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Education

- Ph.D., Mork Family Department of Chemical Engineering and Materials Science, University of Southern California, 12/2008.
- M.S., Department of Chemical Engineering, Nanjing University of Technology, Nanjing, China, 06/2002.
- B.S., Department of Chemical Engineering, Nanjing University of Technology, Nanjing, China, 06/1999.

Academic Experience

- *Associate Professor*, Dept. of Chemical Engineering and Dept. of Biomedical Engineering, University of South Carolina, 08/2023-present.
- *Associate Professor*, Dept. of Chemical Engineering, Howard University, 2020-23.
- *Assistant Professor*, Dept. of Chemical Engineering, Lamar University, 2013-17.
- *Postdoctoral Fellow*, Dept. of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, U. of Pennsylvania, 2012-13.
- *Postdoctoral Fellow*, the Dept. of Biomedical Engineering and Materials Research Science and Engineering Center, Northwestern University, 2010-12.

Awards and Honors

- **NSF CAREER Award, 2020**
- NASA/JPL faculty externship mentor award
- CEA Faculty Award for excellent research, Howard University, January 2019.
- Chemical Engineering Department Faculty Award **for excellent research and excellent ABET service**, Howard University, February 2019.
- Faculty Fellowship award, Howard University, March 2018.
- **"Jack Gill Faculty Fellow"**, Jack Gill Foundation, March 2017.
- Faculty Fellowship award for excellent research and teaching, Lamar University, March 2017.

Research Interests

- Soft materials (anti-biofouling and fouling release polymers, anti-icing polymers, biopolymers, membrane, and semiconducting polymers) *funded by ONR and NSF*.
- Nanomaterials and quantum materials (perovskite, 2D materials, zeolites and metal organic frameworks (MOFs) membrane) *funded by NSF and DOE*.
- Materials (ceramic and metal alloy) at severe conditions *currently funded by NASA/JPL*.
- Biomaterials (proteins, DNA/RNA, lipids and peptide mimetics) and Bionanotechnologies (biosensors and nanocarrier design for drug delivery) *funded by NSF and NASA/JPL*.
- Multiscale simulations (quantum, atomistic, coarse-grained and CFD), quantum computing, and machine learning *funded by NSF and DOE*.

Media Highlights

- Research projects of surface reactions were reported as a **feature story in the annual highlight book** published by NSF/XSEDE (the Extreme Science and Engineering Discovery Environment), November 2018. The whole book can be downloaded directly from my webpage:
https://taoweilab.weebly.com/uploads/7/6/0/8/76087311/xsede18_highlights.pdf

- **Media Highlights** on my project of early cancer detection by Texas Advanced Computer Center and NSF/Xsede: "Diagnosing Biomarkers in the Bloodstream with a Microscopic Lab-on-a-Chip", June 2017. <https://www.tacc.utexas.edu/-/more-precise-diagnostics-for-better-cancer-outcomes>
- **Media Highlights** on research projects of interfacial phenomena (biosensor development; polymer membrane for water desalination; biointerfacial electron transfer of bio-nano hybrids) by NSF, NSF/Xsede program, and other science websites: "Deep Insights from Surface Reactions", 2016. For example, https://www.nsf.gov/news/news_summ.jsp?cntn_id=190539&org=NSF&from=news

