# Michael A. Boles

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## **EDUCATION**

University of Chicago, Chicago, Illinois

M.S., Ph.D. in Chemistry GPA: 3.72/4, **2016** 

McCormick Fellow, ACS Spotlight, ACS Editor's Choice, Best Talk Award

University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina

B.S. in Chemistry with Distinction GPA: 3.64/4, GRE: 780/720/710 (Q/A/V)

Honors College, Dean's List, UNC Distinguished Scholar, Coca-Cola Scholar

### **EXPERIENCE**

Lam Research Corporation, Process Engineer, Fremont, California

2018 - present

2010

- Developing physical/chemical processes that shape nanoscale features at the heart of next-generation NAND and DRAM (flash and main memory) devices
- Contributed Python scripts to Lam Supervised Image Measurement (SIM), an internal image analysis application designed to reduce engineer time spent collecting manual measurements of microscopy images

Stanford University, Dreyfus Postdoctoral Fellow in Chemistry, Stanford, California

2016 - 2018

- Expanded "green" photovoltaic technology by developing new chemical approaches to reduce energy intensity
  of solar cell production and to avoid toxic elements that may do ecological harm upon escaping the module
- Completed graduate course on science and entrepreneurship, learned basics of financing young companies including revenue forecasting, cost of capital, and evaluating the exit potential of a business

University of Chicago, Research and Teaching Assistant in Chemistry, Chicago, Illinois

2010 - 2016

- Elucidated the role of particle surfaces in driving self-assembly of nanocrystal superlattices, a compelling platform for low-cost nanoscale patterning of next-generation optoelectronic devices
- Wrote MATLAB script to identify objects of interest within electron microscopy images and extract geometrical properties of the set, insights from this work led to JACS 2015 publication

## **SIDE PROJECTS**

- Analysis of Bay Area housing market: scraped thousands of real estate listings, incorporated commute time and school quality data in multiple linear regression model to identify factors driving home values, underpriced neighborhoods and listings (Python, BeautifulSoup, Pandas, Cartopy, Matplotlib, Seaborn, Scikit-learn)
- **Personal finance analytics**: wrote small script pulling transactions information from personal bank statements and categorize, bin, and plot income, expenses, and cash flows across months (R, dplyr, ggplot)

## **SELECTED PUBLICATIONS** (out of total of >10, see also Google Scholar)

- M. Boles, T. Hyeon, and D. Talapin. "The surface science of nanocrystals" Nature Materials 2016, 15, 141
- M. Boles, M. Engel, D. Talapin. "Self-assembly of colloidal nanocrystals" Chemical Reviews 2016, 116, 11220
- M. Boles and D. Talapin. "Many-body effects in nanocrystal superlattices" J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2015, 137, 4494
- M. Boles and D. Talapin. "Self-assembly of tetrahedral CdSe nanocrystals" J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2014, 136, 5868
- M. Boles and D. Talapin. "Connecting the dots" Science 2014, 344, 1340

#### **OTHER**

- Membership: Eagle Scout (2004), Rotary Youth Ambassador (2005), Alpha Chi Sigma (2007-2010), South Side After-School Science Club (2012-2016), Stanford Leaders in Communication (2017)
- Interests: travel and language: proficient in German and Spanish from years spent abroad as college and high
  school exchange student in Berlin, Germany and Cordoba, Argentina;
  sports and activity: playing singles and doubles tennis since high school; snowboarded across the Rockies, Alps,
  and Appalachian Mountains; backpacked through Yosemite, Yellowstone, and Grand Teton National Parks