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Education

- 2011 – 2015 Magnetic Resonance Research Center, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry (now School of Molecular Sciences), Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, USA. Ph.D., Biochemistry, August, 2015.
Advisor: X. Wang.
Thesis title: Identification of structural mechanisms that modulate glycosaminoglycan affinity in various strains of Decorin Binding Protein A.
- 2007 – 2011 Drury University, Springfield, MO, USA. Bachelor of Arts, Chemistry and Biology, May, 2011.

Professional Experience

- 2015 – *present* General Chemistry Instructor, School of Molecular Sciences, Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, USA.
- 2011 – 2015 Graduate Research Assistant and Teaching Assistant, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry (now School of Molecular Sciences), Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, USA.

Publications

- Morgan, A. M., K. M. Sepuru, W. Feng, K. Rajarathnam, and X. Wang (2015) Flexible linker modulates glycosaminoglycan affinity of Decorin Binding Protein A. *Biochemistry*. **54**, 113-9.
- Morgan, A. M. and X. Wang (2015) Structural mechanisms underlying sequence-dependent variations in GAG affinities of Decorin Binding Protein A, a *Borrelia burgdorferi* adhesin. *Biochem. J.* **467**, 439-51.
- Deshauer, C., A. M. Morgan, E. O. Ryan, T. M. Handel, J. H. Prestegard, and X. Wang (2015) Interactions of the chemokine CCL5/RANTES with medium sized chondroitin sulfate ligands. *Structure* **23**, 1066-77.
- Morgan, A. and X. Wang (2013) The novel heparin-binding motif in Decorin-Binding Protein A from strain B31 of *Borrelia burgdorferi* explains the higher binding affinity. *Biochemistry* **52**, 8237-45.

Honors and Awards

2007 – 2011 Trustee Scholarship, Drury University.

Teaching

Spring 2017 CHM 113 (General Chemistry I), Arizona State University, Tempe, AZ, USA. Enrollment: 225. Rating: 4.66.

Service

10/2017 Chemistry Demonstrations at ASU Homecoming with SAACS chapter.