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- (56) Xinyu Yin, Xiaoyu Zhang, Adewale Babatunde, Pranab Sarker, Xiaozhou Zheng, **Tao Wei**, Qiuming Yu*, "Achiral Cation-Induced Chirality Tuning in Cycloalkyl-Chiral Cation-Based 2D Perovskites", *ACS Applied Optical Materials*, 2025, (accepted)..
- (55) Jiahuiyu Fang, Pranab Sarker, Xiaoxue Qin, Shuting Zhang, Size Zheng, **Tao Wei***, "Adsorption and Electron Transfer of Metal-reducing Decaheme Cytochrome Protein MtrF on Iron Oxide Nanoparticle Surfaces", *Nanoscale*, 2025, 17, 16737.
- (54) Zahra Gandhi, Tieyi Lu, Wen Guo, Ralph Crisci, Jinpeng Gao, Michael C. Wilson, Christopher R. So, Pranab Sarker, Xiaoxue Qin, **Tao Wei**, Zhan Chen*, "Probing Molecular Interactions between Barnacle Peptides and Polymers In Situ to Understand Bioadhesion", *Journal of Physical Chemistry, Letter*, 2025 16, 4031.
- (53) Size Zheng, Pranab Sarker, Xiaoxue Qin, **Tao Wei***, Benjamin S. Hsiao*, "Molecular Mechanisms of Perfluoroalkyl Substances Integration into Phospholipid Membranes", *Langmuir*, 2025, 41, 14, 9369.
- (52) Qinyi Fu, Nisha Verma, Ruipeng Li, Masafumi Fukuto, Size Zheng, Roberto Gambarini, **Tao Wei***, Benjamin Ocko*, Benjamin S. Hsiao*, "Grazing Incidence Wide-Angle X-ray Scattering of Water Adsorption in Solvent-Modified Polyamide Barrier Layers of Reverse Osmosis Membranes", *Macromolecules*, 2025, 51, 723.
- (51) Xiaoxue Qin, Jiahuiyu Fang, Ariana Annie Chen, Mark Uline*, **Tao Wei***, "Hydration and Antibiofouling Behavior of Zwitterionic Carboxybetaine-Functionalized Surface. *Langmuir*, 2025, 41, 1005.
- (50) Size Zheng, Jacob Gissinger, Benjamin S. Hsiao*, **Tao Wei***, "Interfacial Polymerization of Aromatic Polyamide Reverse Osmosis Membranes", *ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces*, 2024, 16, 47, 65677.
- (49) Chen Chen, Enze Xu, Defu Yang, Haibing Yin, **Tao Wei***, Hanning Chen*, Yong Wei*, Minghan Chen*, "Chemical Environment Adaptive Learning for Optical Band Gap Prediction of Doped Graphitic Carbon Nitride Nanosheets", *Neural Computing and Applications*, 2024, 1-15.
- (48) Xiaoxue Qin, Ariana Annie Chen, Jiahuiyu Fang, Pranab Sarker, Mark J. Uline*, **Tao Wei***, "Atomistic Simulations of Hydration and Antibiofouling Behavior of Amphiphilic Polymer Brush Surfaces Functionalized with TMAO and Short Fluorocarbon", *Langmuir*, 2024, 40, 23994.
- (47) Hao Li, Pranab Sarker, Xiaoyu Zhang, Maxwell W. Terban, Sanjit Ghose, Ibrahim Dursun, Mircea

