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- 22 years of in-depth academic and industrial expertise in chemistry focused on chemical engineering and clean energy,
- Over a decade of experience providing scientific and technical solutions and applying in-depth research and discovery.
- Successfully mounted and ran customized bench and pilot-scale chemical reactors and separation equipment under budget.
- Managed and facilitated activities of a research group comprising diverse backgrounds to meet challenging deadlines.
- Resourceful problem-solving. Training in chemical synthesis, UV, IR, spectroscopy, Mass Spectrometry, Liquid and Gas Chromatography, ¹H, ¹³C Nuclear Magnetic Resonance, SEM, TEM, EDS, XPS, XRD, ICP, biocatalysts kinetics, ELISA, Capillary Electrophoresis, and Flow Cytometry. Developed Standard Operational Procedures for process control.

EXPERIENCE HIGHLIGHTS

10/2022 – Present (Lowell - Massachusetts – USA)	Green Chemist: Toxics Use Reduction Institute – UMass Lowell <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Research and develop safer alternatives to toxic chemicals by applying green chemistry principles.• Design, conduct, and perform laboratory experiments to evaluate the performance of safer alternatives; supervise students assisting with testing.• Work with businesses to propose, test, and implement green chemistry and toxics use reduction solutions.• Summarize work for case studies and other publications. Assist with alternative assessment reports.
10/2020 – 10/2021 (Vaasa, Finland)	Researcher: Faculty of Science and Engineering - Åbo Akademi University <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conducted and led in-depth data analytics resulting in mathematical models improving key chemical processes for next-generation biofuel production, mineral dissolution, and carbon capture.• Managed international research collaborations; published articles in Q1 journals on chemical engineering.
06/2019 – 06/2022 (Buenos Aires City, Argentina)	Research Scientist: National Scientific and Technical Research Council (CONICET) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coordinated and managed a group of multidisciplinary scientists to generate Q1 scientific articles.• Developed 3D-printed catalytic reactors and static mixers for green organic synthesis.• Developed intensification and scale-up strategies for organic synthesis by heterogeneous catalytic wet peroxide oxidation Nano Catalyst development. Enzyme-based analysis of glucose, ethanol, and peroxides.
11/2017 – 12/2021 (Buenos Aires City, Argentina)	Adjoint Professor: Faculty of Agronomical Sciences and Engineering - Universidad Católica Argentina <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Taught the fundamentals of GMP and product development to future Chemists and Food Engineers.• Modernized and taught Transport phenomena, Rheology, and Unit Operations for Food Engineering.• Conducted research on extraction, identification by Agilent HPLC-UV (EZChrom), and stability assessment of spray lyophilized berry flavonoid nutraceuticals. Method development and validation.
04/2017 – 12/2020 (Buenos Aires City, Argentina)	Sustainable entrepreneurship zero-interest loan Grantor: Ministry of Production (Argentina) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recicla3D: additive manufacturing from recycled plastics. Polymer product development.• Cost-informed techno-economic assessment of polystyrene circular economy approaches.• Supplied 3D-printed labware and crucial parts for developing country laboratories.• Incubate a group of innovative students for the production of delta 3D-Printers.
04/2011 – 03/2016 (Buenos Aires City, Argentina)	Ph.D. Fellow: University of Buenos Aires; Grantor: CONICET - Supervisor: Prof. Dr. Miryan C. Cassanello <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Managed large volumes of complex experimental data from multiphase chemical reactors. Data mining and non-linear statistics. Scale-up strategies. Pilot-scale multiphase reactors' fluid dynamics• Produced and published novel results from advanced tomographic techniques, such as Radioactive Particle Tracking, utilized in a few laboratories worldwide. Radiotracers microfabrication.• Synthesized, characterized (SEM, TEM, EDS, XPS), and implemented heterogeneous catalysts based on carbon, graphene, Nickel, and Iron-containing nanoparticles. CVD, impregnation, and electroless plating.
08/2009 – 09/2022 (Buenos Aires City, Argentina)	Docent: Faculty of Exact and Natural Sciences – University of Buenos Aires <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Conceived, managed, and taught green chemical engineering and multiphase chemical reactor scale-up strategies for master's degree students in chemical sciences.• Assessed safety and purpose of chemistry and food tech pilot plant utilized by students and researchers.• Supervised undergraduate laboratory practices of inorganic transition metal chemistry, electrochemistry, and analytical chemistry. Generated content for science disclosure.

