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Education

University of Bath(UBath)/Diamond Light Source(DLS)

BATH/HARWELL-OXFORD, UK

PHD IN CHEMISTRY

SEPT. 2015 - MAR. 2019

- Undertaking a PhD supervised by Prof. Karen Edler (UBath), Prof. Stephen Parker (UBath), Dr Andrew Smith (DLS) and Dr Jonathan Rawle (DLS).
- Developing computational methodologies and software to improve the analysis of small angle scattering, reflectometry, and grazing incidence small angle scattering.
- Applying classical atomistic and coarse-grained simulations to the study of soft matter systems.
- Collaborative project co-funded by Diamond Light Source and the University of Bath.
- Participated in small angle scattering and reflectometry at Diamond Light Source and ISIS Neutron and Muon Source.

University of Edinburgh

EDINBURGH, UK

MCHEM IN MATERIALS CHEMISTRY WITH A YEAR IN INDUSTRY

SEPT. 2010 - JUN. 2015

- Degree Classification: **First Class**
- Spent one year learning practical soft matter chemistry/physics skills in industry at Cytec Industries.
- Masters research project: Collagen self-assembly using cryo-TEM.

Research Experience

The Nudelman Group, University of Edinburgh

EDINBURGH, UK

MASTER'S PROJECT STUDENT

SEPT. 2014 - APR. 2015

- Continued work from summer, investigating collagen self-assembly.
- Significant independent use of the cryogenic transmission electron microscope.
- Presented work at a national conference (First Joint Meeting of the Scottish Microscopy Group & Microscopy Society of Ireland) as well as regularly at group meetings.

SUMMER RESEARCH STUDENT

JUL. 2014 - SEPT. 2014

- Using cryogenic transmission electron microscopy to investigate self-assembly of collagen.
- Gained an appreciation of basic concepts from biochemistry and biophysics.
- Lead to work that continued during Master's project.

Cytec Industries

STAMFORD, USA

TEMPORARY RESEARCH INTERN

JUN. 2013 - JUN. 2014

- Spent fourth year of Master's course in the Alumina group at Cytec Industries.
- Conducted research on the functionalisation and application of polyelectrolyte emulsions.
- Gained an understanding of common soft matter concepts, including colloid theory, and surfactant science.
- Developed skills related to statistical analysis, including significance testing and design of experiments.
- Presented work at group meeting and wrote monthly reports to keep group members updated on progress.

Teaching Experience

Python in Chemistry

BATH, UK

CONTRIBUTOR

NOV. 2017 - PRESENT

- Actively contributed to the Python in Chemistry blog developed by the University of Bath.
- Resource designed to introduce chemistry students to aspects of programming, using Python and Jupyter Notebooks.
- Developing teaching resources that introduce my basic concepts from programming, such as functions, loops, and plotting.

ISIS Neutron Training Course

HARWELL-OXFORD, UK

LECTURER

MAR. 2017 - PRESENT

- Developed and delivered a one hour lecture introducing classical molecular dynamics simulations and showing how they can be applied to neutron scattering.

SASSIE Training Course

VARIOUS, UK

DEMONSTRATOR

MAR. 2017 - PRESENT

- Aided in the demonstration of the SASSIE biological small angle scattering package at training events for PhD students and Postdocs.

University of Bath

BATH, UK

PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY TUTOR

SEPT. 2015 - PRESENT

- Running physical chemistry tutorials for first year natural sciences undergraduate students.
- Covering topics including gas theory, kinetics, spectroscopy, and thermodynamics.
- Pioneered the use of Jupyter Notebooks in tutorials to both aid in the students understanding of the physical chemistry while introducing programming concepts.

COMPUTATIONAL LABORATORY DEMONSTRATOR

JAN. 2016 - PRESENT

- Involved in helping first and second year undergraduate students as they undertake the laboratory exercises, with a focus on the teaching of basic programming skills in Python.
- Helped to develop laboratory exercises to develop skills in Microsoft Excel and an understanding of classical molecular dynamics simulations.

Memberships & Committees

RSC/IOP Neutron Scattering Group Committee

PHD REPRESENTATIVE

JUN. 2017 - PRESENT

- Served as a member of the NSG Committee offering the insight of student members.

UK Research Software Engineer Association

MEMBER

JUN. 2017 - PRESENT

- A member of UKRSE, a community and awareness organisation for the UK's Research Software Engineers.

Royal Society of Chemistry

ASSOCIATE MEMBER (POSTGRADUATE)

SEPT. 2010 - PRESENT

- Member of the RSC since start of undergraduate.
- Took part in a young member focus group for the RSC Scottish Regional Steering Group.

