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Personal Info

Date of birth *29 of July 1983*
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Marital status *Married*

Languages

Spanish *Native*
English *Advanced*
French *Basic*
German *Basic*

Academic Experience

September 2017 - present **Assistant Professor**, *Faculty of Sciences, Universidad de Valparaíso, Valparaíso, Chile.*

September 2017 - present **Young Research Scientist**, *Millennium Institute Interdisciplinary Center for Neuroscience, Valparaíso, Chile.*

March 2016 - August 2017 **Assistant Professor**, *Computational Biology Laboratory, Fundación Ciencia & Vida, Santiago, Chile.*

March 2013 - February 2016 **Post-Doc**, *Computational Biology Laboratory, Fundación Ciencia & Vida, Santiago, Chile.*

March 2011 - March 2013 **Post-Doc**, *Molecular Modelling and Simulation group (MMS), Universität für Bodenkultur Wien.*

2008-2010 **PhD**, *Material and Molecular Simulation Group, UCD School of Chemical and Bioprocess Engineering, University College Dublin, Dublin, Ireland.*

2005-2007 **Molecular Biotechnology Engineer**, *Universidad de Chile, Santiago, Chile.*

2002-2005 **Bachelor in Molecular Biotechnology Engineering**, *Universidad de Chile, Santiago, Chile.*

Projects



2020 - 2022 **ANID Post-Doc project** , *Thermodynamically consistent rule-based models and the circadian clock of Synechococcus elongatus.*

Rol **Sponsor** .

2018 - 2020 **Convocatoria Nacional Subvención a la Instalación en la academia – PAI** , *Inserción de académico con línea de investigación en simulación molecular y nanotoxicidad* .

Rol **Principal Investigator** .

2018 - 2021 **Regular FONDECYT project**, *Molecular mechanisms at the nanobio interphase: applications and biohazards* .

Role **Principal Investigator**.

2018 - 2021 **Regular FONDECYT project**, *Protein insertion in artificial membranes deposited from the vapor phase: From biophysical functionality to nanosensor applications* .

Rol **Co-Investigator**.

2010 - 2020 **Millennium Institute Interdisciplinary Center for Neuroscience**, .

Role **Investigator**.

2016 - 2019 **Regular FONDECYT project 1160574** , *Is there a voltage-controlled hydraulic gating in the human Connexin 26 hemichannel?* .

Role **Co-investigator**.

2012 - 2015 **FONDECYT Post-Doc project 3130547** , *Free Energy Calculations of Carbon-Nanotube assisted Water self-diffusion.*

Role **Principal Investigator**.

2013 - 2015 **PIA ACT-1107** , *Integration of structural biology in the development of bionanotechnology* .

Role **Investigator**.

2008 - 2017 **Proyecto de Financiamiento Basal PFB16**, *Fundación Ciencia & Vida* .

Role **Young Researcher**.

2010 - 2012 **European Research Commission**, *Efficient and accurate simulation techniques for free energies, enthalpies and entropies* .

Role **Post-Doc**.

Teaching

Postgraduate Statistical Mechanics

Postgraduate Computational Biology

Postgraduate Neuronal Excitability

Undergraduate Cellular Physiology

Teaching Experience

November 2017 **International Spring School: Applied Statistical Thermodynamics, from theory to molecular dynamics simulations** , *Fundación Ciencia & Vida*.

Duty Course organizer and Lecturer

January 2017 **International Course: Advanced Computational Methods in Drug Discovery (ACMD2)** , *Fundación Ciencia & Vida*.

