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Ph.D. in Chemistry, University of California, Berkeley, 1982

Professional History:

1997 - present Professor of Chemistry and Physics, WU
1989 - 1997 Associate Professor of Chemistry and Physics, WU
1984 - 1989 Assistant Professor of Chemistry, WU
1982 - 1984 Postdoctoral Research Associate, Univ. of California-Berkeley & LBNL

Awards and Honors:

1976 -1977 Moses Gomberg Fellowship, University of Michigan
1986 -1991 Presidential Young Investigator Award, NSF
1998 Chairman Nuclear Chemistry Gordon Conference
2008 Outstanding Referee Award (APS)
2010 National American Chemical Society (ACS) Seaborg Award in Nuclear Chemistry
2010 Fellow of the American Physical Society (APS), Division of Nuclear Physics

Professional Associations:

- American Physical Society (APS), Nuclear Physics Division (DNP)
- American Chemical Society (ACS), Nuclear Chemistry and Technology
- Division and NSAC Liaison Committee
- Nuclear Science Long-Range Planning Committee (1989, 2000)
- National Superconducting Cyclotron Laboratory Executive Committee (1987-1990), (2013-2016), chairman (1988-1990)
- Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory 88" Cyclotron PAC (1989 -1994)
- Review Committees:
SUNY-Nuc. Lab. (1992), LBNL-Nuclear Science Division (1995 -1997)
TAMU -Cyclotron Institute (1995), ANL-ATLAS (2011)
- Writing committee for various FRIB proposals (2000 - 2005)
- NSAC subcommittee: Implementation of the 2007 Long Range Plan

Research Interest:

The de-excitation modes of highly-excited nuclei; continuum structure of exotic nuclei; nucleosynthesis; dynamics of nuclear fusion and fission; the asymmetry dependence nucleon correlations and the asymmetry dependence of the nuclear equation of state; multi-particle correlations; advanced radiation detectors and the associated electronics including ASIC design; and various applied nuclear science topics.

Synergistic Activities

Long-standing collaborations with: SIUE ASIC design group, WU departments of Radiology and Radiation Oncology. Regular (i.e. annual) technical lectures on nuclear power and waste in A&S (Chemistry, Physics and Environmental Studies) and Engineering courses.

Refereed Publications: ~ 225

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6. "The Influence of Fluctuations on the Correlation Between Exit-Channel Kinetic Energy and Entrance-Channel Angular Momentum for Heavy Ion Collisions," L.G. Moretto and L.G. Sobotka, Z. Physik. **303**, 299 (1981).
7. "Angular Momentum Transfer and Partition in the Deep-Inelastic Reaction 664 MeV $^{84}\text{Kr} + ^{nat}\text{Ag}$," L.G. Sobotka, C.C. Hsu, G.J. Wozniak, D.J. Morrissey, and L.G. Moretto, Nucl. Phys. A **321**, 510 (1981).
8. "Alpha Particle Emission From the Deep-Inelastic Reaction: 1354 MeV $^{165}\text{Ho} + ^{181}\text{Ta}$," L.G. Sobotka, R.J. McDonald, G.J. Wozniak, D.J. Morrissey, A.J. Pacheco, and L.G. Moretto, Phys. Rev. C **25**, 1693 (1982).
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12. "Angular Momentum Transfer and Alignment in Deep-Inelastic Reactions for Nearly Symmetric Heavy-Ion Systems," A.J. Pacheco, G.J. Wozniak, R.J. McDonald, R.M. Diamond, C.C. Hsu, L.G. Moretto, D.J. Morrissey, L.G. Sobotka and F.S. Stephens, Nucl. Phys. A **397**, 313 (1983).

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- “Studies of Nuclear Structure and Reactions,” **Department of Energy**, Division of Nuclear Physics. Joint with R. J. Charity with 3-year budget (2017-2019) of: \$1,100,000. Supplements: \$15,000 (2018), \$35,000 (2019).
- “Studies of Nuclear Structure and Reactions,” **Department of Energy**, Division of Nuclear Physics. Joint with R. J. Charity with 3-year budget (2020-2022) of: \$1,365,000 + \$176,000 (5-month extension). The costed extension was to rotate grant cycle to fit DOE comparative review program.
- “CENTAUR – Center for Excellence in Nuclear Training And University-based Research,” **Department of Energy**, National Nuclear Security Administration - Steward Science Academic Alliances, (NNSA-SSAA). TAMU is this hub institution of this 5-year (2019-2023) \$10M grant. In addition to TAMU, the academic institutions are: FSU, LSU, ND, UW, and WU. The WU portion is \$465,000.