- Cotlet, Mingxing Li, Yugang Zhang, Yuanze Xu, Shripathi Ramakrishnan, **Tao Wei**, Deyu Lu, Qiuming Yu*, "Enhancing chiroptoelectronic activity in chiral 2D perovskites via chiral-achiral cation mixing", *Advanced Optical Materials*, 2024, 2401782.
- (46) Catherine A. Psarakis*, Timothy Tizhe Fidelis, Keith B. Chin, Baptiste Journaux, Abby Kavner, Pranab Sarker, Marshall J. Styczinski, Steven D. Vance, **Tao Wei**, "Electrical Conductivity of Subsurface Ocean Analogue Solutions from Molecular Dynamics Simulations", *ACS Earth Space Chem.*, 2024, 8, 1146.
- (45) Yuchen Wu, Ting Lin, Elizabeth Santos, Dongchan Ahn, Ryan Marson, Pranab Sarker, Xiaoyun Chen, Frédéric Gubbels, Nick E. Shephard, Carol Mohler, **Tao Wei***, Tzu-Chi Kuo*, Zhan Chen*, "Molecular Behavior of Silicone Adhesive at Buried Polymer Interface Studied by Molecular Dynamics Simulation and Sum Frequency Generation Vibrational Spectroscopy", *Soft Matter*, 2024, 20, 4765.
- (44) Yong Wei, Amy X. Chen, Yuewei Lin, **Tao Wei***, Baofu Qiao*, "Allosteric Regulation in SARS-CoV-2 Spike Protein", *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.*, 2024, 26, 6582-6589. (**Selected as "2024 HOT PCCP article"**)
- (43) Ibrahim Dursun, Maxwell Terban, Yuanze Xu, Xiaoyu Zhang, Sanjit Ghose; Mingxing Li, Pranab Sarker, Hao Li; Mircea Cotlet, **Tao Wei**, Deyu Lu, Qiuming Yu "Temperature-Dependent Optical and Structural Properties of Chiral 2D Hybrid Lead-Iodide Perovskites", *J. Phys. Chem., C* 2023, 127, 31, 15423.
- (42) Chi Zhang, Guangle Bu, Md Symon Jahan Sajib, Lida Meng, Shiyang Xu, Size Zheng*, Lin Zhang*, **Tao Wei***, "PXLink: A Simulation Program of Polymer Crosslinking to Study of Polyamide Membrane" *Computer Physics Communication.*, 2023, 291, 108840.
- (41) Pranab Sarker, Tieyi Lu, Di Liu, Guangyao Wu, Hanning Chen, Md Symon Jahan Sajib, Shaoyi Jiang*, Zhan Chen*, **Tao Wei*** "Hydration Behavior of Zwitterionic Materials" *Chemical Science*, 2023, 14, 7500-7511. (**Selected as "2023 Chemical Science HOT Article Collection"**)
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- (38) Wen Guo, Tieyi Lu, Satoshi Nagao, **Tao Wei**, Zhan Chen*, "Determine Protein Conformation and Orientation at Buried Solid/Liquid Interfaces", *Chemical Science*, 2023, 14, 2999.
- (37) Zhefan Yuan, Patrick McMullen, Sijin Luozhong, Pranab Sarker, Chenjue Tang, **Tao Wei***, Shaoyi Jiang*, "Hidden hydrophobicity impacts polymer immunogenicity", *Chemical Science*, 2023, 14, 2033.
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- (33) Pranab Sarker, Md Symon Jahan Sajib, Xiuping Tao*, **Tao Wei*** "Multiscale Simulation of Protein Corona Formation on Silver Nanoparticles: Study of Ovispirin-1 Peptide Adsorption" *J. Phys. Chem., B*