- Rol Lecturer
- November 2015 **International Spring School: Applied Statistical Thermodynamics, from theory to molecular dynamics simulations** , *Fundación Ciencia & Vida*.
Duty Course organizer and Lecturer
- 2014 -2017 **Classical Statistical Thermodynamics**, *Fundación Ciencia & Vida*.
Duty Course organizer and Lecturer
- April 2015 - 2017 **Computational Biology**, *PhD program in Medical Sciences*, Universidad Católica.
Duty Lecturer
- November 2014 - 2017 **Bioinformatics**, *PhD program in Biotechnology*, Universidad Nacional Andrés Bello.
Duty Lecturer
- 2011 - 2013 **Modelling and Simulation of Biomolecules** , *Master program*, Universität für Bodenkultur Wien.
Duty Lecturer

Peer Reviewed Publications

- 2020 Mateo Barria-Urenda and **Jose Antonio Garate**, "*Entropy deepens loading chemical potentials of small alcohols by narrow carbon nanotubes*" *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.*, 22 (39), 22369-22379 (2020).*
- 2019 **Jose Antonio Garate**, Alejandro Bernardin, Yerko Escalona, Carlos Yanez, Niall J. English, Tomas Perez-Acle "*Orientational and Folding Thermodynamics via Electric Dipole Moment Restraining*" *J. Phys. Chem. B* , 123 (12), 2599-2608 (2019).*
- 2019 Mario Bernardi, Paolo Marracino, Micaela Liberti, **José-Antonio Gárate**, Christian J Burnham, Francesca Apollonio, Niall J English "*Controlling ionic conductivity through transprotein electropores in human aquaporin 4: a non-equilibrium molecular-dynamics study*" *Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.*, 2019,21, 3339-3346 (2019).
- 2018 Mario Bernardi, Paolo Marracino, Mohammad Reza Ghaani, Micaela Liberti, Federico Del Signore, Christian J Burnham, **Jose-Antonio Garate**, Francesca Apollonio, Niall J English "*Human aquaporin 4 gating dynamics under axially oriented electric-field impulses: A non-equilibrium molecular-dynamics study*" *J. Chem. Phys.* 149; 24; 245102 (2018).
- 2018 Sebastián Contreras-Riquelme, **Jose-Antonio Garate**, Tomas Perez-Acle, Alberto JM Martin "*RIP-MD: a tool to study residue interaction networks in protein molecular dynamics*" *Peer. J.* 6; e5998 (2018).
- 2018 Paolo Marracino, Mario Bernardi, Micaela Liberti, Federico Del Signore, Erika Trapani, **Jose-Antonio Garate**, Christian J Burnham, Francesca Apollonio, Niall J English "*Transprotein-Electropore Characterization: A Molecular Dynamics Investigation on Human AQP4*" *ACS omega* 3 (11), 15361-15369 (2018).
- 2018 Alessio Borio, Aurora Holgado, **Jose Antonio Garate**, Rudi Beyaert, Holger Heine, Alla Zamyatina "*Disaccharide-Based Anionic Amphiphiles as Potent Inhibitors of Lipopolysaccharide-Induced Inflammation*" *Chem. Med. Chem. Phys. Lett.*, 13;21;2317-2331 (2018).

