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E-mail: CDRAIN@hunter.cuny.edu**EDUCATION**

- Ph.D. 1984-1988: Chemistry, Tufts University, Medford, MA. Thesis title: Methane Evolution from Methyl-coenzyme-M Induced by a Simple Nickel(II) Complex, and the Synthesis and Characterization of 5,10,15,20-tetrakis-(2,6-diaminophenyl) porphyrin. Barry B. Corden, advisor.
- B.A. 1980: University of Missouri at St. Louis

EXPERIENCE

- Hunter College and Graduate Center of the City University of New York (CUNY)

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| Professor | 2004-present |
| Associate Professor | 2000-2004 |
| Assistant Professor | 1996-1999 |
 - Adjunct Faculty, The Rockefeller University 1996-present
 - Head of the *Nanotechnology & Materials Chemistry* Ph.D. program at CUNY 2002-2014
- 1993-1995 Research Associate in the laboratory of Dewey Holten, Department of Chemistry at Washington University, St. Louis
- 1991-1993: Guest Investigator in the Laboratoire Supramoléculaire of Jean-Marie Lehn, Université Louis Pasteur, Strasbourg, France (on leave from Rockefeller Univ.)
- 1988-1991 Postdoctoral Associate in the Photobiology & Photophysics laboratory of David Mauzerall at the Rockefeller University, New York
- 1983-1984 Promoted to Lab Manager at MIDCO Products Inc., St. Louis. Two patents resulted from work during this time.
- 1981-1983 R&D Chemist at MIDCO Products, Inc., St. Louis

AWARDS & HONORS

- 2015: nominated for: Presidential Award for Excellence in Science, Mathematics and Engineering Mentoring (PAESMEM)
- 2012: Outstanding Undergraduate Mentor in the Sciences at Hunter College, I³ project
- 2007: L. Stokes Alliance Mentoring Award, for Diana Samaroo, Ph.D.
- 2004: New York Academy of Sciences, "*Science in the City*" honoree
- 2001: Foresight Institute Feynman Prize Finalist, in Nanotechnology
- 1997: Eugene Lang Junior Faculty Development Award, Hunter College: for promising junior faculty research
- 1996: Schuster Award, CUNY: for outstanding efforts in teaching

- 1996: Presidential Faculty Incentive & Teaching Award, Hunter College: for developing an integrated math, physics, biology, and chemistry course for 'at risk' high school students
- 1994: Distinguished Alumni Award, University of Missouri, St. Louis (Chemistry)
- 1994: Bioelectrochemical Society award to young investigators at Gordon Research Conference in Irsee, Germany. "Electrostatics inside membranes"
- 1992: Inst. Biophysics, Szeged Hungary Distinguished Lecture series: 2-day course in biological energy transduction
- 1991: Chateaubriand Fellowship, sponsored by the French Embassy
- 1990: Student Presentation Award: 10th International Biophysics Congress, Vancouver, Canada
- 1989: Galvani Prize: Bioelectrochemical Society, Pont-à-Mousson, France. "Photogating of ionic currents across lipid bilayers"
- 1988: Scholarship to the International School of Biophysics, Erice, Italy
- 1985: duPont Fellowship for Academic Excellence: Tufts University, Medford
- 1978-80: MIDCO Products Inc. Academic Scholarship, University of Missouri at St. Louis

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Memberships: American Chemical Society, American Association for the Advancement of Science, New York Academy of Sciences

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Undergraduate: General Chemistry (I & II), Analytical Chemistry, Instrumental Analysis, Inorganic Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Biophysics Lab, Honors Research, Science 200 (introduction to scientific methods, presentations, ethics, etc.)

Graduate (Ph.D. level): Inorganic Chemistry, Introduction to Nanotechnology, Chair or co-chair Nanotechnology & Materials Chemistry subdiscipline in CUNY Chemistry PhD program 2002-2012

COLLABORATIONS

present

1. **Lynn Francesconi** (Hunter) and I have collaborated for 10 years on various inorganic chemistry projects and radiochemistry, especially using polyoxometalates
2. SPM of (metallo)porphyrins and assemblies of (metallo)porphyrins on a variety of surfaces. Collaboration with **James D. Batteas** (Texas A & M). The goal is to probe the photonic properties of single molecules and supramolecular materials of these chromophores as a function of surface, mode of attachment, and organization.
3. Solar cell design and assessment, nanoparticle characterization in collaboration with **Chuck Black** and the center for Functional Nanomaterials at Brookhaven National Labs.
4. **Amit Aggarwal** and **Sunaina Sing** (LaGuardia, CUNY) on the development of new porphyrinic materials.
5. **Moritz Kircher** and **Jan Grimm** (Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer center) applications of nanotechnology and photonics to cancer theranostics.

