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EDUCATION

Wuhan University, Wuhan, China (Undergraduate Student)
 Carleton University, Ottawa, Canada (Visiting Student)
 Westlake University, Hangzhou, China (Visiting Student)
 09/2020 – present
 07/2023 – 10/2023
 06/2022 – 08/2022

PUBLICATIONS

- 1. Wei-Feng Zheng, **Jingdan Chen**, Xiaotian Qi*, Zhongxing Huang*. Asymmetric decarboxylative protonation enabled by an anchoring group that enhances noncovalent interactions. (*Nat. Chem.*, **15**, 1672–1682 (2023), DOI: 10.1038/s41557-023-01362-3)
- 2. Zhenhuan Chen, **Jingdan Chen**, Yanyan Zhang*, Shendong Tan, Zilin Yang. Dechlorination helps defluorination: Insights into the defluorination of florfenicol and DFT calculations on the reaction pathways. (*Environ. Sci. Technol.*, **5**, 2542–2553 (2024), DOI: 10.1021/acs.est.3c07435)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Summer Research (Assistant professor Christopher Rowley as supervisor)

07/2023 - 10/2023

Alchemical Simulation for Protein-Ligand Binding Free Energy Calculation

- Rowley's Group Website: Rowley Group
- ♦ Determine absolute protein-ligand binding free energy change with Free Energy Perturbation theory which is implemented with existing open neural network potential aided molecular dynamics.

Undergraduate Researcher (Professor Xiaotian Qi as supervisor)

09/2021 - 07/2023

DFT-Oriented Homolysis Catalysis Mechanism Investigation

- ♦ Carried out the theoretical studies to chiral phosphoric acid(CPA) catalyzed asymmetric decarboxylative protonation, clarified mechanisms with DFT calculation and the origin of enantioselectivity with IGMH and ALMO-EDA. (See Publication 1)
- ♦ DFT-oriented cobalt complex catalytic mechanism and the nature of cobalt-radical interaction

- investigation, mainly concentrating on "Cobalt Catalyzed contra-Thermodynamic Positional Alkene Isomerization".
- ♦ Cheminformatics investigation, including the usage of language model in chemistry domain (Cooperated with Dr. Mao Su)

Summer Research(Assistant professor Yanyan Zhang as supervisor)

06/2022 - 08/2022

Theoretical Investigation into Per-/Poly-fluoroalkyl Substances (PFASs) Degradation

- Zhang's Group Website: Alumni-environ-chem lab (westlake.edu.cn)
- ❖ Preliminarily developed the computational chemistry workflow and configured High-Performance Computing environment for Zhang's lab.
- ❖ Conducted DFT calculation with Gaussian 16 to investigate the spontaneous defluorination mechanism of various PFASs. (see Publication 2)

INVITED TALKS

Oral Report at The XXIII International Conference on Organic Synthesis (23-ICOS)

19/10/2023

DFT oriented mechanism investigation on asymmetric decarboxylative protonation of aminomalonic acids

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Teaching Assistant (Inorganic Chemistry, Professor Gongzhen Cheng's Class)

09/2021 - 01/2022

♦ Assisted in preparing coursework and helped with professional knowledge and coursework for students.

SELECTED HONORS AND AWARDS

- ♦ China National Scholarship (National Highest Scholarship, continue for two years)
 12/2021&2022
- ♦ Merit Student with First-Class Scholarship, Wuhan University (continue for two years) 10/2021&2022
- ❖ Bronze Award of the 7th China International College Students' 'Internet+' Innovation and Entrepreneurship Competition, Hubei Province
 07/2021
- ♦ National Second Prize of the 12th Lan Qiao Cup Collegiate Programming Contest, Python 06/2021