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Research Interests

- Machine learning for materials simulation and discovery
- Multiscale modeling of interfacial phenomena
- *Ab initio* electronic structure methods and high-throughput screening
- Software development and open-source tools for chemical and materials engineering

Academic Positions

- 2025 - now **University of Alberta, Canada**
Assistant Professor (Tenure-Track)
- 2025 - now **Alberta Machine Intelligence Institute (Amii), Canada**
Fellow

Education

- Oct. 2015 - Mar. 2020 **ETH Zürich**
PhD, Chemical Engineering
- Aug. 2012 - Jul. 2015 **Tsinghua University**
M.S., Chemistry
- Aug. 2008 - Jul. 2012 **Tsinghua University**
B.S., Chemical Biology; Minor, Computer Technology and Application

Research Experience

- Mar. 2023 - Dec. 2023 **Georgia Institute of Technology**
Postdoctoral Research (Supervisor: Prof. Andrew J. Medford & Prof. Phanish Suryanarayana)
- ML-powered computational workflow and toolkit for the SPARC quantum chemistry code
 - Major developer for the SPARC-X-API simulation package
- Dec. 2020 - Feb. 2023 **Carnegie Mellon University**
Postdoctoral Research (Supervisor: Prof. Zachary Ulissi)
- Machine learning methods for accelerating catalysis discovery
 - Efficient catalyst computation workflow automation
 - Transfer learning graph neural network models for computationally limited data regime

- Apr. 2020 - Nov. 2020 **ETH Zürich**
 Postdoctoral Research (Supervisor: Prof. Chih-Jen Shih)
- Theoretical analyses of interfacial dispersion forces affecting freestanding graphene.
 - Experimental affirmation of repulsive van der Waals forces.
- Oct. 2015 - Mar. 2020 **ETH Zürich**
 Doctoral Projects (Supervisor: Prof. Chih-Jen Shih)
- Multiscale modeling of 2D materials interfaces
 - Theoretical study of macroscopic phenomena on 2D materials
 - Molecular epitaxy on 2D materials interfaces
 - 2D material-based functional devices
- Jun. 2017 - Sep. 2017 **Queen's University Belfast**
 Research Internship (Supervisor: Prof. Elton G. J. Santos)
- *Ab initio* study of the dielectric nature of 2D materials
 - Electric screening in 2D van der Waals heterostructures
- Aug. 2012 - Jul. 2015 **Tsinghua University**
 Master Thesis (Supervisor: Prof. Guangtao Li)
- Responsive polymer photonic crystal and for acetylcholinesterase assay
 - Chemical and structural design in colloidal crystal microfluidic spheres using etching-reaction strategy
 - Multi-functional patterned photonic crystal by alternative photolysis-reaction strategy
- Jul. 2012 - Aug. 2012 **WWU Münster**
 Research Internship (Supervisor: Prof. Bart Jan Ravoo)
- Synthesis of host-guest complex with tri-responsiveness for cyclodextrin vesicle linking
- Nov. 2011 - Jul. 2012 **Tsinghua University**
 Bachelor Thesis (Supervisor: Prof. Guangtao Li)
- Supramolecular assembly of main-chain bile acid polymers via copper-free click chemistry

Research Funding & Fellowships

- 2026 - NSERC Discovery Grant (applied)
- 2025 - 2027 UofA Startup funds
 CAD 110,000
- 2021 - 2023 SNSF Early Postdoc Mobility Fellowship
 CHF 115,550

Mentoring Experience

University of Alberta

- 2025 - now Prince Ezeano (MSc Student)
ML for corrosion prediction; Theoretical simulation of high entropy alloy and oxide transformation (Collaboration: Prof. Jing Liu, UofA)
- 2025 - now Mohammad Aarooj Yashin Ali (Research Assistant)
ML-acceleration of *ab initio* metadynamic simulations (Collaboration: Prof. Vinay Prasad, UofA)

