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#### AREAS OF RESEARCH INTEREST

Staged programming, compilation and reasoning on domain-specific knowledge

Closed-loop chemical discovery using novel software and automation techniques

Logic/probabilistic programming in the large

#### **EMPLOYMENT**

**Post-doctoral research assistant** Cronin Lab, *University of Glasgow*, Glasgow, United Kingdom Autonomous chemical discovery and synthesis

Researcher Drug Analysis Service, Health Canada, Burnaby, Canada

Automatic NMR analysis of mixed drug samples

2017-2018

2018-

#### **EDUCATION**

Doctor of Philosophy Chemistry, University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada

Supervisor: Prof. Mark MacLachlan 2011–2017

Bachelor of Science Electrical Engineering, Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran

Supervisor: Prof. Khashayar Mehrany 2005–2009

### **PUBLICATIONS**

Catalyst: The Metaphysics of Chemical Reactivity

Cronin, L.; Mehr, S. H. M.; Granda, J. M. Chem, 2018, 4 (8), 1759-1761

Controlling Ligand Exchange through Macrocyclization

Carta, V.; Mehr, S. H. M.; MacLachlan, M. J. Inorganic chemistry, 2018, 57 (6) 3243-3253

Turing the tautomeric behaviour of tris(salicylaldimines)

Mehr, S. H. M.; Oshima, H.; Carta, V.; Patrick, B. O.; White, N. G.; MacLachlan, M. J. Org. Biomol. Chem, 2018, 15 (39), 3243–3253

Formylation of phenols using formamidine acetate

Mehr, S. H. M.; Depmeier, H.; Fukuyama, K.; Maghami, M.; MacLachlan, M. J. Org. Biomol. Chem., 2017, 15 (3), 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 Amplfication 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 C<sub>60</sub> by Zn<sub>7</sub> 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

# **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, 2007–2008<sup>1</sup>

#### **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**

Programming Julia, Prolog, Python, Clojure, C, Rust, Javascript, FTEX (github.com/hessammehr)

### **LANGUAGES**

English, Farsi Native French, Italian Fair

# **REFERENCES**

Available upon request.

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