeld

Deputy Vice President for Computing and Information Systems
Prof. Roy Friedman

Deputy Director General for Finance
Keren Berko

Deputy Director General for Human Resources
Ariel Hazan

Deputy Director General for Operations
Zehava Laniado
**FACTS AND FIGURES**

**NUMBER OF STUDENTS** (Including GTIIT and JTCI)
2020 - 2021

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Bachelor's: 11,296  
Master's: 2,990  
Doctorate: 1,295  
Total: 15,581

**TOTAL DEGREES AWARDED** (1924 - 2021)

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**FAST FACTS 2021**

- **FOUNDED**: 1912
- **STUDENT POPULATION**: 15,581
- **ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS**: 18
- **UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS**: 60
- **GRADUATE PROGRAMS**: 83
- **DEGREES AWARDED**: 123,485
- **FACULTY**: 578
- **TECHNICAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**: 1,120
- **RESEARCH CENTERS**: 60
- **BUILDINGS ON CAMPUS**: 106
- **BUILT-UP AREA**: 470,736 m²
- **DORMITORY BEDS**: 4,697

* Applied Mathematics; Autonomous Systems & Robotics; Biotechnology; Design & Manufacturing Engineering; Energy; Polymer Engineering; Nanoscience & Nanotechnology; Real Estate Studies; Systems Engineering; Urban Engineering; and Vehicle Systems Engineering

**DEGREES AWARDED** (graduates)

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**TOTAL STUDENT POPULATION**

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* First year intake and not including medical students

**TOTAL DEGREES AWARDED**

- Bachelor’s: 88,608
- MD: 3,299
- Master’s: 25,343
- PhD: 6,235
- Total: 123,485
FISCAL OVERVIEW

OPERATING BUDGET
2020/2021
(October 1, 2020 - September 30, 2021)

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* The actuarial liability of the Technion as of September 30, 2020 was NIS 6.6 billion. The consolidated liability (Technion and TRDF) is NIS 7.1 billion.

TOTAL INCOME FROM TECHNION SOCIETIES
($US M)

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DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE
($US M)

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SPONSORED RESEARCH
FROM EXTERNAL SOURCES
($US M)

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TECHNION INVESTMENT

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DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE 2019/2020
(October 1, 2019 - September 30, 2020)

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* $US 1 = 3.441
NEW FACULTY APPOINTMENTS

AEROSPACE ENGINEERING
Pavel Galich
Lecturer
Michael Karp
Assistant Professor
Alexandros Terzis
Assistant Professor

ARCHITECTURE AND TOWN PLANNING
Daniel Metcalfe
Assistant Professor
Yoav Shterman
Lecturer

BIOLOGY
Dvir Aran
Assistant Professor
Sagi Levy
Assistant Professor
Nadav Sharon
Assistant Professor

BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING
Arielle G. Fischer
Assistant Professor
Yuval Garini
Professor
Menahem (Hemi) Rotenberg
Assistant Professor

BIOTECHNOLOGY AND FOOD ENGINEERING
Yosef Maruvka
Assistant Professor

CHEMICAL ENGINEERING
Alon Grinberg-Dana
Assistant Professor
Michael Shoham-Patrascu
Assistant Professor

CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING
Yehezkel (Hezi) Grisaro
Assistant Professor

COMPUTER SCIENCE
Yoav Shterman
Lecturer

ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING
Nir Weinberger
Assistant Professor

HUMANITIES AND ARTS
Ohad Nachtomy
Professor

INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING AND MANAGEMENT
Nadav Hallak
Assistant Professor

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
Dana Solav
Assistant Professor

MEDICINE
Professor
David Tanne
Assistant Professor

MATERIALS SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING
Joshua Micah Grolman
Assistant Professor
Yoav Kalcheim
Assistant Professor

MATHEMATICS
Aviv Censor
Senior Teaching Associate
Ilya Gekhtman
Assistant Professor
Shay Moran
Assistant Professor
Zvi Jacob Nuer
Assistant Professor

MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
Dana Solav
Assistant Professor

MEDICINE
Professor
David Tanne
Assistant Professor

MEHANICAL ENGINEERING
Dana Solav
Assistant Professor

MEDICINE
Renata Yakubov
Assistant Professor

Clinical Lecturer
Joy Feld
Nir Haya
Avraham Ishay
Ron Jacob
Vered Nir
Amir Solomonica
Vladimir Sopov
Michal Weiler Sagie
Nabel Gharra
Samer Khoury
Adi Kibari
Boaz Kimmel
Monica Laniado
Arbitman Marina
Ayelet Midbari
Shelly Rotschild
Irina Sabin
Guy Schusheim
Ina Shugayev
Bella Smolin
Dana Vitner
Scott Alex Weiner
Ariel Zilberstein