Prior Mentoring Experience

- 2020 - 2025 Gianluca Vagli (ETH Zürich, PhD Student)
Repulsive vdW simulation on 2D materials; AFM and metal nucleation experiments on suspended graphene (co-supervised with Prof. Chih-Jen Shih).
Outcomes: *Nat. Commun.* 2025, 16, 7726
Current position: Postdoc, ETH Zürich, Switzerland
- 2023 - 2024 Lucas R Timmerman (GaTech, PhD Student)
Case testing for socket driver in SPARC-X-API project (mentored).
Outcomes: *J. Open Source Softw.* 2025, 10, 7747
Current position: PhD student, GaTech, USA
- 2021 - 2023 Janghoon Ock (CMU, PhD Student)
Error cancellation of GNN models; catalyst energy simulation with BEEF-vdW functional (mentored)
Outcomes: *J. Chem. Phys.* 2023, 158, 214702
Current position: Assistant Professor, University of Nebraska Lincoln, USA
- 2021 - 2022 Joe Musielewicz (CMU, PhD Student)
Integration of high-throughput VASP driver in FINETUNA project (mentored)
Outcomes: *Mach. Learn.: Sci. Technol.* 2022, 3, 03LT01
Current position: ML Scientist, Entalpic, USA
- 2022 - 2023 Hilda Mera (CMU, PhD Student)
High-throughput computation using FINETUNA framework (mentored)
Current position: PhD student, CMU, USA
- 2018 - 2019 Franzisca Naef (ETH Zürich, MSc Student)
Developing of Lifshitz-vdW model for 2D material stacks (supervised)
Outcomes: *Nat. Commun.* 2025, 16, 7726
Current position: CSL Switzerland
- 2017 - 2018 Navanshu Ahuja (ETH Zürich, MSc Student)
Fabrication and analysis of orientation-induced F₁₆CuPc-graphene nanowire formation (supervised)
Outcomes: *Small* 2018, 14, 1870247
Current position: KPMG Switzerland
- 2016 Raja Selvakumar (ETH Zürich, Visiting BSc Student from MIT)
Optimization of graphene-semiconductor interface fabrication (supervised)
Outcomes: *Small* 2018, 14, 1870247
Current position: PhD Student, GaTech, USA

Academic Service

Graduate Thesis Examining Committee

- 2025 - now Graduate thesis examiners: 2
- 2025 - now Graduate thesis committee chair: 3

University of Alberta Engineering AI Task Force (AITF)

2025 - 2026 Committee member. Contributing to the strategic development of the faculty's undergraduate curriculum transition toward AI/ML.

Journal Reviewer

2022 - now Journal of Open Source Software (JOSS), Scientific Reports, The European Physical Journal E, New Journal of Chemistry, RSC Advances, RSC Digital Discovery, APL Machine Learning, Nanomaterials (MDPI), Polymers (MDPI), Crystals (MDPI)

Teaching Experience

University of Alberta

2026 - **Graduate course**
MAT E 664 *Kinetics of Materials*

- Fundamental principles governing the rate and mechanisms of material processes
- Transport phenomena at material interfaces
- Time-dependent material change and evolution

2026 - **Undergraduate course**
CH E 318 *Mass Transfer*

- Fundamentals about mass transfer in chemical engineering
- Mass transfer coefficients
- Mass transfer equipment design

ETH Zürich

2016 - 2020 **Graduate course**
529-0610-01L *Interface Engineering of Materials* (TA)

- Interfacial phenomena of materials
- Electromagnetism origin of interfacial phenomena
- Numerical modelling of material interfaces

