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Curriculum Vitae

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Present Work Address

Position Research group leader (Habilitation)
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Education

2005–2009 **Ph. D. in Physics**, *Physics Faculty*, Bielefeld University.
Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Friederike Schmid
1998–2005 **1st State Examination for High School Teachers in Chemistry and Physics**.
Bielefeld University
1997–1998 **Military Service**.
6. Panzergrenadierbataillon 212 (General-Feldmarschall-Kaserne Augustdorf)
1988–1997 **Städt. Gymnasium Bartrup**.
1984–1988 **Grundschule Bösingfeld**.

State Examination Thesis

Title *Untersuchung von Simulationen zur stochastischen Dynamik unter Zwangsbedingungen*
Year 2005
Supervisor Prof. Dr. Friederike Schmid

Ph. D. Thesis

Title *Mesosopic simulations of electrohydrodynamic phenomena*
Year 2009
Supervisor Prof. Dr. Friederike Schmid

Work Experience

- 2012–Present **Research Group Leader (Habilitation)**, INSTITUTE FOR COMPUTATIONAL PHYSICS, University of Stuttgart.
- 2009–2012 **Scientific Associate (Post-Doc)**, INSTITUTE OF PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY, University of Münster, Advisor: Prof. Dr. Andreas Heuer.
- 2005–2009 **Scientific Associate (Ph. D. student)**, FACULTY OF PHYSICS, Bielefeld University, Advisor: Prof. Dr. Friederike Schmid.

Research Visits

- January 2015 Group of Prof. Dr. Pavel Jungwirth at Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague (CZ)
- December 2014 Group of Prof. Dr. Tanja Schilling at University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg (L)
- May 2015 Group of Prof. Dr. Jiri Sponer at Masaryk University, Brno (CZ)
- October – November 2010 Group of Prof. Dr. Dongsheng Liu at Tsinghua University, Beijing (PR China)

Languages

- German **Mothertongue**
- English **Fluent**
- French **Intermediate**

Research Interests

- Soft condensed matter theory
- Solvation science
- Static and dynamic properties of proteins, DNA, RNA and polyelectrolytes
- Electrohydrodynamic phenomena
- Free energy landscapes
- Method- and algorithm development
- Evaluation of sport statics (soccer and handball)

Third-Party Funding

- *Molekulardynamik-Simulationen zur Untersuchung der Entfaltungspfade von DNA G-Quadruplexen*, Sonderforschungsbereich 716, 116.400 Euro (2015–2018)
- *Atomistic and mesoscopic simulations of polyelectrolytes and ionomers*, Cluster of Excellence *Simulation Technology*, 205.000 Euro (2014–2017)
- *Untersuchung über die Wechselwirkungen von gestreckten, immobilisierten Polyelektrolyten mit externen elektrischen Feldern und Flüssigkeitsströmungen in Gegenwart beschränkter Mikrogeometrien*, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft, 116.400 Euro (2013 – 2016)

Organization of Scientific Conferences

- May 2011 *3rd International TRR 61 Workshop on Multilevel Molecular Assemblies: Structure, Dynamics and Function*, Stuttgart, Germany
- March 2014 *CECAM/SFB 716 International Workshop Biological Molecules under non-natural conditions*, Stuttgart, Germany

Reviewing Activities

Journals *Physical Review Letters*, *Macromolecules*, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, *Journal of Chemical Theory and Computation*, *Langmuir*, *Journal of Physical Chemistry Letters*, *Physical Chemistry Chemical Physics*, *ChemPhysChem*, *Journal of Physical Chemistry B*, *Journal of Chemical Physics*, *Computer Physics Communications*, *Computational Science & Discovery*, *Physical Review E*, *Physica A*, *Chemical Physics Letters*, *Zeitschrift für Physikalische Chemie*, *Colloids and Surfaces A*, *Microfluidics and Nanofluidics*, *European Physical Journal E*, *Journal of Molecular Liquids*

