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## RECENT EXPERIENCE

### Exogene Ltd., Oxford, UK (remote) — Senior machine learning scientist

November 2021 - present

- Architected, trained, and benchmarked state-of-the-art TCR-peptide enrichment model (publication forthcoming)
- Developed appropriate training targets with external team of biologists
- Built training and hyperparameter tuning pipeline on AWS Sagemaker and GCP Vertex AI

### Bayer AG, Berlin, DE — Machine learning scientist

April 2020 - October 2021

- Paper accepted to top machine learning conference (ICML): [Improving Molecular Graph Neural Network Explainability with Orthonormalization and Induced Sparsity](#)
- Improved internal Graph Convolutional NN models for ADMET property predictions by ~10%
- Co-developed [ChemInformatics Model Explorer \(CIME\): exploratory analysis of chemical model explanations](#)
- [Open source contributions to pytorch-geometric](#)

### corrux, Munich, DE — CTO/Co-founder

August 2018 - December 2019

- [Raised \\$3.1 million seed round together with cofounder](#)
- Hired and grew technical team to 12 engineers covering frontend, backend, analytics, and hardware (IoT)
- Drove early sales through analytics on construction asset data
- Developed techniques for failure detection using variational autoencoders
- Implemented cross-team Agile development

### Merantix, Berlin, DE — Machine Learning Engineer

February 2017 - July 2018

- Major contributor to [FRCNN project for automatic mammogram screening](#): preprocessing, model architecture and scaling
- [Picasso, a CNN visualizer](#)
- Added multithreaded execution to LSTM-based trading algorithm
- Added test coverage and CI across code base, and drove standardization and containerization of developer and model training environments

### Ascribe/BigchainDB, Berlin, DE — Sen. Software Engineer

November 2014 - December 2016

- Core contributor to [BigchainDB](#), a scalable blockchain database
- Principal author of [image searching library](#) scalable up to billions of images
- Graphs and some backend for <https://www.whereonthe.net/> (no longer

## SKILLS

**Programming:** Python (incl. Tensorflow, Numpy, Pandas, etc.), RDKit, pytorch (incl. Torch-geometric, pytorch lightning). *Some exp. in:* Javascript (React, d3), C++, C, Java, AWS, Google Cloud Platform, Azure

**Databases:** PostgreSQL, Elasticsearch, RethinkDB, MongoDB

**Scientific:** X-Ray crystallography, structure refinement, solid-state synthesis, automated manufacturing, wafer scan/review, Mathematica

## AWARDS, TALKS, WORKSHOPS

[ICML 2021 Spotlight Talk](#)

[PyData Berlin 2016 Speaker](#) on image-match library

**Bayer Teaching Excellence Award** May 2009 awarded to top teaching assistants annually

online)

## Intel, Portland, OR — Defect Metrology Engineer

January 2013 - May 2014

- Isolated defect sources in chip manufacturing process using data from hundreds of wafers/day over dozens of instruments
- Broad familiarity with most semiconductor fab techniques

## EDUCATION

### Cornell University, Ithaca, NY — Ph.D.

Fall 2007 - Spring 2013

- [Ph.D. Theoretical Chemistry](#) GPA: 3.20/4.00
- DAAD German Academic Exchange Service Fellow 2009

### Bowling Green State, Bowling Green, OH — B.S.

Fall 2003 - Spring 2007

- B.S. Physics & Applied Mathematics - Magna Cum Laude
- GPA: 3.92/4.00 - Presidential Scholarship (full tuition, 4 years)

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

- R. Henderson, D. Clevert, F. Montanari. "Improving Molecular Graph Neural Network Explainability with Orthonormalization and Induced Sparsity." *ICML 2021*. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2105.04854>
- R. Henderson, D. Clevert, F. Montanari. "Gini in a Bottleneck: Sparse Molecular Representations for Graph Convolutional Neural Networks." *Machine Learning for Molecules Workshop @ NeurIPS 2020*. <https://arxiv.org/abs/2010.04535>
- R. Henderson and R. Rothe. "Picasso: A Modular Framework for Visualizing the Learning Process of Neural Network Image Classifiers." *Journal of Open Research Software* 5.1 (2017). DOI: <http://doi.org/10.5334/jors.178>
- S. Lee, R. Henderson, et al. "Pseudo-five-fold diffraction symmetries in tetrahedral packing" *Chem. Eur. J.*, July 2013 DOI: [10.1002/chem.201203758](https://doi.org/10.1002/chem.201203758)
- P. Jana, R. Henderson, et al. "Site Preference in Cmplx Au-Cr-Zn phases." *Inorg. Chem.*, Apr. 2013 DOI: [10.1021/ic302244](https://doi.org/10.1021/ic302244)