Software

PROGRAMMING FLUENCY

Basic FORTRAN90, SQL, Julia

Intermediate C, C++, OpenMP, MPI, Qt, Git

Expert Python

SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT

falass A pure python library for the calculation of neutron and X-ray reflectometry data from molecular simulation. This is an open source package available on GitHub. This library was developed as part of my PhD studies.

refnx A python package dedicated to the application of the Abelès matrix formalism to the analysis of reflectometry measurements. This also enables detailed statistical analysis of the resulting models by using Markov chain Monte Carlo to enable Bayesian inference. I have recently been actively contributing to this open source package.

Awards

2017/06/12 **Best Talk Award – Sponsored by Santander**, University of Bath Faculty of Science Graduate School Research Afternoon

2017/04/11 **Research Student Travel Grant**, Armourers & Brasiers' Gauntlet Trust

Program Committees

2016/07/20 **Co-organiser**, M4 Colloids

BATH, UK

Publications

- McCluskey, A. R., Grant, J., Smith, A. J., Rawle, J. L., Barlow, D. J., Lawrence, M. J., Edler, K. J., & Parker, S. C., 2018. The effect of coarse-graining on the molecular simulation based analysis of reflectometry experiments. *Soft Matter (In Preparation)*
- McCluskey, A. R., Grant, J., Smith, A. J., Rawle, J. L., Barlow, D. J., Lawrence, M. J., Parker, S. C., & Edler, K. J., 2018. A fundamental comparison of reflectometry analysis methodologies. *Journal of Applied Crystallography (In Preparation)*
- McCluskey, A. R., Grant, J., Parker, S. C., & Edler, K. J., 2018. falass: a Python library for neutron and X-ray reflectometry from molecular simulation. *Journal of Open Research Software (In Preparation)*
- Sanchez-Fernandez, A., McCluskey, A. R., Edler, K. J., Jackson, A. J., Campbell, R. A., & Arnold, T., 2018. Structure of phospholipid monolayers at the interface between air and a deep eutectic solvent. *Langmuir (In Preparation)*
- McCluskey, A. R., & Edler, K. J., 2017. Model-dependent small-angle scattering for the study of complex organic materials. *Current Organic Chemistry, (E-pub Ahead of Print)* DOI: 10.2174/1875692115666170612104439

Presentations

INVITED TALKS

- 2017/06/19 **Surfactants and Molecular Dynamics**, CCP-SAS Joint Meeting, Cardiff University CARDIFF, UK
- 2017/06/12 **Putting computers to work for large experiments**, Faculty of Science Graduate School BATH, UK
Research Afternoon, Bath University – **Best Talk Award**
- 2016/05/23 **SAS, Sims and Soft Matter Self-Assembly**, CCP-SAS Joint Meeting, NIST GAITHERSBURG, USA

CONTRIBUTED TALKS

- 2017/09/12 **Simulations to understand reflectivity: How coarse can we go?**, CCP5 AGM GLASGOW, UK
- 2017/04/13 **Simulations to understand reflectivity: How coarse can we go?**, Faraday Joint Interest Group Conference WARWICK, UK
- 2017/03/23 **Coarse graining and reflectivity: a love story?**, CompChem Seminar, University of Bath BATH, UK
- 2017/02/28 **Reflectivity: from simulation to experiment**, International Soft Matter Workshop HELFORD, UK
- 2016/06/23 **Smart analysis of soft matter**, Bombannes Summer School BOMBANNES, FRANCE
- 2016/01/28 **Nanodisc models for calculation of small angle scattering patterns**, SMALP Meeting 2016 BIRMINGHAM, UK

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- 2017/06/28 UK Neutron and Muon Science and User Meeting WARWICK, UK
- 2017/06/06 canSAS-IX BERKELEY, USA
- 2017/02/07 ESRF User Meeting GRENOBLE, FRANCE
- 2016/11/21 BornAgain Workshop MUNICH, GERMANY
- 2016/11/16 GISAXS2016 HAMBURG, GERMANY
- 2016/11/07 ISIS Student Meeting ABINGDON, UK
- 2016/07/27 UK Neutron and Muon Science and User Meeting WARWICK, UK
- 2016/07/20 M4 Colloids BATH, UK
- 2016/06/13 Molecular Simulation @ Bristol BRISTOL, UK
- 2016/06/06 Diamond Science Away Day OXFORD, UK
- 2016/05/23 CCP-SAS Joint Meeting, NIST GAITHERSBURG, USA
- 2016-04-13 2nd Conference on Multiscale Modelling of Condensed Phase and Biological Systems MANCHESTER, UK
- 2016-04-04 Solutions in the Spring CAMBRIDGE, UK
- 2014/11/27 First Joint Meeting of the Scottish Microscopy Group & Microscopy Society of Ireland GLASGOW, UK