Publications

Peer-Reviewed Articles

- Micciulla, S.; Michalowsky, J., Schroer, M. A., Holm, C.; von Klitzing, R.; Smiatek, J.
Concentration dependent effects of urea binding to poly(N-isopropylacrylamide) brushes: a combined experimental and numerical study.
Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys., DOI:0.1039/C5CP07544K (2016)
- Lesch, V.; Heuer, A.; Holm, C.; Smiatek, J.
Properties of apolar solutes in alkyl-imidazolium based ionic liquids: The crucial importance of local interactions.
ChemPhysChem 17, 387 (2016)
- Vögele, M.; Holm, C., Smiatek, J.
Coarse-grained simulations of polyelectrolyte complexes: MARTINI based models for poly(styrene sulfonate) and poly(diallyldimethylammonium).
J. Chem. Phys. 143 (2015)
- Hahn, M. B.; Solomun, T., Wellhausen, R.; Hermann, S.; Seitz, H.; Meyer, S.; Kunte, H.-J.; Zeman, J.; Uhlig, F.; Smiatek, J.; Sturm, H.
Influence of the compatible solute ectoine on the local water structure: implications for the binding of the protein G5P to DNA.
J. Phys. Chem. B 119, 15212 (2015)
- Fahrenberger, F.; Hickey, O. A.; Smiatek, J.; Holm, C.
The influence of charge-induced variations in the local permittivity on the static and dynamic properties of polyelectrolyte solutions.
J. Chem. Phys. 143, 243140 (2015)
- Fahrenberger, F.; Hickey, O. A.; Smiatek, J.; Holm, C.
Importance of varying permittivity on the conductivity of polyelectrolyte solutions.
Phys. Rev. Lett. 115, 118301 (2015)
- Lesch, V.; Heuer, A.; Tatsis, V. A.; Holm, C.; and Smiatek, J.
Peptides in presence of aqueous ionic liquids - Tunable so-solutes as denaturants or protectants?
Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys. 17, 26049 (2015)
- Vögele, M.; Holm, C., Smiatek, J.
Properties of the polarizable MARTINI water model - A comparative study for aqueous electrolyte solutions.
J. Mol. Liquids 212, 103 (2015)
- Lesch, V.; Heuer, A.; Holm, C.; and Smiatek, J.
Solvent effects of 1-ethyl-3-methylimidazolium acetate: solvation and dynamic behavior of polar and apolar solutes.
Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys. 17, 8480 (2015)
- Wohlfarth, A.; Smiatek, J.; Kreuer, K.-D.; Takamuku, S.; Jannasch, P.; and Maier, J.
Proton dissociation of sulfonated polysulfones: Influence of molecular structure and conformation.
Macromolecules 48, 1134 (2015)

