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U.S. Citizen

Spring 2018

Spring 2007

Fall 2013

EDUCATION

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT

AUSTIN

Ph.D. in Civil Engineering

M.S. in Environmental Engineering

Advisor: Mary Jo Kirisits

Areas of focus:

Microbiology

Systems biology

Bioin formatics

Statistical modeling

Nanoparticle fate and

toxicology

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT

AUSTIN

B.S. in Biochemistry

PUBLICATIONS

^{*}denotes undergraduate mentee

PREPARATION

Chambers, B. A., Hofmann, H., Kirisits, M. J., Silver and silver nanoparticles cause and select for antibiotic resistance in *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. Manuscript in preparation for Proceedings of the National Academy of Science

Chambers, B. A., D'Alton, S., *Smith, S. K., Kirisits, M. J., A molecular biological model for the surface attachment action of silver nanoparticles. *Manuscript in preparation for American Chemical Society Nano*Chambers, B. A., Sabaraya, I. V., Saleh, N.B., Kirisits, M. J. Cohort adoption: The effect of a four-year pre-college STEM outreach program. *Manuscript in preparation for the Journal of Science Education and Technology*

CIRCULATION

Chambers, B. A. A molecular biological model describing silver nanoparticle mechanisms of toxicity and associated antibiotic resistance. Dissertation Published by The University of Texas at Austin. 2018
Saleh, N. B., Chambers, B. A., Aich N. Kirisits, M. J. Mechanistic lessons learned from studies of planktonic bacteria with metallic nanomaterials: implications for interactions between nanomaterials and biofilm bacteria, Frontiers in Microbiology. 2015

Chambers, B. A., Afrooz A. R. M. N., Bae S., Aich N., Katz, L. E., Saleh N. B., Kirisits, M. J. Effects of Chloride and Ionic Strength on Physical Morphology, Dissolution, and Bacterial Toxicity of Silver Nanoparticles. *Environmental Science and Technology.* **2014** *48* (1) 761-769. DOI: 10.1021/es403969x.

Saleh, N. B., Aich, N., **Chambers, B. A.**, Afrooz, A. R. M., Kirisits, M. J. Influence of tin doping on environmental interactions of nano indium oxides in aqueous systems. *Abstracts of Papers of the American Chemical Society*. **2014**

C.B. Mendez, S. Bae, **B. A. Chambers**, S. Fakhreddine, T. Gloyna, S. Keithley, L. Untung, M.E. Barrett, K. Kinney, and M. J. Kirisits, Effect of Roof Material on Water Quality for Rainwater Harvesting Systems Additional Physical, Chemical, and Microbiological Data. *Texas Water Development Board* **2010**

PRESENTATIONS

Landsman M. R., Chambers B.A., Kirisits M. J., Contaminant transport in an Austin Urban Watershed: approaches to isolate human influence. Waller Creek Consortium. Austin Texas, May 2019

Chambers B. A., Smith, S. K., Kirisits M. J., Silver nanoparticles induce antibiotic resistance in *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*. American Chemical Society National Meeting, New Orleans March 18-22, 2018

Chambers B. A., Smith S. K., Kirisits M. J., Resistance is not futile: Metals generate antibiotic resistance in engineered systems. Sustainability Conference. University of Texas, November 8-11, 2016

Chambers B. A., Kirisits M. J., Antibiotic resistance consequences of silver nanoparticle use. Gordon Microbial Stress Response. Mount Holyoke, July 17 -26, 2016

Chambers B. A., Kirisits, M, Chloride drive low fractal dimension silver nanoparticle formation, controlling toxicity and stress response. University of Texas, March 20, 2014

Chambers B. A., Katz L. E., Kirisits M. J., Chloride concentrations and ionic strength impact the toxicity and stability of silver nanoparticles in bacterial exposure media. 87th American Chemical Society Colloid and Surface Science Symposium. University of California Riverside, June 23-June 26, 2013

Chambers B., Nguyen H. Kirisits, M.J. Microarray Analysis of Nanosilver Tolerance Strategies in *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Escherichia coli*. Environmental Nanotechnology Gordon Conference, 2011, Waterville Valley, NH. Poster Presentation.