07/2008 – 08/2009 (Buenos Aires City, Argentina)	R&D analyst: Osmotica Pharmaceuticals S.A.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tech transfer assistant. Supported pilot-scale CMO and CRO development and phase 4 trial (FDA) of novel osmotic delivery capsules of novel drugs. Conducted dissolution analysis of prolonged-release tablets. Manipulated UV spectrometer, High-performance liquid chromatography (HPLC) in reverse phase (Shimadzu Class-VP), Gas Chromatography (Perkin-Elmer Empower), and Karl Fisher water moisture assay. Collaborated in the analytical development of novel drug HPLC quantification.
08/2006 – 07/2008 (Buenos Aires City, Argentina)	R&D analyst: Alpargatas Textil S.A.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tech-transfer of textile finishing for clients in the fashion industry. Textiles ASTM testing and colorimetry. Issuing Certificate of Analysis (COA). SAP quality tracking. Provided consulting on textile counterfeiting strategies. Managing a pilot scale industrial washing machine for developing " Looks " in cotton and polyester cotton garments. Colorist. Instron digital dynamometer and microscope.
06/2005- 07/2006 (Buenos Aires City, Argentina)	Volkswagen Stiftung Internship: INQUIMAE/CONICET <i>Electric-field control of active site conformation and dynamics in heme proteins.</i>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct organic and organometallic Schlenk synthesis at a micro-scale. Development of reactive centers for bio-inorganic catalysts and artificial enzymes. Synthesis, identification & purity verification of novel organic compounds. Kinetic determinations. Recrystallization. Thin Plate Chromatography (TLC). Dry glove box manipulation. ¹H and ¹³C nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR). Fourier Transformed Infrared (FTIR) spectroscopy; Mass spectrometry (MS).
03/2003 – 06/2005 (Buenos Aires, Argentina)	Q&A analyst: Gobbi Novag Pharmaceuticals S.A.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Analytical development and tech transfer for CMO quality assurance. SOP development based on USP-NF, GMP, GLP & EP pharmacopeias. Assistant on product development under FDA-like guidelines. Compiling outsourced testing. Issuing Certificate of Analysis (COA). Organic analytical chemistry for purity assessment. HPLC.
11/2001 – 03/2003 (Buenos Aires City, Argentina)	Q&A analyst: Sudamfos S.A
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quality assurance of CMO phosphoric acid, phosphates, and polyphosphates. Inorganic analytical chemistry development. Acid-base, argentometric, complexometric, pH-metric endpoint, potentiometric titrimetry in aqueous and non-aqueous media. Densimeters. Granulometry. Operation of the UV spectrophotometer to determine phosphorous, nitrates, nitrites, arsenic, iron, and lead. pH meter calibration. Thermogravimetry. Differential Scanning Calorimetry.

EDUCATION

Postdoctoral Research Fellow I Åbo Akademi University, Finland	2020 - 2021
Postdoctoral Research Fellow I Universidad Católica Argentina	2018 - 2020
Postdoctoral Research Fellow I Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina	2016 - 2018
Ph.D Industrial Chemistry I Universidad de Buenos Aires, Argentina https://bibliotecadigital.exactas.uba.ar/collection/tesis/document/tesis_n5951_Salierno	2016
Master type II - Chemical Sciences Faculty of Exact and Natural Sciences - University of Buenos Aires, Argentina	2011
Chemistry technician (Associate degree in Chemistry) - Otto Krause Technical School	2002
34th International Chemistry Olympiad: Bronze medal	2002
National Chemistry Olympiad (Argentina): Gold and Silver medals	2000-2002