Active grant support

- “Studies of Nuclear Structure and Reactions,” **Department of Energy**, Division of Nuclear Physics. Joint with R. J. Charity with 3-year budget (June 1, 2023 - 2026) of: \$1,501,000.
- “CENTAUR – Center for Excellence in Nuclear Training And University-based Research,” **Department of Energy**, National Nuclear Security Administration - Steward Science Academic Alliances, (NNSA-SSAA). TAMU is this hub institution of this 5-year (Aug. 1 2023 - 2028) \$12.5M grant. In addition to TAMU, the academic institutions are: FSU, LSU, ND, UM-Lowell, UW, and WU. The WU portion is \$678,000.

Invited Talks, Seminars, and Interviews

(Contributed talks not listed, general/public audience lectures in **bold**)

- 1983 Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory, NP and NC Divisions
 Los Alamos National Laboratory, NP and INC Divisions
 Washington University, Department of Chemistry
- 1984 Chalk River Nuclear Laboratories
 Gordon Conference, Nuclear Chemistry
- 1985 Michigan State University, Cyclotron Laboratory
 University of Michigan, Department of Physics
- 1986 University of Michigan, Department of Chemistry
- 1987 Indiana University, Department of Chemistry
 Washington University, Department of Chemistry
- 1988 Carnegie-Mellon University, Mellon Institute
 Texas A and M University, Cyclotron Institute
 Grand Accelerateur National D'ions Lourds Laboratoire
 Gordon Conference, Nuclear Chemistry
 Chalk River Nuclear Laboratories
- 1989 Indiana University, Bloomington, Department of Chemistry
 Washington University, Public Lecture:
Why cold fusion claims are wrong.
- 1990 State University of New York, SUNY, Department of Physics
 University of Illinois, Urbana, Department of Physics
 Washington University, Department of Physics
- 1991 Grand Accelerateur National D'ions Lourds Laboratoire
- 1993 Michigan State University, Cyclotron Laboratory
- 1995 Chalk River Nuclear Laboratories
 Gull Lake Conference
 Texas A & M University, Cyclotron Institute
- 1997 Michigan State University, Cyclotron Laboratory
 University of Illinois, Carbondale, Department of Physics
 Indiana University, Bloomington, Cyclotron Laboratory
- 1999 International Workshop on Gross Properties of Nuclei, Hirschegg Austria
- 2000 M. Smoluchowski Institute of Physics, Krakow, Poland
 Argonne National Laboratory, Physics Division
 Texas A & M University, Department of Chemistry
- 2001 Michigan State University, Cyclotron Laboratory
- 2002 Nuclear Chemistry Gordon Conference
- 2003 American Physical Society (plenary talk)
- 2004 American Physical Society (plenary talk)
 WCI-I - Catania, Italy
- 2005 WCI-III - TAMU
 Michigan State University, Cyclotron Laboratory
 Indiana University, Cyclotron Laboratory
 Institute of Nuclear Theory (INT) – Seattle
- 2006 Indiana University, Department of Chemistry
- 2007 Cocoyco – Mexico
 Notre-Dame, two seminars: a. Physics and b. Joint Chemistry + Physics
 Texas A & M Cyclotron Institute
 Duke University, Department of Physics and TUNL
- 2008 Michigan State University, Cyclotron Laboratory
 Texas A & M, Department of Chemistry
 Washington University, Computer Science & Engineering (CSE)
- 2009 University of Rochester, Department of Physics

