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**EDUCATION** 

#### University of California, Berkeley

Ph.D., Nuclear Engineering

Nuclear Regulatory Commission Graduate Fellowship

Berkeley, California August, 2018

# University of Utah, Honors College

B.S., *cum laude*, Chemical Engineering Minors: Nuclear Engineering, Chemistry

University of Utah President's Club Scholarship, Dean's List, 2009 - 2013

Salt Lake City, Utah May, 2013

# RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

# University of California, Berkeley

Assistant Research Engineer

Berkeley, California

June, 2019 – Present

- Led fundamental studies of low-energy nuclear physics at the LBNL 88-Inch Cyclotron as a part of the LBNL/UCB Nuclear Data Program, and supervised M.S./Ph.D. students in these efforts.
- Efforts include the measurement of charged-particle and neutron-induced reaction cross sections relevant to the production of radionuclides for medical applications, and the measurement of independent and cumulative fission yields using cyclical neutron activation analysis,
- As Isotope Production Group leader, responsible for developing the technical vision for these research objectives, and facilitating interactions with other research organizations to promote collaboration and enhance the impact of research results, chiefly with LANL and BNL.
- Compiled all nuclear data produced in experiments into the reaction database EXFOR.

#### Postdoctoral Scholar

August, 2018 - June, 2019

- Responsible for overseeing the effort to determine novel production routes for <sup>225</sup>Ac, <sup>212</sup>Pb, <sup>68</sup>Ge, and <sup>236</sup>Np, through experiments at the LBNL 88-Inch Cyclotron as a part of the LBNL/UCB Nuclear Data Program.
- Developed in-house capabilities for electrodeposition and pressed-powder target fabrication.
- Assisted other members of the group by supervising M.S./Ph.D. student efforts to determine isotope production routes through cross section measurements at LBNL, LANL, and BNL.

# Graduate Student Researcher / NRC Fellow

August, 2014 – August, 2018

- Dissertation Title: "Nuclear Excitation Functions for the Production of Novel Medical Radionuclides" measurement of cross-sections for neutron-induced and charged particle-induced reaction pathways for the production of emerging novel therapeutic and diagnostic medical radionuclides, with high specific activity.
- Dissertation Advisor: Dr. Lee A. Bernstein, University of California, Berkeley
- Developed intense mono-energetic neutron source capabilities for production of novel therapeutic radionuclides.
- Research carried out at the Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory's 88-Inch Cyclotron and the Los Alamos National Laboratory's Isotope Production Facility at LANSCE.

#### University of Oslo

Oslo, Norway

Visiting Researcher, Department of Physics

February – May, 2018

- Studied preparation of a chelate-conjugated biomolecule carrying a radionuclide, in the Nuclear and Energy Physics group.
- Focus on the radiolanthanide <sup>161</sup>Tb and a peptidomimetic displaying dual-receptor targeting through the endothelial growth factor receptor and the HER2/neu antigen.

#### Institute for Laser Engineering, Osaka University

Osaka, Japan

Visiting Researcher

February - March, 2015

 Research and evaluation of solid debris collection diagnostics in search of evidence of nuclearplasma interactions.

# University of Utah

Undergraduate Researcher, Nuclear Engineering

Salt Lake City, Utah August, 2010 – August, 2011

- Developed simulation of Neutron Activation Analysis, an analytical technique using neutron irradiation of matter to determine highly precise compositions of samples.
- Simulation optimizes irradiation times of samples to minimize resulting radioactivity.
- Presented paper at 2011 ANS Student Conference, 2011 2<sup>nd</sup> Utah Detection Conference.

Undergraduate Researcher, Chemistry

August, 2009 - May, 2010

- Synthesis and characterization of metal-doped Cadmium-Selenium quantum dots used to produce photonic crystals structured after iridescent scales of several Brazilian beetles.
- Applications include fully-optical circuitry and tunable, customizable photoluminescent sensors for desired molecules and/or cells.
- Later research involved sol-gel dip-coating quantum dots for use in geothermal wells.

#### University of West Florida

Pensacola, Florida

Visiting Researcher, Department of Physics

May, 2008 - January, 2009

- Modeled specific heat capacity anomalies of 4'-octyl-4-biphenyl-carbonitrile liquid crystals, due to the effect of mesophase transitions.
- Research proceeded to place third in the 2009 Florida State Science Fair, and as a finalist in the 2009 Intel International Science and Engineering Fair.

#### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

# University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, California

Graduate Student Instructor

• NE 101 / 210M — Nuclear Reactions and Radiation

Fall 2015

Wrote and graded homework sets for class of 41 undergraduate and graduate students, and led weekly discussion sections for entire class on supplementary material and applications of course material. Mentored students through semester in their coursework, and helped doctoral-track graduate students prepare for their departmental screening exams in this topic.

