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Education:

- 1981-85 Ph.D. in **Physics** at the Theory of Condensed Matter Group, Cavendish Laboratory, Cambridge University, Cambridge, England. Thesis title: "Dynamics of Separation Processes in Polymers". Advisor: S. F. Edwards
- 1977-81 B. A. in **Physics**, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico (UNAM), Mexico City, Mexico. Thesis title: "Phase Transitions in Two-Dimensional Systems". Advisor: A. J. Mondragon

Appointments:

- 2016-2019 **Co-Director** - Northwestern University/Art Institute of Chicago Center for Scientific Studies in the Arts (NU-ACCESS)
- 2015-Present **Director**- Center for Computation and Theory of Soft Materials, Northwestern University, Evanston IL, 60208
- 2014-Present **Co-Director**- Center for Bio-Inspired Energy Science, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, 60208
- 2009-Present **Lawyer Taylor Professor** of Materials Science & Engineering, Professor of Chemistry, Professor of Chemical and Biological Engineering, and of Physics and Astronomy, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL 60208
- 2006-13 **Director**- Materials Research Center, Northwestern University, Evanston IL, 60208
- 1998-09 **Professor**- Department of Materials Science & Engineering, Department of Chemistry and Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL 60208
- 1995-97 **Senior Staff Scientist (Engineer C3)** – Service de Chimie Moleculaire, Commissariat a l’Energie Atomique, Centre de’Etude, Saclay, 91191 Gif-Sur-Yvette, France
- 1991-98 **Associate Professor**- Department of Materials Science & Engineering and Department of Chemical and Biological Engineering, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL 60208
- 1986-91 **Assistant Professor**- Department of Materials Science and Engineering, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL 60208
- 1985-86 **Guest Scientist, Polymers Division**- National Institute of Standards and Technology (formerly NBS), Gaithersburg, MD. **Post-doctoral Research Associate**- Polymer Science and Engineering Department, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA (Advisor: I. C. Sanchez)

Awards and Significant Academic Honors:

- 2017 Polymer Physics Prize, American Physical Society
- 2016 Miller Institute Visiting Professor, University of California, Berkeley.
- 2015 McGavock Lecturer, Department of Chemistry, Trinity University.
- 2015 ISTEc Distinguished Lecturer, Colorado State University.
- 2013 Derieux Lecture, Department of Physics, North Carolina State University.
- 2013 Distinguished Lecturer, Mathematical Physical Sciences Directorate, National Science Foundation
- 2012 Member, National Academy of Sciences
- 2011 Fay Ajzenberg-Selove Colloquium, Physics Department, University of Wisconsin, Madison
- 2010 Special Civil Merit Award, State of Guerrero, Mexico
- 2010 Fellow, American Academy of Arts and Sciences
- 2010-15 National Security Science and Engineering Faculty Fellowship

2008 Dow Distinguished Lecturer, University of California Santa Barbara
 2007 Engineering and Applied Sciences Cozzarelli Prize, Proceeding of the National Academy of Sciences
 2005-06 North American Lectures in Chemical Engineering and Materials Science, Mexico
 2005 Baetjer Lectures, Princeton University
 2003 Visiting Professor, Service de Physique Theorique, Commissariat a l'Energie Atomique, CE-Saclay, France
 2001 Fellow, American Physical Society
 1995-97 Scientific Member, Commissariat a l'Energie Atomique, CE-Saclay, France
 1993 Visiting Scientist, Service de Chimie Moleculaire, Commissariat a l'Energie Atomique Commissariat a l'Energie Atomique, CE-Saclay, France
 1990-95 Presidential Young Investigator Award, National Science Foundation
 1990-92 Alfred P. Sloan Fellowship
 1989-94 David and Lucile Packard Fellowship in Science and Engineering
 1988-93 FIRST Award, National Institutes of Health
 1981-84 UNAM scholarship from the Direccion General de Asuntos del Personal Academico, Mexico, held at Cambridge University, England
 1982-84 Overseas Research Scholarship award (ORS-award) England, Cambridge University, England
 1981-82 Graduate Studies Fellowship, Trinity College, Cambridge University, England (declined)
 1979-81 Conacyt-UNAM scholarship, Mexico, held at Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, Mexico

Selected Significant Services and Extracurricular Educational Activities:

2016 Committee on Vision of the Future of Center-Based, Multidisciplinary Engineering Research, National Academy of Sciences
 2015-2020 International Scientific Advisory Board, Max Planck Institute for Polymer Physics
 2015 ARO Workshop on Potential Future Directions, NC, Sept 24-25, 2015
 2015 ARO Biennial Review of Life Sciences, May 6-8, 2015.
 2015-**Senior Editor**, ACS Journal of Central Science
 2014- National Science Foundation Advisory Committee for International Science and Engineering
 2013-17 Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee, Department of Energy
 2013- Advisory Committee, Center for Scientific Studies in the Arts (NU-ACCESS), Northwestern
 2013 **Co-Chair**, NSF Workshop on Opportunities in Theoretical and Computational Polymeric Materials and Soft Matter, Santa Barbara, CA, October 20-22
 2013 **Co-Chair**, Fifth Biennial Principal Investigators' Meeting in "Biomolecular Materials", Materials Sciences and Engineering Division (MSED) in the DOE Office of Basic Energy Sciences (DOE-BES), Gaithersburg, MD, August 19-21.
 2013 Co-Organizer, Evolution of Colloidal Matter, New York City, NY, June 27-29 2013-14
 2013 Committee on Key Challenge Areas for Convergence and Health, National Research Council
 2012 Committee on Societal Benefits from Condensed Matter and Materials Research, National Research Council
 2012-13 Science and Technology for Defense Warning, National Research Council
 2009 Launched NSF funded Univ. Texas San Antonio PREM in association with NU-MRSEC
 2009-15 Board of Physics and Astronomy, National Research Council, the National Academy of Sciences
 2010-12 **Chair**, Condensed Matter and Materials Research Committee, National Research Council
 2009-10 **Vice-Chair**, Condensed Matter and Materials Research Committee, National Research Council
 2008-09 **Vice-Chair**, Solid State Science Committee, National Research Council
 2008-09 **Chair**, NSF-MRSEC Directors Executive Committee
 2007-09 Research at the Intersection of Physical and Life Sciences, Committee on Frontiers of Science at the Interface of Physical and Life Sciences National Research Council
 2007-09 **Chair**, Division of Materials Research Advisory Committee, National Sciences Foundation
 2007-08 Advisory Panel on Light Source Facilities, National Science Foundation

