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# **Employment**

## Norwegian University of Science and Technology (NTNU) (2019 - Present)

Trondheim, Norway

Researcher in Computational Materials Design

Themes: Battery materials, ferroelectrics/multiferroics, solar cells, novel inorganic/organic functional materials Functional Materials Chemistry Research Group (FACET)

Advisors: Prof. Tor Grande & Prof. Sverre M. Selbach

#### University College London (2018 - 2019)

London, United Kingdom

Research Associate in Computational Materials Design

Scanlon Materials Theory Group Advisor: Prof. David O. Scanlon

#### University Education

### University College London (2014 - 2018)

London, United Kingdom

MPhil/PhD in Computational Inorganic Materials Chemistry – no corrections

Thesis title: Understanding the Electronic and Thermodynamic Properties of Wide Band Gap Materials

Supervisor: Prof. David O. Scanlon; Secondary Supervisor: Prof. Claire J. Carmalt

## University College London (2010 - 2014)

London, United Kingdom

MSci in Chemistry – 1<sup>st</sup> Class Honours

MSci dissertation title: Computational Design of Next-Generation p-Type Semiconductors

Supervisor: Prof. David O. Scanlon

## Peer Reviewed Publications

As of July 2024:

Total Citations: 1252 (since 2017)

h-index: 18

(In reverse chronological order)

32. Doping Implications of Li-ion Solid State Electrolyte Li<sub>7</sub>La<sub>3</sub>Zr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>12</sub>

K. Eggestad, S. M. Selbach, and B.A.D. Williamson, J. Mater. Chem. A, Advance Article, (2024)

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Work selected as one of the Journal of Materials Chemistry A HOT Papers 2024

- 31. On the solubility of Bi in tetragonal tungsten bronzes
  - C. R. Zeiger; **B.A.D. Williamson**; J. Walker, M.-A. Einarsrud, T. Grande. *J. Euro. Ceram. Soc.*, 44, 6, 3723-3733 (2024)

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30. The effect of cation size on structure and properties of Ba-based tetragonal tungsten bronzes  $Ba_4M_2Nb_{10}O_{30}$  (M = Na, K or Rb) and  $Ba_4M_2Nb_8Ti_2O_{30}$  (M = Ca or Sr)

N. S. Løndal; **B.A.D. Williamson**; J. Walker, M.-A. Einarsrud, T. Grande. *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.*, 26, 3350-3366 (2024)

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29. Oxygen absorption in nanocrystalline h-RMnO<sub>3</sub> (R=Y, Ho, Dy) and the effect of Ti donor doping F. Danmo; **B.A.D. Williamson**; D. Småbråten, N. Gaukås, E.R. Østli, T. Grande; J. Glaum; S. Selbach; *Chem. Mater*, 34, 15,5764-5776 (2023) DOI: 10.1021/acs.chemmater.3c00189

- 28. Multi-Phase Sputtered TiO<sub>2</sub>-Induced Current–Voltage Distortion in Sb<sub>2</sub>Se<sub>3</sub> Solar Cells C.H. Don, T.P. Shalvey, M.J. Smiles, L. Thomas, L.J. Phillips, T.D.C. Hobson, H. Finch, L.A.H. Jones, J.E.N. Swallow, N. Fleck, C. Markwell, P.K. Thakur, T.-L. Lee, D. Biswas, L. Bowen, B.A.D. Williamson, D.O. Scanlon, V.R. Dhanak, K. Durose, T.D. Veal, J.D. Major; Adv. Mater. Int., 2300238 (2023) DOI: 10.1002/admi.202300238
- 27. High-throughput calculations of charged point defect properties with semi-local density functional theory performance benchmarks for materials screening applications
  D. Broberg, K. Bystrom, S. Srivastava, D. Dahliah, B.A.D. Williamson, L. Weston, D. O. Scanlon, G.-M. Rignanese, S. Dwaraknath, J. Varley, K. A. Persson, M. Asta, G. Hautier; npj Comp. Mater., 9, 1, 72 (2023) DOI: 10.17188/mpcontribs/1907859
- 26. Tuning the Thermoelectric Performance of  $CaMnO_3$ -based ceramics by controlled exsolution and microstructuring

N. Kanas, **B.A.D. Willamson**, F. Steinbach, R. Hinterding, M-A. Einarsrud, S.M. Selbach, A. Feldhoff and K. Wiik; *ACS Appl. Energy Mater.*, 5, 10, 12396–12407 (2022) DOI: 10.1021/acsaem.2c02012

25. Computational Prediction and Experimental Realisation of Earth Abundant Transparent Conducting Oxide Gadoped ZnSb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub>

A. J. Jackson, B. J. Parrett, J. Willis, A. M. Ganose, W. W. W. Leung, **B.A.D. Willamson**, Y. Liu, T. K. Kim, M. Hoesch, L. Ishibe-Veiga, R. Kalra, J. Neu, C. A. Schmuttenmaer, T.-L. Lee, A. Regoutz, T. D. Veal, R. G. Palgrave, R. Perry and D. O. Scanlon; *ACS Energy Lett.* 2022, 7, XXX, 3807–3816, (2022) DOI: 10.1021/acsenergylett.2c01961

