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**Professional Profile**

Ms. Lauren Ciccarelli is a Senior Associate in Exponent's Biomedical Engineering practice. She has experience in both medical device and injury biomechanics consulting, and her research interests involve spine biomechanics, particularly as it relates to total disc arthroplasty. She has experience in establishing international retrieval programs for various medical devices along with reviewing and developing protocols for institutional review boards. She also has experience in biomechanics analysis of low-speed automotive accidents.

Ms. Ciccarelli has responsibilities that include biohazard safety training, lab organization, and development and execution of various testing protocols. Previous testing has included biomaterial testing in accordance with ASTM and ISO standards, cadaveric and animal tissue testing, and customized protocols.

**Academic Credentials and Professional Honors**

M.S., Biomedical Engineering, Drexel University, 2009  
B.S., Biomedical Engineering, Drexel University (*magna cum laude*), 2004

**Licenses and Certifications**

Engineer-in-Training, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, 2006

## **Publications**

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## **Professional Affiliations**

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