- 2017 Sebastian E. Gutierrez-Maldonado, **Jose Antonio Garate**, Maria Jose Retamal, Marcelo Cisternas, Ulrich G. Volkmann, Tomas Perez-Acle "*Accessing the structural and thermodynamic properties of ultra-thin layers of C32 adsorbed on a SiO₂ surface*" Chem. Phys. Lett, 674; 64-70 (2017).
- 2017 F Villanelo, Y Escalona, C Pareja-Barrueto, **JA Garate**, IM Skerrett, T Perez-Acle "*Accessing gap-junction channel structure-function relationships through molecular modelling and simulations*" BMC Cell Biology, 18(Suppl 1):5 (2017).
- 2016 Niall J. English and **Jose Antonio Garate** "*Near-microsecond human aquaporin 4 gating dynamics in static and alternating external electric fields: Nonequilibrium molecular dynamics*" J. Chem. Phys, 145:085102 (2016).*
- 2016 Marracino Paolo,Liberti Micaela, Trapani Erika, Burnham Christian J,Avena, Massimiliano,Garate, **José-Antonio**, Apollonio Francesca, English, Niall J "*Human Aquaporin 4 Gating Dynamics under Perpendicularly-Oriented Electric-Field Impulses: A Molecular Dynamics Study.*" IJMS, 1422-0067 (2016).
- 2016 Yerko Escalona, **Jose A. Garate**, Raul Araya-Secchi, Tien Huynh, Ruhong Zhou and Tomas Perez-Acle, "*Exploring the membrane potential of simple dual-membrane systems as models for Gap-junction channels.*" Biophys J. accepted (2016).
- 2016 **Jose Antonio Garate** and Tomas Perez-Acle "*From dimers to collective dipoles: Structure and dynamics of methanol/ethanol partition by narrow carbon nanotubes*" J. Chem. Phys, 144;6:064105 (2016).*
- 2015 Yu Chong, Cuicui Ge1, Zaixing Yang1, **Jose Antonio Garate**, Zonglin Gu, Jeffrey K. Weber, Jiajia Liu, and Ruhong Zhou "*Reduced cytotoxicity of graphene nanosheets mediated by blood-protein coating*" ACS Nano, 9;6;5713-5724 (2015).
- 2015 Guangxing Duan, Seung-gu Kang,**Jose Antonio Garate**, Xing Tian, Cuicui Ge, Ruhong Zhou "*Protein Corona Mitigates the Cytotoxicity of Graphene Oxide by Reducing Cell Membrane Penetration*" Nanoscale 7;37: 19949-19957 (2015).
- 2015 Hua Yue, Wei Wei, Zonglin Gu, Dezhi Ni,Nana Luo,Zaixing Yang,Lin Zhao, **Jose-Antonio Garate**, Ruhong Zhou, Zhiguo Su and Guanghui Ma "*Exploration of graphene oxide as an intelligent platform for cancer vaccines*" Nanoscale 7;47:19949-19957 (2015).
- 2014 Jiajia Liu, Zaixing Yang, Haotian Li, Zonglin Gu, **Jose-Antonio Garate**, and Ruhong Zhou "*Dewetting transition assisted clearance of (NFGAILS) amyloid fibrils from cell membranes by graphene*" J. Chem. Phys. 14;141:22D520 (2014).
- 2014 **JA Garate**,J Stöckl,María del Carmen Fernández-Alonso,Daniel Artner, Mira Haegman, Chris Oostenbrink, Jesús Jiménez-Barbero, Rudi Beyaert, Holger Heine, Paul Kosma, and Alla Zamyatina "*Anti-endotoxic Activity and Structural basis for human MD-2 TLR4 Antagonism of Tetraacylated Lipid A Mimetics based on β GlcN(1 \rightarrow 1) α GlcN Scaffold*" J. Innate. Immun. doi: 10.1177/1753425914550426 (2014).
- 2014 Raul Araya-Secchi, Tomas Perez-Acle, Seung-gu Kang, Tien Huynh, Alejandro Bernardin, Yerko Escalona, **Jose-Antonio Garate**, Agustin D. Martinez, Isaac E. Garcia, Juan C. Saez, Ruhong Zhou "*Characterization of a Novel Water Pocket Inside the Human Cx26 Hemichannel Structure*" Biophys J. 107 599-612 (2014).
- 2014 **JA Garate**, T Perez-Acle, C Oostenbrink , "*On the thermodynamics of carbon nanotube single-file water loading: free energy, energy and entropy calculations*" Phys. Chem. Chem.Phys. 16, 5119-5128 (2014).