- 24. *Mesophase transition in* [(C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub>)N][FeBrCl<sub>3</sub>] *and* [(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>N][FeBrCl<sub>3</sub>] *ferroic plastic crystals*J. Walker, K. P. Marshall, **B.A.D. Willamson**, J.S. Beceiro, N. S. Løndal, S. M. Selbach, S. C. Garcia, D. Chernyshov, M-A. Einarsrud; *Chem. Mater.*, 34, 6, 2585-2598, (2022)
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- 23. Investigation of factors affecting the stability of compounds formed by isovalent substitution in layered oxychalcogenides, leading to identification of  $Ba_3Sc_2O_5Cu_2Se_2$ ,  $Ba_3Y_2O_5Cu_2S_2$ ,  $Ba_3Sc_2O_5Ag_2Se_2$  and  $Ba_3In_2O_5Ag_2Se_2$

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- 21. BaBi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub>: A Promising n-Type Thermoelectric Oxide with the PbSb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>6</sub> Crystal Structure K.B. Spooner, A.M. Ganose, W.W.W.Leung, J.Buckeridge, **B.A.D. Williamson**, R.G. Palgrave, and D.O. Scanlon, Chem. Mater., https://pubs.acs.org/doi/10.1021/acs.jpcc.0c11592pted, 33, 7441, (2021) DOI: 10.1021/acs.chemmater.1c02164

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G. Limburn, M. Štephens, **B.A.D. Williamson**, A. Iborra-Torres, D.O. Scanlon and G. Hyett; *J. Mater. Chem. A*, 8, 19887-19897 (2020)

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B.A.D. Williamson, G.J. Limburn, G. Hyett, G. W. Watson and D.O. Scanlon; *Matter, Cell Press*, 3,3, 759-781 (2020)

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13. Dispelling the Myth of Passivated Codoping in TiO<sub>2</sub>

**B.A.D. Williamson**, J. Buckeridge, N.P. Chadwick, S. Sathasivam, C.J. Carmalt, I.P. Parkin and D.O. Scanlon; *Chem. Mater.*, 31 (7), 2577-2589 (2019)

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12. Origin of High-Efficiency Photoelectrochemical Water Splitting on Hematite/Functional Nanohybrid Metal Oxide Overlayer Photoanode after a Low Temperature Inert Gas Annealing Treatment

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11. Phosphorus Doped SnO<sub>2</sub> Thin Films for Transparent Conducting Oxide Applications: Synthesis, Optoelectronic Properties and Computational Models

M.J. Powell, **B.A.D. Williamson**, S-Y. Baek, J. Manzi, D. Potter, D.O. Scanlon and C.J. Carmalt; *Chem. Sci.*, 9 (41), 7968-7980 (2018)

DOI: 10.1039/C8SC02152J

10. Enhanced Electrical Properties of Antimony Doped Tin Oxide Thin Films Deposited via Aerosol Assisted Chemical Vapour Deposition

S. Ponja, B.A.D. Williamson, S. Sathasivam, D.O. Scanlon, I.P. Parkin, C.J. Carmalt; J. Mater. Chem. C, 6,

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A. Regoutz, M. Mascheck, T. Wiell, S.K. Eriksson, C. Liljenberg, K. Tetzner, B.A.D. Williamson, D. O. Scanlon and P. Palmgren: Rev. Sci. Inst., 89 (7), 073105 (2018)

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M. Quesada-Gonzalez, B.A.D. Williamson, C. Sotelo-Vazquez, A. Kafizas, N.D. Boscher, R. Quesada-Cabrera, D.O. Scanlon, C.J. Carmalt, I.P. Parkin; J. Phys. Chem. C, 122 (1), 714-726 (2018) DOI: 10.1021/acs.jpcc.7b11142

6. Self-Compensation in Transparent Conducting F-Doped SnO<sub>2</sub>

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4. Computational and Experimental Study of Ta<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> Thin Films

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In Submission

3. Mobile Point Defects for Conductive and Memristive Domain Walls in ABO<sub>3</sub> K. Eggestad, B.A.D. Williamson, and S. M. Selbach, in submission

- 2. Resonant XX Doping for High-Mobility In<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-Based Conductors with Enhanced Near-Infrared Transparency T. J. Featherstone, J. Willis, J.E.N. Swallow, B.A.D. Williamson, L.A.H. Jones, T.-Li. Lee, P.K. Thakur, G.W. Watson, T. Koida, D.O. Scanlon, and T.D. Veal; in submission
- 1. Effect of pseudo-cubic (111)-oriented orthorhombic substrate facets on perovskite oxide thin film synthesis K. Kjærnes, T. Bolstad, D.M. Evans, E. Lysne, B.A.D. Williamson, D. Meier, S.M. Selbach, T. Tybell; in submission