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- (30) Size Zheng*, Md Symon Jahan Sajib, Yong Wei*, **Tao Wei***, "Discontinuous Molecular Dynamics Simulations of Biomolecule Interfacial Behavior: Study of Ovispirin-1 Adsorption on a Graphene Surface" *J. Chem. Theory Comput.*, 2021, 17 (3), 1874–1882
- (29) Yi Zuo*, Willam Uspal*, **Tao Wei***, "Airborne Transmission of COVID-19: Aerosol Dispersion, Lung Deposition, and Virus-Receptor Interactions" *ACS Nano*, 2020, 14 (12), 16502.
- (28) Yong Wei*, Keith Chin*, Laura M. Barge, Scott Perl, Nino Hermis, **Tao Wei***, "Machine Learning Analysis of the Thermodynamic Responses of In-situ Dielectric Spectroscopy Data in Amino Acids and Inorganic Electrolytes", *J. Phys. Chem., B* 2020, 124, 50, 11491.
- (27) Md Symon Jahan Sajib, Pranab Sarker, Yong Wei*, Xiuping Tao*, **Tao Wei***, "Protein Corona on Gold Nanoparticles Studied with Coarse-Grained Simulations", *Langmuir*, 2020, 36, 13356.
- (26) Adebola O Adeagbo, **Tao Wei**, Andre Z. Clayborne* "Computational comparative analysis of small atomically precise copper cluster" *J. Phys. Chem., A*, 2020, 6504.
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- (23) **Tao Wei***, Chulai Ren*, "Theoretical Simulation Approaches to Polymer Research" In *Polymer Science and Innovative Applications*, pp. 207-228, Eds. Elsevier.
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- (15) **Tao Wei***, Heng Ma, Aiichiro Nakano*, "Decaheme cytochrome MtrF adsorption and electron transfer on gold surface". *J. Phys. Chem., Letters* 2016, 7, 929. **(Media Highlights)**
- (14) **Tao Wei***, Md Symon Jahan Sajib, Mohammadreza Samieegohar, Heng Ma, Katherine Shing*, "Self-assembled monolayers of azobenzene derivative on silica and their interactions with lysozyme", *Langmuir* 2015, 31 (50), 13543.
- (13) C. Masato Nakano, Erick Moen, Hye Suk Byun, Heng Ma, Bradley Newman, Alexander McDowell, **Tao Wei***, and Mohamed Y. El-Naggar*, "iBET: immersive visualization of biological electron-transfer dynamics", *Journal of Molecular Graphics and Modelling* 2016, 65, 94.
- (12) C. Masato Nakano, Md Symon Jahan Sajib, Mohammadreza Samieegohar, **Tao Wei***, "Field-induced stacking transition of biofunctionalized trilayer graphene". *Applied Physics Letters* 2015, 108, 051601.
- (11) Yubiao Niu, Tiefan Huang, Zhijun Zhou, Guohua Xu, Lin Zhang, **Tao Wei**, "Formation of cyclodextrin monolayer through a host-guest interaction with tailor-made phenyltriethoxysilane self-assembled monolayer", *Colloids and Surfaces A* 2015, 470, 224.
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- (5) **Tao Wei**, Sarawut Kaewtathip, Katherine Shing, "Buffer effect on protein adsorption at liquid/solid interface", *J. Phys. Chem. C* 2009, 113 (6), 2053.
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- (64) Size Zheng, Pranab Sarker, **Tao Wei**, Benjamin S. Hsiao, "Interfacial Behaviors of Perfluoroalkyl Substances", *ACS Fall Conference*, D.C., 2025. (accepted)
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- (62) **Tao Wei**, "Fouling Resistance of Zwitterionic Polymers", *Biophysical Society (BPS) Annual Meeting*, Los Angeles, 2025.
- (61) Pranab Sarker, Jiahuiyu Fang, Shuting Zhang, **Tao Wei**, "Interactions and kinetics of electron Transfer between an iron oxide nanoparticle and Shewanella oneidensis cytochromes", *Material Research Society (MRS) fall conference*, Boston, 2024. (Invited Talk)
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- (58) Roberto Gambarini, Size Zheng, Mark Uline, **Tao Wei**, "Molecular interactions of PFAS on Polyamide Membranes using Atomistic Molecular Dynamics Simulations", *ACS Fall Conference*, 2024.
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- (52) Ken-ichi Nomura, Aiichiro Nakano, Priya Vashishta, Pratibha Dev, **Tao Wei**, "CyberMAGICS: Cyber Training on Materials Genome Innovation for Computational Software for Future Engineers", *ASEE conference*, 2023.

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- (47) **Tao Wei**, "Multiscale Simulation of Protein Corona Formation on Metal Nanoparticles", Pacificchem 2021.
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- (37) Merina Jahan, Heng Ma, Mark Uline, **Tao Wei**, "Atomistic Simulation and Molecular Field Theory Study of DNA Hybridization in Self-Assembling Monolayer Surfaces", *AIChE Fall National Meeting*, Orlando, 2019.
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- (34) Md Symon Jahan Sajib, William Jean-Baptiste, Keith Chin, **Tao Wei**, "Interfacial Behavior of Amino