Academic Awards

2021 Chinese Government Award for Outstanding Self-Financed Students Abroad

2021 SNSF Early Postdoc.Mobility Fellowship

2019 SCNAT Chemistry Travel Award, Swiss Chemical Society

2014 Teijin Academic Scholarship (first-class academic scholarship)

2012 Outstanding Graduate Student of Tsinghua University

2012 Tsinghua School Scholarship for elite students

2011 First-class National Scholarship

2010 Third-class Academic Scholarship

2009 Dingye Mailin Academic Scholarship

Publications

†: Co-first author; *: Corresponding author

Journal Articles

1. Scalable Nanopatterning of OLEDs Beyond the Diffraction Limit
Marcato, T.; Oh, J.; Lin, Z.-H.; **Tian, T.**; Gogoi, A.; Shivarudraiah, S. B.; Kumar, S.; Rajan, A. G.; Zeng, S.; Shih, C.-J.
Nat. Photon. **2025**, *10*, accepted
2. Strong repulsive Lifshitz-van der Waals forces on suspended graphene
Vagli, G.[†]; **Tian, T.**[†]; Naef, F.; Jinno, H.; Celebi, K.; Santos, E. J. G.; Shih, C.-J.
Nat. Commun. **2025**, *16*, 7726 [link](#)
3. SPARC-X-API: Versatile Python Interface for Real-space Density Functional Theory Calculations
Tian, T.^{*}; Timmerman, L. R.; Kumar, S.; Comer, B.; Medford, A. J.; Suryanarayana, P.
J. Open Source Softw. **2025**, *10*, 7747 [link](#)
4. Direct nanopatterning of complex 3D surfaces and self-aligned superlattices via molecular-beam holographic lithography
Zeng, S.[†]; **Tian, T.**[†]; Oh, J.; Lin, Z.-H.; Shih, C.-J.
Nat. Commun. **2025**, *16*, 3436 [link](#)
5. Lighting up aggregate emission of perylene diimide by leveraging polymerization-mediated through-space charge transfer and π - π stacking
Ye, S.; Füglistaller, D.; **Tian, T.**; Manian, A.; Kumar, S.; Nardo, C.; Christofferson, A. J.; Russo, S. P.; Shih, C.-J.; Leroux, J.-C.; Bao, Y.
Sci. China Chem. **2024**, *67*, 4218–4233 [link](#)
6. Adjusting Interface Dynamics: A New Insight into the Role of Electrolyte Additive in Facilitating Highly Reversible (002)-Textured Zinc Anode at High Current and Areal Densities
Huang, H.; Xu, J.; Huang, Y.; He, Z.; Feng, H.; Hu, C.; Chen, Z.; Yang, Z.; **Tian, T.**^{*}; Zhang, W.
Adv. Energy Mater. **2024**, *14*, 2401643 [link](#)
7. Beyond independent error assumptions in large GNN atomistic models