- 2006-08 **Leadership Council**, National Center for Learning and Teaching in Nano-Science and Engineering (NCLT), National Science Foundation
- 2005-08 Solid State Science Committee, National Research Council
- 2005-09 Mathematical and Physical Sciences Directorate Advisory Committee, National Science Foundation
- 2004 NSF Role of Theory in Biological Physics and Materials (co-organizer; plenary speaker)
- 1999-06 **Director**- Summer Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) and Minority Research Initiative (MRI), Northwestern University (30 to 40 students per year recruited and tutored)
- 1997-04 **Director & Co-Founder** - Integrated Graduate Program to Prepare Educators of Materials Technologists, Northwestern University (created the degree, recruited and mentored the students and raised funds for tuition and stipend for gifted students 1997-04: Mireya Garcia (1999), Howard Gholston (2000), Manuel Bahamon (2000), Roberto Mendoza (2000), Patricia Valenzuela (2001) and Nikkia McDonald (June 2002)

Editorial Boards: *Macromolecules*, *Journal of Polymer Science B: Polymer Physics*, *Journal of Chemical Theory and Computation*, and *Journal of Chemical Physics*

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2. Honghao Li, Aykut Erbas, Jos Zwanikken and Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "**Ionic conductivity in polyelectrolyte hydrogels**" *Macromolecules*, 49, 9239-9246 (2016); DOI: 10.1021/acs.macromol.6b01276
3. Guillermo Ivan Guerrero-Garcia, Francisco J. Solis, Kalyan Raidongia, Andrew Robert Koltano, Jiaying Huang, and Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "**Control of Selective Ion Transfer across Liquid-Liquid Interfaces: A Rectifying Heterojunction Based on Immiscible Electrolytes**" *ACS Central Science*, 2, 857-866; DOI: 10.1021/acscentsci.6b00266
4. Matthew N. O'Brien, Hai-Xin Lin, Martin Girard, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, Chad A. Mirkin "**Programming Colloidal Crystal Habit with Anisotropic Nanoparticle Building Blocks and DNA Bonds**" *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, 138, 14562-14565 (2016); DOI: 10.1021/jacs.6b09704.
5. Matthew N. O'Brien, Martin Girard, Hai-Xin Lin, Jaime A. Millan, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, Byeongdu Lee and Chad A. Mirkin, "**Exploring the Zone of Anisotropy and Broken Symmetries in DNA-mediated Nanoparticle Crystallization**" *PNAS*, 113, 10485-10490 (2016); DOI: 10.1073/pnas.1611808113.
6. Shuangping Liu, Zhenwei Yao, Kevin Chiou, Samuel I. Stupp and Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "**Emergent perversions in the buckling of heterogeneous elastic strips**" *PNAS*, In Press.
7. Zhenwei Yao and Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "**Ordered Self-Similar Patterns in Anisotropic Stochastic Growth**" *Journal of Physical Chemistry B*, 120, 5960-5965 (2016); DOI: 10.1021/acs.jpcc.6b01789.
8. Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "**Mesoscale studies of ionic closed membranes with polyhedral geometries**" *APL Materials*, 4, 061102 (2016); DOI: 10.1063/1.4953570
9. Joshua Dempster and Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "**Aggregation of Heterogeneously Charged Colloids**" *ACS Nano*, 10, 5909-15 (2016); DOI:10.1021/acsnano.6b01218.
10. Saijie Pan, Ting I.N.G. Li and Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "**Molecular Dynamics Simulation of DNA-Directed Assembly of Nanoparticle Superlattices Using Patterned Templates**" *Journal of Polymer Science, Part B: Polymer Physics*, Accepted (2016)
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12. Sumit Kewalramani, Guillermo I. Guerrero-García, Liane M. Moreau, Jos W. Zwanikken, Chad A. Mirkin, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, and Michael J. Bedzyk, "**Electrolyte-Mediated Assembly of Charged Nanoparticles**" *ACS Central Science* (2016); DOI: 10.1021/acscentsci.6b00023.

