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EDUCATION

University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, California

Ph.D. Candidate, Nuclear Engineering

Expected Graduation: May, 2018

Nuclear Regulatory Commission Graduate Fellowship

• Dissertation: "Nuclear Excitation Functions for Production of Novel Medical Radionuclides"

• Research Advisor: Lee A. Bernstein

University of Utah, Honors College

Salt Lake City, Utah

May, 2013

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

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

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

University of California, Berkeley

Berkeley, California

 $Graduate\ Student\ Researcher\ /\ NRC\ Fellow$

August, 2014 - Present

Current Ph.D. research focuses on the measurement of cross-sections for neutron-induced and charged particle-induced reaction pathways for the production of emerging novel therapeutic and diagnostic radionuclides, with high specific activity.

Other research includes:

Development of intense mono-energetic neutron source capabilities for production of novel therapeutic radionuclides.

Evaluation of solid debris collection diagnostics in search of evidence of nuclear-plasma interactions, at Osaka University Institute for Laser Engineering, Osaka, Japan.

University of Utah

Salt Lake City, Utah

Undergraduate Researcher, Nuclear Engineering

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 2nd 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

High School Researcher, Physics

May, 2008 - January, 2009

Investigated and modeled specific heat capacity anomalies of liquid crystals, namely, the 4'-octyl-4- biphenyl-carbonitrile molecule, 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

August - December, 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.

• NE 101 / 210M Nuclear Reactions and Radiation, Fall 2015.

University of Utah

Salt Lake City, Utah

National Science Foundation Outreach Mentor

January - May, 2013

Mentored students and fielded questions on coursework & exam preparation through the semester, with twice weekly and by-appointment office hours. Led weekly challenge exercises for students.

• CH EN 2300 Thermodynamics I, Spring 2013.

Teaching Assistant

August - December, 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.

• NUCL 3000 / 5030 Nuclear Principles in Engineering, Fall 2011.

Professional Experience

Freelance Programmer

April, 2012 - Present

Developed Android applications, and ported existing C++ applications for Android devices.

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 careers.

Professional Service

American Nuclear Society

• Program Chair, Northern California Section

- since 2016

• Executive Committee, Northern California Section

- since 2016

• Webmaster, Utah Student Section

2011 - 2013

SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

Andrew S. Voyles, Lee A. Bernstein, Eva R. Birnbaum, Jonathan W. Engle, Stephen A. Graves, Toshihiko Kawano, Amanda M. Lewis, and Francois M. Nortier, *Measurement of nuclear excitation functions for proton induced reactions* $(E_p = 40-90 \ MeV)$ on natural Nb. Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research B, (Submitted 2018).

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* ⁴⁰Ar/³⁹Ar geochronology. Nuclear Instruments and Methods in Physics Research A, (Submitted 2018).

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* ⁶⁴Zn, ⁴⁷Ti(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. http://dx.doi.org/10.1016/j.nimb. 2017.08.021

CONTRIBUTED TALKS

A.S. Voyles, "Isotope production cross section measurements at the HFNG, LANL-IPF, and LBNL." $14^{\rm th}$ Nordic Meeting on Nuclear Physics, Longyearbyen, Norway. ??? 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 ^{nat}Fe(p,αn)." 6th 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 2016 (CSEWG), Upton, NY. 14 November 2016.
- A.S. Voyles, "⁶⁴Cu and ⁴⁷Sc (n,p) Cross-Section Measurements for Medical Radionuclide Production." 16th International Workshop on Targetry and Target Chemistry, Santa Fe, NM. 30 August 2016.
- A.S. Voyles, "Neutron Cross-Sections for Radionuclide Production." 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." 2nd 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

Computer Skills

Languages Java, C/C++, Python

Tools git, MATLAB, Mathematica, Maple, LATEX, Arduino, shell, bash,

SQLite, COMSOL Multiphysics, Aspen, ANSYS Fluent

Nuclear Software EXFOR, GEANT4, MCNP/MCNPX radiation simulation codes

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).
- ¹H and ¹³C NMR, IR characterization and analysis, chromatography.
- Organic laboratory synthesis and purification techniques.

Professional
Society
Memberships

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

Honors and Awards

University of California, Berkeley	
• Department of Nuclear Engineering Outstanding Service Award	2016
• Nuclear Regulatory Commission Graduate Fellowship	- since 2015
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
• College of Science Dean's Scholarship, University of Utah	2010
International Baccalaureate Diploma Recipient	July, 2009
Finalist: Intel International Science and Engineering Fair	May, 2009
3 rd Place: Florida State Science Fair	April, 2009