Ock, J.; **Tian, T.**; Kitchin, J.; Ulissi, Z.
J. Chem. Phys. **2023**, *158*, 214702 [link](#)
8. Towards High-Performance Zinc Anode for Zinc Ion Hybrid Capacitor: Concurrently Tailoring Hydrodynamic Stability, Zinc Deposition and Solvation Structure via Electrolyte Additive
Huang, H.; Yun, J.; Feng, H.; **Tian, T.**^{*}; Xu, J.; Li, D.; Xia, X.; Yang, Z.; Zhang, W.
Energy Storage Materials **2023**, *55*, 857–866 [link](#)
9. Machine learning-assisted exploration of a versatile polymer platform with charge transfer-dependent full-color emission
Ye, S.; Meftahi, N.; Lyskov, I.; **Tian, T.**; Whitfield, R.; Kumar, S.; Christofferson, A. J.; Winkler, D. A.; Shih, C.-J.; Russo, S.; Leroux, J.-C.; Bao, Y.
Chem **2023**, *9*, 924–947 [link](#)
10. FINETUNA: Fine-tuning Accelerated Molecular Simulations
Musielewicz, J.; Wang, X.; **Tian, T.**; Ulissi, Z.
Mach. Learn.: Sci. Technol. **2022**, *3*, 03LT01 [link](#)
11. Beyond conventional sodium-ion storage mechanisms: a combinational intercalation/conversion reaction mechanism in Ni-ion modified hydrated vanadate for high-rate sodium-ion storage
Huang, H.; Wei, L.; **Tian, T.**^{*}; Cao, T.; Cheng, F.; Chen, Z.; Yang, Z.; Ge, B.; Tian, M.; Zhang, W.; Niederberger, M.
Energy Storage Mater. **2022**, *47*, 579–590 [link](#)
12. Continuous color tuning of single-fluorophore emission via polymerization-mediated through-space charge transfer
Ye, S.; **Tian, T.**; Christofferson, A. J.; Erikson, S.; Jagielski, J.; Luo, Z.; Kumar, S.; Shih, C.-J.; Leroux, J.-C.; Bao, Y.
Sci. Adv. **2021**, *7*, eabd1794 [link](#)
13. Electronic Polarizability as the Fundamental Variable in the Dielectric Properties of Two-Dimensional Materials
Tian, T.; Scullion, D.; Hughes, D.; Li, L. H.; Shih, C.-J.; Coleman, J.; Chhowalla, M.; Santos, E. J. G.
Nano Lett. **2020**, *20*, 841–851 [link](#)
14. Multifunctional Integrated Compartment Systems for Incompatible Cascade Reactions Based on Onion-like Photonic Spheres
Zhou, K.; **Tian, T.**; Wang, C.; Zhao, H.; Gao, N.; Yin, H.; Wang, P.; Ravoo, B. J.; Li, G.
J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2020**, *142*, 20605–20615 [link](#)
15. Amyloid fibril-templated high-performance conductive aerogels with sensing properties