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14. Taner Aytun, Peter Santos, Carson Bruns, Dongxu Huang, Andrew Koltonow, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, Samuel Stupp, "**Self-Assembling Tripodial Small-Molecule Donors for Heterojunction Solar Cells**" *Journal of Physical Chemistry C* 120, 3602-3611 (2016); DOI: 10.1021/acs.jpcc.5b10064.
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18. Jiaye Su, Zhenwei Yao and Monica Olvera de la Cruz "**Vesicle Geometries Enabled by Dynamically Trapped States**" *ACS Nano* 10, 2287-2294 (2016); DOI: 10.1021/acsnano.5b06991.
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30. Niels Boon and Monica Olvera de la Cruz. "**'Soft' Amplifier Circuits Based on Field-Effect Ionic Transistors**" *Soft Matter*, 11, 4793-4798 (2015); DOI: 10.1039/C5SM00573F
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38. Gabriel S. Longo, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, and Igal Szleifer **"Equilibrium Adsorption of Hexahistidine on pH-Responsive Hydrogel Nanofilms"** *Langmuir*, in press DOI: 10.1021/la504038
39. Liam C. Palmer, Cheuk-Yui Leung, Sumit Kewalramani, Rohan Kumthekar, Christina J. Newcomb, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, Michael J. Bedzyk, Samuel I. Stupp **"Long-Range Ordering of Highly Charged Self-Assembled Nanofilaments"** *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **136**, 14377-14380 (2014); DOI: 10.1021/ja50825191
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41. Gabriel Longo, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, Igal Szleifer **"Non-monotonic Swelling of Surface Grafted Hydrogels Induced by pH and/or Salt Concentration"** *J. Chem. Phys.* **141**, 124909 (2014); DOI: 10.1063/1.4896562
42. Vikram Jadhao, Creighton K. Thomas and Monica Olvera de la Cruz **"Electrostatics-driven shape transitions in soft shells"** *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* **111**, 12673-8 (2014); DOI: 10.1073/pnas.1413986111
43. Charles E. Sing and Monica Olvera de la Cruz **"Polyelectrolyte Blends and Nontrivial Behavior in Effective Flory-Huggins Parameters"** *ACS Macro Letters* **3**, 698-702 (2014); DOI: 10.1021/mz500202n
44. Guillermo Ivan Guerrero-Garcia, Monica Olvera de la Cruz **"Polarization Effects of Dielectric Nanoparticles in Aqueous Charge-Asymmetric Electrolytes"** *J. Phys. Chem. B* **118**, 8854-8862 (2014); DOI: 10.1021/jp5045173
45. Brett M. Savoie, Kevin L. Kohlstedt, Nicholas E. Jackson, Lin X. Chen, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, George C. Schatz, Tobin J. Marks, and Mark A. Ratner **"Mesoscale molecular network formation in amorphous organic materials"** *PNAS* **111**, 10055-10060 (2014); DOI: 10.1073/pnas.1409514111
46. Charles E. Sing, Jos W. Zwanikken, and Monica Olvera de la Cruz **"Electrostatic Control of Block Copolymer Morphology"** *Nature Materials* **13**, 694 (2014); DOI:10.1038/nmat4001
47. Baofu Qiao, Thomas Demars, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, and Ross J. Ellis **"How Hydrogen Bonds Affect the Growth of Reverse Micelles in Metal Ion Extraction"** *J. Chem. Phys. Lett.* **5**, 1440-1444 (2014); DOI: 10.1021/jz500495p
48. Zhenwei Yao, Monica Olvera de la Cruz **"Polydispersity-driven topological defects as order-restoring excitations"** *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci.* (2014); DOI: 10.1073/pnas.1403679111
49. Charles E. Sing, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, and John F. Marko **"Multiple-binding-site mechanism explains concentration-dependent unbinding rates of DNA-binding proteins"** *Nucleic Acids Research* **42**, 3783-3791 (2014); DOI:10.1093/nar/gkt1327
50. Rui Zhang, David A. Walker, Bartosz A. Grzybowski, and Monica Olvera de la Cruz **"Accelerated self-replication under non-equilibrium, periodic energy delivery"** *Angewandte Chemie Int. Ed.* **53**, 173

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51. Evelyn Auyeung, Ting I. N. G. Li, Andrew J. Senesi, Abrin L. Schmucker, Bridget C. Pals, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, and Chad A. Mirkin **"DNA-mediated nanoparticle crystallization into Wulff polyhedra"** *Nature* **505**, 73–77 (2014); DOI: 10.1038/nature12739.
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 59. Guillermo Guerrero-García, Pedro González Mozuelos, and Monica Olvera de la Cruz **"Large counterions boost the solubility and renormalized charge of suspended nanoparticles"** *ACS Nano* **7**, 9714–9723 (2013); DOI: 10.1021/nn404477b
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246. Y. S. Velichko, F.J. Solis, S. M. Loverde and M. Olvera de la Cruz "**Ion Condensation Structure on Patterned Surfaces**" (<http://arxiv.org/abs/0704.3717>).
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DEGREES AWARDED

- Anne M. Mayes* "**A Study of Transition to Periodic Structures in Block Copolymer Melts**" Ph.D., February 1991. (Professor, Dept. Materials Science, M.I.T., MA; deceased)
- Dilip Gersappe* "**Statistics and Dynamics of Polymers in Topologically Restricted Environments**" Ph.D., April 1992. (Associate Professor, Dept. Materials Science, SUNY at Stony Brook, NY.)
- Edward O. Shaffer* "**The Dynamics of Gel Electrophoresis**" M.S. June 1988. (Dow Chemical, Midland MI.)
- Cheng-heng Kao* "**Micelle Formation in Copolymer-Homopolymer Blends**" M.S. June 1990. (Professor, Dept. of Chemical Engineering, National Central Taiwan University.)
- Alice S. Mendelsohn* "**Investigation of Correlations in Polymer Melts, Blends, and Semi-dilute Solutions by Fluorescence Nonradiative Energy Transfer Techniques**" (currently known as **FRET**) Ph.D., July 1994. Co-Advised with J. M. Torkelson (Robins, Kaplan, Miller & Ciresi L.L.P., Minneapolis).
- Avi Nesarikar* "**Thermodynamics and Kinetics of Liquid-liquid Phase Separation in Random Copolymers**" Ph.D., (Chemical Eng.) September 1994. Co-Advised with B. Crist. (Mobil E&P Technical Center, Dallas TX.)
- Brian W. Swift* "**Statistics and Dynamics of Random Copolymers in Solutions by Monte Carlo Simulation**" Ph.D. December 1995. (Developer, Matlock Capital, Chicago IL.)
- Ching-I Huang* "**Studies of Phase Separation Dynamics and Interfaces in Ternary Systems**" Ph.D. June 1996. (Associate Professor, National Taiwan University of Science and Technology, Taiwan.)
- Khaled Mahdi* "**Phase Diagrams of Polyelectrolyte Solutions**" Ph. D. December 2000. (Associate Professor, Kuwait University.)
- Kurt A. Smith* "**Dynamics of Drops and Fluid Interfaces-A Level set Study**" Ph.D. February 2003. Co-Advised with J. M. Ottino (Data Scientist, Twitter, San Francisco, CA)
- Hao Cheng* "**Polyelectrolyte Adsorption and Self-Assembly on Charged Surfaces**" Ph.D. December 2005 (Assistant Professor, Drexel University).
- Michelle D. Lefebvre* "**Effects of Sequence Distribution and Specific Interactions on the Ordering and Interfacial Behavior of Copolymers**" Ph. D. June 2006 Co-Advised with K. R. Shull.
- Sharon M. Loverde* "**Theory and Simulation of Polymer and Polyelectrolyte Self-Assembly**" Ph. D. June 2007 (Assistant Professor, City College New York).
- Kevin L. Kohlstedt* "**The Formation of Chiral Nanopatterns on Low-Dimensional Ionic Assemblies Via Electrostatic Interactions**" Ph. D. June 2009 (Postdoctoral Research Associate, Northwestern University, Advisors: George Schatz and Monica Olvera de la Cruz).
- Megan A. Greenfield* "**Modulating the forces between self-assembling molecules to control the shape of vesicles and the mechanics and alignment of nanofiber networks**" Ph. D. June 2009. Co-advised with S. I. Stupp (January 2010, McKenzie Consulting).
- Mark Anderson* "**Gel formation in charged telechelics in poor solvent studied by replica exchange Monte Carlo simulations**" M.A. June 2010. Co-supervised with M. Ratner and I. Szleifer.
- Peijun Guo* "**Self-Assembly of pH responsive nano-particles**" M.S. April, 2011.