- 2014 B Lai, G Nagy, **JA Garate**, C Oostenbrink , "*Entropic and enthalpic contributions to stereospecific ligand binding from enhanced sampling methods*" J. Chem. Inf. Model. 54 (1) 151-58, (2014).
- 2013 R Reale, NJ English, **JA Garate**, P Marracino, M Liberti, F Apollonio , "*Human aquaporin 4 gating dynamics under and after nanosecond-scale static and alternating electric field impulses: A molecular dynamics study of field effects and relaxation*" J. Chem. Phys 139, 205101 (2013).
- 2013 Artner D, Oblak A, Ittig S, **Garate JA**, Horvat S, Arrieumerlou C, Hofinger A, Oostenbrink C, Jerala R, Kosma P, Zamyatina A. , "*Conformationally Constrained Lipid A Mimetics for Exploration of Structural Basis of TLR4/MD-2 Activation by Lipopolysaccharide.*" ACS Chem Biol 8 (11), 2423–32 (2013).
- 2013 **Garate JA**, Oostenbrink C. , "*Free-energy differences between states with different conformational ensembles.*" J Comput Chem 34(16),1398-408 (2013).
- 2013 **Garate JA**, Oostenbrink C. , "*Lipid A from lipopolysaccharide recognition: structure, dynamics and cooperativity by molecular dynamics simulations.*" Proteins 81(4),658-74 (2013).
- 2012 El-Hendawy MM, **Garate JA**, English NJ, O'Reilly S, Mooney DA, "*Diffusion and interactions of carbon dioxide and oxygen in the vicinity of the active site of Rubisco: molecular dynamics and quantum chemical studies*" J. Chem. Phys 137,145103 (2012).
- 2012 A Singh, R D Gunning, S Ahmed, C A Barrett, N J English, **J-A Garate**, K M Ryan "*Controlled semiconductor nanorod assembly from solution: influence of concentration, charge and solvent nature*" J. Mater. Chem., 22, 1562-69 (2012).
- 2011 **Garate JA**, English NJ, Singh A, Ryan KM, Mooney DA, MacElroy JM, "*Electrophoretic deposition of poly(3-decylthiophene) onto gold-mounted cadmium selenide nanorods.*" Langmuir 27(22):13506-13 (2011).
- 2011 R Araya-Secchi, **JA Garate**, DS Holmes, T Perez-Acle, "Molecular Dynamics Study of the Archaeal Aquaporin AqpM Extends the Evidence for a New Family of Aquaporins" BMC Genomics, 12:S8 (2011).
- 2011 **J.-A. Garate**, N.J. English and J.M.D. MacElroy, "*Human aquaporin 4 gating dynamics in dc and ac electric fields: a molecular dynamics study*" J. Chem. Phys 134,055110 (2011).
- 2009 **J.-A. Garate**, N.J. English and J.M.D. MacElroy, "*Static and alternating electric field and distance-dependent effects on carbon nanotube-assisted water self-diffusion across lipid membranes*" J. Chem. Phys 131,114508 (2009).
- 2009 **JA Garate**, M de los Ángeles Valenzuela, MP Gárate, AF Olea "*Aggregation of Alcohols Ethoxylates in n-Heptane*" J Surfact Deterg 12:231–236 (2009).
- 2009 **J.-A. Garate**, N.J. English and J.M.D. MacElroy, "*Carbon nanotube assisted water self-diffusion across lipid membranes in the absence and presence of electric fields*" Molecular Simulation Vol. 35, Nos. 1–2, 3–12 (2009).
- 2008 A. Gonzalez, L. Sepulveda Duran, R. Araya-Secchi, **J. A. Garate**, C. D. Pessoa-Mahana, C. F. Lagos, and T. Perez-Acle "*Computational modeling study of functional microdomains in cannabinoid receptor type 1*" Bioorganic and Medicinal Chemistry 16 4378–4389 (2008).

2008 M Colombres, **J.A. Garate**, CF Lagos, R. Araya-Secchi, P. Norambuena, S. Quiroz, L. Larrondo, T. Pérez-Acle, J. Eyzaguirre "*An eleven amino acid residue deletion expands the substrate specificity of acetyl xylan esterase II (AXE II) from Penicillium purpurogenum*", J Comput Aided Mol Des 22:19-28 (2008).

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Book Chapter

2011 N.J. English, **J.-A. Garate** and J.M.D. MacElroy "*Electric-field and friction effects on Carbon nanotube assisted water self-diffusion across lipid membranes*" Carbon Nanotubes - Growth and Applications, InTech, August, 2011.

Academic References

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