- Han, Y.; Cao, Y.; Bolisetty, S.; **Tian, T.**; Handschin, S.; Lu, C.; Mezzenga, R.
Small **2020**, *16*, 2004932 [link](#)
16. Multifunctional Nanoporous Polymer Membranes from Supramolecular Assembly of Block Copolymer with Polymerizable Arginine Derivative
Liang, Y.; Zhang, W.; **Tian, T.**; Ouyang, W.; Wang, P.; Wang, S.; Ju, Y.; Li, G.
Macromolecules **2020**, *53*, 1842–1851
17. Length- and Thickness-Dependent Optical Response of Liquid-Exfoliated Transition Metal Dichalcogenides
Synnatschke, K.; Cieslik, P. A.; Harvey, A.; Castellanos-Gomez, A.; **Tian, T.**; Shih, C.-J.; Chernikov, A.; Santos, E. J. G.; Coleman, J. N.; Backes, C.
Chem. Mater. **2019**, *31*, 10049–10062 [link](#)
18. Macroscopic Salt Rejection through Electrostatically Gated Nanoporous Graphene
Wyss, R. M.[†]; **Tian, T.**[†]; Yazda, K.; Park, H. G.; Shih, C.-J.
Nano Lett. **2019**, *19*, 6400–6409 [link](#)
19. Layered metal vanadates with different interlayer cations for high-rate Na-ion storage
Huang, H.; **Tian, T.**; Pan, L.; Chen, X.; Tervoort, E.; Shih, C.-J.; Niederberger, M.
J. Mater. Chem. A **2019**, *7*, 16109–16116 [link](#)
20. An Elastic Interfacial Transistor Enabled by Superhydrophobicity
Tian, T.; Sharma, C. S.; Ahuja, N.; Varga, M.; Selvakumar, R.; Lee, Y.-T.; Chiu, Y.-C.; Shih, C.-J.
Small **2018**, *14*, 1804006 [link](#)
21. Interfacial Field-Effect Transistors: An Elastic Interfacial Transistor Enabled by Superhydrophobicity (Small 51/2018, Cover Art)
Tian, T.; Sharma, C. S.; Ahuja, N.; Varga, M.; Selvakumar, R.; Lee, Y.-T.; Chiu, Y.-C.; Shih, C.-J.
Small **2018**, *14*, 1870247 [link](#)
22. Mixing Entropy-Induced Layering Polydispersity Enabling Efficient and Stable Perovskite Nanocrystal Light-Emitting Diodes
Kumar, S.; Jagielski, J.; **Tian, T.**; Kallikounis, N.; Lee, W.-C.; Shih, C.-J.
ACS Energy Lett. **2018**, *4*, 118–125 [link](#)
23. Monolayer Graphene Coupled to a Flexible Plasmonic Nanograting for Ultrasensitive Strain Monitoring
Tiefenauer, R. F.; Dalgaty, T.; Keplinger, T.; **Tian, T.**; Shih, C.-J.; Vörös, J.; Aramesh, M.
Small **2018**, *14*, 1801187 [link](#)
24. Spectroscopic Size and Thickness Metrics for Liquid-Exfoliated h-BN
Griffin, A.; Harvey, A.; Cunningham, B.; Scullion, D.; **Tian, T.**; Shih, C.-J.; Gruening, M.; Donegan, J. F.; Santos, E. J. G.; Backes, C.; Coleman, J. N.
Chem. Mater. **2018**, *30*, 1998–2005 [link](#)
25. Asymmetric electric field screening in van der Waals heterostructures
Li, L. H.; **Tian, T.**; Cai, Q.; Shih, C.-J.; Santos, E. J. G.
Nat. Commun. **2018**, *9*, 1271 [link](#)
26. Aggregation-induced emission in lamellar solids of colloidal perovskite quantum wells
Jagielski, J.; Kumar, S.; Wang, M.; Scullion, D.; Lawrence, R.; Li, Y.-T.; Yakunin, S.; **Tian, T.**; Kovalenko, M. V.; Chiu, Y.-C.; Lin, S.; Shih, C.-J.
Sci. Adv. **2017**, *3*, eaaq0208 [link](#)
27. Doping-Driven Wettability of Two-Dimensional Materials: A Multiscale Theory
Tian, T.; Lin, S.; Li, S.; Zhao, L.; Santos, E. J. G.; Shih, C.-J.
Langmuir **2017**, *33*, 12827–12837 [link](#)
28. Molecular Epitaxy on Two-Dimensional Materials: The Interplay between Interactions
Tian, T.; Shih, C.-J.
Ind. Eng. Chem. Res. **2017**, *56*, 10552–10581 [link](#)
29. Efficient Construction of Well-Defined Multicompartment Porous Systems in a Modular and Chemically Orthogonal Fashion
Gao, N.; **Tian, T.**; Cui, J.; Zhang, W.; Yin, X.; Wang, S.; Ji, J.; Li, G.
Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. **2017**, *129*, 3938–3943 [link](#)
30. Ultrapure Green Light-Emitting Diodes Using Two-Dimensional Formamidinium Perovskites: Achieving Recommendation 2020 Color Coordinates
Kumar, S.; Jagielski, J.; Kallikounis, N.; Kim, Y.-H.; Wolf, C.; Jenny, F.; **Tian, T.**; Hofer, C. J.; Chiu, Y.-C.; Stark, W. J.; Lee, T.-W.; Shih, C.-J.
Nano Lett. **2017**, *17*, 5277–5284 [link](#)