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DNA-Functionalized Proteins

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Phase Transformations in Materials
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RECENT SELECTED INTERNATIONAL SCHOOLS/WORKSHOPS (2000-13):

- 2000** **Lecturer-** NSF workshop on opportunities in materials theory, Oct. 4-6.
- 2001** **Lecturer-** Electrostatic Interactions in Polymers, Colloids, and Biophysics, Theoretical Physics Institute, Minneapolis, MN, May 11-13.
- 2001** **Lecturer-** Gordon Research Conference on Condensed Matter Physics” Connecticut College, June.
- 2002** **Lecturer-** Coulomb Effects in Soft Condensed Matter and Biomolecular Science workshop, Aspen Center for Physics (Aspen, CO), May 23-June 21.
- 2002** NSF workshop “Theoretical Science in the Mathematical and Physical Sciences Directorate.” Oct 28-29.
- 2003** **Lecturer-** The 43rd High Polymer Research Group Conference, Moretonhampstead, Devon, England, April.
- 2003** **Lecturer-** Second International Conference on Applied Statistical Physics: Molecular Engineering (ASTATPHYS-MEX-2003)”, Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, August 24-29.
- 2003** **Lecturer-** Telluride Workshop on “Polymer Theory vs. Polymer Experiment, Colorado, July.
- 2003** **Lecturer-** Nano Training Bootcamp, ASME Nanotechnology Institute, Evanston IL, **July** 8-11.
- 2004** **Co-organizer & plenary speaker-** Role of Theory in Biological Physics and Materials workshop, National Science Foundation, May 17-18, 2004, Tempe, Arizona
- 2004** **Lecturer-** Biophysics Workshop, Theoretical Physics Institute, University of Minnesota, April 30-May 2.
- 2004** **Lecturer-** US-South America Workshop “Mechanics and Advanced Materials: Research and Education”, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, August 2-6.
- 2005** **Lecturer-** Baetjer Lecture Series, Princeton University, March 3-4.
- 2005** **Lecturer-** North American Lectures in Chemical Engineering and Materials Science, NSF and Universidades de San Luis Potosi and Guanajuato, Mexico, November 23-25.
- 2005** **Lecturer-** Ion-Containing Polymers, Gordon Research Conference, Il Ciocco, Italy, April 2-6 (elected co-vice chair with Paula Hammond).
- 2005** **Lecturer-** Polymer Physics Workshop, Telluride Science Research Center, Telluride, CO, August 27-29.
- 2005** **Lecturer-** Polymer Physics Lecture Series, Advanced Summer School 2005, Physics Department, Centro de Investigaciones y Estudios Avanzados (Cinvestav), Mexico D. F., July 18- August 2.
- 2006** **Lecturer-** Pan-American Advanced Studies Institute Program (PASI) on Nano and Biotechnology, Bariloche, Argentina, November 13-22.
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- 2006** **Lecturer-** Micro and Nano Devices with Applications to Biology and Nanoelectronics, NSF Summer Institute on Nano Mechanics and Materials, Evanston IL, USA, Aug. 7-11.
- 2007** **Lecturer-** Polymer Physics Workshop, Telluride Science Research Center, Telluride, CO, Aug. 6-10.
- 2007** **Lecturer-** Polymer Physics, Gordon Research Conference, Salve Regina University Newport, RI, June 29-July 4.
- 2007** Interdisciplinary, Globally Leading Polymer Science and Engineering NSF Workshop, Aug 15-16.
- 2008** **Dow Distinguished Lecturer**, University of California Santa Barbara, October 3.

