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Education

Purdue University

PhD in Chemistry (expected)

University of Science and Technology of China (USTC)

Bachelor of Science, Chemistry

West Lafayette, Indiana

09/2016-present

Hefei, China

09/2012-06/2016

Work Experience

Simpson Lab of Nonlinear Optics, Purdue University

West Lafayette, the US

10/2016-present

Graduate Researcher
Hyperspectral infrared imaging microscope design and digital image analysis

Building of a hyperspectral microscope: co-propagation with a visible light source to achieve higher resolution images with IR information

- o Aligning optical elements for the microscope
- o Electronic control of the beam-scanning set-up with Alazar digitization cards and Labview control
- o Image analysis methods: watershed algorithm for segmentation, shallow neural network for spectral classification

Adversarial spectroscopy: computational methods for testing robustness of linear classification algorithms

- o Modified and optimized the genetic algorithm, particle swarm algorithm for the adversarial purpose
- o Wrote the traditional statistical probability calculation into function to aid classification analysis

Molecular level protein interaction modeling with experimental observables

o Building of an artificial neural network as a regression model to link DLVO theorectical physical parameters to observables accessible via FRAP (Using tensorflow Keras, model under development)

Synchrotron X-ray damage analysis with non-negative matrix factorization

- o Performed X-ray diffraction experiments at Argonne National Laboratory
- o Indexing the peaks with XDS, HKL2000

DNA-Enabled-Nano-Group, USTC

Undergraduate Researcher

Hefei, China

05/2015-06/2016

Inorganic synthesis method optimization of gold dimers for SERS

- o Optimization of reaction time, dosage, coating type
- o Characterization methods: DLS, UV-Vis, gel electrophoresis, Raman spectroscopy

Mesoscale Chemical Systems, University of Twente

Enschede, The Netherlands

Research Intern

06/2015-08/2015

Sonochemical effects analysis with microfluidic sonochemical reactor

- o Designed and conducted experiments to analyze sonochemical effects with chemiluminescence.
- o Design mechanical solutions for experimental reproducibility
- o Statistical significance analysis for large amount of data
- o Use SEM for surface analysis

Environmental Engineering Laboratory, USTC

Undergraduate Researcher

SeCd Quantum dots detoxification analysis in C. elegans

Hefei, China

01/2014-04/2015

- o Toxicity analysis with SeCd forming to quantum dots within C. elegans
- o Characterization methods: HPLC, fluorescence microscopy,
- o Maintenance of C. elegans in the laboratory