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- (33) K. Chin, **T. Wei**, N. Hermis, J. Pasalic, S. Perl, L. M. Barge, “Electrochemical Properties Characterization of Planetary Analogues by Electrical Spectroscopy”, *Astrobiology Science Conference*, Seattle, 2019.
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- (27) Md Symon Jahan Sajib, **Tao Wei** “Molecular simulations of reverse osmosis aromatic polyamide membrane: mechanical properties, desalination, crosslinking degree and monomers’ isomer”, *AICHE Fall National Meeting*, San Francisco, 2016.
- (26) Heng Ma, **Tao Wei** “Study of ion behavior, morphology and hybridization on DNA self assemble membrane via molecular dynamics” *AICHE Fall National Meeting*, San Francisco, 2016.
- (25) Nicholas P. van der Munnik, Symon Sajib, **Tao Wei**, Melissa A. Moss and Mark J. Uline “Statistical thermodynamic modeling of early Amyloid- β oligomer formation: explicit and implicit incorporation of hydrogen bonding in a self-consistent field framework”, *AICHE Fall National Meeting*, San Francisco, 2016.
- (24) Mohammadreza Samieegohar, **Tao Wei**, “Protein interfacial behavior studied with multiscale simulations”, *AICHE Fall National Meeting*, San Francisco, 2016.
- (23) **Tao Wei**, “Biohybrid of multi-heme cytochrome and surfaces of Au and graphene: protein adsorption and electron transfer”, *ACS Fall National Meeting*, Philadelphia, 2016.
- (22) Mohammadreza Samieegohar, **Tao Wei**, “Multiscale simulation of proteins’ motion in a microchannel”, *AICHE Spring National Meeting*, Houston, 2016.
- (21) Tiantian Zhang, Heng Ma, Ian Lian, **Tao Wei**, Yu-Hwa Lo, “Development of transient induced Molecular Electronic Spectroscopy (TIMES) for protein-ligand interactions”, *ACS Spring National Meeting*, San Diego, 2016. (**Best Presentation Award in 251th ACS conference**)
- (20) Heng Ma, Md. Symon Sajib, **Tao Wei**, “Adsorption and electron transfer of deca-heme cytochrome (MtrF) studied with atomistic simulations and kinetic Monte Carlo simulation”, *ACS Spring National Meeting*, San Diego, 2016.
- (19) Hye Suk Byun, C. Masato Nakano, Heng Ma, **Tao Wei**, Mohamed Y. El-Naggar, “Divide-conquer-recombine kinetic Monte Carlo simulations of electron transfer in the extracellular redox network of *Shewanella oneidensis* MR-1”, *Biophysical Society Spring Meeting*, Los Angeles, 2016.
- (18) Heng Ma, C. Masato Nakano, Hye Suk Byun, Mohamed Y. El-Naggar, **Tao Wei**, “Adsorption and electron transfer of bacterial decaheme cytochrome Mtrf on gold surface studied with atomistic molecular dynamics simulation, free energy computation and kinetic Monte Carlo simulation”, *AICHE*

Fall National Meeting, Salt Lake City, 2015.