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6. Probing the mechanism of self-assembly of porphyrinic systems on surfaces. Collaboration with **George Flynn** (Columbia). The goal is to examine the kinetics of self-assembled porphyrin arrays (both metal ion and H-bond assembled) on surfaces from their component parts to probe surface and dimensionality effects on self-organizing processes.

7. Photophysical properties of porphyrins and porphyrinoids compounds in collaboration with **C.-Y Nam** (Brookhaven National Labs) and in terms of 2-photon microscopy with Sushmita Mukherjee (Weill Cornell).
8. Dye sensitized solar cells collaboration with **M. Durstok** at Air Force research labs.
9. Work with **Israel Goldberg** (Univ. Tel Aviv) continues on the comparisons between solution structure to surface structure to crystal structure and how to correlate these.

RESEARCH GRANTS

21 years of continuous funding from NSF, funding from NIH, DoD, and other agencies. Total funding >\$8,000,000

SERVICE to Hunter College and the City University of New York

2013-present: Chair, Department of Chemistry, Hunter College

2001-present: member of the CUNY Ph.D. program's executive committee

2009-2013 CUNY chemistry doctoral student admissions committee

2008: chair of the CUNY chemistry doctoral student admissions committee

2002-present: Chair or co-chair of the *Nanotechnology & Materials Chemistry* sub-discipline in the Chemistry Ph.D. program at CUNY

2006-2008: restructuring of the doctoral programs in the sciences at CUNY: reorganization of the support, administration, and the education/training of doctoral programs in chemistry, biology, physics, and biochemistry

2006-2008: CUNY Advanced Science Center design and implementation advisory panel

2006-2007: CUNY science ethics and misconduct review panel

2002-present: Steering committee for the CUNY *Institute for Macromolecular Assemblies*

2004-present: CUNY *Center for Advanced Technologies: photonics* member.

2001-present: Hunter College Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry "Personnel & Budget Committee" (tenure, promotion, budget, etc.)

2001-present: CUNY Ph.D. program in Chemistry Executive Committee (administers the Ph.D. program in chemistry for the consortia of CUNY schools)

2002-2007: Hunter College Research Centers at Minority Institutions (RCMI) steering, recruiting and facilities committees

2001: Developed "Introduction to Nanotechnology" a required graduate level course for the new discipline, *vide infra*, serve as pedagogical consultant for the course

1999: Nanotechnology and Materials Chemistry Ph.D. program: Though conceived as an interdisciplinary program, we introduced it as a discipline in chemistry as it is the most facile way to get a new program started at CUNY. The intent is to eventually make the Nanotechnology and Materials Chemistry Program semi-autonomous so that students from any of the sciences and engineering can freely participate in a truly interdisciplinary program without the restrictions imposed by any one of the traditional science and engineering programs. Thus, they can tailor their courses and research to their interests and needs in nanotechnology. > 40 students are enrolled in the NMC Program as of the Fall, 2007 semester.

1999: Established the annual "*Hunter College Chemistry Distinguished Alumni Award*," and the *Antoine Saugrain Lecture/Award*, both sponsored by the Foundation A. Saugrain. For example, the 1999 recipient of the Alumni Award was Alice Stoll and included a lunch discussion on the changing roles of women in chemistry from the perspective of "Five Generations of Women in Chemistry at Hunter College." Recipients of the A. Saugrain Award include Nobel Laureates and other world-renown scientists.

- 1998: Assisting in the development of new physical and analytical chemistry laboratories; my focus is on materials science. Six new state-of-the-art experiments have been put together, or are under development.
- 1997: Developed a course on Supramolecular Chemistry for CUNY. Several of these lectures have been incorporated into my graduate and undergraduate courses.
- 1996: Participant in a pilot study to redesign undergraduate junior year evaluations at CUNY. These obligatory exams are a crucial step for undergraduates.
- 1997: Developed curriculum entitled "Investigations in Chemistry," an integrated science and math curriculum for academically 'at risk' high school students with Hunter College masters in education student
- 1989: Volunteer teacher of an advanced course for seniors entitled "Chemistry & Physics of Some Biological Systems" at Xavier High School, New York
- 1989: Symposium Organizer: "Biological Charge Transfer: from Photosynthesis to Physiology" at The Rockefeller University, New York