- Krishnamoorthy, A. N.; Holm, C.; Smiatek, J.
Local water dynamics around antifreeze protein residues in the presence of osmolytes: The importance of hydroxyl and disaccharide groups.
J. Phys. Chem. B 118, 11613 (2014)
- Micciulla, S.; Sanchez, P. A.; Smiatek, J.; Qiao, B.; Segal, M.; Laschewsky, A.; Holm, C.; von Klitzing, R.
Layer-by-layer formation of oligoelectrolyte multilayers: a combined experimental and computational study.
Soft Mater. 12, S14 (2014)
- Hickey, O. A.; Holm, C.; Smiatek, J.
Lattice-Boltzmann simulations of the electrophoretic stretching of polyelectrolytes: The importance of hydrodynamic interactions.
J. Chem. Phys. 140, 164904 (2014)
- Smiatek, J.; Heuer, A.
Deprotonation mechanism of a single-stranded DNA i-motif.
RSC Adv. 4, 17110 (2014)
- Bohner, M. U.; Zeman, J.; Smiatek, J.; Arnold, A.; Kästner, J.
Nudged-elastic band used to find reaction coordinates based on the free energy.
J. Chem. Phys. 140, 074109 (2014)
- Smiatek, J.; Wohlfarth, A.; Holm, C.
The solvation and ion condensation properties for sulfonated polyelectrolytes in different solvents—a computational study.
New J. Phys. 16, 025001 (2014)
- Smiatek, J. Osmolyte effects: Impact on the aqueous solution around charged and neutral spheres.
J. Phys. Chem. B 118, 771 (2014)
- Smiatek, J.; Janssen-Müller, D.; Friedrich, R.; Heuer, A.
Systematic detection of hidden complexities in the unfolding mechanism of a cytosine-rich DNA strand.
Physica A 394, 136 (2014)
- Smiatek, J.; Harishchandra, R. K.; Galla, H.-J.; Heuer, A.
Low concentrated hydroxyectoine solutions in presence of DPPC lipid bilayers: A computer simulation study.
Biophys. Chem. 180–181, 102 (2013)
- Smiatek, J.; Heuer, A.; Wagner, H.; Studer, A.; Hentschel, C.; Chi, L.
Coat thickness dependent adsorption of hydrophobic molecules at polymer brushes.
J. Chem. Phys. 138, 044904 (2013)
- Hentschel, C.; Wagner, H.; Smiatek, J.; Heuer, A.; Fuchs, H.; Zhang, X.; Studer, A.; Chi, L.
AFM-based Force Spectroscopy on Polystyrene Brushes: Effect of Brush Thickness on Protein Adsorption.
Langmuir 29, 1850 (2013)
- Meinhardt, S.; Smiatek, J.; Eichhorn, R.; Schmid, F.
Separation of Chiral Particles in Micro- or Nanofluidic Channels.
Phys. Rev. Lett. 108, 214504 (2012)

- Smiatek, J.; Harishchandra, R. K.; Rubner, O.; Galla, H.-J.; Heuer, A.
Properties of compatible solutes in aqueous solution
Biophys. Chem. 160, 62 (2012)
- Smiatek, J.; Liu, D.; Heuer, A.
High temperature unfolding simulations of a single-stranded DNA i-motif.
Curr. Phys. Chem. 2, 115 (2012)
- Smiatek, J.; Chen, C.; Liu, D.; Heuer, A.
Stable Conformations of a Single Stranded Deprotonated DNA i-Motif.
J. Phys. Chem. B 115, 13788 (2011)
- Smiatek, J.; Heuer, A.
Calculation of free energy landscapes: A histogram reweighted metadynamics approach.
J. Comput. Chem. 32, 2084 (2011)
- Smiatek, J.; Schmid, F.
Mesoscopic simulations of electroosmotic flow and electrophoresis in nanochannels.
Comp. Phys. Comm. 182, 1941 (2011)
- Smiatek, J.; Schmid, F.
Polyelectrolyte Electrophoresis in Nanochannels: A Dissipative Particle Dynamics Simulation.
J. Phys. Chem. B 114, 6266 (2010)
- Smiatek, J.; Sega, M.; Holm, C.; Schiller, U. D.; Schmid, F.
Mesoscopic simulations of the counterion-induced electro-osmotic flow: A comparative study.
J. Chem. Phys. 130, 244702 (2009)
- Smiatek, J.; Allen, M. P.; Schmid, F.
Tunable-slip boundaries for coarse-grained simulations of fluid flow.
Europ. Phys. J. E 26, 115 (2008)