31. Wood Composites with Wettability Patterns Prepared by Controlled and Selective Chemical Modification of a Three-Dimensional Wood Scaffold
Wang, Y.; **Tian, T.**; Cabane, E.
ACS Sustainable Chem. Eng. **2017**, *5*, 11686–11694 [link](#)
32. Multiscale Analysis for Field-Effect Penetration through Two-Dimensional Materials
Tian, T.; Rice, P.; Santos, E. J. G.; Shih, C.-J.
Nano Lett. **2016**, *16*, 5044–5052 [link](#)
33. Chemically Patterned Inverse Opal Created by a Selective Photolysis Modification Process
Tian, T.; Gao, N.; Gu, C.; Li, J.; Wang, H.; Lan, Y.; Yin, X.; Li, G.
ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces **2015**, *7*, 19516–19525 [link](#)
34. Helically structured metal–organic frameworks fabricated by using supramolecular assemblies as templates
Wang, H.; Zhu, W.; Li, J.; **Tian, T.**; Lan, Y.; Gao, N.; Wang, C.; Zhang, M.; Faul, C. F. J.; Li, G.
Chem. Sci. **2015**, *6*, 1910–1916 [link](#)
35. Metal-Organic Polyhedra Cages Immobilized on a Plasmonic Substrate for Sensitive Detection of Trace Explosives
Wang, C.; Shang, J.; Lan, Y.; **Tian, T.**; Wang, H.; Chen, X.; Gu, J.-Y.; Liu, J. Z.; Wan, L.-J.; Zhu, W.; Li, G.
Adv. Funct. Mater. **2015**, *25*, 6009–6017 [link](#)
36. AIE-induced fluorescent vesicles containing amphiphilic binding pockets and the FRET triggered by host–guest chemistry
Zhang, M.; Yin, X.; **Tian, T.**; Liang, Y.; Li, W.; Lan, Y.; Li, J.; Zhou, M.; Ju, Y.; Li, G.
Chem. Commun. **2015**, *51*, 10210–10213 [link](#)
37. Highly Sensitive Assay for Acetylcholinesterase Activity and Inhibition Based on a Specifically Reactive Photonic Nanostructure
Tian, T.; Li, X.; Cui, J.; Li, J.; Lan, Y.; Wang, C.; Zhang, M.; Wang, H.; Li, G.
ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces **2014**, *6*, 15456–15465 [link](#)
38. Facile Fabrication of Reactive Plasmonic Substrates for Fluorescence Enhancement via Mussel-Inspired Chemistry
Wang, C.; Zhu, W.; Lan, Y.; Zhang, M.; **Tian, T.**; Wang, H.; Li, G.
J. Phys. Chem. C **2014**, *118*, 10754–10763 [link](#)
39. Self-assembled main-chain poly(bile acid) membranes that wrinkle
Li, W.; **Tian, T.**; Lan, Y.; Zhu, W.; Li, J.; Zhang, M.; Ju, Y.; Li, G.
Polym. Chem. **2014**, *5*, 743–751 [link](#)
40. Label-free detection and discrimination of poly-brominated diphenylethers using molecularly imprinted photonic cross-reactive sensor arrays
Xu, D.; Zhu, W.; Wang, C.; **Tian, T.**; Li, J.; Lan, Y.; Zhang, G.; Zhang, D.; Li, G.
Chem. Commun. **2014**, *50*, 14133–14136 [link](#)
41. Molecularly Imprinted Photonic Polymers as Sensing Elements for the Creation of Cross-Reactive Sensor Arrays
Xu, D.; Zhu, W.; Wang, C.; **Tian, T.**; Cui, J.; Li, J.; Wang, H.; Li, G.
Chem. Eur. J. **2014**, *20*, 16620–16625 [link](#)
42. Surface molecularly imprinted electrospun affinity membranes with multimodal pore structures for efficient separation of proteins
Zhu, T.; Xu, D.; Wu, Y.; Li, J.; Zhou, M.; **Tian, T.**; Jiang, Y.; Li, F.; Li, G.
J. Mater. Chem. B **2013**, *1*, 6449 [link](#)
43. Maleimide-containing polymer inverse opals: a new kind of reactive photonic structure with significant extendibility
Yang, H.; Li, X.; Lan, Y.; **Tian, T.**; Cui, J.; Zhu, T.; Shen, D.; Li, G.
J. Mater. Chem. C **2013**, *1*, 6120 [link](#)
44. Metal-free click approach for facile production of main chain poly(bile acid)s
Li, W.[†]; **Tian, T.**[†]; Zhu, W.; Cui, J.; Ju, Y.; Li, G.
Polym. Chem. **2013**, *4*, 3057 [link](#)
45. Reactive Photonic Film for Label-Free and Selective Sensing of Cyanide
Li, X.; Peng, L.; Cui, J.; Li, W.; Lin, C.; Xu, D.; **Tian, T.**; Zhang, G.; Zhang, D.; Li, G.
Small **2012**, *8*, 612–618 [link](#)