- (17) Mohammadreza Samieegohar, **Tao Wei**, Ian Lian, Liangbiao Chen, “The fluidization and adsorption of soft particles studied with hybrid element method and fluid dynamics”, *AIChE Fall National Meeting*, Salt Lake City, 2015.
- (16) Nicholas P. van der Munnik, **Tao Wei**, Melissa A. Moss, Mark J. Uline, “Statistical thermodynamics of Amyloid- β Oligomerization”, *AIChE Fall National Meeting*, Salt Lake City, 2015.
- (15) Heng Ma, Ian Lian, **Tao Wei**, “DNA Hybridization on silica surface for gene chip design studied with molecular dynamics simulations”, *AIChE Spring National Meeting*, Austin, 2015.
- (14) Symon Sajib, **Tao Wei**, Katherine Shing, “Lysozyme adsorption and desorption on the azobenzene self-assembling surfaces studied with molecular dynamics simulations”, *AIChE Spring National Meeting*, Austin, 2015.
- (13) Heng Ma, **Tao Wei**, “Structures, dynamics, and water permeation free energy across bilayers of Lipid A and its analog studied with molecular dynamics simulation”, *AIChE Spring National Meeting*, Austin, 2015.
- (12) **Tao Wei**, Katherine Shing, “Interactions of lysozyme and azobenzene derivatives in the solution and on a surface”, *APS Spring National Meeting*, San Antonio, Spring 2015.
- (11) Heng Ma, Haiyang Zhao, Lin Zhang, **Tao Wei**, “Atomistic modeling of cross-linked polyamide/graphene and polyamide/graphene oxide composites reverse osmosis membrane”, *AIChE Fall National Meeting*, Atlanta, 2014.
- (10) Haiyang Zhao, **Tao Wei**, Lin Zhang, “Water permeability of polyamide/graphene and polyamide/graphene oxide composites reverse osmosis membrane studied with atomistic simulations”, *ACS Fall National Meeting*, San Francisco, 2014
- (9) **Tao Wei**, Robert Riggleman, “Phase behavior of rod-coil block copolymers in the melt and at fluid interfaces”, *AIChE Fall National Meeting*, San Francisco, 2013.
- (8) **Tao Wei**, Robert Riggleman, “Phase behaviors of rod-coil block copolymer in three dimension studied by Monte Carlo simulations”, *APS Spring National Meeting*, Baltimore, Spring 2013.
- (7) **Tao Wei**, Mo Zhang, Lin Zhang, “Atomistic modeling of lipid A and its analogue supramolecular bilayer assembly in solution”, *ACS Spring National Meeting*, Philadelphia, Spring 2012.
- (6) Feng Sha, Ying Wei, **Tao Wei**, “Parallel molecular dynamics simulation of lysozyme hydration on IBM blade center cluster”, *Proceeding of IEEE International Conference on Intelligent Computing and Intelligent Systems*, 2010, 2, 479-482.
- (5) **Tao Wei**, Marcelo A. Carignano, Igal Szleifer, “Hydration and structural deformation of lysozyme upon adsorption on a polyethylene surface studied by molecular dynamics simulation”, *ACS Spring National Meeting*, Anaheim, Spring 2011.
- (4) **Tao Wei**, Wei Chen, “Non-equilibrium molecular dynamics simulation study of the transport of pure CO₂ and CO₂/CH₄ mixture through nanopore the framework of zeolites (MFI and LTA) and metal-organic frameworks (Cu-BTC)”, *ACS Spring National Meeting*, San Francisco, Spring 2010.
- (3) **Tao Wei**, Shengjing Mu, Aiichiro Nakano, Katherine Shing, “Locating optimum orientations of adsorbed protein on a solid surface using a hybrid genetic algorithm and spatial grid method”, *AIChE Spring National Meeting*, New Orleans, Spring 2008.
- (2) **Tao Wei**, Sarawut Kaewtathip, Katherine Shing, “Buffer effect on protein adsorption on solid surfaces”, *ACS National Meeting*, New Orleans, Spring 2008.
- (1) **Tao Wei**, Sarawut Kaetathip, Katherine Shing, “Adsorption kinetics and secondary structure of IgG

adsorbed on solid surfaces”, *ACS National Meeting*, San Diego, Spring 2003.

