

## Work experience

- 2024-2025 **Visiting researcher**, *European Synchrotron Radiation Facility*, Grenoble, France  
Complex and biomedical sciences group, ID10 beamline
- Support of external facility users from industrial and public research
  - Validation of structural parameters of long-lasting antimicrobial coatings
- 2021-2024 **Doctoral researcher**, *European Synchrotron Radiation Facility*, Grenoble, France  
Complex and biomedical sciences group, ID10 beamline
- Project: Optimising antimicrobial longevity and residuality of polymer-surfactant films
  - I have planned and executed experiments to establish the composition-structure relationship in polymer-surfactant mixtures in aqueous solution and on the interfaces using X-ray, neutron and light scattering. Project included a 2 month industrial placement at Procter & Gamble Research UK (Newcastle upon Tyne).
  - Supervisor: Dr. Oleg Konovalov, ESRF, konovalo@esrf.fr;  
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Wuge H. Briscoe, University of Bristol, wuge.briscoe@bristol.ac.uk
- 2018-2021 **Research Associate, Laboratory manager**, *Moscow State University*, Moscow, Russia  
Laboratory of functional organic and hybrid polymer systems
- Project: Investigation of biomimetic bottlebrush polymers using *in situ* X-ray scattering
  - This project was focused on deducing the structure-property connection in bottlebrush-like block copolymers with various architectures. We have gained mechanistic insight into the unique mechanical properties of the bottlebrush copolymers, using a combination of X-ray scattering and thermal analysis, including ultra fast scanning calorimetry
  - Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Dmitry Ivanov, IS2M Mulhouse, dimitri.ivanov@uha.fr

## Education

- 2021-2025 **PhD in Chemistry**, *University of Bristol*, Bristol, England  
Thesis: Polymer-surfactant complexation: connecting solution structure and interfacial properties
- 2019-2021 **Master of Science**, *Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology*, Moscow, Russia  
School of Electronics, Photonics and Molecular Physics, degree with honours
- 2015-2019 **Bachelor of Science**, *Moscow Institute of Physics and Technology*, Moscow, Russia  
Department of Molecular and Chemical Physics, degree with honours

## Skills

- Language English (C2), French (B2), German (B1), Russian (native)
- Keywords X-ray scattering, polymers, soft matter physics, self-assembly
- ORCID 0000-0001-5609-7794
- Computing Python, Linux,  $\text{\LaTeX}$
- GitHub chelberseker

## Conference presentations

2024 Tuning weak polymer-surfactant interaction in solution and surface confined mesophase  
Conference of European Colloids and Interface Society; Copenhagen, Denmark; Oral presentation

2024 Surface-confined polymer-surfactant complexes: highlighting hydrophobic interaction  
Surface X-ray and Neutron Scattering conference; Grenoble, France; Oral presentation

2024 Aggregation of hydrophobically modified polymer with anionic surfactant: solution structure  
Early Career Colloids conference; London, England; Oral presentation

2023 Polymer-surfactant interaction: connection between confinement and bulk  
ESRF Science and Student days; Val Cenis, France; Oral presentation

2023 Polymer-surfactant interaction: connection between confinement and bulk  
Conference of European Colloids and Interface Society; Naples, Italy; Poster presentation

2023 Surface-confined polymer-surfactant mesophase beyond lamellar  
M4 Colloids conference; Cardiff, Wales; Oral presentation

2019 Structural study of super-soft bottlebrush polymers using X-ray scattering  
ANAM-2019 Conference; Yerevan, Armenia; Oral presentation

