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Employment

University College London (2018 - Present)

PDRA in Computational Materials Design Scanlon Materials Theory Group Advisor: Prof. David O. Scanlon

Education

University College London (2014 - 2018)

PhD in Computational Inorganic Materials Chemistry

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)

MSci in Chemistry – 1st Class Honours

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

Supervisor: Prof. David O. Scanlon

BSc dissertation title: Z-Schemes for Photocatalytic Water Splitting

Supervisor: Prof. Furio Cora

The King's School, Rochester (2005 - 2010)

A-levels: Chemistry (A), Maths (B), Music: (B), Art (A)

9 GCSEs: Grade A*- B

Music Scholar, Academic Scholar and Prefect

Westminster Abbey Choir School (2000 - 2005)

Publications

- Computationally Driven Discovery of Layered Quinary Oxychalcogendide p-Type Transparent Conductors B.A.D. Williamson, G.J. Limburn, G. Hyett and D.O. Scanlon; ChemRxiv (2018) DOI: chemrxiv.7078205
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- 8. *Self-Compensation in Transparent Conducting F-Doped SnO*₂; J.E.N. Swallow, **B.A.D. Williamson**, T.J. Whittles, M. Birkett, T.J. Featherstone, N. Peng, A. Abbott, M. Farnworth, K.J. Cheetham, P. Warren, D.O. Scanlon, V.R. Dhanak, T.D.Veal; *Adv. Funct. Mater.*, 1701900 (2017) DOI: 10.1002/adfm.201701900
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- Transparent Conducting n-type ZnO:Sc Synthesis, Optoelectronic Properties and Theoretical Insight;
 S.C. Dixon, S. Sathasivam, B.A.D. Williamson, D.O. Scanlon, C.J. Carmalt, I.P. Parkin; J. Mater. Chem. C,
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- 12. Engineering Valence Band Dispersion for High Mobility p-Type Semiconductors; **B.A.D. Williamson**, J. Buckeridge, J. Brown, S. Ansbro, R.G. Palgrave, D.O. Scanlon; *Chem. Mater.*, 29 (6), 2402-2413 (2017) DOI: 10.1021/acs.chemmater.6b03306
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 S. Sathasivam, B.A.D. Williamson, D. Pugh, S.M. Bawaked, S.N. Basahel, A.Y. Obaid, D.O. Scanlon, I.P. Parkin, C.J. Carmalt; J. Mater. Chem. C, 4, 6761-6768 (2016)
 DOI: 10.1039/C6TC02293F

Conference Presentations

- 1. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: *Dispelling the Myth of Passivated Codoping in TiO*₂, MRS Fall Meeting; Boston US, 2018 Oral
- 2. Contributed: B.A.D.Williamson: Computationally Aided Discovery of Layered Quinary Oxychalcogenide p-type Transparent Conductors, MRS Fall Meeting; Boston US, 2018 Poster Winner of the ICDD prize for materials characterisation
- 3. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: *Doubled Conductivity in Transparent Conducting In*₂O₃ *Through Novel Dopant Design*, MMM Hub; Thomas Young Centre, London, UK, 2018 Poster
- 4. Invited: B.A.D Williamson: *Doubled Conductivity in Transparent Conducting In*₂*O*₃ *Through Novel Dopant Design*, MCC 3rd Conference, Lincoln UK, 2018 Oral

- Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: Doubled Conductivity in Transparent Conducting In₂O₃ Through Novel Dopant Design, Gordon Research Conference; Defects In Semiconductors, Colby-Sawyer College, New Hampshire, US, 2018 – Poster
- 6. Invited: B.A.D Williamson: *Beyond Conventional Doping in SnO*₂, Thomas Young Centre, London UK, 2017 Oral
- 7. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: *Beyond Conventional Doping in SnO*₂, E-MRS; Spring Meeting, Strasbourg France, 2017 Poster
- 8. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: *Engineering Valence Band Dispersion For High-Mobility p-type Semiconductors*, E-MRS; Spring Meeting, Strasbourg France, 2017 Oral
- 9. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: *Engineering Valence Band Dispersion For High-Mobility p-type Semiconductors*, MRS Fall Meeting; Boston US, 2016 Poster
- 10. Contributed: B.A.D Williamson: *Engineering Valence Band Dispersion For High-Mobility p-type Semiconductors*, SSCG Christmas Meeting; Canterbury UK, 2015 Poster

Teaching

2014 - present: Supervised final year MSci research projects at UCL

2014 - present: Demonstrated in 1st year undergraduate workshops

2018 - present: Tutor in 1st year undergraduate inorganic chemistry course at UCL

Other Skills and Interests

Considerable experience in the Unix command line as well as in Bash and Python.

Experienced use with the ab-initio codes: VASP and Questaal.

Proficient experience in using the LTFX typesetting system as well as with the Microsoft Office suite.

Active committee member of the University of London Chamber Choir (2010 - present)

Keen interests in cycling, hill walking, classical music, literature and technology.

References

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