

# Asghar Razavi

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## Curriculum Vitae

### Education

2011–present **Doctor of Philosophy**, *Department of Chemistry*, Temple University, Philadelphia, expected graduation: summer 2015.  
*GPA – 3.96*

Advisor Prof. Vincent Voelz

2008–2010 **Master of Science**, *Department of Chemistry*, Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran.  
*GPA – 3.43*

Advisor Prof. Gholamabbas Parsafar

2004–2008 **Bachelor of Science**, *Department of Chemistry*, University of Tabriz, Tabriz, Iran.  
*GPA – 3.18*

### Research Experience

**Graduate Research Assistant**, *Temple University*, Philadelphia.

2012–present Computational: Protein Folding, Membrane Transporters, Markov State Models, Small Molecule Drug Design

Advisor Prof. Vincent Voelz

2011–2012 Experimental: Ultrafast Lasers, Atomic Force Microscopy

Advisor Prof. Eric Borguet

**Graduate Research Assistant**, *Sharif University of Technology*, Tehran, Iran.

2008–2010 Theoretical: Ionic Liquids, Equations of State

Advisor Prof. Gholamabbas Parsafar

### Teaching/Mentoring Experience

**Graduate Teaching Assistant**, *Temple University*, Philadelphia.

2011–present General Chemistry One

2014 Physical Chemistry of Biomolecules

2013 Physical Chemistry of Biomolecules, Physical Chemistry One

2012 General Chemistry Two

**Research Mentor**, *Temple University*, Philadelphia.

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2012-2014 Helped new members of the Voelz lab with Molecular Dynamics simulations and analysis techniques including Python programming language and building Markov State Models

**Teaching Mentor**, Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran.

2009 Statistical Thermodynamics

## Professional Organizations

2015-present Member of Biophysical Society

2014-present Member of American Chemical Society

## Awards

2015 Biophysical Society Educational Committee Travel Award

2015 XSEDE15 Student Program Travel Grant award

2015 Daniel Swern Fellowship for Outstanding Research

## Programming Skills

Basic OPENMM

Intermediate L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X, Matlab

Advanced Python, Unix

## Molecular Dynamics Simulations Skills

- Wide-range use of MD simulation and visualization software such as GROMACS, NAMD, VMD, Chimera, PyMol for small molecules and membrane proteins studies.
- Extensive use of kinetic network models such as Markov State Models for analyzing MD simulations data.
- Familiar with state-of-art simulation techniques such as metadynamics, Free Energy Perturbation, Steered Molecular dynamics for studying membrane proteins.
- Experience with high performance computing platforms such as Stampede (XSEDE), Bluewaters (IBM), Folding@home, Owlsnest (Temple), Hopper/Edison (NERSC).

## Journal Publications

**Asghar M Razavi**, Lucie Delemotte, Vincenzo Carnevale, Vincent A. Voelz: Switching Between Protonation States Strongly Determines Na,K-ATPase Selectivity, To be submitted

**Asghar M Razavi**, Vincent A Voelz: Kinetic network models of tryptophan mutations in  $\beta$ -hairpins reveal the importance of non-native interactions, *Journal of Chemical Theory and Computation*, Vol. 11, pp 2801-2812, 2015

Vincent A Voelz, Brandon Elmon, **Asghar M Razavi**, Guangfeng Zhou: Surprisal Metrics for Quantifying Perturbed Conformational Dynamics in Markov State Models. *Journal of Chemical Theory and Computation*, Vol. 10, pp 5716-5728, 2014

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**Asghar M Razavi**, William M Wuest, Vincent A Voelz: Computational Screening and Selection of Cyclic Peptide Hairpin Mimetics by Molecular Simulation and Kinetic Network Models. *Journal of Chemical Information and Modeling*, Vol. 54, pp 1425-1432, 2014.

## Conference Presentations

### Talks

**Asghar M Razavi\*, Lucie Delemotte, Vincenzo Carnevale, Vincent A Voelz:** Understanding Ion Selectivity of  $\text{Na}^+,\text{K}^+$ /ATPase by Computational Approach, *Biophysical Society 59th Annual Meeting*, 02/2015

- ★ Recipient of BPS travel award

### Posters

**Asghar M. Razavi, Heinrich Roder, Vincent A. Voelz** : Early Stages of Apomyoglobin Folding Probed by Experiment and H/D Restrained Simulations, *XSEDE15*, 07/2015

**Asghar M Razavi, Lucie Delemotte, Vincenzo Carnevale, Vincent A Voelz:** Understanding Ion Selectivity of  $\text{Na}^+,\text{K}^+$ /ATPase by Computational Approach, *Mechanisms of Membrane Transport, Gordon Research Conference* , 06/2015

**Asghar M Razavi, Lucie Delemotte, Vincenzo Carnevale, Vincent A Voelz:** Understanding Ion Selectivity of  $\text{Na}^+,\text{K}^+$ /ATPase by Computational Approach, *Protein Folding Consortium*, 05/2015

**Vincent A Voelz, Asghar M Razavi**: Using Kinetic Network Models to Understand Folding Mechanisms of GB1 Hairpin and its Trpzip Variants, *Biophysical Society 59th Annual Meeting*, 02/2015

**Asghar M Razavi, William M Wuest, Vincent A Voelz**: Computational Screening and Selection of Cyclic Peptide Hairpin Mimetics by Molecular Simulation and Kinetic Network Models, *248th ACS National Meeting* 08/2014

**M. H. Dinpajoooh, A. Razavi Majarashin, and G. A. Parsafar**: Equation of State of Nanoscale Solids and Macroscopic Solids, *5th Iranian Nanotechnology Conference* 07/2009

## Invited Talks

*Understanding Folding Landscapes Using the tICA Approach*, Temple University, Philadelphia 04/2014

*Markov State Models and Their Applications in Protein Folding*, Temple University, Philadelphia 04/2013

*Distillation and Vaporization Mechanisms of Ionic Liquids*, Sharif University of Technology, Tehran, Iran 05/2009

## Languages

Azeri **Mother language**

English **Fluent**

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Farsi **Fluent**

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### **Prof. Joshua Berlin**

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