# **Corwin Benedict Kerr**

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**Richard L. Blanton Outstanding Capstone Award** May 2019

EDUCATION	University of Michigan Starting Chemical Engineering PhD	<i>Fall 2019</i> Ann Arbor, MI
	North Carolina State University Chemical Engineering B.S. Mathematics Minor University Honors Program GPA 4.0 /4.0	May 2019 Raleigh, NC
CAPSTONE	"Mixing controlled synthesis of colloidal semiconductor nanocrystals"	

# **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

Undergraduate Researcher, Raleigh, NC Abolhasani Lab, NC State University

September 2017 – May 2019

• Developed sensor for velocity and slug length in two-phase microfluidic systems

• Reduced error in velocity data by up to 75% and enabled use of slug length

# **AWARDS & GRANTS**

Outstanding Poster Presentation, NCSU Undergraduate Symposium April 2019 1<sup>st</sup> Place in Category Poster, AIChE Undergrad. Poster Competition October 2018 Travel Grant Recipient, University Honors Program Fall 2018 Grant Recipient, NCSU Office of Undergraduate Research Summer 2018

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

2. C. B. Kerr, R. W. Epps, and M. Abolhasani, "A low-cost, non-invasive phase velocity and length meter and controller for multiphase lab-in-a-tube devices". Lab on a Chip. https://doi.org/10.1039/c9lc00296k

1. K. Abdel-Latif, R. W. Epps, C. B. Kerr, C. M. Papa, F. N. Castellano, and M. Abolhasani, "Facile Room-Temperature Anion Exchange Reactions of Inorganic Perovskite Quantum Dots Enabled by a Modular Microfluidic Platform". Advanced Functional Materials. https://doi.org/10.1002/adfm.201900712. My contribution: key measurement module.

#### WORK EXPERIENCE

# Honors Village Fellow, Raleigh, NC

NC State University Honors Program and University Housing

- Served in highly selective, paid, academic leadership role in Honors Village
- Planned and led 3 interactive class sessions
- Led writing workshops and organized out of class events utilizing Village funds

#### STUDY ABROAD

# **IPL International Summer School**, Lvon, France

CPE Lyon (École Supérieure de Chimie Physique Électronique)

- Collaborated with professors and students from 5+ different cultures
- Traveled and navigated independently, speaking only French for one week afterwards

August 2016 - May 2018

Summer 2017

# PRESENTATIONS & POSTERS

# **Oral Presentations**

1. "A Low-Cost Velocity and Slug Length Meter for 'Lab-on-a-Tube' Devices for Real-Time Control." Kennesaw State University, GA. National Conference on Undergraduate Research. *April 12, 2019.* 

# **Poster Presentations**

- "Flow Characterization for Multi-Phase Lab-in-a-Tube Devices via Low-Cost Optical Methods." NC State University, Spring Undergraduate Research Symposium. *April 2019*. (Outstanding Poster Presentation, 24 awardees in 200 posters)
- 4. "A Low-Cost Optical Velocity Meter for Multi-Phase Lab-on-a-Tube Devices." American Institute of Chemical Engineering, Undergraduate Student Poster Competition. Pittsburgh, PA. October 2018. (1<sup>st</sup> Place in category "General Engineering")
- 3. "Optical Detection of Droplet Velocity in Two-Phase Microfluidic Systems." State of North Carolina Undergraduate Research & Creativity Symposium. *November 2018*.
- 2. "Optical Detection of Droplet Velocity in Two-Phase Microfluidic Systems." NC State University, Summer Undergraduate Research Symposium. *July 2018*.
- 1. "Optical Detection of Droplet Velocity in Two-Phase Microfluidic Systems." NC State University, Spring Undergraduate Research Symposium. *April 2018*.

FAMILIAR SOFTWARE: Mathematica, MATLAB, LabVIEW, Aspen Plus, LaTeX

# ASSOCIATIONS & MUSICAL INVOLVEMENT

- Tau Beta Pi, member
  - AIChE, member
  - Flutist, University Theatre Pit Orchestra
  - Flutist, Raleigh Civic Symphony
  - Greensboro Symphony Youth Orchestra
  - Third Place Winner, Concerto Competition
  - Governor's School East, Natural Science

Spring 2018 – Present Fall 2017 – Present Fall 2015 & Spring 2017 Fall 2015 – Fall 2016 Sept 2011 – May 2015 Spring 2015 Summer 2014