Ad Hoc Committees: *Present:* Graduate general exam; Graduate thesis (at CUNY, Columbia, Rockefeller, Rutgers, & Univ. of Utrecht, The Netherlands, University of Strasburg, France); *Previous:* Hunter College Senate, 1996, departmental seminar, Fall 1996; Undergraduate teaching; CORE course advisory committee

RECENT PRESENTATIONS

Over 100 invited talks and meeting presentations

TEACHING

In terms of **high school chemistry**, I have developed two chemistry/science courses. Together with a Hunter College education graduate student, Z. Zbaida, class of 1997, we developed a year-long course in science for New York City high school students considered 'at risk' (at risk of not graduating for a variety of reasons such as age limits, disciplinary problems, etc.). The overall approach of this course is to begin with an oftentimes dramatic demonstration followed by discussion of what was observed, hypotheses on the causes of the phenomenon, and then a discussion of the science underlying the demonstration and the reformation of development of a new hypothesis. This class has been taught in a high school in Brooklyn for 3 or 4 years with the hopes that it can be used in other New York City high schools for classes of at risk students. In 2007 we updated the materials. The second course is a lab course developed at Xavier High School that focuses on both biochemical and materials chemistry.

GRADUATE STUDENTS

| <i>Year</i> | <i>Name, discipline (supported by)</i> | <i>present employment</i> |
|----------------|--|----------------------------------|
| <u>Current</u> | | |
| 2013: | Waqar Rizvi (organic) | |
| 2016: | Qize Zheng (nano) | |
| 2017: | Gia Berisha (nano) | |
| <u>Past</u> | | |
| 2000: | Xianchang Gong, Anal. (NSF) | Started his own biotech business |
| 2001: | Xinxu Shi, org. (NSF) | Memorial Sloan Kettering |
| 2001: | Fotis Nifiatis, physical org. (NSF) ^A | Prof. Montclair State |

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| 2002: | Tatjana Milic, anal./nano (NSF) | Albany Molecular Research |
| 2004: | Xin Chen, biochem. (NIH) | Arvinas, Inc. |
| 2004: | Kai Cheng, org. (NSF) | N. Shore Hospital, NY |
| 2005: | Chang Xu, polymer (NSF, NIST, Israel-US) | U. Mass Amherst |
| 2005: | James Helt, polymer (IGERT, NSF, NIST) | entrepreneur, US Aerospace |
| 2006: | Alexander Falber, inorg. (NSF, IGERT) | founder, Algae Enterprises, Australia |
| 2007: | Diana Samaroo, ^B biochem (AMP, IGERT, NSF) | Prof. NYC Tech. |
| 2007: | Gabriela Smeureanu, anal. (NSF) | Lecturer, CUNY |
| 2008: | Giorgio Bazzan, anal. (NSF) | Staff scientist, Air Force Labs |
| 2009: | Alessandro Varotto, nano (NSF) | Loyola Marymount University |
| 2009: | Sebastian Thompson Parga, ^B biochem. (NIH) | visiting Prof. Northwestern Univ. |
| 2010: | Jennifer Vance, nano (CUNY) | Prof. LaGuardia Community College |
| 2010: | Ivana Radivojevic, Nano (NSF) | Visitn Prof. Boston College |
| 2011: | Amit Aggarwal, anal. (NSF) | Prof. LaGuardia Comm. Col. |
| 2011: | Sunaina Singh, org. (NSF) | Prof. LaGuardia Comm. College |
| 2011: | Jacopo Samson, Nano (NSF) | Lecturer CUNY |
| 2012: | Matthew Jurow, nano (NSF) | Lawrence Berkeley National Lab |
| 2016: | Matthew Wall, nano (NSF IGERT) | post-doc U. Washington |
| 2016: | Travis Schaffer (NSF IGERT) | post-doc Stanford |
| 2016: | Christopher Farley (NSF) | Visiting Professor, Hunter College |
| 2017: | Junior Gonzales (NIH) | postdoc, Memorial Sloan Kettering |

^ADr. Nifiatis won the 1998 Foresight Institute Distinguished Student Award in Nanotechnology for his contribution to the work on the nonameric porphyrin array: <http://www.foresight.org/Conferences/MNT6/release.html> ^B
Underrepresented minority,

