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EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

PhD Biochemistry

UC, SAN DIEGO

MS CHEMISTRY
June 2017 | GPA: 3.8

LINKS

ResearchGate:// Aarya_Venkat LinkedIn:// AaryaVenkat Github:// HelloAarya

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Won the Outstanding Graduate Teaching Assistant Award
- Published the feature article in a Teaching Magazine
- Delivered a General Chemistry lecture to 400 students at UC, San Diego

SKILLS

PROGRAMMING

Java • Python • ATFX • GIT • Unix • Bash

BIOINFORMATICS

Cytoscape App Development • BLAST • FASTA • Algorithms • Quantitative Structure-Activity Relationship • Principal Component Analysis • RMSD analysis • ANOVA • Regression • Time-series analysis • K-Means Clustering

COMPUTATIONAL CHEMISTRY

Molecular Dynamics

AmberTools15 • NAMD2 (CUDA)

Forcefield Parametrization

Amber14 • GAFF • CHARMM

Computational Tools

Molecular Operating Environment (MOE)

- Maestro Glide VMD Antechamber
- PyMOL Chimera LEaP Sander PMEMD-CUDA

MISCELLANEOUS

PCR • ELISA • RNA interference • Western Blot • SDS-PAGE • 3D Printing

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

KANNAN LAB | GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

July 2018 - Present | Athens, GA

• Gaining structural insights for Glycosyltransferases via Molecular Dynamics.

WHEELER LAB | GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Aug 2017 - June 2018 | Athens, GA

• Performing quantum calculations using Gaussian '09 to determine low energy conformers of Urea and Thiourea derivatives.

UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA | GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT

Aug 2017 - May 2018 | Athens, GA

• Taught three classes a week as a laboratory teaching assistant (1212L).

GILSON LAB | GRADUATE RESEARCH ASSISTANT

Oct 2015 - May 2017 | La Jolla, CA

• Developed PathInsight, a program to model the downstream effects of small binding compounds in a biological pathway.

UC, SAN DIEGO | GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT

Jan 2017 - June 2017 | La Jolla, CA

• Taught three general chemistry lecture classes every week to 90 students.

NATIONAL RESOURCE FOR NETWORK BIOLOGY | INTERN

April 2016 - Dec 2016 | San Francisco, CA

PUBLICATIONS

Patents

Venkat, A., Castro, Y. and Manning, T. "Using Computational QSAR Methods to Propose a New Group of Antibiotics for Dental Applications," U.S. Provisional Patent Appl. 62/359,638, July 22, 2016.

Papers

Venkat, A. and Wheeler, S. E. (2018). Tuning the Conformational Behavior of Ureas through Substituent Effects. [In Progress]

Venkat, A. (2017). PathInsight: A Novel Tool for Modeling Biomolecular Pathways. UC San Diego: Chemistry.

Venkat, A., Amerson, A. L., and Bielmyer-Fraser, G. K. (2016) "Influence of Water Hardness on Accumulation and Effects of Silver in the Green Alga, Raphidocelis subcapitata," Georgia Journal of Science: Vol. 74: No. 2, Article 5.

Park, S., Venkat, A., Gopinath, A., and Kang, J. (2015). Quantitative Analysis of the Trends Exhibited by the Three Interdisciplinary Biological Sciences: Biophysics, Bioinformatics, and Systems Biology. Journal of Microbiology & Biology Education, 16(2), 198.