



## Mechanics, Control, Design, Conceptualization and Fabrication of Soft Robotic Systems

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In parallel to recent developments in soft smart materials and additive manufacturing (also known as 3D printing), the field of soft robotics has been gathering significant momentum to bring a new dimension to the establishment of new robotic concepts, leading to the design and manufacture of soft robots, which will safely interact with (or operate within) the natural world better than their predecessors (*i.e.*, robots made of hard components). As a sub-class of biologically inspired engineering, it is a new paradigm to establish novel robotic systems primarily made of soft materials, components, and active monolithic structures containing embedded actuation, sensing, and motion/force transmission elements.

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