MASTERS STUDENTS

2013-2015: David Arenivar^B

POSTDOCTORAL STUDENTS

| <i>Year</i> | <i>Name, (supported by, location)</i> | <i>present employment</i> |
|---------------|---|---------------------------------|
| 2000-2001: | O. Athilakshmi (NSF, Rockefeller) | U. IL, Urbana |
| 2000-2002: | Isabelle Sylvain (NIH, Hunter) | returned to France, Elf |
| 2000-2003: | Ning Chi (Israel-US, Hunter, Staten Island) | teaching at Rutgers |
| 2002-2004: | Jayne Garno (CUNY, NRC Fellow at NIST) | Faculty, LA State U.* |
| 2005-2007: | Mikki Vinodu (NIH, CUNY) | Faculty, Kuwait University |
| 2007-2008: | Joao Tome (NIH) | Faculty, Univ. Averio, Portugal |
| 20010-2013: | Xinxu Shi | Memorial Sloan Kettering |
| 2013-present: | Dinesh K Bhupathiraju | |

Other lab members

2005: Visiting Professor: Greg Edens, Long Island University (NIH, Rockefeller)
 2002-2003: Technician: Sandeep Patel, Ph.D. from GA Tech., NIH strategic planning
 2010-2012: Technician: Brian Hageman

*Prof. Garno won a 2009 Presidential Early Career Awards for Scientists & Engineers, the highest honor given by the U.S. government to scientists and engineers at the beginning of their careers, worked with Dr. James Batteas at NIST

Undergraduate Researchers

| Name | | Post-CUNY |
|---------------------------------|---------------|--|
| Alex Vasenko | Co-authorship | Dentist |
| Venessa Ruta ^A | Co-authorship | Ph.D. Rockefeller U. Postdoc Columbia |
| Elizabeth Manejias ^B | | Physician (SUNY Stony Brook) |
| Melissa Bailey ^B | | Ph.D. SUNY |
| Lisa Robinson | | Ph.D. |
| Vinita Tiwari | | Physician |
| Suhel Ahmed | | Physician |
| Kareem Eldar | | Physician |
| Lincoln Roland ^B | | Medical School |
| Bara Reyna ^B | | Ph.D., U. Texas, Austin |
| Dianna Samaroo ^B | Co-authorship | Ph.D. CUNY, postdoc Cornell |
| William Wooten ^B | | BA student, Hunter |
| Shabnan Nia | Co-authorship | Masters CUNY |
| Brent Fabric | | |
| Roger Lefort ^B | | Ph.D. Columbia U. |
| Milisa Hilaire ^B | | Ph.D. student, CUNY |
| Margareta Sorensen | | Ph.D. student, Rockefeller U. |
| Reggi Roy | | Technician at Rockefeller U. |
| Heather Sommers ^B | Co-authorship | Physician |
| Vladim Avulov | | Physician |
| Shawn Barker ^B | | Industry |
| Randy Jackson ^B | | Grad. school U. Conn. |
| Tatyana Groysman | Co-authorship | Medical school |
| Marina Matatova | | Medical school |
| Ngee Thai | Co-authorship | Grad. School |
| Bassam Saad | | Medical School |
| Diran Arijeloye ^B | Co-authorship | <i>ACS Scholar</i> , graduate school |
| Rachel Alfie | | Ph.D., U. Mass. Lowell, Chemist Haartz Corporation |
| Noemi Belis ^B | | |
| Michael Favilla | Co-authorship | Finishing BA, part time CUNY |
| Sarnia Laurent ^B | | Graduate school |
| Gianluca Arianna | Co-authorship | MD-PhD U. Conn. |
| Eric Malave ^B | Co-authorship | CCNY Engineering |
| Waqar Rizvi ^D | Co-authorship | Graduate school CUNY |
| Meroz Qureshy ^D | Co-authorship | Pharmacy School |
| Armond Pietrocarlo ^B | | Graduate school |
| Aaron Dolor ^{BCD} | Co-authorship | Grad. school UCSF |
| Raihan Saleh ^{CD} | Co-authorship | NYU Chemical engineering |
| Cesar Pabon ^{BCD} | Co-authorship | Started buisness |
| Nicholas Ravvin | | Leadership Alliance support |
| Nicholas Lease | Co-authorship | SPUR, went to Rutgers |
| Gabrielle Benitez ^B | | SPUR, went to Columbia |
| Eric Gervey | | Medical school |

