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OBJECTIVE

Accelerated chemical discovery through pervasive use of novel software and automation techniques.

AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST

Automated design/discovery of tailor-made catalysts, biomimetic design of supramolecular systems, novel NMR techniques.

EDUCATION

Doctor of Philosophy Chemistry, <i>University of British Columbia</i> , Vancouver, Canada Supervisor: Prof. Mark MacLachlan	2011–2017
Bachelor of Science Electrical Engineering, <i>Sharif University of Technology</i> , Tehran, Iran Supervisor: Prof. Khashayar Mehrani	2005–2009

PUBLICATIONS

Formylation of phenols using formamidine acetate

Mehr, S. H. M.; Depmeier, H.; Fukuyama, K.; Maghami, M.; MacLachlan, M. J. *Org. Biomol. Chem.*, **2017**, 15, 581–583

Stabilization of a Strained Heteroradialene by Peripheral Electron Delocalization

Mehr, S. H. M.; Patrick, B. O.; MacLachlan, M. J. *Org. Lett.*, **2016**, 18 (8), 1840–1843

Deuteration of Aromatic Rings Under Very Mild Conditions Through Keto-Enamine Tautomeric Amplification

Mehr, S. H. M.; Fukuyama, K.; Bishop, S.; Lelj, F.; MacLachlan, M. J. *J. Org. Chem.*, **2015**, 80 (10), 5144–5150

Novel PPV/Mesoporous Organosilica Composites: Influence of the Host Chirality on a Conjugated Polymer Guest

Mehr, S. H. M.; Giese, M.; Qi, H.; Shopsowitz, K.; Hamad, W. Y.; MacLachlan, M. J. *Langmuir*, **2013**, 29 (40), 12579–12584

Role of Entropy and Autosolvation in Dimerization and Complexation of C₆₀ by Zn₇ Metallocavitands

Frischmann, P.D.; Mehr, S. H. M.; Patrick, B. O.; Lelj, F.; MacLachlan, M. J. *Inorg. Chem.*, **2012**, 51 (6), 3443–3453

Influence of asymmetry on the band structure of photonic crystals

Mehr, S. H. M.; Khorasani, S. in *OPTO*, International Society For Optics And Photonics, **2010**, 76091–76091

eXAM: A Distributed Online Examination System

Mehr, S. H. M.; Bahraini, M. in *18th International Conference on Chemical Education*, IUPAC, **2004**, Turkey

TALKS AND POSTER PRESENTATIONS

Badass Bonding — Unsettled Electrons in Shape-Shifting Molecules

Inorganic Discussion Group, Department of Chemistry, 2016, UBC

A Switch in Character: Deriving Novel Reactivity from Tautomerism

ISMSC 2015: 10th International Symposium on Macrocyclic and Supramolecular Chemistry, 2015, Strasbourg

Kinetics by NMR: A Live Demonstration

8th Annual VIVA NMR Symposium, August, 2014, Vancouver

Using Tautomers for Gentle Deuteration of Benzene Rings

97th Canadian Chemistry Conference and Exhibition, June, 2014, Vancouver

Macrocycles as Functional Materials

Canada-Japan Joint Symposium on Supramolecular Nanomaterials Science, May, 2012, Whistler

OTHER RESEARCH

Summer, Fall 2009

Supervisor: Prof. Khashayar Mehrany

Sharif University of Technology

(BSc. Thesis) Time-domain study of beam scattering by finite-sized photonic crystals

Spring, Summer 2008

Institute of Biochemistry & Biophysics (IBB)

University of Tehran

Monte Carlo simulation of DNA damage by gamma rays

LEADERSHIP, SERVICE

Vice president Chemistry Graduate Student Society (CGSS), UBC, 2013–2014

Presenter/facilitator *Chemistry Field Trips* for high school students, UBC, 2012–2016

Presenter/facilitator *Chemistry Beyond the Magic* open house, UBC, 2011–2015

Mathematical illustrator Shahshahani, S. M. *Calculus*, 2007–2008¹

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Shared Instrument Facility (TA) University of British Columbia, 2012–2016

Organic Chemistry Farzanegan High School, 2005–2010

Digital Signal Processing Lab (TA) Sharif Univ. Tech., 2009–2010

Chemistry for the IChO Allameh Helli High School, Tehran, Iran, 2004–2010

Electromagnetism (TA) Spring 2009, Sharif Univ. Tech.

STUDENTS SUPERVISED

Hannah Depmeier Multiple-formylation of electron-rich phenols

2016 (BSc)

Mahboobeh Maghami Tautomerism in Schiff base macrocycles

2014–2015 (PhD)

Stephanie Bishop Facile H/D exchange in salicylideneamine derivatives

2013–2014 (BSc)

Marcus Farnfield Salicylaldimines as photodegradable crosslinkers

2013–2014 (BSc)

Jason Yang Molecular capsules based on salicylaldimines

2013–2014 (BSc)

SOFTWARE

Computational chemistry Gaussian + NBO and AIM interpretations

Programming Python, Clojure, C, Rust, Javascript, \LaTeX (github.com/hessammehr)

Numerical/symbolic computing Julia, MATLAB, NumPy/SciPy, Mathematica

LANGUAGES

English, Farsi Native

French, Italian Fair

REFERENCES

Available upon request.

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