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# Jouha Sylvia Min

#### **Education**

#### Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Expected May 2015

PhD - Chemical Engineering (GPA 5.0/5.0)

Advisors: Professor Paula T. Hammond and Professor Richard D. Braatz

Master of Science in Chemical Engineering Practice

Sep 2012

#### **Cornell University College of Engineering**

May 2010

Bachelor of Science - Chemical Engineering (GPA 4.13/4.3, Summa Cum Laude)

## Current Research Interest

**Thesis**: Engineering a polyelectrolyte multilayer film for extended release of various biomaterials for surface delivery applications and modeling release behavior

- Providing the first substantive models for controlling biomaterial release from an electrostatically assembled thin film
- Developing a "smart" delivery system capable of releasing multiple biomaterials in a timely controlled and sequential manner for drug delivery and other potential applications

# Work Experience

#### **BP Chemicals**

Naperville, IL & Hull, United Kingdom

Oct 2011 - Dec 2011

Technical Consultant (MIT Practice School)

- Worked on (1) Hydro-processing feed characterization project and (2) STaaR (syngas to acetic acid revolution) modeling project
- Evaluated the latest version of uncertainty analysis tools by making a quantitative comparison with a previous version
- Investigated deficiencies of kinetic and deactivation models for the STaaR process and improved the overall predictive power by employing Matlab, Aspen and Athena

General Mills Minneapolis, MN Aug 2011 – Oct 2011

Technical Consultant (MIT Practice School)

- Worked on (1) Broccoli blanching optimization project with Green Giant team and (2) Algae oil (omega-3) encapsulation project with Big G (cereal) team
- Leader of omega-3 encapsulation project for generating algae oil micro-pellets with mechanical and chemical stability
- Applied our knowledge of chemical engineering, esp. heat transfer and enzyme kinetics, to develop a simple model that can be
  used for controlling and predicting the effects of parameter variations
- Identified major factors influencing lipid oxidation of algae oil emulsions and proposed effective strategies for controlling the product quality degradation

#### Research Assistant at Cornell University

Ithaca, NY

Aug 2008 - May 2010

3D VISUALIZATION OF EMBRYONIC CHICKEN HEART THROUGH MICRO CT

- Trained on MicroCT scanning and analytic skills using sophisticated computer programs such as osirix or microview
- Solved pitfalls of research techniques through discussion and innovation of new ideas and techniques
- Published a paper as a co-first author (The Anatomical Record, 2011)

#### Samsung Economics Research Institute (SERI)

Seoul, Korea

Jun 2008 – Aug 2008

Summer Interr

- In Business & Marketing department, learned specifically how consulting process works and how to find "Blue-ocean" in Korean food markets, by working on a consulting project, called "Everland Food-Culture business Expansion"
- Based on Global Habbo Youth Survey 2008, explored and analyzed Korean Youth Market (consuming trends, behaviors, etc.)
- Learned how workers distribute their jobs and cooperate each other

Recipient of summer research award from Intel corporation and Cisco

#### Recipient of Merrill Presidential Scholarship

2010

# General Secretary of MIT Korean Graduate Students Association (KGSA)

2009 Present

# In charge of general affairs and financial management for the association

# Recording Secretary of Tau Beta Pi National Engineering Honors Society

2008 - 2010

## Help officers to keep track of job-recruiting events and schedules

#### Member of AIChE (National Chemical Engineering Society)

2007-2010

# Skills

Awards &

**Professional** 

Recognition

Matlab, Python, Java, Mathematica, Origin, Microview, Osirix, Microsoft Office, Adobe Photoshop, Adobe Illustrator Languages: Korean (Fluent), Some knowledge of Japanese