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOW, AUSTIN TEXAS

- bioinformatics and modeling training program a
- modeled urban watershed contaminant
- characterized long-term evolution to metal stress

PHARMAFORM L.L.C., AUSTIN TEXAS

Research and

Development Scientist II

- designed new drug
- formulations
- modeled chemical interaction during processing
- Analytical Chemist II
- created methods to analyze new drug products

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- AUSTIN TEXAS
 characterized novel antibiotic biosynthesis
- protein isolation
- clonal engineering

2019-2018

2009-2008

2007

2006-2004

PROFESSIONAL SKILLS

Lab: bioinformatics, transcriptomics, metagenomics, proteomics, RNA and DNA, mutational analysis, microbiology, network analysis, nanosynthesis, biofilm formation, various microscopy including phase contrast and SEM, various analytical chemistry techniques including HPLC, GC, NFIR Spectroscopy, AA-ICP Spectroscopy

Various informatics tools including: InParanoid, BioConductor, BowTie, Qiime and Qiime2, DESeq2

Programing: R, Matlab, Fortran, some Python, MinTeq/MinEQ

Languages: English – native, Spanish – conversational, Danish – intermediate

OUTREACH LEADERSHIP ROLES

ENGINEERS WITHOUT 2015-2014 BORDERS, UNIVERSITY OF 2014-2011 TEXAS CHAPTER 2014-2011 Professional mentor 2014 - 2011Filter design team leader 2017, 2016ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING OUTREACH PROGRAM AT SAN JUAN DIEGO HIGH SCHOOL Program coordinator OFF ROAD SCIENCE WITH THE ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE INSTITUTE Hot Science Cool Talks pre-lecture demo coordinator INTRODUCE A GIRL TO

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

ENGINEERING DAY Exhibit operator

CLUBES DE CIENCIAS,		January 2015
UNIVERSITY OF GUANAJUATO,		2016, 2017
MEXICO		2017
From trash to treasure:		2016
Using bacteria to power		2015
the future		2015
Self-written course		2014
THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT		2011, 2013
AUSTIN	2015	
Scientific Inquiry Across	_010	2014
the Disciplines		2011
Stuart Reichler and		2010
Self-written		2006
Cell Biology		2005
Arturo De Lozanne and		2000
Self-written		
Introduction to		
Environmental		
Engineering		
Mary Jo Kirisits		
Hydraulic Engineering		
John Burgin		
Microbiology		
Pratibha Saxena		
Marvin Whiteley		
Mary Jo Kirisits		
Molecular Biology		
Scott Stevens		
Ellen Gottlieb		
Mary Jo Kirisits		
General Engineering		
Chemistry		
Self-written course		
Organic Chemistry and		
Biochemistry for Nursing		
Students		
$Fatima\ Fahkreddine$		
General Chemistry		
Sarah Sutcliffe		
Average rating: 4.57 out of 5		
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WORKSHOPS AND CERTIFICATES

TRANSLATING GRADUATE

NANO-EXPERIENCE TO AN

ACADEMIC CAREER:

INTEGRATING SOCIAL ASPECTS

IN ENGINEERING EDUCATION THROUGH ACTIVE LEARNING

Active learning

certification program

INTERDISCIPLINARY

EDUCATION CERTIFICATE

School of Undergraduate

Education, University of

Texas at Austin

AWARDS

Ben D. Geeslin Endowed Presidential 2017-2015, 2013

Scholarship 2017, 2016

Kolodzey Travel Grant 2016

American Water Works Association 2015 Scholarship 2015-2014

University of Texas at Austin Legacy 2014

Fellowship 2012-2011

Earnest Gloyna Presidential

Scholarship

Texas American Water Works

Association Fellowship

Gus Fruh Memorial Fellowship

GRADUATE MENTEES

Sierra Jensen M.S. Environmental Engineering Expected 2019

October 2016

Fall 2016

UNDERGRADUATE MENTEES

Eddalee Hochwalt Naumann	B.S. Chemical Engineering Expected
Alison Zamsky	2020
Savanna K. Smith	B.S. Environmental Engineering
Able Ingle	Expected 2020
$Anvita\ Jain$	B.S. Civil Engineering Expected 2019
Kathleen L. Speights	B.S. Civil Engineering 2017
	B.S. Civil Engineering 2015
	B.S. Chemical Engineering 2014

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Water Works Association American Chemical Society

PERSONAL

Bicycle touring, hiking/camping, Language and history enthusiast, swing dancing