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| David Nissenbaum | | NC State chemistry |
| Abdul Salam | | Cornell biochemistry |
| Viacheslav Manichev | Co-authorship | Rutgers chemistry |
| Dillon Sooknanan ^B | | |
| Peter Vitale | SPUR, Iona College | Medial school |
| Olivia Monaco | SPUR, Fordam Univ. | Graduate school |
| Daniel Hart | SPUR, Hunter Coll. | Medical school |
| Juliya Matolina | co-authorship | Graduate school |
| Danny Swift | co-authorship | Pomona College |
| Saul Penaranda | co-authorship | Hunter College |
| Arman Akter | | |
| Bianca John | co-authorship | Graduate school |
| Gia Berisha | co-authorship | Graduate school, CUNY |
| Pablo Figueroa ^B | co-authorship | Graduate school |
| Patrick Moy | | Graduate school |
| Mark Maranan ^B | | |
| Bibi Begum | | |
| Bleron Samarxhiu | | Graduate school |
| Kirran Tiwari | co-authorship | Dental school |
| Philip To | co-authorship | Graduate school |
| Emaad Khwaja | co-authorship | MD-PhD program |
| Saim Siddiqu | co-authorship | |
| Muntasir Sayeedi | | |

HIGH SCHOOL Students (Sponsored by ACS Project Seed, NY Academy of Sciences, Harlem Children's Society): Raquel Look, Ben Rothschild, H.A. Bodah^B (High School Teacher, Dreyfus Fdn. Partners in Science), Robert Negron,^B Avani Kothary, Michelle Li, Anthony Ho, Yelena Shapiro, Grace Ro, Oliver Yang^E, Karen Watson, Candido Gude,^B Ruchi Bhargava, Samantha Dannenberg, Sean Feiner^E, Raihan Saleh (Sigma Xi first place winner 2008),^{B,C,D} Erik Malave,^{B,C} Gianluca Airanna^{B,C} (NY Acad. Sci. Ezra Levy High School Science Award – 2009), Kay-Kemakorn Ithisuphalap^C (Intel Science Competition finalist, 2010); Parbat Chapagai, Daniel Swift,^{C,D,E} Susmita Paul, Vahagn Stepanyan, Priscilla Varghese^B, Arnold Djondo,^B Amior Schmidt (2012-2013), Alei Rizvi, Nasser Ghaffar^B and Niles Ghaffar^B

^AGoldwater fellow. Ruta's Ph.D. thesis is on K⁺ ion channels in the lab. of Prof. MacKinnon at Rockefeller U. and she had three papers (two in *Nature*) and for this work on ion channels, MacKinnon won the 2003 Nobel Prize in chemistry ^B Underrepresented minority in STEM, ^CCo-author, ^D2 or more summers/years, ^EIntel semifinalist

OTHER ACTIVITIES/OUTREACH

International Year of Chemistry

As part of the celebration of the [International Year of Chemistry](#), graduate student Jacopo Samson from Hunter College of the City University of New York and I participated in the "[pH of the Planet](#)" experiment with over 250 seventh grade students from Readington Middle School in Hunterdon County, N. J. During the last week of April, the students brought in water samples from wells, lakes, rivers, and streams to test the pH. This was written up in the local newspaper and posted on the

American Chemical Society blog on the event. See: "Chemistry Ambassadors put U.S. on the world map – the Global Water Map"

http://portal.acs.org/portal/acs/corg/content?nfpb=true&pageLabel=PP_ARTICLEMAIN&node_id=75&content_id=CNBP_029516&use_sec=true&sec_url_var=region1&uuid=67c1ff64-4f0a-4621-ad0a-8d76148baca4

NanoDays 2012

I applied for and received a NanoDays kit. See <http://www.nisenet.org/nanodays> : "NanoDays is a nationwide festival of educational programs about nanoscale science and engineering and its potential impact on the future. NanoDays events are organized by participants in the Nanoscale Informal Science Education Network (NISE Net)" We did experiments at Holland Brook School in Readington, NJ with over 50 4th graders and the Middle School with over 160 8th graders. Students rotated between four stations every 10 minutes so that they could do the following experiments: (1) make gummy worms by mixing sodium alginate with CaCl₂; (2) make a hydrogel from the sodium polyvinyl acetate; (3) look at the reflection of a dipper rash ointment with large ZnO particles, which is white, versus nanoparticles of ZnO in sunscreen, which is clear; (4) look at a blue morpho butterfly versus a yellow moth. (5) steel balls bouncing on stainless steel versus amorphous metal – the "atomic trampoline."