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Chemist



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About me —

Self-motivated chemistry graduate with experience in the scientific environment, teaching and publishing, closely working on active pharmaceutical ingredients and organometallic compounds and developing skills in a progressive scientific project which requires quantum crystallography expertise.

Skills -

Linux and Windows

Python

communication

problem-solving

team-working

flexible

English*5 Spanish*2 Russian*1

(*)[The skill scale is from 0 (Fundamental Awareness) to 6 (Expert).]

Experience

07.2023-ongoingPostdoctoral Research Fellowship

Oak Ridge National Laboratorium

• Mechanistic investigation of direct air capture with single-crystal neutron diffraction

11.2022-04.2023Research Scientist

University of Warsaw

Contractor in grant:

 Phase transitions in minerals induced by pressure and studied by experimental charge densities - feasibility studies (Opus, NCN, 2019-ongoing)

2015-2022 Ph.D. study

University of Warsaw

Managed four scientific projects:

- Application of quantum crystallography methods to detect relativistic effects in crystal structures with heavy elements (Preludium, NCN, 2019–2021);
- Hirshfeld Atom Refinement taking into account the relativistic effects of heavy atoms (DSM, MSWiA, 2018–2019);
- High-resolution X-ray diffraction experiments of acridine derivatives (DSM, MSWiA, 2017–2018);
- Preparation, structure and properties of new co-crystals of carbamazepine and benzoic acid derivatives (DSM, MSWiA, 2016–2017).

Contractor in grants:

- Advancing quantum crystallography for better insight into structure and properties of crystals (Opus, NCN, 2019–ongoing)
- TEAM-TECH project "Core facility for crystallographic and biophysical research to support the development of medicinal products" (TEAM TECH CORE FACILITY, Foundation for Polish Science, 2017-2019)
- Structure and distribution of the electron density in crystals as a source of information on the interactions of pharmaceutical substances (Maestro, NCN, 2015-2018)

The most important knowledge:

- In-depth analysis of relationship between crystal structure and electron density distribution in crystals
- · Knowledge of crystallization techniques
- Structure solution and refinement (IAM, multipolar model, HAR, XCW fitting, TAAM)
- Data analysis and manuscript preparation
- · Quantum mechanical calculations in solid state studies
- Continuous work with the Protein Data Bank and Cambridge Structural Database
- Performing X-ray diffraction experiments using in-house equipment as well as synchrotron radiation facility with applying high pressure or low temperature
- Ability to work with several chemical programs: Olex2, Mercury, WinGX, Tonto, XD2016, MoPro, Platon, CrysAlisPro, Apex3, Mole-QoolQT, Discamb, NoSpherA2, Orca, Gaussian, Crystal
- Results evaluation and presentation during international conferences, workshops and schools
- Supporting, educating and supervising students

Education

2015-2022 Ph.D. candidate in Chemistry

University of Warsaw Application of quantum crystallography methods for the detection of

relativistic effects and description of aurophilic interactions for model crystal structures with heavy atoms, pass with distinction

2014–2015 M.Sc. in Chemistry

University of Warsaw

Structures and electron density of ferrocene taxol analogues

2009–2014 B.Sc .in Chemistry

University of Warsaw

Polymorphic structures of glycine

Awards and scholarships

2022

• IUCr Young Scientists Awards – travel grant to attend 33^{rd} European Crystallographic Meeting, Versailles, France

• Young Scientist Bursary covering conference fee of 9^{th} International Charge Density Meeting, Aarhus, Denmark

2021

- IUCr Young Scientists Awards accommodation grant to attend IUCr 2021 XXV General Assembly and Congress of the International Union of Crystallography, Prague, Czech Republic
- Bursary covering conference fee of IUCr2021 Electron crystallography satellite school, Prague, Czech Republic
- UW Rector Scholarships given for the 10% best students in 2021/2022
- Increase in Doctoral Scholarship given for the 30% best students in 2021/2022

2020

- UW Rector Scholarships given for the 10% best students in 2020/2021
- Increase in Doctoral Scholarship given for the 30% best students in 2020/2021
- The University's Integrated Development Programme ZIP Fellowship

