

# KARI VERNER

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**BIOMECHANICS**

**PROFESSIONAL PROFILE**

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*Dr. Kari Verner* is a Managing Engineer in the Biomechanics practice at Explico. She has experience conducting forensic investigations and accident reconstruction of incidents resulting in traumatic injury. Dr. Verner is a licensed Professional Engineer in the State of Texas and a training Crash Data Retrieval (CDR) technician.

*Dr. Verner* holds a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering from Gonzaga University and a Ph.D. from Purdue University in Biomedical Engineering, focusing on skeletal biomechanics and biology. Her research specifically involved extensive research and experimental testing of musculoskeletal tissues' response to mechanical loading.

**EDUCATION**

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**PURDUE UNIVERSITY**

**PhD** Biomedical Engineering 2017

**GONZAGA UNIVERSITY**

**BS** Mechanical Engineering 2013

**LICENSES & CERTIFICATIONS**

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Professional Engineer TX  
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**AREAS OF EXPERTISE**

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- Biomechanics
- Injury Causation Analysis
- Low-Speed Vehicle Collision Severity and Injury Analysis
- Vehicle Accident Reconstruction
- Passenger Vehicle EDR Downloads
- Evidence Documentation
- Computer Simulations

**AFFILIATIONS**

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- SAE International
- American Society of Mechanical Engineers
- Tau Beta Pi - Engineering Honor Society



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## EXPERIENCE

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### Explico

2026 - Present      *Managing Engineer*  
2022 - 2025      *Senior Engineer*

### SEA, Ltd.

2021      *Mechanical Engineer / Biomechanics*  
2018 - 2021      *Mechanical / Biomechanics Consultant*

### Purdue University

2013 - 2017      *Research Assistant*  
2012      *Undergraduate Research Fellow*

### Oregon Biomedical Engineering Institute

2011      *Biomedical Engineering Intern*

## AWARDS AND HONORS

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National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellow

## PUBLICATIONS

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“Skeletal Biomechanics and Response to Mechanical Load: A Comparative Approach in the Mouse and Chukar Partridge,” Ph.D. Dissertation, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana, December 2017

Verner, K.A., Lehner, M., Lamas, L.P., Main, R.P., Experimental Tests of Planar Strain Theory for Predicting Bone Cross-sectional Longitudinal and Shear Strains, *Journal of Experimental Biology* 219(19), 3082-3090, 2016

McCargar, R., Jenson (Verner), K., Dayton, A., Murphy, K., Xie, H., & Prahl, S.A. (2012). Preparation of dissolvable albumin stents for vascular anastomosis with a 1.9  $\mu\text{m}$  laser and in vitro mechanical strength assessments, *Lasers in surgery and medicine*, 44(4), 330-338

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## PRESENTATIONS

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Verner, K.A., Bersch, K.J., Neto, M.F., Grantz, J.M., Little, D., Figuerido, M.L., Main, R.P., "Comparison of Osteophyte formation caused by overuse loading or joint instability in three non-invasive murine models of osteoarthritis," Orthopaedic Research Society Annual Meeting, poster presentation, February 2019

Verner, K., Nauman, E., Main, R., "Taxonomic Variation in Adaptive Skeletal Plasticity to Mechanical Load: Preliminary Hypotheses," Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology Annual Meeting, poster presentation, January 2018

Verner, K., Nauman, E., Main, R., "In Vivo Bone Strain and Response to Mechanical Loading in the Chukar Partridge Tibiatarsus," Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology Annual Meeting, poster presentation, January 2018

Verner, K., Yang, H., Main, R., "In Vivo Strain and Response to Mechanical Load in the Mouse Tibia," Summer Biomechanics, Bioengineering, and Biotransport Conference, selected podium talk, June 2017

Verner, K., Townsend, J., Yang, H., Main, R., "In Vivo Bone Strain and Response to Mechanical Loading in Mouse Tibia," Biomedical Engineering Society: Midwest Annual Meeting, poster presentation, November 2016

Jenson, K., Main, R., "Tibiatarsus Bone Strains and Hind Limb Kinematics Relative to Speed in the Guinea Fowl," Society for Integrative and Comparative Biology Annual Meeting, poster presentation, January 2016

Jenson, K., Main, R.P., "Experimental Validation of Planar Strain Theory for Predicting Bone Crosssectional Longitudinal and Shear Strains," Purdue Biomedical Engineering Summer Seminar Series, oral presentation, June 2015

Hohu, Kyle K., Jenson, Kari, Gallant, Maxime, A., Lescun, Timothy B., Main, Russell P., "Determining Diagnostic Parameters for Fractures in Equine Metacarpal Bones," Meril-NIH Veterinary Scholars Symposium, poster presentation, July 2014

Jenson, K., Lescun, T.B., Main, R.P., "Validating Raman Spectroscopy and Bone Micro-Indentation Tests for In-Vivo Assessments of Bone Quality," Spokane Intercollegiate Research Conference, poster presentation, April 2013

Jenson, K., Main, R.P., "Validating Raman Spectroscopy and Bone Micro-Indentation Tests for In-Vivo Assessments of Bone Quality," Purdue University Summer Undergraduate Research Symposium, oral presentation, August 2012

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## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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### **Engineering Dynamics Company, LLC**

*HVE Forum — 2020*

### **Crash Academy**

*How to Use the Bosch CDR Tool — 2018*

### **Northwestern University**

*Traffic Crash Reconstruction I — 2018*