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## SUMMARY

### **Uniquely qualified computational science pioneer with multiple Product Management successes seeks challenging new leadership opportunities**

Pioneering computational chemist who has repeatedly taken early stage ideas from germination to success

- The only person who can claim primary contributions to three of the biggest computational molecular modeling platforms (AMBER, Schrodinger, Discovery Studio)
  - Vision to see both big picture and deal with details
  - Exemplary communications and writing skills, including ability to present technical material to non-technical audiences
  - Out-of-box thinker able to manage multiple clients in dotted line relationships
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## CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ Product Manager: Developed BioLuminate biologics structure design platform for Schrödinger, from ground up. Most successful product launch in their history. First biologics-focused package on market.
  - ✓ Product manager of the very first commercialized molecular modeling package, Discover; Helped launch Biosym Technologies (now Accelrys/Biovia);
  - ✓ Product Manager & Director Customer Experience for Cyrus Biotechnology: Providing first commercialization of Rosetta Protein Design as Google based SaaS
  - ✓ First author of several versions of Amber (most used molecular modeling package in the world)
  - ✓ String of early, seminal publications in field of Free Energy Perturbation (FEP)
  - ✓ Nearly 70 publications, majority as primary author, widely cited (ResearchGate score 35)
  - ✓ First degree from UC Berkeley in modern computational chemistry
  - ✓ First person to provide formal avenue for music promotion on the Internet
  - ✓ Helped establish Vertex Pharmaceuticals' reputation in drug design through prolific publication
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## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### **DIRECTOR/PRODUCT MANAGER PROTEIN DESIGN PLATFORM – Cyrus Biotechnology – 2017 to 2019**

Both product manager and director of customer experience for Cyrus Bench

- First successful commercialization of academic Rosetta protein design platform
- Modern SaaS tool using Google Cloud on the backend
- Bridged customer and developer clients, pre-sales, post-sales
- Project management of milestone-based collaborative science with customers
- As member of executive team, helped lead corporate strategy
- Managed customer support team

### **DIRECTOR/PRODUCT MANAGER BIOLOGICS SOFTWARE PLATFORM – Schrödinger Inc – 2010 to 2017**

Successfully created structure-based design platform for biologics/biopharmaceuticals from scratch/vision to market

- Most successful new product launch in Schrödinger history
- Duties include: Overall product strategy; poll customers; write internal white papers; create feature specs; design GUI interfaces; oversee implementation; oversee beta testing and refinement; create internal and external marketing documents; external pre-sales presentations; work closely with sales account managers; triage improvement/bug requests; create roadmaps for new features.
- Adept at generating cross-team internal buy-in, and balancing team, internal and external stakeholders.
- Provide direction for new biologics-related basic research
- Speak at 6-8 relevant conferences per year, dozens pre- and post- sales presentations per year

- Create impactful story at appropriate level that helped open a new market for this product
- Collaborate and publish on basic research related to biologics, including antibody prediction and FEP
- Project management of collaborative science with customers
- Develop collaborative ties to academic laboratories

### **COMPUTATIONAL CHEMIST III** – Broad Institute of MIT & Harvard/Stanley Center – 2007 to 2010

Provide direction and support for all aspects of computational chemistry / molecular modeling for Stanley Center for Psychiatric Research

- Molecular docking campaigns
- Structure-based ligand design
- Develop new methodologies and paradigms to improve efficiency of drug design

### **CEO** – Dapper Research – 2004 to 2007

Development and characterization of high-throughput ligand scoring functions

- FURMASA (simplified function based on an MD grid and a surface area term)
- ZIPAP (molecular scoring function derived from experimental potential of mean force data)
- MM-PBSA (combined molecular mechanics and Poisson-Boltzmann energies)

### **PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR** – Vertex Pharmaceuticals – 1991 to 2004

Early employee, hired to be “scientist in residence”, i.e. to publish quality research at a substantial rate, speak publicly, etc. to prove the now-successful company was serious about their new paradigm that elevated the importance of computational chemistry to drug discovery

- Develop new methods for theoretical free energy calculations (FEP/TI)
- Develop new scoring methods for high throughput data mining
- Develop new methods for *de novo* drug design
- Develop new methods for NMR refinement
- Contribute to internal drug discovery projects
- Contribute as first author to AMBER software package in collaboration with UCSF

### **POST DOCTORAL ASSOC / ASST RESEARCH CHEMIST** – University of California San Francisco – 1987 to 1991

Worked with Peter Kollman. Computational chemistry: Methodology development and application

- First author / primary developer of the AMBER software package, versions 4-5
- Numerous early, defining, methodology papers on free energy calculations (FEP, TI)
- Determination of NMR structures from NOE data, including time-averaged restraints

### **DISCOVER PROGRAM LEADER** – Biosym Technologies (now Accelrys/Biovia) – 1985 to 1986

Helped launch company (employee #7). In charge of primary product: Simulation platform Discover. This was the first commercialization of structure-based modeling software.

- Lead commercialization efforts of platform
- Interface with customers, triage requests, road mapping, pre-sales presentations, installations
- Biosym is now Accelrys, acquired by Dassault in 2014 for \$750M.

## **EDUCATION**

**GRADUATE SCHOOL** (PH.D.) from University of California, Berkeley (1980-1985)

Advisor: Sung-Hou Kim

Research: Computational studies of DNA systems. Small molecule crystallography to determine charges from high resolution x-ray density. Predict effects of photodamage on DNA. First person to graduate from UC-Berkeley with focus on computational chemistry.

**UNDERGRADUATE** (B.S.) from Stanford University, Stanford, California (1977-1980)

With distinction, in three years.

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