## Publication list

1. Bersenev, E. A., Gutfreund, P., Rein, V., Chumakov, A., Konovalov, O. V. & Briscoe, W. H. Humidity induced structural transformation in self-organised polymer-surfactant multilayer nanofilms. *Langmuir* **41** (43), 29335–29345. <https://pubs.acs.org/doi/10.1021/acs.langmuir.5c04237> (Oct. 2025).
2. Bersenev, E. A., Matthews, L., Rein, V., Fong, R. J., Konovalov, O. V. & Briscoe, W. H. Balance of hydrophobic and electrostatic interaction of polymers and surfactants: Case of anionic surfactant and hydrophobically modified polymer. *Journal of Colloid and Interface Science* **693**, 137572. ISSN: 0021-9797. <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0021979725009634> (Sept. 2025).
3. Dashtimoghadam, E., Maw, M., Keith, A. N., Vashahi, F., Kempkes, V., Gordievskaya, Y. D., Kramarenko, E. Y., Bersenev, E. A., Nikitina, E. A., Ivanov, D. A., Tian, Y., Dobrynin, A. V., Vatankeh-Varnosfaderani, M. & Sheiko, S. S. Super-soft, firm, and strong elastomers toward replication of tissue viscoelastic response. en. *Materials Horizons* **9**. Publisher: The Royal Society of Chemistry, 3022–3030. ISSN: 2051-6355. <https://pubs.rsc.org/en/content/articlelanding/2022/mh/d2mh00844k> (Nov. 2022).
4. Bersenev, E. A., Nikitina, E. A., Dashtimoghadam, E., Sheiko, S. S. & Ivanov, D. A. Bottlebrush Elastomers with Crystallizable Side Chains: Monitoring Configuration of Polymer Backbones in the Amorphous Regions during Crystallization. *ACS Macro Letters* **11**. Publisher: American Chemical Society, 1085–1090. <https://doi.org/10.1021/acsmacrolett.2c00394> (Sept. 2022).
5. Maw, M., Morgan, B. J., Dashtimoghadam, E., Tian, Y., Bersenev, E. A., Maryasevskaya, A. V., Ivanov, D. A., Matyjaszewski, K., Dobrynin, A. V. & Sheiko, S. S. Brush Architecture and Network Elasticity: Path to the Design of Mechanically Diverse Elastomers. *Macromolecules* **55**. Publisher: American Chemical Society, 2940–2951. ISSN: 0024-9297. <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.macromol.2c00006> (Apr. 2022).
6. Lontos, G., Manesi, G.-M., Moutsios, I., Moschovas, D., Pirayez, A. A., Bersenev, E. A., Ivanov, D. A. & Avgeropoulos, A. Synthesis, Molecular Characterization, and Phase Behavior of Miktoarm Star Copolymers of the AB<sub>n</sub> and A<sub>n</sub>B (n = 2 or 3) Sequences, Where A Is Polystyrene and B Is Poly(dimethylsiloxane). *Macromolecules* **55**. Publisher: American Chemical Society, 88–99. ISSN: 0024-9297. <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.macromol.1c01863> (Jan. 2022).
7. Barinov, N. A., Tolstova, A. P., Bersenev, E. A., Ivanov, D. A., Dubrovin, E. V. & Klinov, D. V. Molecular patterns of oligopeptide hydrocarbons on graphite. *Colloids and Surfaces B: Biointerfaces* **206**, 111921. ISSN: 0927-7765. <https://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S0927776521003659> (Oct. 2021).
8. Christakopoulos, F., Bersenev, E., Grigorian, S., Brem, A., Ivanov, D. A., Tervoort, T. A. & Litvinov, V. Melting-Induced Evolution of Morphology, Entanglement Density, and Ultradrawability of Solution-Crystallized Ultrahigh-Molecular-Weight Polyethylene. *Macromolecules* **54**. Publisher: American Chemical Society, 5683–5693. ISSN: 0024-9297. <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.macromol.1c00667> (June 2021).
9. Miskaki, C., Moutsios, I., Manesi, G.-M., Artopiadis, K., Chang, C.-Y., Bersenev, E. A., Moschovas, D., Ivanov, D. A., Ho, R.-M. & Avgeropoulos, A. Self-Assembly of Low-Molecular-Weight Asymmetric Linear Triblock Terpolymers: How Low Can We Go? en. *Molecules* **25**. Number: 23 Publisher: Multidisciplinary Digital Publishing Institute, 5527. ISSN: 1420-3049. <https://www.mdpi.com/1420-3049/25/23/5527> (Jan. 2020).
10. Zhang, D., Dashtimoghadam, E., Fahimipour, F., Hu, X., Li, Q., Bersenev, E. A., Ivanov, D. A., Vatankeh-Varnoosfaderani, M. & Sheiko, S. S. Tissue-Adaptive Materials with Independently Regulated Modulus and Transition Temperature. en. *Advanced Materials* **32**, 2005314. ISSN: 1521-4095. <https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/abs/10.1002/adma.202005314> (2020).
11. Keith, A. N., Clair, C., Lallam, A., Bersenev, E. A., Ivanov, D. A., Tian, Y., Dobrynin, A. V. & Sheiko, S. S. Independently Tuning Elastomer Softness and Firmness by Incorporating Side Chain Mixtures into Bottlebrush Network Strands. *Macromolecules* **53**. Publisher: American Chemical Society, 9306–9312. ISSN: 0024-9297. <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.macromol.0c01725> (Nov. 2020).

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13. Illy, N., Urayeneza, D., Maryasevskaya, A. V., Michely, L., Boileau, S., Brissault, B., Bersenev, E. A., Anokhin, D. V., Ivanov, D. A. & Penelle, J. Synthesis and Solid-State Properties of PolyC3 (Co)polymers Containing (CH<sub>2</sub>–CH<sub>2</sub>–C(COOR)<sub>2</sub>) Repeat Units with Densely Packed Fluorocarbon Lateral Chains. *Macromolecules* **52**. Publisher: American Chemical Society, 9199–9207. ISSN: 0024-9297. <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.macromol.9b01559> (Dec. 2019).
14. Tarasov, A. E., Anokhin, D. V., Propad, Y. V., Bersenev, E. A., Razorenov, S. V., Garkushin, G. V. & Badamshina, E. R. Synergetic effect of fullerene and graphene oxide nanoparticles on mechanical characteristics of cross-linked polyurethanes under static and dynamic loading. en. *Journal of Composite Materials* **53**. Publisher: SAGE Publications Ltd STM, 3797–3805. ISSN: 0021-9983. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0021998319848077> (Nov. 2019).