- 2008** **Plenary Lecture**- International Conference on Molecular Electronic Devices, Korea, May 29-30.
- 2008** **Speaker**- McCormick's PhD Hooding Ceremony, Northwestern University, June 20.
- 2009** **Lecturer**- 10th Berkeley Mini Stat. Mech. Meeting, Berkeley Uni., CA, January 9-11.
- 2009** **Lecturer**- Macromolecular Materials Gordon Research Conference, Ventura, CA, January 11-15.
- 2009** **Lecturer**- Chemistry of Supramolecules and Assemblies, Gordon Research Conference, Waterville, Maine, June 28-July 3.
- 2009** **Lecturer**- 6th International Discussion Meeting on Relaxations in Complex Systems, Rome, Italy, August 30-September 6.
- 2009** **Lecturer**- Polymer Phys. Workshop, Telluride Science Research Center, Telluride, CO, July 6-10.
- 2009** **Lecturer**- Lecture Series, in Science and Technology of Complex Fluids, San Luis Potosi, Mexico, August 21-30.
- 2010** **Lecturer**- Colloidal, Macromolecular & Polyelectrolyte Solutions, Gordon Research Conference, Ventura, CA, February 21-25.
- 2010** Discussion Leader- Polymer Physics, Gordon Research Conference, Mount Holyoke College, South Hadley, MA, June 27-July 2.
- 2010** **Plenary Talk**, The 4th PENN-UPRH PREM Symposium on Soft Matters in Materials Science, Humacao, Puerto Rico, May 7, 2010.
- 2010** **Plenary Lecture**- Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM) meeting on Mathematical Aspects of Materials Science, Philadelphia, PA, May 23-26.
- 2010** **Plenary Lecture**- 2nd International Soft Matter Conference (ISMC 2010), Granada, Spain, July 5.
- 2011** Fay Ajzenberg-Selove Colloquium, Physics Department, University of Wisconsin, Madison.
- 2011** **Plenary Lecture**- First Workshop on Advances in Colloidal Materials, Granada, Spain.
- 2012** Procter and Gamble Lecture Series, University of California, Los Angeles.
- 2012** **Plenary Lecture**- XXI International Materials Research Congress (IMRC), August 13-17, Cancun, Mexico.
- 2013** **Lecturer, Discussion leader**, Self-assembly and supramolecular chemistry, Gordon Research Conference, May 5-10, Les Diablerets, Switzerland
- 2013** **Plenary Lecture**- The 13th International conference on Properties and Phase Equilibria for Product and Process Design (PPEPPD), May 26-30, Iguaza Falls, Argentina.
- 2014** **Lecturer**, "Ion adsorption at solid-electrolyte interfaces" Lorentz Center, Leiden (NL) March 10-14, 2014.
- 2015** **Lecturer**, ARO Meeting, NC, Sept 24-25, 2015
- 2017** **Lecturer, Mainz Materials Simulation Days 2017**, CECAM-DE-SMSM, Max Planck Institute for Polymer Research, Mainz, Germany, June 12-14th, 2017

RECENT SELECTED SERVICES & SYNERGETIC ACTIVITIES (2000-16):

- 2000-06** Member of the Editorial Board of the *Journal of Polymer Science B: Polymer Physics*
- 2000** Nomination Committee of the Division of High Polymer Physics, American Physical Society
- NSF Nanoscale Modeling and Simulation panel, June 1-2. Materials Research Science and Engineering Center at University of Minnesota, NSF Site visit, Oct. 17-18
- 2001** Pre-proposals Panel for the FY02 Materials Research Science and Engineering Centers (MRSEC) National Science Foundation, Nov. 14-15, 2001
- 2001-04** Fellowship Committee, Polymer Physics Division, American Physical Society
- 2002** Information Technology Research (ITR) Large Proposals panel, NSF, January 23
- MRSEC competition of the NSF Materials Research Science and Engineering Centers, March.
- 2004** Focus Sessions: "Charge Effects on Biomolecules" (**organizer**), "Charged Biomolecules in Complexes and on Surfaces" (**organizer**) and "Polyelectrolytes and Other Charged Systems" (**organizer**), March Meeting of the American Physical Society, March 22-26, 2004, Montreal.
- 2005** NSF site visit UPR-Humacao University, Humacao, Oct 18-19
- 2005-09** **Advisory Committee**, NSF Mathematical and Physical Sciences Directorate

- 2005-2011.** **External Advisory Board**, Nanoscale Science and Engineering Center (NSEC) Materials on Templated Synthesis and Assembly at the Nanoscale, University of Wisconsin-Madison
- 2006** **Chair**, Internal Review of Dept. of Surgery, Northwestern University
- 2006** **Search Committee** for the Director of the Division of Materials Research Mathematical Physical Science Directorate, National Science Foundation Search Committee
- 2006-09** Solid State Science Committee, National Research Council, National Research Council, the National Academy of Sciences
- 2007-09** **Chair, Advisory Committee**, NSF Division of Materials Research
- 2006-07** **Program Review Council**, Northwestern University
- 2007** Anne M. Mayes Carl S. Marvel Creative Polymer Chemistry Award Symposium” (**organizer**) American Chemical Society March Meeting, Chicago, March 25
- 2007-08** NSF Advisory Panel on Light Source Facilities
- 2007-09** Research at the Interface of Physical and Life Sciences Committee, National Research Council, the National Academy of Sciences
- 2007- Pre** **Editorial Board**, Macromolecules
- 2008-09** **Chair**, Executive NSF-MRSEC Directors Committee
- 2008** **Panelist**, Productive Affinities: Successful Collaborations between Museums and Academia Symposium, Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, Il., Oct. 29-31
- Panelist Coordinator**, play Copenhagen by Michael Frayn, "Engineering Transdisciplinary Outreach Project in the Arts", Northwestern University, Evanston Il, Sep. 27
- 2008-10** **Vice-Chair**, Solid State Science Committee, National Research Council, National Research Council, the National Academy of Sciences
- 2008-11** **Advisory Committee**, NSF University New Mexico / Harvard Partnership for Research and Education in Materials (PI: Gabriel P. Lopez).
- 2009-Pre** **External Advisory Committee** (EAB), NSF Wisconsin - Puerto Rico Partnership for Research and Education in Materials” (PI: Carlos Rinaldi)
- 2008-11** **Advisory Committee**, NSF University PENN-University of Puerto Rico Partnership for Research and Education in Materials (PI: Idalia Ramos)
- 2009- Pre** Northwestern University Shared Facilities Advisory Board
- 2009** **Search Committee** for the Assistant Director of the Mathematical Physical Science Directorate, National Science Foundation Search Committee
- 2009** **Search Committee** for the Director of the Division of Materials Research Mathematical Physical Science Directorate, National Science Foundation Search Committee
- 2009** **External Review**, Department of Materials Science and Engineering, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL, March 29-31
- 2009** **External Reviewer**, U.S. Department of Energy Center for Nanophase Materials Science (CNMS) Operations Review, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN, December 9-11
- 2009-13** **Advisory Committee**, Center for Interdisciplinary Exploration and Research in Astrophysics CIERA, Northwestern University (Directors Vicky Kalogera, Fred Rasio and Dave Meyer)
- 2009-Pre** **Advisory Board**, Materials Research Laboratory (MRL), University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, IL
- 2010** **Search Committee** for the Director of the Advance Photon Source at Argonne
- 2010-13** **Editorial Board**, *Current Opinion in Solid State and Materials Science*
- 2010-Pre** **Scientific Advisory Committee**, Materials Science Division, Argonne National Laboratory
- 2011-Pre** **Advisory Committee**, NSF Harvard MRSEC (PI: David Weiz)
- 2011-2015** **Editorial Committee**, *Annual Review of Materials Research*
- 2013** **Organizer**, Evolution of Colloidal Matter, New York City, NY, June 27-29
- 2013** **Co-Chair**, Fifth Biennial Principal Investigators’ Meeting in “Biomolecular Materials”, Materials Sciences and Engineering Division (MSED) in the DOE Office of Basic Energy Sciences (DOE-BES), Gaithersburg, MD, August 19-21
- 2013** **Co-Chair**, NSF Workshop on Opportunities in Theoretical and Computational Polymeric Materials and Soft Matter, Santa Barbara, CA, October 20-22
- 2013-15** Basic Energy Sciences Advisory Committee, Department of Energy
- 2014** US-EU Workshop on Computational Materials Science, San Francisco, CA, April 2-25, 2014

