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Professional Preparation and Education

University at Albany, State University of New York, Albany, N.Y.

PhD Biophysics and Structural Biology: May 2015, Department of Biomedical Sciences
Thesis supervised by Dr. Nilesh K. Banavali: “*The Structural Heterogeneity and Dynamics of Base Stacking and Unstacking in Nucleic Acids.*” [ProQuest](#) (open version: [ResearchGate](#))

University at Albany, State University of New York, Albany, N.Y.

MA Mathematics: May 2015, Department of Mathematics and Statistics
Thesis supervised by Dr. Martin Hildebrand: “*Conditions for Deterministic Limits of Markov Jump Processes: The Kurtz Theorem in Chemistry.*” [ProQuest](#) (open version: [ResearchGate](#))

University of North Carolina at Asheville, Asheville, N.C.

BS Premedical Studies: May 2009; **BA Applied Mathematics:** May 2009. Mathematics senior thesis supervised by Dr. Samuel Kaplan: “*Mathematics of Computed Tomography.*”

Postdoctoral Research:

High performance computing, molecular simulation, programming models, performance portability, neutron scattering, 2016-2019: **National Center for Computational Sciences (NCCS), Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, T.N.**

Computational fluid dynamics and analytical bioelectrochemistry, 2015-2016: **Department of Chemistry, University at Albany, State University of New York, Albany, N.Y.**

Appointments:

2019-Current: R&D Associate Staff Scientist, Molecular Biophysics Group, Biosciences Division; Joint affiliation: Computational Chemistry and Nanomaterials Sciences Group, Computational Sciences and Engineering Division, Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

2016-2019: CSEEN Postdoctoral Research Associate, Scientific Computing Group, National Center for Computational Sciences, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, T.N.

2015-2016: Postdoctoral Research Associate, Department of Chemistry, University at Albany, State University of New York, Albany, N.Y.

2010-2015: Graduate Research Assistant, Center for Medical Science, NY State Department of Health, and Department of Biomedical Sciences, University at Albany, State University of New York.

Programming Languages and Programming Models:

C++, C, Python, MATLAB, CUDA, Linux/shell, FORTRAN, OpenMP, OpenACC, MPI

Deep Learning Frameworks: TensorFlow, PyTorch

GitHub: <https://github.com/BSDExabio>, <https://github.com/ExaMat>

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Professional Affiliations:

Association for Computing Machinery (ACM), American Chemical Society (ACS), International Society for Computational Biology (ISCB), American Physical Society (APS)

Awards:

Excellence in Research at the Doctoral Level, Biomedical Sciences Department, University at Albany (2015); Significant Event Award, ORNL (2020): “First Successful Evaluation of the ARM+NVIDIA Accelerated Node Architecture in the World”; 2020 ACM Special COVID-19 Gordon Bell Finalist.

Recent community engagement:

Organizer, SC23, two sessions: [SC23 presenter page](#)

Programming committee/reviewer: 38th International Parallel and Distributed Processing Symposium (IPDPS 2024), Applications Track

Programming committee/reviewer: Intelligent Systems for Molecular Biology (ISMB) 2024, Proceedings, Macromolecular Sequence, Structure, and Function

Reviewer, Nature Communications

Publications:

**corresponding author*

Chahal R, Toomey MD, Kearney LT, **Sedova A**, Damron JT, Naskar AK, Roy S. Deep Learning Interatomic Potential Connects Molecular Structural Ordering to Macroscale Properties of Polyacrylonitrile (PAN) Polymer. Submitted, ACS Applied Materials and Interfaces. arXiv preprint arXiv:2404.16187. 2024 Apr 24.

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Roy S, Khanal R, Gibson L, Chahal R, **Sedova A**, Bryantsev VS. Tracing Mechanistic Pathways and Reaction Kinetics Toward Equilibrium in Reactive Molten Salts. *Chemical Science (RSC)*, 2024, DOI: 10.1039/D3SC06587A (Edge Article)

Davidson RB, Coletti M, Gao M, Piatkowski B, Sreedasyam A, Quadir F, Weston DJ, Schmutz J, Cheng J, Skolnick J, Parks JM, **Sedova A***. Predicted structural proteome of *Sphagnum divinum* and proteome-scale annotation. *Bioinformatics*. 2023 Aug 1;39(8):btad511.

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Hsu DJ, Davidson RB, **Sedova A**, Glaser J*. tinyIFD: A High-Throughput Binding Pose Refinement Workflow Through Induced-Fit Ligand Docking. *Journal of Chemical Information and Modeling*. 2023 May 19.

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Davidson RB, Woods J, Effler TC, Thavappiragasam M, Mitchell JC, Parks JM, **Sedova A***. OpenMDlr: Parallel, Open-source Tools for General Protein Structure Modeling and Refinement from Pairwise Distances. *Bioinformatics*. 2022 Jun 15;38(12):3297-8.

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Gao M, Coletti M, Davidson RB, Prout R, Abraham S, Hernandez B, **Sedova A***. Proteome-scale Deployment of Protein Structure Prediction Workflows on the Summit Supercomputer. 2022 In: 2022 IEEE International Parallel and Distributed Processing Symposium Workshops (IPDPSW) 2022 May 30 (pp. 206-215). IEEE.

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Davidson RB, Thavappiragasam M, Effler TC, Woods J, Elias DA, Parks JM, **Sedova A***. Modeling Protein Structures from Predicted Contacts with Modern Molecular Dynamics Potentials: Accuracy, Sensitivity, and Refinement. In: Proceedings of the 12th ACM Conference on Bioinformatics, Computational Biology, and Health Informatics **2021** Aug 1 (pp. 1-10).

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