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Ph.D. in Computational and Bio-inorganic Chemistry

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## Education

- 2019 – 2023**      **Ph.D.** Computational and Bio-Inorganic Chemistry. Aix-Marseille Université - Marseille
- 2016 – 2018**      **M.Sc.** Molecular Chemistry. Université Paris Descartes - Paris
- 2008 – 2014**      **PharmD** Pharmaceutical Chemistry. Universidad de la República – Montevideo

## Work Experience

### Ph.D. Researcher – Structure-function relationship in polynuclear bio-inspired copper complexes: Combined experimental and computational studies

Institut des Sciences Moléculaire de Marseille, Marseille | Oct 2019 – Feb 2023

Supervisors: Dr M. Orio ([maylis.orio@univ-amu.fr](mailto:maylis.orio@univ-amu.fr)) and Dr J. Simaan ([jallila.simaan@univ-amu.fr](mailto:jallila.simaan@univ-amu.fr)).

- Benchmarked advanced computational methods (BS-DFT, CASSF, DMRG, DDCI) for magnetic properties prediction in copper dimers (<https://doi.org/10.1007/s00214-021-02830-0>).
- Synthesized and characterized polynuclear copper complexes (NMR, EPR, MS, XRD) and measured the magnetic properties ( $J$  values using SQUID) to study their magneto-structural correlation.
- Designed a theoretical predictive tool for the exchange coupling constant of the previous complexes using BS-DFT and  $J$  Recomposition Method ([Manuscript in preparation](#)).
- Investigated reaction mechanisms of bioinspired copper complexes for C-H bond activation and hydroxylation using DFT calculations (<https://doi.org/10.1002/chem.202202206>).
- Modelled oxygen evolution reaction mechanisms in nickel and cobalt complexes for artificial photosynthesis applications (<https://doi.org/10.1039/d1cc03227e>).
- Elucidated the electronic structure and calculated the magnetic properties of a trinuclear Ni-complex (<https://doi.org/10.1039/d1qi01131f>).

### Research Chemist – Supramolecular Chemistry and Bioinspired Design

Institut Européen de Chimie et Biologie de Bordeaux, Bordeaux | Oct 2018 – Aug 2019

- Led a *de novo* synthesis of enzyme-like architectures using supramolecular assemblies of water-soluble peptide-oligourea chimera, mimicking  $\alpha$ -peptides.

### Research Chemist – Organic Synthesis, Drug Design, Molecular Docking

Laboratoire de Chimie et Biochimie Pharmacologiques et Toxicologiques, Paris | Feb 2017 – Aug 2017 and Jan 2018 – Aug 2018

- Performed multi-step synthesis of Avibactam analogues, contributing to a library for  $\beta$ -lactamase inhibitors.
- Designed a synthetic route for isotopically labelled S-adenosyl methionine, enabling selective *in-cell* NMR detection of tRNA methylation.

## Assistant of Technical Direction – Regulatory Affairs

GlaxoSmithKline Uruguay S.A, Montevideo | Apr 2015 – Jul 2016

- Managed regulatory dossiers for pharmaceutical product authorization, focusing on compliance with health authority standards.

## Analytical Chemist – Pharmaceutical Quality Control

Eurofarma Uruguay S.A, Montevideo | Mar 2014 – Mar 2015

- Performed physical-chemical analyses of pharmaceutical products, ensuring quality control and regulatory adherence.

## Skills

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**Theoretical Methods** | •Quantum Chemistry (DFT and wavefunction-based methods): Orca, Gaussian, HPC  
•Molecular Dynamics and Docking: Gromacs, AutoDock, MGLTools •Machine Learning: Python, Scikit-Learn, TensorFlow •Cheminformatics: RDKit •Molecular Visualization and Analysis: Chemcraft, Pymol

**Organic-Inorganic Chemistry** | •Heterocyclic and nucleoside synthesis •Peptide synthesis •Multistep synthesis  
•Polynuclear transition metal complexes synthesis •Schlenk technique •Crystallization methods

**Analytical Chemistry** | •Chromatography: HPLC, UPLC, GC •Spectroscopy: UV, NMR, FTIR, GC-MS, EPR  
•Magnetometer: SQUID •Peptide synthesizer and microwave

## Certifications

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- 2023
- **Machine Learning Specialization** – DeepLearning.AI and Stanford University Online
  - **Exploratory Data Analysis for Machine Learning** – IBM
  - **Cheminformatics Specialization** – Neovarsity
  - **Advance Machine Learning for Drug Discovery** - Neovarsity

## Languages

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• **Spanish** | Native language • **English** | Full professional proficiency • **French** | Intermediate/Low

## Publications

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- **Stefani Gamboa-Ramirez**, Michel Giorgi, Sylvain Bertaina, A. Jalila Simaan, and Maylis Orio. **“Magneto-structural correlation in polynuclear copper complexes: counterion effect”** Manuscript in preparation.
- **Stefani Gamboa-Ramirez**, Bruno Faure, Marius Réglier, A. Jalila Simaan, and Maylis Orio. **“Computational Insights of Selective Intramolecular O-atom Transfer Mediated by Bioinspired Copper Complexes”** [Chem. Eur. J. 2022, e202202206](#).
- Agnideep Das, Hannah Jobelius, Jules Schleinitz, **Stefani Gamboa-Ramirez**, Geordie Creste, Gwendal Kervern, Jesus Raya, Nolwenn Le Breton, Aurélie Guénet, Zahia Boubegtiten-Fezoua, Laurence Grimaud, Maylis Orio, Guillaume Rogez, Petra Hellwig, Sylvie Choua, Sylvie Ferlay and Marine Desage-El Murr. **“A hybrid bioinspired catechol-alloxazine triangular nickel complex stabilizing protons and electrons”** [Inorg. Chem. Front., 2021, 8, 5286](#).
- Ana C. García-Álvarez, **Stefani Gamboa-Ramírez**, Diego Martínez-Otero, Maylis Orio and Ivan Castillo. **“Self-assembled nickel cubanes as oxygen evolution catalysts”** [Chem. Commun., 2021, 57, 8608](#).
- Gurjot Singh, **Stefani Gamboa**, Maylis Orio, Dimitrios A. Pantazis and Michael Roemelt. **“Magnetic exchange coupling in Cu dimers studied with modern multireference methods and broken-symmetry coupled-cluster theory”** [Theoretical Chemistry Accounts, 2021, 140:139](#).