

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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NAME		POSITION TITLE	
Robins, Gabriel		Professor of Computer Science Department of Computer Science, UVA	

EDUCATION/TRAINING (Begin with baccalaureate or other initial professional education, such as nursing, and include postdoctoral training.)			
INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE	YEAR(s)	FIELD OF STUDY
UCLA, Los Angeles, CA	B.S.	1983	Math & Computer Science
Princeton University, Princeton, NJ	M.S.E.	1985	Computer Science
UCLA, Los Angeles, CA	Ph.D.	1992	Computer Science

A. Positions, Employment and Honors

1985-1989 Researcher, USC Information Sciences Institute, Marina Del Rey, CA
 1989-1992 Research Associate, UCLA
 1992-1996 Assistant Professor, Department of Computer Science, University of Virginia
 1996-1997 Associate Professor (tenured), Department of Computer Science, University of Virginia
 1997-2002 Walter N. Munster (Endowed Chair) Associate Professor of Computer Science (tenured), UVA
 2002-Present Professor (tenured), Department of Computer Science, University of Virginia

Professional Memberships

1985-Present Association for Computing Machinery (ACM)
 1985-Present Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineering (IEEE)
 1985-Present ACM Special Interest Group on Design Automation (SIGDA)
 1985-Present ACM Special Interest Group on Automata and Comp. Theory (SIGACT)

Honors and Awards

1995-2001 **Packard Foundation Fellowship** (\$550,000) (first one ever awarded in the state of Virginia)
 1994-1999 **National Science Foundation Young Investigator Award (NSF NYI)** (\$312,500)
 1998-2001 Member of the U.S. Army Science Board, U.S. Department of Defense
 1994-1995 Member of the Defense Science Study Group, U.S. Department of Defense
 1996-1997 Member of the Navy Future Study (National Academy of Sciences)
 1997-2002 Walter N. Munster Endowed Chair, University of Virginia
 1999-2002 Member of the Faculty Senate, University of Virginia
 1999-2002 Member of the Faculty Council, School of Engineering, University of Virginia
 2000-2002 Associate Editor, IEEE Transactions on Very Large Scale Integration (VLSI) Systems
 1996- Expert Witness in several major intellectual property (IP) civil and criminal litigations
 1997- Member of the Editorial Board, IEEE Book Series
 1996 Two-year early promotion to Associate Professor (with tenure)
 1993 NSF Research Initiation Award, U.S. National Science Foundation
 1994 All-University Outstanding Teaching Award, University of Virginia
 1995 University Teaching Fellowship, University of Virginia
 1998 Faculty Mentor Award, School of Engineering, University of Virginia
 1998 Faculty Appreciation Award, Virginia Engineering Foundation
 2001 Web Team Award, Department of Computer Science, University of Virginia
 1990 Distinguished Paper Award, IEEE International Conference on Computer-Aided Design
 1989 Distinguished Teaching Award, University of California, Los Angeles
 1991 IBM Graduate Fellowship, University of California, Los Angeles & IBM Corp.
 1996 General Chair of the ACM Physical Design Workshop
 1997 Founder of the ACM International Symposium on Physical Design

Other: 18 invited talks and presentations; 17 newspaper and magazine articles; 1 patent.
 Directed 16 graduate students, 19 undergraduates, and 2 postdocs.
 Refereed for 27 journals, conferences, publishers, and government agencies.

B. Selected peer-reviewed publications:

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C. Research Support

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Robins (PI) National Science Foundation Research in Layout Optimization for Advanced Manufacturability Considerations	8/1999 - 8/2003 \$421,943	CCR-9988331
Robins (PI) Packard Foundation Fellowship Efficient Algorithms for Combinatorial Problems	9/1995 - 9/2003 \$550,000	1995
Robins (PI) NSF Foundation Young Investigator Award New Directions in VLSI CAD and Computational Biology	9/1994 - 9/2000 \$312,500	MIP-9457412
Robins (Co-PI) National Institute of Health / NLM New Approaches to Phylogeny, Alignment, and Sequence Matching	9/1994 - 9/2000 \$1,175,000	LM04961