ACADEMIC FACULTY 2020-2021

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Clinical Track Appointments
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External Adjuncts
733

115.75
260
INTERNATIONAL HONORS AND AWARDS

- **Academia Europaea**
  Elected Member
  Prof. Ilan Marek
  Chemistry

- **American Academy of Arts and Sciences**
  International Honorary Member
  Dist. Prof. Mordechai Segev
  Physics; Electrical and Computer Engineering

- **American Chemical Society (ACS)**
  Arthur C. Cope Scholar Award 2021
  Prof. Ilan Marek
  Chemistry
  Fellow
  Prof. Emer. Ehud Keinan
  Chemistry

- **13th Bruno Zevi Prize**
  Dr. Irit Carmon Popper
  Architecture and Town Planning

- **Chinese Chemical Society (CCS)**
  Honorary Fellow 2020
  Prof. Nir Tessler
  Electrical and Computer Engineering

- **Computer Aided Verification (CAV)**
  CAV Award 2021
  Prof. Ofer Strichman
  Industrial Engineering and Management

- **European Academy of Sciences (EurASC)**
  Elected Fellow
  Dist. Prof. Yitzhak Apeloi
  Chemistry

- **Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST)**
  Honorary Doctorate 2021
  Dist. Prof. Emer.
  Daniel Weihs
  Aerospace Engineering

- **Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE)**
  Medal of Honor
  Dist. Prof. Emer. Jacob Ziv
  Electrical and Computer Engineering
  Fellow
  Prof. Yakov Krasik
  Physics

- **International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC)**
  President Elect 2022
  Prof. Emer. Ehud Keinan
  Chemistry

- **Intel’s Rising Star Faculty Award 2020**
  Asst. Prof. Daniel Soudry
  Electrical and Computer Engineering

- **MIT Technology Review 2021**
  35 Innovators Under 35
  Asst. Prof. Emma Pierson
  Jacobs Technion-Cornell Institute

- **Optical Society of America (OSA) Fellow**
  Assoc. Prof. Tal Carmon
  Mechanical Engineering

- **PLEA Sustainable Architecture and Urban Design**
  Lifetime Achievement Award 2020
  Prof. Emer. Edna Shaviv
  Architecture and Town Planning

- **Royal Society of Chemistry**
  Member
  Prof. Nir Tessler
  Electrical and Computer Engineering

- **World Association of Theoretical and Computational Chemists**
  Schrödinger Medal
  Dist. Prof. Yitzhak Apeloi
  Chemistry

- **Young Academy of Europe**
  Fellow
  Asst. Prof. Shai Berntin
  Medicine
ISRAELI AWARDS AND HONORS

- **2021 Blavatnik Award for Young Scientists**
  Assoc. Prof. Ido Kaminer
  Electrical and Computer Engineering

- **Council for Higher Education Young Researcher Award 2021**
  Assoc. Prof. Ayelet Baram-Tsabari
  Education in Science and Technology

- **Quantum Science and Technology Fellowship 2020-21**
  Asst. Prof. Yuval Shagam
  Chemistry

- **2021-2022**
  Asst. Prof. David Gelbwaser
  Chemistry
  Asst. Prof. Anna Keselman
  Physics

- **Alon Fellowship**
  Asst. Prof. Yaniv Romano
  Computer Science; Electrical and Computer Engineering

- **Maof Fellowship**
  Asst. Prof. Khoury Luai
  Materials Science and Engineering

- **EMET Prize 2020**
  Prof. Shamay Assif
  Architecture and Town Planning
  Prof. Bracha Chyutin
  Architecture and Town Planning

- **2021 Eric and Sheila Samson Prime Minister’s Prize for Global Innovation in Smart Mobility and Alternative Fuels for Transportation**
  Asst. Prof. Yaniv Romano
  Computer Science; Electrical and Computer Engineering

- **Groundbreaking Research Prize**
  Prof. Gideon Grader
  Chemical Engineering
  Prof. Avner Rothschild
  Materials Science and Engineering

- **Globes magazine**
  50 Most Influential Women in Israel 2021
  Prof. Shulamit Levenberg
  Biomedical Engineering

- **Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities**
  Elected Member
  Prof. Emer. Yeshayahu Talmon
  Chemical Engineering

- **Israel Young Academy**
  Elected Member
  Assoc. Prof. Yael Allweil
  Architecture and Town Planning
  Asst. Prof. Naama Geva-Zatorsky
  Medicine
  Assoc. Prof. Shahar Kvatsinsky
  Electrical and Computer Engineering
  Assoc. Prof. Ido Kaminer
  Electrical and Computer Engineering