- 2010 Carpathian Summer School of Physics, Sinaia Romania
 Washington University, Physics
 Texas A & M Cyclotron Institute
- 2011 Texas A & M Cyclotron Institute
 Washington University, Public Lecture:
The physical science of the Fukushima disaster
 Nuclear Chemistry Gordon Conference
 Indiana University, Cyclotron Laboratory
 American Physical Society (plenary talk)
 ANSIP-2011 (Acireale, Italy).
- 2012 International Nucleus-Nucleus Conference (San Antonio, TX)
 RIKEN – Japan
- 2013 International Workshop on Nuclear Dynamics and Thermodynamics, TAMU
- 2014 ICI-8, International Conference on Isotopes (Chicago, IL.)
 Ohio University (Athens)
- 2015 Washington University: Public lecture (Saturday Science Series):
The Chart of the Nuclides
 Texas A & M, Department of Chemistry (Student selected speaker.)
 Pacificchem 2015 Congress (Hawaii)
- 2016 Washington University, Public Lecture:
The Nuclear Future: Challenges and Opportunities in the 21st century
 Saint Louis Science Teachers –
Nuclear Chemistry: What should be taught in HS?
- 2018 Washington University, Sigma Iota Rho lecture series:
The North Korean Nuclear Program
 O'Fallon III, High School Science Club, Nuclear Science
 Texas A & M – (a) Future neutron detectors for invariant mass spectroscopy
 (b) The experimental science for CENTAUR – NNSA center
 Galveston TX (SONTANCP4), International conference on clustering in nuclear systems
 Washington University, Fun and Games with God's quantum dots.
 Washington University, (EPS evening seminar series, one of two speakers):
Science, Humanities and the West Lake Landfill
- 2019 NSCL/FRIB/Michigan State University
 Texas A & M – The experimental science for CENTAUR – NNSA center
 Washington University
Chernobyl – the cost of lies (technical discussion and HBO series review)
 Univ. of Alabama- Birmingham (two talks: Chernobyl and "God's Quantum Dots")
 Nuclear Science for High Schools (an outreach program for StL HS teachers)
 APS/DNP (D.C.)
 Duke/TUNL (Durham NC)
 Texas A&M Cyclotron Institute (College Station TX)
- 2020 An interview with a science writer lead to this Scientific American article by Ling Xin:
<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/carbon-conundrum-experiment-aims-to-re-create-synthesis-of-key-element/>
- 2022 Washington University, Department of Chemistry
 Argonne National Laboratory, Physics Division
 Washington University, PPC (International Conference on the Interconnections between
 Particle Physics and Cosmology)
 Univ. of Washington - Seattle, (Meeting summary talk on a topical meeting on how angular
 momentum is generated in Fission)
 LBNL Nuclear Physics Forum, Nuclear Science Division
 Orlando, CIPANP (Conference on the Intersections of Particle and Nuclear Physics)

Washington University, Public Lecture:

The person Wake of A. H. Compton

2023 Saint Louis University forum on the potential contamination in the Jana School in Hazelwood.

The radioactive legacy of the Manhattan Project in Saint-Louis – Jana Elementary?

<https://www.slu.edu/public-health-social-justice/centers-institutes/ceet.php>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZbDhPB2pqRo>

⇒ ~ 14k views as of end of 2023

Second talk on the same subject to WashU Environmental Studies faculty.

OLLI (Osher Lifelong Learning Institute) StL continuing education series.

The person Wake of A. H. Compton

Gordon Conference, Nuclear Chemistry – Angular momentum generation in Fission

Exotic Beam Summer School (EBSS2023) – Nuclear Reactions

Organized and participated in “Sat-Sci” panel discussion of

Oppenheimer – The movie and WashU connections.

“Sat-Sci”, lecture 2 of a 4 part series on Oppenheimer and his science

Oppie: the Los Alamos years, nuclear science and a weapons primer

University Activities

Courses Taught:

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| 1) General Chemistry Lecture | 111: | 1992, 1993, 1994. |
| 2) General Chemistry Lecture | 112: | 1997, 1998, 1999. |
| 3) General Chemistry Laboratory | 115: | 1987, 1988, 1989. |
| 4) Undergraduate Physical Sciences Seminar Series | 181: | 1996 – 1999, 2010 |
| 5) Physical Science in 12 problems, Chem/Phys | 400: | 2005 – 2009, 2011 – 2023 |
| 6) Physical Chemistry I (Thermodynamics) | 421: | 2000 (old PChem order) |
| 7) Physical Chemistry II (Thermo., S.M.) | 402: | 2002 – 2004, 2008 – 2013, 2019 – 2022 |
| 8) Radio-chemistry Laboratory, | Chem/Phys 435: | 1985, 1990 – 1994. |
| 9) Introduction to the Atomic Nucleus, | Chem/Phys 436: | 1986 – 1988, 1995, 2006, 2014 – 2018, 2020 – 2023 |
| 10) Statistical Thermodynamics C562 and/or P529: | | 1989, 1990, 2001 – 2004. |
| 11) Nuclear Physics 542 (only 1/3 taught by LGS): | | 1992, 1995. |
| 11) Advanced Physics Laboratory 322 (3 project experiments developed by LGS) | | |
| 12) Nuclear Power: Facts and Perception, EnSt 315 | | 2017 – 2023 (Course master Susanne Loui, three technical lectures by lgs) |
| 13) Nuclear Power: a technical overview, EnSt 400 | | 2023 – (A 1-cr special topics class, taught by lgs, designed to complement EnSt 315.) |

