Connor Briggs

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Statement

Chemistry graduate from Virginia Tech with five years scientific research experience. Looking for a position as a process chemist. Work well in a fast-paced environment. Strong work ethic with a positive attitude. Great attention to detail. Collaborative, but can also work independently. Flexibility to adapt to any environment.

Education

08/2017 - B.S. in Chemistry, Mathematics Minor, Virginia Polytechnic Institute and 05/2022 State University (Virginia Tech), Blacksburg, VA, 24060, GPA: 2.75.

> Completed a bachelor's degree in chemistry. While taking classes, I also worked with Dr. Daniel Crawford's research group to conduct research, where I contributed to the publication of one paper, and wrote thousands of lines of code. I also learned the importance of confidentiality in science.

08/2013 - **High School Diploma**, Shippensburg Area Senior High School, Shippensburg, 05/2017 PA, 17257.

Skills

- Organic Chemistry
- Laboratory Equipment
- Analytical Chemistry
- Plating
- Laboratory Housekeeping
- Prototype Design
- Team Building
- Interpersonal Skills
- Microsoft Office Suite
- Iridium Chemistry
- Catalytic Chemistry
- Data Management and Interpretation Lab Maintenance

- X-ray Spectroscopy
- Platinum Group Metal Chemistry
- Instrumental Analysis
- Statistical Process Control
- Written Communications
- Laboratory Instrumentation
- Performing Experiments
- Attention to Detail
- Scientific Communication
- Sample Preparation and Testing
- Analysis Techniques

Work Experience

05/2022 - Student Researcher, Virginia Tech, Blacksburg, VA, 24061.

07/2022Led an individual research project under the supervision of Dr. Joseph Merola. Performed over 20 reactions and investigated the ring-opening reactions of several different substituted thiophenes. The study investigated over 10 different rings, and involved the synthesis of a common iridium catalyst.

05/2018 - Salesperson, Sheetz, Shippensburg, PA, 17257.

07/2021 Worked as a cashier, serving hundreds of customers daily. Also spent some time as a line cook, with high order accuracy and speed, rarely dipping below a success rate of 60%.

Awards

07/2022 ACS Undergraduate Award in Inorganic Chemistry, ACS Division of Inorganic Chemistry.

This award is given to undergraduate students who display excellence in inorganic chemistry, especially through research and coursework.

Projects

05/2022 - Thiophene Ring Insertions, Virginia Tech.

07/2022 In this project, I performed experiments to deduce the mechanics of a ring insertion reaction between tris(trimethylphosphine)(1,5-cyclooctadiene)iridium(I) chloride and several thiophene derivatives.

Selected Publications

Benjamin G. Peyton, Connor Briggs, Ruhee D'Cunha, Johannes T. Margraf, and T. Daniel Crawford. Machine-learning coupled cluster properties through a density tensor representation. *The Journal of Physical Chemistry A*, 124(23):4861–4871, 2020. PMID: 32412756.