#### University of Utah

Salt Lake City, Utah

National Science Foundation Outreach Mentor

May, 2010 - May, 2013

• Created and presented hands-on demos to local schools, to advocate engineering and science careers, focusing on historically underrepresented demographics.

Teaching Assistant

• CH EN 2300 — Thermodynamics I

Spring 2013

• NUCL 3000 / 5030 — Nuclear Principles in Engineering Fall 2011

Designed semester-long computational simulation projects using GEANT4 for class of 63 undergraduate and graduate students, after teaching GEANT4 programming to class. Mentored students through semester in developing their projects, as well as coursework.

# GRADUATE SUPERVISION:

#### Advisee Name Organizational Affiliation

Nora Pettersen University of Oslo, Physics M.S. student (2018 – Present) Hannah Ekeberg University of Oslo, Physics M.S. student (2018 – Present)

# SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

G.B. Kim, S.T.P. Boyd, R.H. Cantor, A.S. Voyles, J.T. Morrell, L.A. Bernstein & S. Friedrich, A New Measurement of the 60 keV Emission from Am-241 Using Metallic Magnetic Calorimeters. Journal of Low Temperature Physics, (2020) 1-7. https://doi.org/10.1007/s10909-020-02412-7

Jonathan T. Morrell, **Andrew S. Voyles**, M. S. Basunia, Jon C. Batchelder, Eric F. Matthews, Lee A. Bernstein, *Measurement of* <sup>139</sup>La(p,x) cross sections from 35–60 MeV by stacked-target activation. The European Physical Journal A, **56** (2020) 13. https://doi.org/10.1140/epja/s10050-019-00010-0

Lee A. Bernstein, David A. Brown, Arjan J. Koning, Bradley T. Rearden, Catherine E. Romano, Alejandro A. Sonzogni, **Andrew S. Voyles**, and Walid Younes, *Our Future Nuclear Data Needs*.

- Annual Review of Nuclear and Particle Science, **69.1** (2019) 109–136. https://doi.org/10.1146/annurev-nucl-101918-023708
- Andrew S. Voyles, Lee A. Bernstein, Eva R. Birnbaum, Jonathan W. Engle, Stephen A. Graves, Toshihiko Kawano, Amanda M. Lewis, and Francois M. Nortier, Excitation functions for (p,x) reactions of niobium in the energy range of  $E_p = 40-90$  MeV. Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research B, 429 (2018) 53-74. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nimb.2018.05.028
- Mauricio Ayllon, Parker A. Adams, Joseph D. Bauer, Jon C. Batchelder, Tim A. Becker, Lee A. Bernstein, Su-Ann Chong, Jay James, Leo E. Kirsch, Ka-Ngo Leung, Eric F. Matthews, Jonathan T. Morrell, Paul R. Renne, Andrew M. Rogers, Daniel Rutte, **Andrew S. Voyles**, Karl Van Bibber, and Cory S. Waltz, *Design*, construction, and characterization of a compact DD neutron generator designed for <sup>40</sup>Ar/<sup>39</sup>Ar geochronology. Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research A, **903** (2018) 193–203. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nima.2018.04.020
- A.S. Voyles, M.S. Basunia, J.C. Batchelder, J.D. Bauer, T.A. Becker, L.A. Bernstein, E.F. Matthews, P.R. Renne, D. Rutte, M.A. Unzueta, and K.A. van Bibber, *Measurement of the* <sup>64</sup>Zn, <sup>47</sup>Ti(n,p) Cross Sections using a DD Neutron Generator for Medical Isotope Studies. Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research B, 410 (2017) 230–239. https://doi.org/10.1016/j.nimb. 2017.08.021