Recent Invited Talks

- (27) Pranab Sarker, Jiahuiyu Fang, Shuting Zhang, **Tao Wei**, "Interactions and kinetics of electron Transfer between an iron oxide nanoparticle and Shewanella oneidensis cytochromes", *Material Research Society (MRS) fall conference*, Boston, 2024.
- (26) Tao Wei, "Materials Interfaces: Fouling Resistance and Interfacial Redox", Chemistry Department, *University of Missouri, Columbia*, September 2024.
- (25) Tao Wei, "Surface Hydration and Fouling Resistant Behaviors of Zwitterionic Polymers" *ACS Fall Conference*, August, 2024.
- (24) Tao Wei, "Simulation Studies of New Zwitterionic and Amphiphilic Materials", *Office of Naval Research (ONR)*, Ithaca, June, 2024.
- (23) Tao Wei, "Materials Interfaces and Applications", Physics Department, *University of North Carolina, Charlotte*, May, 2024
- (22) "Simulation Studies of Antibiofouling Zwitterionic materials", *Pittcon Spring Conference*, 2024.
- (21) "Multiphysics and multiscale simulation methods for electromagnetic energy assisted fossil fuel to hydrogen conversion", Crosscutting Research – University Training Camp; Research Program, DOE, Nov, 2021.
- (20) "Simulation Studies of Antibiofouling Zwitterionic Polymer Surfaces", Office of Naval Research (ONR) Antifouling & Fouling Release Coatings Program Review, Nov. 2021.
- (19) "Simulations of Materials Interfacial Reactions". Chemistry Department, Stony Brook University, Feb., 2021
- (18) "Simulation Studies of Zwitterionic and Amphiphilic Surfaces for Antibiofouling and Fouling Release", Office of Naval Research (ONR) Antifouling & Fouling Release Coatings Program Review, Nov. 2020.
- (17) "Simulation Studies of Surface-Modified Polyamide-Nanoparticle (Iron Oxide and Graphene Oxide) Composite Membrane for Water Treatment", NSF meeting of U.S.-Africa Collaborations: Nanoscale Interactions and Nanotechnology Convergence, Oct, 2020.
- (16) "Simulations Studies of Surface Reactions", the Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, University of Maryland, College Park, Sept, 2020.
- (15) "Biomaterials and Polymer Membrane Design Using Multiscale Simulations (Quantum, Atomistic and Coarse-grained)", Depart. of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Howard University, 2020
- (14) "Computer Simulations for Biointerfaces and Biosensor Design", *Biochemistry and Molecular Biology Department*, Howard University, 2020.
- (13) "Atomistic molecular simulations of polyamide membrane in desalination at equilibrium and nonequilibrium states", NSF-funded *US-Africa Forum on Nanotechnology Convergence for Sustainable Energy, Water and Environment*, Johannesburg, South Africa, 2019.
- (12) "Multiscale simulations of extracellular electron transfer across multiple-heme proteins", NSF-funded *US-Africa Forum on Nanotechnology Convergence for Sustainable Energy, Water and Environment*, Johannesburg, South Africa, 2019.
- (11) "Simulations of crosslinked polymer membrane and semiconducting polymers", NIST, July, 2019.
- (10) "Water diffusive behavior inside polymer membrane, across lipid layers and on protein surfaces", NIH, March, 2019.
- (9) "Atomistic simulations and Statistical Mechanics in materials research", the Chemistry Department at Howard University, February, 2019.

- (8) "Biointerfacial behavior and biosensing", NASA/JPL, January, 2019.
- (7) "Reactive forcefield simulations of pyrolysis on silicon carbide surfaces and chemical reactions at the bio-nano interface", the Department of Mechanical & Aerospace Engineering at the University of the George Washington University, DC, March, 2018.
- (6) "Study of protein interfacial phenomena and its applications in biotechnology", *National Forum of the Functional Nano-materials and Interface*, Su Zhou, China, 2017.
- (5) "Study of Biointerfacial Phenomena for Applications in Functional Materials and Biotechnologies", Southeast University, China, 2017.
- (4) "Studies of interfacial phenomena for applications in biotechnologies and water treatment", the Physics Department at Trinity University, Texas, 2017.
- (3) "Electron transfer and adsorption of proteins on surfaces", Institute of Physics, the Autonomous University of San Luis Potosí, México, 2016.
- (2) "Molecular simulations of bio-interfacial phenomena for applications in sustainable energy", ENN Energy Research Institute, China, January 2016.
- (1) "Computer simulations of bio-interface for functional materials design", Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering, Zhejiang University, China, 2016.

Student Theses and Dissertations

- (5) Md Symon Jahan Sajib, PhD, November, 2017, "Atom-level simulation study of interfacial interactions: self-assembling monolayer surfaces, silicon carbide ceramic materials and polymer membrane".
- (4) Tejus Mane, Master Thesis, July, 2017, "Understanding Tetracycline Structure's Role in Promoting Anti-inflammatory Response Using Atomistic Simulation, Docking Analysis and Creative Synthesis".
- (3) Mohammadreza Samieegohar, PhD Dissertation, July 2017, "Molecular Understanding of Biointerfacial Behavior for Biosensing and High-Temperature Interfacial Chemical Reactions in Pyrolysis".
- (2) Heng Ma, PhD Dissertation, July, 2017, "Biointerfacial Phenomena: Water Permeation, Protein adsorption, Electron Transfer and DNA Hybridization".
- (1) Mohammadreza Samieegohar, Master Thesis, Dec. 2015, "Multiscale Modeling and Simulation of Proteins Motion in the Microchannel".