Invited Chapters

- Sanchez, P. A.; Smiatek, J.; Qiao, B.; Sega, M.; Holm, C.
Atomistic simulation of oligoelectrolyte multilayer growth.
High Performance Computing in Science and Engineering '14, Springer Publications (2015)
- Zhou, J.; Smiatek, J.; Asmolov, E. S.; Vinogradova, O. I.; Schmid, F.
Application of tunable-slip boundary conditions in particle-based simulations.
High Performance Computing in Science and Engineering '14, Springer Publications (2014)
- Heuer, A.; Smiatek, J.; Strauss, B.; Riedl, D.
Informationsgehalt von Fussball-Spieldaten
Fussball in Forschung und Lehre - Beiträge und Analysen zum Fussballsport XIX in Schriften der Deutschen Vereinigung für Sportwissenschaft Band 240, Czwalina (2014)
- Smiatek, J.; Liu, D.; Heuer, A.
Unfolding pathways and the free energy landscape of a single-stranded DNA i-motif.
From Computational Biophysics to Systems Biology (CBSB11), IAS Series, NIC-Publishing (2012)
- Smiatek, J.; Schmid, F.
Mesoscopic simulation methods for studying flow and transport in electric fields in micro- and nanochannels.
Advances in Microfluidics, InTech Scientific Publications (2012)
- Smiatek, J.; Schmid, F.
Mesoscopic simulations of polyelectrolyte electrophoresis in nanochannels.
High Performance Computing in Science and Engineering '10, Springer Publications (2011)

Theses

- Smiatek, J.
Mesoscopic simulations of electrohydrodynamic phenomena.
PhD thesis, Bielefeld University, Germany (2009)
- Smiatek, J.
Untersuchung von Simulationen zur stochastischen Dynamik unter Zwangsbedingungen
State Examination Thesis, Bielefeld University, Germany (2005)

Submitted Manuscripts

- Tzaras, E. R.; Weik, F.; Holm, C.; Smiatek, J.
Polymer translocation through thin nanopores: An unbiased perspective on free energy landscapes and essential dynamics.
submitted (2016)
- Smiatek, J.; Riedl, D.; Heuer, A.
Statistical properties of soccer, basketball and handball - A quantitative comparison.
submitted (2016)

Five Most Important Articles

- Lesch, V.; Heuer, A.; Tatsis, V. A.; Holm, C.; and Smiatek, J.
Peptides in the presence of aqueous ionic liquids: tunable co-solutes as denaturants or protectants?
Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys. 17, 26049 (2015)
- Smiatek, J. Osmolyte effects: Impact on the aqueous solution around charged and neutral spheres.
J. Phys. Chem. B 118, 771 (2014)
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Separation of Chiral Particles in Micro- or Nanofluidic Channels.
Phys. Rev. Lett. 108, 214504 (2012)
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Calculation of free energy landscapes: A histogram reweighted metadynamics approach.
J. Comput. Chem. 32, 2084 (2011)
- Smiatek, J.; Schmid, F.
Polyelectrolyte Electrophoresis in Nanochannels: A Dissipative Particle Dynamics Simulation.
J. Phys. Chem. B 114, 6266 (2010)

Invited and Contributed Talks

- *Macromolecules in solution - More than the sum of the parts*
AMOLF, Amsterdam, The Netherlands, December 2015
- *Macromolecules in solution - The importance of the local environment*
University of Münster, Münster, Germany, October 2015
- *Solvent effects of ionic liquids: implications for the solvation properties and the dynamic behavior of solutes*
EMLG Meeting 2015: Ionic liquids meet molecular liquids: From fundamentals to applications, Rostock, Germany, September 2015
- *Macromolecules, solvents and co-solutes - A crucial interplay*
Workshop: The future of multi-scale soft matter modeling, Leiden, The Netherlands, September 2015
- *Osmolyte effects: Impact on the aqueous solution around macromolecules*
Bunsentagung 2015, Bochum, Germany, May 2015
- *Macromolecules, solvents and co-solutes - A crucial interplay*
Technical University of Darmstadt, Darmstadt, Germany, May 2015
- *Macromolecules, solvents and co-solutes - A crucial interplay*
Bundesanstalt für Materialforschung und -prüfung, Berlin, Germany, April 2015
- *Osmolyte effects: Impact on the aqueous solution around macromolecules*
Spring Meeting Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft 2015, Berlin, Germany, March 2015
- *Lattice-Boltzmann simulations of the electrophoretic stretching of polyelectrolytes: The importance of hydrodynamic interactions*
Spring Meeting Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft 2015, Berlin, Germany, March 2015
- *A conceptual statistical framework to compare different sports and its application in basketball, handball and soccer*
Spring Meeting Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft 2015, Berlin, Germany, March 2015
- *Macromolecules, solvents and co-solutes - A crucial interplay*
University of Würzburg, Würzburg, Germany, January 2015
- *Macromolecules, solvents and co-solutes - A crucial interplay*
Czech Academy of Sciences, Prague, Czech Republic, January 2015
- *Macromolecules, solvents and co-solutes - A crucial interplay*
University of Luxembourg, Luxembourg, December 2014
- *Solvent effects and their influence on the properties of soft matter*
Institute Charles Sadron, Strasbourg, France, June 2014
- *Solvent effects and their influence on the properties of soft matter*
University of Tübingen, Tübingen, Germany, June 2014
- *Solvation and ion condensation properties for sulfonated polyelectrolytes in different solvents*
Spring Meeting Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft 2014, Berlin, Germany, March 2014
- *Atomistic simulation of the layer-by-layer deposition of a polyelectrolyte multi-layer: the four layers system*
SPP 1369 Meeting, Frankfurt a. M., Germany, June 2013