- **Israel Physical Society (IPS) Fellow**
  Prof. Assa Auerbach
  Physics
  Prof. Michael Gronau
  Physics

- **Israel Society of Ecology and Environmental Sciences (ISEES) Lifetime Achievement Award 2020**
  Prof. Emer. Yoram Avnimelech
  Civil and Environmental Engineering

- **Israel Vacuum Society (IVS) Excellence Award for Research 2020**
  Prof. Hossam Haick
  Chemical Engineering

- **Israel Academy of Sciences and Humanities**
  Elected Member
  Prof. Emer. Yeshayahu Talmon
  Chemical Engineering

- **Palmach Association**
  2021 Yigal Alon Prize for Pioneering Excellence
  Prof. Emer. Moshe Shoham
  Mechanical Engineering

- **Peres Center for Peace and Innovation**
  Medal of Distinction 2021
  Prof. Shulamit Levenberg
  Biomedical Engineering

- **Zoological Society of Israel Honorary Member**
  Prof. Emer. Zeev Arad
  Biology

- **Zuckerman Faculty Scholar**
  Asst. Prof. Omri Ram
  Mechanical Engineering

- **Weizmann Institute of Science**
  Ofer Lider Annual Memorial Literary Prize for Scientists
  Assoc. Prof. Dori Derdikman
  Medicine

- **Wolf Foundation**
  2021 Krill Prize for Excellence in Scientific Research
  Assoc. Prof. Ido Kaminer
  Electrical and Computer Engineering
  Assoc. Prof. Yoav Shechtman
  Biomedical Engineering

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TECHNION PRIZES AND FELLOWSHIPS

Alexander Goldberg
Research Prize 2020
Asst. Prof. Daniel Soudry
Electrical and Computer Engineering

Cooper Award for Excellence in Research
2019-2020
Assoc. Prof. Shenhav Cohen
Biology

2020-2021
Assoc. Prof. Hagai Perets
Physics

Daniel Shiran Memorial Prize 2020
Assoc. Prof. Meytal Landau
Biology

David Dudi Ben-Aharon
Research Prize 2020
Asst. Prof. Yair Feld
Medicine

Diane Sherman Prize for Medical Innovation for a Better World
2019-2020
Prof. Roy Kishony
Biology

2020-2021
Prof. Lior Gepstein
Medicine

Asst. Prof. Asya Rolls
Medicine

Henry Taub Prize for Academic Excellence 2020-2021
Assoc. Prof. Roy Schwartz
Computer Science

Asst. Prof. Ron Rothblum
Computer Science

Hilda and Hershel Rich Technion Innovation Awards 2020
Prof. Yuval Shaked and Dr. Michael Timaner
Medicine

Assoc. Prof. Roei Amit and iGEM team
Biotechnology and Food Engineering

Prof. Oren Cohen and Dr. Pavel Sidorenko
Physics

Asst. Prof. Tamar Segal-Peretz and Dr. Barun Barick
Chemical Engineering

Prof. Alejandro Sosnik
Materials Science and Engineering

Assoc. Prof. Yoav Etsion and Dr. Dani Voitsechov
Electrical and Computer Engineering

Norman Seiden Prize for Academic Excellence
2019-2020
Assoc. Prof. Ronen Talmon
Electrical and Computer Engineering

2020-2021
Assoc. Prof. Shahar Kvaitinsky
Electrical and Computer Engineering

Kurt Mahler Prize in Mathematics 2020
Prof. Amir Yehudayoff
Mathematics

Assoc. Prof. Chen Meiri
Mathematics

Morton and Beverley Rechler Prize for Excellence in Research
2019-2020
Prof. Gitti Frey
Materials Science and Engineering

Prof. Kinneret Keren
Physics

Uzi and Michal Halevy Innovative Applied Engineering Award and Research Grants 2020
Assoc. Prof. Carmel Rotschild
Mechanical Engineering

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Asst. Prof. Naama Geva-Zatorsky
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Prof. Ori Lahav
Civil and Environmental Engineering

CAREER ADVANCEMENT CHAIRS 2020-2021

Chaya Career Advancement Chair
Asst. Prof. Eviatar Procaccia
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Asst. Prof. Dvir Aran
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Jacques Lewiner Career Advancement Chair
Asst. Prof. Dana Solav
Mechanical Engineering

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Asst. Prof. Noa Zychlinski
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Norman Seiden Fellowship in Nanotechnology and Optoelectronics
Asst. Prof. Yoav Kalcheim
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