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Professional Experience

- Postdoctoral Researcher, Argonne National Laboratory, Illinois, Aug 2006 to Present
- Postdoctoral Researcher, University of California Davis Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Mar 2003 to Jul 2006
- Doctoral Candidate, Chemistry, John Innes Centre, University of East Anglia, UK, Oct 1999 to Dec 2002
- Deputy Site Manager/Laboratory Manager/Laboratory Technician, Hays Process Chemicals, UK, Feb 1996 to Apr 1997
- Research Assistant, University of Essex, UK, Oct 1994 to Mar 1995
- Undergraduate Researcher, University of Essex, UK, 1993 to 1994

Current Research Experience

- Synthetic and Theoretical Design of Novel Catalysts for Direct Ethanol Fuel Cells
- In-situ x-ray spectroscopies studying the mechanism of catalyst degradation in fuel cells
- Electrochemical characterization of precious metal fuel cell catalysts
- Kinetic effects of impurities in fuel cell operation

Selected Publications

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- M. C. Smith, Y. Xiao, H. Wang, S. J. George, D. Coucovanis, M. Koutmos, W. Sturhahn, E. E. Alp, J. Zhao, and S. P. Cramer (2005). Normal-Mode Analysis of FeCl_4^- and $\text{Fe}_2\text{S}_2\text{Cl}_4^{2-}$ via Vibrational Mössbauer, Resonance Raman, and FT-IR Spectroscopies. *Inorg. Chem.*, 44, 5562-5570.
- Y. Xiao, H. Wang, S. J. George, M. C. Smith, M. W. W. Adams, F. E. Jenney, Jr, W. Sturhahn, E. E. Alp, J. Zhao, Y. Yoda, A. Dey, E. I. Solomon, and S. P. Cramer, (2005). Normal Mode Analysis of *Pyrococcus furiosus* Rubredoxin via Nuclear Resonance Vibrational Spectroscopy (NRVS) and Resonance Raman Spectroscopy. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 127, 14596-14606.
- Y. Xiao, K. Fisher, M. C. Smith, W. E. Newton, D. A. Case, S. J. George, H. Wang, W. Sturhahn, E. E. Alp, J. Zhao, Y. Yoda, and S. P. Cramer (2006). How Nitrogenase Shakes – Initial Information about P-cluster and FeMo-cofactor Normal Modes from Nuclear Resonance Vibrational Spectroscopy (NRVS). *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 128, 7608-7612.
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Professional Affiliations

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Education

- Ph.D. Chemistry, John Innes Centre, University of East Anglia, Norwich, UK, 2002
- B.Sc. Chemistry, University Of Essex, Colchester, UK, 1994