# Contributed Talks

- A.S. Voyles, "Targetry Fabrication for Nuclear Data Measurements." Workshop for Applied Nuclear Data Activities, Washington, D.C.. 04 March 2020.
- A.S. Voyles, "Capabilities for Isotope Production Nuclear Data Measurements at LBNL." Workshop for Applied Nuclear Data Activities, Washington, D.C.. 23 January 2019.
- A.S. Voyles, "Isotope Production Activities at LANSCE-IPF: Development of a new Nb(p,x) <sup>90</sup>Mo Monitor Reaction and La(p,x) Production Cross-Section Measurements." 2018 LANSCE User Group Meeting, Santa Fe, NM, Portugal. 05 November 2018.
- A.S. Voyles, "Isotope Production Activities at LBNL and LANSCE-IPF: Development of a new Nb(p,x) <sup>90</sup>Mo Monitor Reaction and Fe,La(p,x) Production Cross-Section Measurements." 17<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on Targetry and Target Chemistry, Coimbra, Portugal. 30 August 2018.
- A.S. Voyles, "Isotope production cross section measurements at the HFNG, LANL-IPF, and LBNL." 14<sup>th</sup> Nordic Meeting on Nuclear Physics, Longyearbyen, Norway. 24 May 2018.
- A.S. Voyles, "Cross-Section Measurements for Novel Medical Radionuclides at UCB/LBNL: The Challenge of 'Simple' Experiments." UC Berkeley NE Dept. Graduate Colloquium, Berkeley, CA. 12 February 2018. (invited)
- A.S. Voyles, "Medical Isotope Production at Berkeley." University of Oslo Nuclear Physics Summer School, Oslo, Norway. 19 May 2017. (invited)
- A.S. Voyles, "Spin Distribution of Excited Nuclear States in  $^{\rm nat}$ Fe(p, $\alpha$ n)." 6<sup>th</sup> Workshop on Nuclear Level Density and Gamma Strength, Oslo, Norway. 08 May 2017.
- A.S. Voyles, "Experimental Activities in Berkeley." US National Nuclear Data Week (CSEWG), Upton, NY. 14 November 2016.
- A.S. Voyles, "<sup>64</sup>Cu and <sup>47</sup>Sc (n,p) Cross-Section Measurements for Medical Radionuclide Production." 16<sup>th</sup> International Workshop on Targetry and Target Chemistry, Santa Fe, NM. 30 August 2016.
- A.S. Voyles, "Neutron Cross-Sections for Radionuclide Production" (Poster). University & Industry Technical Interchange 2016 Review Meeting, Raleigh, NC. 07 June 2016.
- A.S. Voyles, "GEANT4 Simulation of Irradiation Facilities and Neutron Sources at University of Utah TRIGA for Nuclear Forensics and Detection." AICHE Annual Meeting, Minneapolis, MN. 19 October 2011.
- A.S. Voyles, "GEANT4 Simulation of Irradiation Facilities and Neutron Sources at University of Utah TRIGA for Nuclear Forensics and Detection." 2<sup>nd</sup> National Conference in Advancing Tools and Solutions for Nuclear Material Detection, Salt Lake City, UT. 02 May 2011.

A.S. Voyles, "GEANT4 Simulation of Irradiation Facilities at University of Utah TRIGA (2011)." ANS Student Conference, Atlanta, GA. 15 April 2011.

#### CERTIFICATIONS

• Licensed in Utah as Engineer in Training (EIT, ID# 13-802-04)

April, 2012

2010

July, 2009

May, 2009

April, 2009

#### Computer Skills

Languages Java, C/C++, Python

Tools git, svn, CAD, MATLAB, Mathematica, Maple, LATEX, Arduino, shell,

bash, SQLite, COMSOL Multiphysics, Aspen, ANSYS Fluent

Nuclear Software TALYS, EMPIRE, GEANT4, MCNP/MCNPX, FLUKA, EXFOR

#### Lab Skills

- Radionuclide labeling via chelate-conjugated biomolecules.
- Radio-HPLC, radio-TLC, and solid-phase extraction radiochemical purification.
- HPGe Gamma spectroscopy, radiation detection and measurement.
- Design and implementation of PID process control systems.
- Operation of heat exchanger, distillation column, ebulliometer (classroom experience).
- <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR, IR characterization and analysis, chromatography.
- Organic laboratory synthesis and purification techniques.

• College of Science Dean's Scholarship, University of Utah

Finalist: Intel International Science and Engineering Fair

International Baccalaureate Diploma Recipient

3<sup>rd</sup> Place: Florida State Science Fair

# Professional Service

Professional Society Memberships

Honors and Awards

# Journal of Radioanalytical and Nuclear Chemistry

Journal of Radioanalytical and Nuclear Chemistry	
• Reviewer	- since $2019$
Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research B	
• Reviewer	- since 2017
American Nuclear Society	
• Program Chair, Northern California Section	- since 2016
• Executive Committee, Northern California Section	- since 2016
• Webmaster, Utah Student Section	2011 - 2013
American Physical Society	- since 2016
American Nuclear Society	- since 2011
Alpha Nu Sigma Nuclear Engineering Honor Society	- since 2011
Tau Beta Pi National Engineering Honor Society	- since 2010
Phi Eta Sigma National Honor Society	- since 2010
American Institute of Chemical Engineers	- since 2009
University of California, Berkeley	
Marie Sklodowska-Curie Actions Seal of Excellence	2018
• Department of Nuclear Engineering Outstanding Service Award	2016
Nuclear Regulatory Commission Graduate Fellowship	2015 - 2018
University of Utah	
• Undergraduate Research Scholar Award	May, 2013
• University of Utah President's Club (Full Ride) Scholarship	2009 - 2013
• Dean's List	2009 - 2013
• Neil R. Mitchell Scholarship in Engineering	2012
• Chevron Scholarship in Engineering	2011
• Theodore Verender Hanks Scholarship in Science & Engineering	2011
• Don Dahlstrom Scholarship in Chemical Engineering	2010