- 2014** Scientific Grand Challenges in Soft Condensed Matter workshop, Santa Barbara, CA, May 17-18, 2014
- 2014** **External Review**, Materials Science, University of Drexel, Philadelphia, PA, May 19, 2014
- 2014** **Scientific Advisory Committee**, National Science Foundation Advisory Committee for International Science and Engineering
- 2015** **Review Committee**, Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG), Transregional Collaborative Research Centre, Leipzig, Germany, January 21-22, 2015
- 2015-18** **Editorial Board**, *Journal of Chemical Theory and Computation*
- 2015-18** **Editorial Board**, *Journal of Chemical Physics*
- 2015** **Board of Visitors**, ARO Biennial Review of Life Sciences, NC, 6-8 May, 2015
- 2016** **Panelist**, BES workshop on Basic Research Needs for synthesis Science of Energy Relevant Technology, Maryland, MD May 2-4, 2016.
- 2016** **Co-Leader of Panel**, "Transformational experimental tools through integration of instrumentation with theory and computation", Basic Research Needs (BRN) for Innovation and Discovery of Transformative Experimental Tools: Solving Grand Challenges in the Energy Sciences, Washington DC, June 1-3, 2016

RECENT BRIEFINGS:

- 2011** **"High Magnetic Field Sciences"**, Board of Physics and Astronomy, National Research Council, Beckman Center, UC Irvine, November 7
- 2011** **"Condensed Matter and Materials Research Committee – New Activities"**, Board of Physics and Astronomy, National Research Council, Beckman Center, UC Irvine, November 6
- 2010** **"Current Activities of the Condensed Matter and Materials Research Committee"**, Board of Physics and Astronomy, National Research Council, Beckman Center, UC Irvine, November 6
- 2009** **"Research at the Intersection of the Physical and Life Science"**, National Research Council Committee on Frontiers of Science at the Interface of Physical and Life Sciences, National Academies, briefing to the Office of Science and Technology Policy (OSTP), Washington DC, November 12
- 2009** **"Research at the Intersection of the Physical and Life Science"**, National Research Council Committee on Frontiers of Science at the Interface of Physical and Life Sciences, National Academies, briefing to the funding agencies, Keck Center, Washington DC, November 12
- 2009** **"Research at the Intersection of the Physical and Life Science"**, National Research Council Committee on Frontiers of Science at the Interface of Physical and Life Sciences, briefing to the Board of Physics and Astronomy, Beckman Center, Irvine, CA, November 7

TALKS, SHORT COURSES AND PARTICIPATION IN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCES

(* invited presentations)

Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Mesoscale Studies of Ionic Vesicles with Polyhedral Geometries" MRS Spring Meeting 2017, Phoenix, AZ, April 17-21st, 2017.

Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Control of DNA-functionalized nanoparticle assembly" ACS Award in Colloid Chemistry: Symposium in honor of Nicholas A. Kotov, ACS Spring Meeting 2017, San Francisco, CA, April 2-8th, 2017.

Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Electrolyte-Mediated Assembly of Charged Nanoparticles" ACS Spring Meeting 2017, San Francisco, CA, April 2-8th, 2017.

Shuangping Liu, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Anisotropic contraction of hydrogel reinforced by aligned fibers" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

Boran Ma, Trung Nguyen, Victor Pryamitsyn, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Electrostatic Effects on Clustering and Ion Dynamics in Ionomer Melts" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

Elad Deiss-Yehiely, Julia Ortony, Baofu Qiao, Samuel Stupp, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Ion Condensation onto Self-Assembled Nanofibers" (Poster) APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

Pablo Vazquez-Montejo, Joshua Dempster, Mykola Tasinkevych, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Flexible Magnetic Membranes" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

Ha-Kyung Kwon, Kenneth R. Shull, Jos W. Zwanikken, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Effects of ion size and charge asymmetry on the salt distribution in polyelectrolyte blends and block copolymers" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

Victor Pryamitsyn, Ha-Kyung Kwon, Johannes Zwanikken, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Anomalous phase behavior of ionic polymer blends and ionic copolymers" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

Martin Girard, Soyoung Seo, Yaohua Li, Chad Mirkin, Monica Olvera De La Cruz, "Potential of Mean Force of DNA Guided Assemblies Past Debye-Hückel Regime" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

Trung Nguyen, Baofu Qiao, Brian Panganiban, Christopher Delre, Ting Xu, Monica Olvera De La Cruz, "Strong Adsorption of Random Heteropolymers on Protein Surfaces" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

Aykut Erbas, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Repulsive Interactions Between Two Polyelectrolyte Networks" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

Meng Shen, Honghao Li, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "The Effects of Interfacial Polarization on Long-Range Interaction Between Aqueous Phases in Oil" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

Jaime Millan, Janet McMillan, Jeff Brodin, Byeongdu Lee, Chad Mirkin, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Modelling of DNA-Mediated of Two- and --Three dimensional Protein-Protein and Protein-Nanoparticle Self-Assembly" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

Yaohua Li, Jaime A. Millan, Meng Shen, Trung Nguyen, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Strong Ion-Driven Nanoparticle Assembly: A Multi-Scale Molecular Dynamics Study" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

Kyle Hoffmann, Kurinji Krishnamoorthy, Sumit Kewalramani, Michael Bedzyk, Monica Olvera De La Cruz, "Electrostatics of DNA-Functionalized Nanoparticles" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

*Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Control of DNA-Functionalized Nanoparticle Assembly" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

*Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Polymer Physics Prize Talk" APS March Meeting 2017, New Orleans, LA, March 13-17th, 2017.

*Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Molecular Electrolytes" Princeton University, Department of Astrophysical Sciences, NJ, February 15th, 2017.

*Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Using Computational Modeling to Probe and Design Biomimetic Behavior" Gordon Research Conference, Santa Barbara, California, Jan 29th- Feb 3rd, 2017

*Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Biomimetic Materials Design by Computer Simulations" Conference for Undergraduate Women in Physics, UW-Madison, WI, Jan 15th, 2017.

*Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Controlling the Geometry of Elastic Membranes" New York University, NY, Nov 4th, 2016.

*Monica Olvera de la Cruz, Perspectives of GPU Computing in Science, Sapienza Universita di Roma, Italy, Sept 26-28, 2016. (Not able to attend.)

- *Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Polymer Electrolytes" Soft Matter - Theoretical and Industrial Challenges Celebrating the Pioneering Work of Sir Sam Edwards, Isaac Newton Institute, Cambridge UK, Sept 7-9, 2016.
- *Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Phase Segregation in Polymer Electrolytes" Polymer Physics, Gordon Research Conference, south Hadley, MA, July 24-29, 2016
- *Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Multiple phase coexistence in polymer electrolytes" 11-th International Symposium on Polyelectrolytes - ISP 2016, Lomonosov Moscow State University, Russia, June 23-25, 2016.
- *Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Formation of ion clusters in the phase separated structures of neutral-charged polymer blends and copolymers" 28th International Conference on Science and Technology of Complex Fluids, Physic Department, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de San Luis Potosi, Mexico, June 20-24, 2016.
- *Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Assembly of anisotropic functionalized particles" 28th International Conference on Science and Technology of Complex Fluids, Physic Department, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de San Luis Potosi, Mexico, June 20-24, 2016.
- *Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Formation of ion clusters in the phase separated structures of neutral-charged polymer blends and copolymers" 28th International Conference on Science and Technology of Complex Fluids, San Luis Potosi, Mexico, June 20-24, 2016.
- *Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Polyhedral Crystalline Membranes" Physics Department, Tel Aviv University, Israel, May 22, 2016.
- *Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "The Shape of Single Soft Crystals" Computations in Science Seminar, University of Chicago, IL, April 13, 2016
- F. Solis, G.I. Guerrero, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Low frequency ionic conduction across liquid interfaces." APS Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 14-18, 2016
- H. Li, A. Erbas, J. Zwanikken and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ion transferring in polyelectrolyte networks in electric fields." APS Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 14-18, 2016
- J. Zwanikken, Y. Jing, V. Jadhao and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Electrolyte-mediated adsorption to neutral and dielectric interfaces" APS Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 14-18, 2016
- M. Olvera de la Cruz and A. Erbas "Energy conversion in polyelectrolyte hydrogels" APS Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 14-18, 2016
- M. Girard and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Colloidal models for anisotropic particles" APS Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 14-18, 2016
- S. Pan, N. Boon and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Novel liquid crystal phase transition of linear defects in an epitaxial layer of DNA-nanoparticle superlattices" APS Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 14-18, 2016
- A. Erbas and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Morphology-induced low temperature conductivity in ionic liquids." APS Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 14-18, 2016
- H. Kwon and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "The effect of ionic correlations on the distribution of ions across polyelectrolyte blend interfaces" APS Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 14-18, 2016
- J. Dempster, M. Olvera de la Cruz "Driving magnetic colloidal polymers" APS Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 14-18, 2016
- J. Millan, M. Girard, J. Brodin, M. O'Brien, C. Mirkin, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Modeling of DNA-Mediated Self-Assembly from Anisotropic Nanoparticles: A Molecular Dynamics Study" APS Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 14-18, 2016
- S. Kewalramani, M. Bedzyk, L. Moreau, J. Zwanikken, C. Mirkin, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Electrolyte-Mediated Assembly of Charged Nanoparticles" APS Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 14-18, 2016
- Y. Jing, V. Jadhao, J.W. Zwanikken, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ionic structure in electrolyte confined by dielectric interfaces" APS Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 14-18, 2016