Departmental Services:

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| Admissions Committee: | 1984 – 1988 |
| Recruitment Committee: | 1984 – 1987 |
| Seminar Committee: | 1984 – 1987, 1988-1995 |
| Search Committee (Chemistry): | 1985, 1988, 2004 |
| Search Committee (Physics): | 1990, 1996, 2001, 2018, 2022 |
| Search Committee (Lab Supervisor): | 1986, 2023 |
| Undergraduate Work Committee: | 1989 – 1994, 2000 - 2022 |
| New Building Committee, chair: | 1994 – 2002 |
| Shops Committee | 1993 – 2022 (Chair until 2015) |
| Infrastructure and Operations (IO) | 2023 – |

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| Department Planning Group: | 1994 – 1999 |
| Samuel I. Weissman Lecture Committee | 2015 – |

University Services:

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| Radiological Safety Committee: | 1984 – present (Hilltop representative) |
| Freshman advisor: | 1985 – 1986, 1993 – 1994 |
| University Wide Shop Committee: | 1995 |
| Moog Scholar Selection Committee: | 2001 – 2003 |
| University Curriculum Committee: | 2001 – 2003, 2018 |
| Compton-Ferguson Selection Committee: | 2010 – 2017 |

Graduate Students:

Previous

- L. Gallamore, M.S. [Chem.] 1992
 First position: Director of the detector laboratory at International Technologies,
 Current position: Practicing (patent) Lawyer
- James F. Dempsey, Ph.D. [Chem.] 1997**
 Thesis: Dynamical aspects of fragment production in heavy-ion collisions.
 Most recent academic position: Associate Professor, Departments of Nuclear
 Engineering and Radiology, University of Florida.
 Present position: Founder and Chief Scientific Officer of **ViewRay**
- M. Ganesan, M.S. [E.E] 2000 - secondary advisor
 Current position: INTEL
- M. Malikansari, M.S. [E.E.] 2001 - secondary advisor
 Current position: INTEL
- M. Nethi, M.S. [E.E.] 2003 - secondary advisor
 Current position: INTEL
- N. Gunawardena M.S. [Chem.] 2003
 Current position – Pacific Northwest National Laboratory PNNL
 International Nuclear Security
- M. Sadasivam, M.S. [E.E.] 2004 - secondary advisor
 Current position: INTEL
- Sergey Komarov, Ph.D. [Phys.] 2006**
 Thesis: Collective Enhancement of the Nuclear Level Density
 Current position: Research Professor - Washington University Med. & Eng.
- Rebecca Shane, Ph.D. [Phys.] 2011**
 Thesis: Asymmetry Dependence of Correlations in Exotic Nuclei
 Current position: Staff scientist – Facility for Rare Isotope Beams (FRIB)
- Mike Hall, MS [E.E.] 2010 - secondary advisor.
 Thesis: Development of a Pulse-Shape discriminating (PSD) capable ASIC
 Current position: Velocidata, St. Louis.
- Tara Mastren, Ph.D. [Chem. and Radiology] 2014**
 Advised jointly with Prof. S. Lapi – WU radiology
 Thesis: Isotope Harvesting at NSCL and FRIB
 Current position: Assistant Professor, University of Utah
- Kyle Brown, Ph.D [WU-Chem.] 2016**
 Thesis: Continuum Structure of Light Nuclei
 Kyle won the 2016 APS (NP) dissertation award.
 First Position: Gregors Hansen Post-doc at the NSCL/MSU.
 Current Position: Assistant Professor MSU/FRIB.
- Dan Hoff, Ph.D [WU-Chem.] 2018**
 Advised jointly with Prof. R. J. Charity

Thesis: Spin alignments of $^7\text{Li}/^7\text{Be}$ projectiles.