Conference Presentations

1. Machine Learning Models for Corrosion Mechanism Exploration (invited talk)
Tian, T.
AI in Corrosion & Integrity: AMPP Edmonton Chapter Technical Talk **2025**

2. Engineering 3D Nanopatterning via Molecular Beam Holographic Lithography
Tian, T.
35th Canadian Materials Science Conference (CMSC) 2024
3. Transfer Learning of Graph Neural Networks As a General Approach to Accelerate Computational Catalysis Modeling
Tian, T.; Musielewicz, J.; Ock, J.; Ulissi, Z.
AICHE Annual Conference 2022 2022
4. Solid-state Lifshitz-van der Waals repulsion mediated by two-dimensional materials: Theories and observations
Tian, T.; Naef, F.; Vagli, G.; Celebi, K.; Li, Y.-T.; Chang, S.-W.; Krumeich, F.; Santos, E. J. G.; Chiu, Y.-C.; Shih, C.-J.
ACS Spring Meeting 2021 2021 [link](#)
5. Unified understanding of the dielectric nature of 2D materials via electronic polarizability
Tian, T.; Scullion, D.; Santos, E.; Shih, C.-J.
Abstracts of Papers of the American Chemical Society 2019 [link](#)
6. Two-dimensional materials as high-pass filter of van der Waals interactions
Tian, T.; Naef, F.; Santos, E.; Shih, C.-J.
Abstracts of Papers of the American Chemical Society 2019 [link](#)
7. Multiscale analysis of the doping-driven wettability of two-dimensional materials
Tian, T.; Lin, S.; Li, S.; Zhao, L.; Santos, E.; Shih, C.-J.
Abstracts of Papers of the American Chemical Society 2019 [link](#)
8. Elastic interfacial transistor enabled by superhydrophobic self-assembled nanowires on graphene
Tian, T.; Chander, S.; Ahuja, N.; Varga, M.; Selvakumar, R.; Lee, Y.-T.; Chiu, Y.-C.; Shih, C.-J.
Abstracts of Papers of the American Chemical Society 2019 [link](#)
9. Macroscopic salt rejection through electrostatically gated nanoporous graphene
Tian, T.; Wyss, R.; Yazda, K.; Park, H. G.; Shih, C.-J.
Abstracts of Papers of the American Chemical Society 2019 [link](#)
10. Field effect transparency of 2D materials: A multiscale analysis
Tian, T.; Rice, P.; Santos, E.; Shih, C.-J.
Abstracts of Papers of the American Chemical Society 2018 [link](#)
11. Towards the understanding and engineering of the asymmetric electric field screening in van der Waals heterostructures
Li, L. H.; **Tian, T.**; Cai, Q.; Shih, C.-J.; Santos, E.
Abstracts of Papers of the American Chemical Society 2018 [link](#)
12. Modeling Gate-Tunable Ionic Transport Using Atomically Thin Patterned Graphene Membrane
Shih, C.-J.; **Tian, T.**; Wyss, R.; Yazda, K.; Park, H. G.
COMSOL Conference Collection 2018 [link](#)
13. Multiscale Approaches for Modeling the Penetration of Field Effect in Two-Dimensional-Materials-Based Quantum Capacitors
Tian, T.; Shih, C.-J.
2016 AIChE Annual Meeting Proceedings 2016 [link](#)
14. Maleimide-containing Responsive Photonic Crystal and Its Applications
Tian, T.; Gao, N.; Li, G.
5th International TRR61 Symposium, 2014, Suzhou, China

Open Source Contributions

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| 2023 - now | SPARC  SPARC-X/SPARC (Github ☆ 70+)
Real-space <i>ab initio</i> quantum chemistry calculation package |
| 2023 - now | SPARC-X-API  SPARC-X/SPARC-X-API (Github ☆ 10+)
Python API and driver for the SPARC QM code [paper link] |
| 2021 - now | VaspInteractive  ulissigroup/vasp-interactive (Github ☆ 60+)
A stream-based calculator interface for VASP in high-throughput <i>ab initio</i> computations |

- 2021 - now FINETUNA |  [ulissigroup/finetuna](#) (Github ☆ 50+)
Fine-tuning accelerated molecular simulations powered by graph neural network.
[\[paper link\]](#)
- 2021 - now Beautiful Atoms |  [beautiful-atoms/beautiful-atoms](#) (Github ☆ 100+)
A python package for editing and rendering atomistic structures, powered by Blender.
- 2020 Simple Goniometer Interface (SGI) |  [alchem0x2A/SGI](#)
Open source user interface for contact angle goniometers, powered by Qt.
- 2019 - now renishawWiRE |  [alchem0x2A/py-wdf-reader](#) (Github ☆ 40+)
Python parser for Renishaw Instrument's raman spectroscopy files
- 2018 Droplet-Pressure |  [alchem0x2A/droplet_pressure](#)
Numerical simulation for droplet shape and pressure evolution [\[paper link\]](#)