Teaching Experience

01/2024-present: Department of Biomedical Engineering, University of South Carolina

- *Thermodynamics of Biomolecular Systems* (undergraduate course).
- *Modeling & Simulation of Biomedical System* (graduate course)

08/2017-05/2023: Department of Chemical Engineering, Howard University

- *Thermodynamics* (graduate course).
- *Thermodynamics* (undergraduate course).
- *Chemical Engineering Analysis* (undergraduate course).
- *Chemical Engineering Design* (undergraduate course).
- *Unit Operation Lab* (undergraduate course).

09/2013-08/2017: Department of Chemical Engineering, Lamar University

- *Thermodynamics I* (undergraduate course).
- *Thermodynamics II* (undergraduate course).
- *Heat Transfer* (undergraduate course).

- *Statistical Mechanics / Thermodynamics* (graduate course).
- *Soft Matter Simulations* (graduate course).
- *Materials Modeling and Simulations* (graduate course).

Professional Affiliation

- American Chemical Society (ACS);
- American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE);
- Material Research Society (MRS);
- American Physical Society (APS);
- Biophysical Society (BPS);
- Sigma Xi (Senior Member)

Service

Organize Conferences, Workshops and Journal Publications

- Organized the symposium, “Recent Development of Polymer Interface and Polymer Thin Film Preparation, Characterization, and Modeling”, ACS fall conference, 2024.
- Chair for the session in DCOMP, “Emerging Trends in Molecular Dynamics and Machine Learning”, APS, spring, 2021.
- Chair/Co-Chair for the session, “Dynamics and Modeling of Particles, Crystals and Agglomerate Formation” at AIChE national meeting, San Francisco, fall 2020; Pittsburgh, fall 2018; Minneapolis, fall 2017; San Francisco, fall 2016.
- Organized NSF-funded bionanotechnology summer workshop, D.C. Washington, 2019-2021.
- Panelist for the NSF-supported US-Africa Forum on Nanotechnology Convergence for Sustainable Energy, Water and Environment”, Johannesburg, South Africa, August 2019.
- Chair for the session of "Basic Research in Colloids, Surfactants & Interfaces" of the Division of Colloid and Surface Chemistry. ACS National Conference, San Diego, fall 2019; Orlando, spring 2019.
- Chair for the session of "Lipids, Peptides & Proteins" at the Division of "Division of Colloid and Surface Chemistry" in ACS national conference, Boston, fall 2018.
- Co-organized DOE-funded Materials Simulation Workshop, Gaithersburg, Nov. 2018.
- Co-chair for the session of “Modeling and Simulation of Composites” at AIChE national meeting, Atlanta, fall 2014.
- Serve as a guest editor for Special Issue in Biophysical Chemistry, 2021.

Review Proposals and Manuscripts

- Serving as a panelist for NSF proposal review, 2016-2025.
- Serving as a panelist for DoE proposal review, 2022-2023.
- Serving as a panelist for ACS PRF proposal review, 2016-2025.
- Proposal review for ACS Petroleum Research Fund, 2021-2022.
- Reviewer for over 30 journals in Chemistry, Physics, Bioengineering and Chemical Engineering: JACS, ACS Nano, ACS Central Science, Langmuir, Soft Matter, Biointerphases, J. Phys. Chem. (A, B, C), J. Chem. Phys., Fuel & Energy, Appl. Phys. Lett., J. Colloid Interface Sci., Comput. Phys. Commun., AIChE, etc.
- Serving on Doctoral Dissertation and Master’s Theses Committees for 42 graduate students from Chem. Eng. Dept. and Mathematics Dept. at Lamar University, Howard University and Stony Brook University.

Service to the Profession and Department/College/University

- Mentoring REU students in the summer of 2022-23, U. of South Carolina

- Advisor for AIChE Chapter, Howard University.
- Committee chair of faculty participating research, College of Engineering and Architecture, Howard U.
- Member of student grievance committee, College of Engineering and Architecture, Howard U.
- Member of the department APT (Appointments, Promotion and Tenure) committee, Howard U.
- Serving as a secretary for National Capital Section (NCS) of AIChE.