6 additional publications are currently in preparation

## Conference Presentations

- 1. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: Computational Analysis of a Promising Earth Abundant, Stable, Lithium Solid Electrolyte., MRS Spring, Seattle, USA 2024 Talk
- 2. *Invited*: B.A.D Williamson: *Approaches to Overcoming the Challenges of Ab Initio Prediction of Functional Plastic Crystals.*, NMBU Advancing Functional Molecular Matter , NMBU, Ås, Norway 2024 Talk
- 3. Contributed: B.A.D. Williamson First Principles Insights into Phase Transitions, Disorder and Electronic Properties of Lead-Free Ba-based Tetragonal Tungsten Bronzes., IMF Ferroelectrics, Tel Aviv, Israel 2023 Talk
- 4. Contributed: B.A.D. Williamson Can we Utilise Phonons to Enhance Li-ion Diffusion?, MRS Fall Meeting, Boston, USA 2022 Talk
- 5. Contributed: B.A.D. Williamson *The Underlying Mechanisms of Ultrahigh Mobility in Bi*<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>Se using Self-Consistent GW Method, MRS Spring Meeting, Honolulu, USA 2022 –Talk
- 6. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: Computational discovery of an earth abundant, stable Li solid electrolyte, FACET Sustainability Workshop, Trondheim, Norway 2021 Talk
- 7. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: Computational discovery of an earth abundant, stable Li solid electrolyte, FACET Sustainability Workshop, Trondheim, Norway 2021 Talk
- 8. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: Computational Insights into Li diffusion in Solid State Electrolytes, 7th Inorganic and Materials Norsk Kjemisk Selskap (NKS) Meeting, Værnes, Norway 2020 Talk
- 9. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: Resonant Doping for High Mobility Transparent Conductors: The Case of Mo-doped  $In_2O_3$ , 11th Petite Workshop on defects in energy materials; Sommarøy, Norway 2019 Talk
- 10. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: Computationally Aided Discovery of Layered Quinary Oxychalcogenide p-type Transparent Conductor, Workshop For Atomistic Modelling; Trondheim, Norway 2019 Poster
- 11. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: *Dispelling the Myth of Passivated Codoping in TiO*<sub>2</sub>, MRS Fall Meeting; Boston US, 2018 Talk
- 12. Contributed: B.A.D.Williamson: Computationally Aided Discovery of Layered Quinary Oxychalcogenide ptype Transparent Conductors, MRS Fall Meeting; Boston US, 2018 – Poster Winner of the ICDD prize for materials characterisation
- 13. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: Doubled Conductivity in Transparent Conducting In<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> Through Novel Dopant Design, MMM Hub; Thomas Young Centre, London, UK, 2018 Poster
- 14. *Invited*: B.A.D Williamson: *Doubled Conductivity in Transparent Conducting In*<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> *Through Novel Dopant Design*, MCC 3rd Conference, Lincoln UK, 2018 Talk
- 15. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: *Doubled Conductivity in Transparent Conducting In*<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> *Through Novel Dopant Design*, Gordon Research Conference; Defects In Semiconductors, Colby-Sawyer College, New Hampshire, US, 2018 Poster
- 16. *Invited*: B.A.D Williamson: *Beyond Conventional Doping in SnO*<sub>2</sub>, Thomas Young Centre, London UK, 2017 Talk
- 17. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: *Beyond Conventional Doping in SnO*<sub>2</sub>, E-MRS; Spring Meeting, Strasbourg France, 2017 Poster
- 18. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: Engineering Valence Band Dispersion For High-Mobility p-type Semiconductors, E-MRS; Spring Meeting, Strasbourg France, 2017 Talk
- 19. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: Engineering Valence Band Dispersion For High-Mobility p-type Semiconductors, MRS Fall Meeting; Boston US, 2016 Poster
- 20. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: Engineering Valence Band Dispersion For High-Mobility p-type Semiconductors, SSCG Christmas Meeting; Canterbury UK, 2015 Poster

#### Industrial Collaborations

2023 – Present Hydro (www.hydro.com) 2021 – Present: Equinor (www.equinor.com)

> Northern Lights (www.northernlightsccs.com) Total Energies (www.totalenergies.com)

Shell (www.shell.com)

2014 – 2019: Pilkingtons NSG Group (www.pilkington.com)

# **Teaching**

2022 – Present: Co-supervisor to 3 PhD students

2019 – Present: Proposed and supervised 7 final year Masters research projects at NTNU 2021: Lecturer of Masters Course "TMT4245 Functional Materials" at NTNU

2014 – 2019: Supervised 6 final year MSci research projects at UCL 2014 – 2019: Demonstrated in 1<sup>st</sup> year workshops (CHEM1004)

2018 – 2019: Tutor in 1<sup>st</sup> year inorganic chemistry courses at UCL (CHEM1101 and CHEM0013)

## Computational Competance

UNIX/BASH/ZSH proficiency: high

Python proficiency: high LaTEX proficiency: high VASP proficiency: high

Adobe Creative Cloud proficiency: high

## Other Experience

2022 - Present: Website, design, and general IT responsibility for the FACET group, NTNU

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