- *Solvent effects and their influence on the dynamic and static properties of macromolecules*
DESY Hamburg, Hamburg, Germany, May 2013
- *DPPC lipid bilayers in presence of hydroxyectoine*
Spring Meeting Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft 2013, Regensburg, Germany, March 2013
- *Deprotonation mechanism and the unfolding free energy landscape of the DNA i-motif*
Spring Meeting Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft 2013, Regensburg, Germany, March 2013
- *A statistical view on team handball results*
Spring Meeting Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft 2013, Regensburg, Germany, March 2013
- *Solvent effects and their influence on the dynamic and static properties of macromolecules*
37th Colloquium of the SFB 716, Stuttgart, Germany, November 2012
- *Dissipative Particle Dynamics – An introduction*
ESPreSo-Summer School, Stuttgart, Germany, October 2012
- *Protein adsorption at hydrophobic polymer brushes*
Spring Meeting Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft 2012, Berlin, Germany, March 2012
- *From atomistic to coarse-grained: Influence of solvent effects on biological and charged matter*
University of Stuttgart, Stuttgart, Germany, October 2011
- *Computer simulations of biological soft matter systems*
Technical University of Dortmund, Dortmund, Germany, October 2011
- *Unfolding pathways and the free energy landscape of a single-stranded DNA i-motif*
Mainz Materials Simulation Days, Mainz, Germany, May 2011
- *Mesoscopic simulations of electroosmotic flow and electrophoresis in nanochannels*
Spring Meeting Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft 2011, Dresden, Germany, March 2011
- *Unfolding mechanisms and the free energy landscape of the DNA i-motif*
Spring Meeting Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft 2011, Dresden, Germany, March 2011
- *Impact of compatible solutes on the local water structure and the structural organization of lipid monolayers*
Spring Meeting Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft 2011, Dresden, Germany, March 2011
- *Unfolding mechanisms and the free energy landscape of the DNA i-motif*
2nd Workshop on Multilevel molecular assemblies, structure and function, Tsinghua University, Peking, PR China, October 2010
- *Polyelectrolyte electrophoresis in microchannels: Influence of salt concentration and slippage effects*
Workshop on Multilevel molecular assemblies, structure and function, Münster, Germany, October 2009

- *Tunable slip boundaries and electrokinetic effects in microchannels* University of Münster, Münster, Germany, November 2008
- *Tunable slip boundaries and electrokinetic effects in microchannels* FIAS Frankfurt, Frankfurt a. M., Germany, January 2008
- *A new way of implementing partial slip boundary interactions* Workshop on computer simulations of soft matter and biosystems, Heidelberg, Germany, March 2007
- *A new way of implementing partial slip boundary interactions* Max Planck-Institute for Polymer Research, Mainz, Germany, March 2007