2019

- · Best Poster Presentation during International Charge Density Meeting, Göttingen, Germany
- IUCr Young Scientists Awards travel grant to attend 32^{nd} European Crystallographic Meeting, Vienna, Austria
- Increase in Doctoral Scholarship given for the 30% best students in 2019/2020

2018

- Scholarship for accommodation cost during International School of Crystallography – Quantum Crystallography Course, Erice. Italy
- Scholarship to attend Crystallize COST Action Meeting, Prague, Czech Republic

2017

- IUCr Young Scientists Awards travel grant to attend School on Charge Density and MoPro, Mexico City, Mexico
- IUCr Young Scientists Awards accommodation grant to attend International School of Biological Crystallisation, Granada, Spain

Conferences

2022

- 33^{rd} European Crystallographic Meeting, Versailles, France, poster presentation
- 9^{th} International Charge Density Meeting, Aarhus, Denmark, poster presentation

2021

- IUCr 2021 XXV General Assembly and Congress of the International Union of Crystallography, Prague, Czech Republic, oral presentation
- 29th Annual Meeting of German Crystallographic Society, Online Meeting, Hamburg, Germany, oral presentation

2020

- Quantum Crystallography Online Meeting, Paris, France, poster presentation
- Joint Polish-German Crystallographic Meeting, Wroclaw, Poland, oral presentation

2019

- 32^{nd} European Crystallographic Meeting, Vienna, Austria, poster presentation
- International Charge Density Meeting, Göttingen, Germany, poster presentation

2018

- 31^{st} European Crystallographic Meeting, Oviedo, Spain, poster presentation
- 7th Intercollegiate Biotechnology Symposium Symbioza, Warsaw, Poland, poster presentation
- General meeting of an international research network *COST Action Meeting*, Prague, Czech Republic, poster presentation

2016

- 7^{th} European Charge Density Meeting, Warsaw, Poland, poster presentation
- 58 Konwersatorium Krystalograficzne, Wrocław, Poland, poster presentation
- 7th Seminar of Ph.D. Students in Chemists *ChemSession'16*, Warsaw, Poland, poster presentation
- 59th Scientific Conference for Students of Physics and Natural Sciences Open Readings 2016, Vilnius, Lithuania, poster presentation

2015

- National Student Conference NMD VI "Nowoczesne metody doświadczalne w fizyce, chemii i inżynierii", Lublin, Poland, oral presentation
- International Conference *Multipole2* "Muiti-Pole Approach to Structural Science", Warsaw, Poland, poster presentation

Internships and scientific trips

2022

 Short-term scientific trip to SLS synchrotron station in Villigen, Switzerland

2021

• Short-term scientific trip to SOLEIL synchrotron station in Saint-Aubin, France

2020

• Short-term internship in prof. Simon Grabowsky's Research Group, Universität Bern, Bern, Switzerland

2019

- Short-term scientific trip to The Advanced Photon Source (APS) synchrotron station in Chicago, USA
- Short-term scientific trip to the SPring-8 synchrotron station in Sayo, Japan

2018

• Short-term internship in prof. Simon Grabowsky's Research Group, Universität Bremen, Bremen, Germany

Schools and Workshops

2021

• IUCr2021 – Electron crystallography satellite school, Prague, Czech Republic

2018

- HERCULES-SOLARIS Regional School, Cracow, Poland
- International School of Crystallography Quantum Crystallography Course, Erice, Italy

2017

- 4^{th} European Crystallography School, Warsaw, Poland
- School on Charge Density and MoPro, Mexico City, Mexico
- International School of Biological Crystallization, Granada, Spain

2016

• International School of Crystallization, Granada, Spain

Interests

Research

X-ray and electron diffraction, experimental charge density, topological analysis of the electron density, intermolecular interactions (hydrogen bonds, aurophilic interactions), metal-organic compounds, polymorphism, quantum crystallography, relativistic effects

General

reading non-fiction literature, understanding cultural diversity, volunteering at scientific picnics, traveling, stretching, acro pole dance