First position: Post-doctoral associate, Univ. of Mass. at Lowell

Current position: Staff LLNL

Cole Pruitt, Ph.D. [WU-Chem.] 2019

Thesis: Isotopically-resolved neutron cross sections used to Probe Nuclear Optical Potentials.

Current position: Staff LLNL

Tyler Webb, Ph.D. [WU-Phys.] 2019

Advised jointly with Prof. R. J. Charity, J. O'Sullivan (WU-eng.)

Thesis: (a) Discovery of ^{11}O and new insights into ^{12}O .

(b) Proton range verification for p therapy.

Current position: Data Analyst/Computer Scientist with Bayer/Monsanto

Shawn Loveless, Ph.D. [WU-Chem.] 2020

Advised jointly with Prof. Susanne Lapi – WU/UAB radiology

Thesis: Production of Medical Radioisotopes Using Titanium Targets

Current Position: Covidian/Medtronics, Isotopes division – St. Louis

Nima Tatari, Ph.D. [WU-Phys.] 2021

Advised jointly with Prof. Arash Darafsheh – WU Radiation Oncology

Thesis: A systematic study of neutron production in two versions of the Mevion proton-therapy system

Bryan Orabutt M.S. [WU-Eng.] 2022

Advised Jointed with Prof. Roger Chamberlain (Sys. Sci. – Eng.)

M.S. Thesis: Mixed mode PSD circuits.

Current position: INTEL

Dan Mulrow, Ph.D. [WU-Chem.] 2022

Jointly advised with Prof. Arash Darafsheh, WU – Radiation Oncology

Thesis: Proton-Induced Radio luminescence of Materials and Initial Studies of FLASH radiotherapy

First position: NNSA – Washington DC

Current position: staff at NAS (Long-term study of the radiation effects of Hiroshima and Nagasaki bombs.)

Current

Nicolas Dronchi [WU-Phys.]

Thesis: (a) The proton decay of the first excited state of ^{36}Ca .

(b) Continuum spectroscopy of ^7Li .

(c) Discovery of ^{34}K .

Johnathan Phillips [WU-Chem.]

Thesis: (a) The 4^+ state in ^{16}Ne , a state without s components.

(b) How magic is ^{22}Si ?

Prince John [WU-Eng.]

Advised Jointed with Prof. Roger Chamberlain (Sys. Sci. – Eng.)

Thesis: Mixed mode ASIC circuits.

Henry Webb [WU-Phys.]

Thesis: (a) The np decay of The $J^\pi = 2^+$, $T = 1$ state in ^6Li .

(b) Pre fully-accelerated neutron emission in ^{252}Cf fission – revisited.

Current WU-Med students working, in part, in Rchem and being co-advised by Igs.

Abbie Hasson (Radiology, advisor Dan Thorek)

Vahid Abbasian (Rad. onc., advisor Arash Darafsheh)

Undergraduates engaged in research in our group:

About 20 undergraduates have been mentored between 1985 and 2023.

Four went on to medical school or MD/PhD programs, the remainder went on to graduate school in physical science. The graduate schools include: Berkeley (chem.), MIT (both phys. and nuclear science/engineering), Harvard (phys.), Stanford (both chem. and phys.), Northwestern (chem. and mat. sci.), Duke (phys.), U. of Colorado at Boulder (mat. sci.), Michigan State University (several both chem. and phys.), and Texas A&M University (chem.).

Year in review - 2023

6 papers (two were letters, one of which was a PRL Editors' Suggestion, Featured in Physics, Science, Science News, DOE webpage, and soon C&EN); 7 talks (one with ~ 14k views); two grants approved, developed a new course for Env. St.; served on university-wide Rad. Safety Committee; collaborations (and on thesis committees) with groups in Chem, Phys, CSE (Eng), Radiation Oncology, and Radiology; 0 Ph.D.'s and 1 BS in 2023; and currently 4 GSs and 1 UG in the group. (The sr. membership of the group consists of: lgs, rjc – a full research professor, one engineer, and one laboratory manager.) One faculty mentee is about to receive tenure (phys) and lgs is currently on faculty mentoring committees for two in chem and one, other than the one mentioned above, in phys.