Brett Nathaniel Hemric

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Professional Appointments

Assistant Professor of Chemistry, University of Tampa, Tampa, FL	2021 – present
Postdoctoral Research Associate, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Urbana, IL	2019 – 2021
Education	
Ph.D. – Organic Chemistry	2013 – 2018
Duke University, Durham, NC	
B.S. – Biochemistry and Molecular Biology	2009 – 2013
Liberty University, Lynchburg, VA	

Research Training

Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign, IL

2019 - 2021

Advisor: Dr. Scott Denmark

- Collaborated with Janssen Pharmaceutica on *de novo* synthesis of proprietary small molecule drug leads/derivatives in pursuit of more efficacious treatments.
- Studied selenium redox catalysis for oxyamination of alkenes.

Graduate Researcher, Duke University, Durham, NC

2014 - 2018

Advisor: Dr. Qiu Wang

• Studied copper-catalyzed amino oxygenation of alkenes and 1,3-dienes through a unique nitrogen-initiated approach using *O*-benzoylhydroxylamines.

NSF REU Undergraduate Researcher, University of North Texas, Denton, TX

Summer 2012

Advisor: Dr. Rob Petros

• Studied biodegradation of PEG-crosslinked acrylate nanoparticles used as novel drug vessels.

Publications (†undergraduate student, ‡equal contribution, *corresponding author)

Mumford, E.M.;[‡] Hemric, B.N.;[‡] Denmark, S.E.* "Catalytic, Enantioselective *Syn*-Oxyamination of Alkenes." *Manuscript in review.*

Hemric, B.N. * "Beyond Osmium: Progress in 1,2-Amino Oxygenation of Alkenes, 1,3-Dienes, Alkynes, and Allenes." Org. Biomol. Chem. **2021**, *19*, 46–81. [Link]

Hemric, B.N.; Ku, C.K; Wang, Q.* "O-Benzoyl-N-hydroxylmorpholine." Encycl. Reagents Org. Synth. 2020. [Link]

Hemric, B.N.; Chen, A.W.; Wang, Q.* "Copper-catalyzed 1,2 amino oxygenation of 1,3-dienes: a chemo-, regio-, and site-selective three-component reaction with carboxylic acids and *O*-acylhydroxylamines." *ACS Catal.* **2019**, *9*, 10070–10076. [Link]

Hemric, B.N.; Chen, A.W.; Wang, Q.* "Copper-catalyzed modular amino oxygenation of alkenes: a rapid access to diverse 1,2-amino oxygen-containing skeletons." *J. Org. Chem.* **2019**, *84*, 1468–1488. [Link]

Ortiz, G.X. Jr.; <u>Hemric, B.N.</u>; Wang, Q.* "Direct and selective 3-amidation of indoles using electrophilic *N*-[(benzenesulfonyl)oxy]amides." *Org. Lett.* **2017**, *19*, 1314–1317. [<u>Link</u>]

Hemric, B.N.; Shen, K.; Wang, Q.* "Copper-catalyzed amino lactonization and amino oxygenation of alkenes using O-benzoylhydroxylamines." *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2016**, *138*, 5813–5816. [Link]

<u>Hemric, B.N.</u>; Wang, Q.* "Copper-catalyzed intermolecular oxyamination of olefins using carboxylic acids and *Oberzoylhydroxylamines.*" *Beilstein J. Org. Chem.* **2016**, *12*, 22–28. [Link] *Invited submission.*

Awards, Honors, and Fellowships

F32 Postdoctoral Fellowship Finalist, National Institutes of Health	2020
GAANN Fellowship, US Department of Education	Fall 2017 – Fall 2018
Shaffer-Hunnicutt Research Fellowship, Duke University	Summer 2017
Graduate Travel Award, Duke University	2016
Division of Organic Chemistry Graduate Travel Award, American Chemical Society	2016
Burroughs Wellcome Fellowship, Duke University	2015 – 2016, Spring 2017
Graduate Research Fellowship Honorable Mention, National Science Foundation	2015
Student of the Year in Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, Liberty University	2013
Kappa Mu Epsilon Math Honors Society, Liberty University	2013
Promising Student of the Year in Chemistry (2 nd year award), Liberty University	2011

Teaching and Mentoring Experience

GAANN Teaching Experience, Duke University, Durham, NC

 Developed and executed a curriculum for Organic Chemistry II recitation (not previously part of the Duke University course offering).

Independent Study Mentor, Duke University, Durham, NC

- Andy Chen (7 semesters, now medical student at Indiana University School of Medicine)
- Kathy Dai (3 semesters, now medical student at Duke University School of Medicine)

Chemistry Guest Lecturer, Duke University, Durham, NC

Introduction to Undergraduate Research (1 semester)

Taught course section on verbal and visual presentation of scientific research.

Chemistry Teaching Assistant

Organic Chemistry I Recitation – Duke University (2 semesters)

Organic Chemistry I/II Recitation – Liberty University (5 semesters)

Organic Chemistry II Lab – Duke University (2 semesters)

Organic Chemistry I/II Lab - Liberty University (10 semesters)

Biochemistry I/II Lab – Liberty University (2 semesters)

Analytical Chemistry Grader – Liberty University (1 semester)

Introductory Chemistry Lab – Liberty University (4 semesters)

Private Tutor - Chemistry, Lynchburg, VA and Durham, NC

Public Presentations

Oral Presentations:	
Annual Denmark Lab Total Synthesis Competition (Team Captain), Urbana, IL	Oct. 2020
Dissertation Defense, Durham, NC	Nov. 2018
4 th Duke University Chemistry Research Symposium, Durham, NC	Oct. 2018
Postdoctoral Research Interview, Urbana, IL	July 2018
252 nd ACS National Meeting, Philadelphia, PA	Aug. 2016
Summer REU Research Presentation, Denton, TX	Aug. 2012
Poster Presentations:	
55th Heterocyclic Compounds Gordon Research Conference, Newport, RI	June 2018
69th Southeast Regional Meeting of the ACS, Charlotte, NC	Nov. 2017
3 rd Duke University Chemistry Research Symposium, Durham, NC	Oct. 2017
8 th ACS Division of Organic Chemistry Graduate Research Symposium, Portland, OR	July 2017
9th Chapel Hill Pharmaceutical Sciences Conference, Chapel Hill, NC	Oct. 2015
128 th North Carolina Section Conference of the ACS, Durham, NC	Nov. 2014
Service/Volunteer Activities	
Reviewer, Royal Society of Chemistry	2020 – present
Graduate NMR Manager, Duke University	2014 – 2019
Recruitment Host, Duke University	2014 – 2018
Chemistry Research Symposium Organizer, Duke University	2014 – 2017
Media Coordinator – Graduate Chemistry Council, Duke University	2015 – 2016