- B. Qiao, G. Ferru, M. Olvera de la Cruz and R. Ellis, "Integrated toolkit of synchrotron X-ray and atomistic simulations for rare earth element refinery" ACS National Meeting, San Diego, CA, March 13-17, 2016
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, J. Zwanikken and H. Kwon, "Multiple phase coexistence in polymer electrolytes" ACS National Meeting, San Diego, CA, March 13-17, 2016
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz, "DNA-functionalized anisotropic particle assembly" ACS National Meeting, San Diego, CA, March 13-17, 2016
- *Baofu Qiao, Geoffroy Ferru, Monica Olvera de La Cruz, Ross Ellis "Integrated toolkit of synchrotron X-ray and atomistic simulations for rare earth element refinery" ACS National Meeting, San Diego, March 13-17, 2016
- *Monica Olvera de la Cruz "Assembly of anisotropic functionalized particles" Physics Colloquium, University of California, Santa Cruz, CA, March 3, 2016
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz, "DNA-functionalized nanoparticle assembly" MRSEC-UC Santa Barbara, Santa Barbara, CA February 25, 2016
- *Monica Olvera de la Cruz "DNA-Functionalized Nanoparticle Assembly" Materials Science Colloquium, Caltech, CA, February 24, 2016
- *Monica Olvera de la Cruz ""DNA-Functionalized Nanoparticle Assembly"" Materials Science Seminar Series, U. C. Berkeley, Berkeley, CA, February 18, 2016
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz, "DNA-functionalized nanoparticle assembly" Chemical Engineering Colloquium, Penn State University, Oct 7, 2015
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz, "DNA-functionalized Nanoparticle Assembly" Rutgers University, Sept 22, 2015
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Polyhedral Crystalline Membranes" ISTeC Lecture, Colorado State, Sept 14-16, 2015
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Polyhedral Crystalline Membranes" MaGavock Lecture, Trinity University, Sept 17-18, 2015
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ion clusters in neutral-charged polymer blends and copolymers" ACS National Meeting, Boston, MA, Aug 16-18, 2015
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz, "DNA-functionalized nanoparticle assembly and crystallization" Frontiers of Polymer Science, Chinese Academy of Sciences, China, Aug 8-10, 2015.
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz "Ion clusters in neutral-charged polymer blends and copolymers" Beijing Institute of Technology, Beijing, China, Aug 5-7, 2015
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz "Electrostatic Driven Self Assembly Design of Functional Nanostructures" Biomolecular Materials Principal Investigators' Meeting, Gaithersburg, MD August 3-5, 2015
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz "Self-Assembly of Biomolecules" Gordon Research Conference, Mount Holyoke College, MD, July 26-31, 2015
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz "Ion Clusters in Neutral-Charged Polymer Blends and Copolymers" 1st US-Japan Materials Genome Workshop, Ibaraki, Japan, June 22-25, 2015
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz "Ion Clusters in Neutral-Charged Polymer Blends and Copolymers" Penn State University, PA, April 21, 2015.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "DNA-functionalized Nanoparticle Assembly" NU Computational Research Day, April 14, 2015.
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz "DNA-functionalized Nanoparticle Assembly" Rutgers University, Jamestown, MI, April 1, 2015
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "DNA-functionalized nanoparticle assembly" ACS National Meeting, Denver, CO, March 22-27, 2015.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz "DNA-functionalized Nanoparticle Assembly and Crystallization" SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering, Salt Lake City, UT, March 14-18, 2015.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz "Electrostatic Self-Assembly of Biomolecules," APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Jos Zwanikken and Monica Olvera de la Cruz, Tuning the phase diagram of polyelectrolyte blends with a pinch of salt" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Charles Sing and Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Surface tension and lamellar spacing in polyelectrolyte blends and block copolymers" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Huanxin Wu, Yufei Jing, Francisco Solis, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, Erik Luijten, "Electrolytes near structured dielectric interfaces" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Sumit Kewalramani, Liane Moreau, Guillermo Guerrero-Garcia, Monica Olvera de la Cruz and Michael Bedzyk, "Counterion-mediated assembly of spherical nucleic acid-Au nanoparticle conjugates (SNA-AuNPs)" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Niels Boon and Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "'Soft' amplifier circuits based on field-effect ionic transistors" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Brian Panganiban, Baofu Qiao, Mona Obadia, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, Eric Drockenmuller, Ting Xu, "Rationally Designed random heteropolymer surfactants for encapsulation and stabilization of proteins in organic solvents" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Francisco Solis, Vikram Jadhao, Kaushik Mitra, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "A variational free-energy functional approach to Schrodinger-Poisson theory" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Saijie Pan, Ting Li, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Simulation of epitaxial growth of dNA-nanoparticle superlattices on pre-patterned substrates" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Zhenwei Yao and Monica Olvera de la Cruz, Dynamics of vacancies in two-dimensional Lennard-jones crystals" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Ha-Kyung Kwon and Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Formation of ion clusters in the phase separated structures of neutral-charged polymer blends" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Yufei Jing, Vikram Jadhao, Jos W. Zwanikken, Monica Olvera de la Cruz "Electrostatic effects of dielectric interfaces on confined electrolyte" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Shuangping Liu, Zhenwei Yao, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Perversions driven spontaneous symmetry breaking in heterogeneous elastic ribbons" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Ting Li, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "DNA-programmable Nanoparticle Self-Assembly and Crystallization via Multi-Scale Modelling & Simulation" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

Aykut Erbas, Jos Zwanikken, Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Electrostatics effects on normal load capacity of two like-charge hydrogels" APS Spring Meeting, San Antonio, TX, March 2-6, 2015.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz "Electrostatic Self-Assembly of Biomolecules", Advanced Workshop on Out-of-Equilibrium Matter, San Luis Potosi, Mexico, December 8-12, 2014.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "DNA-Functionalized Nanoparticle Assembly and Crystallization," Dept. of Materials Science and Eng. Colloquium, University of Illinois Urbana, November 17, 2014.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Polyhedral Crystalline Membrane", Department of Chem. Eng. Colloquium, Stanford University, October 27, 2014.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Electrostatic Self-assembly of Biomolecules", First "self-assembly of biomolecules" International Symposium, Montpellier, October 12-14, 2014.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ionic Membranes", Department of Mechanical Eng. Colloquium, University of Illinois Urbana, September 2, 2014.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ionic Bilayers, Tail Packing and Mesoscale Geometry", Workshop on Coarse-Grained Modeling of Polymers and Soft Materials for Genome Initiative, National Institute of Standards and Technology, August 6-7, 2014.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Polyhedral Crystalline Membranes", APS Colloquium, Argonne National Laboratory, Chicago, July 16, 2014.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Crystalline Membranes", Frontiers in Materials Sciences Seminar Series, Pacific Northwest National Laboratory, Richland, Washington, June 2, 2014.

*M. Olvera De La Cruz, "Electrostatic Driven Assembly", Grand Challenges in Soft Matter Workshop, University of California, Santa Barbara, May 17-18, 2014

T. Li, E. Auyeung, C.A. Mirkin, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Self-Assembly and Crystallization of DNA-Functionalized Nanoparticle into Wulff Polyhedra", MRS Spring Meeting, San Francisco, California, April 21-25, 2014.

J. Zwanikken, Y. Jing, V. Jadhao, C.E. Sing, N. Boon and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Theoretical analysis on ion transport through polymer networks in electrochemical capacitors", MRS Spring Meeting, San Francisco, California, April 21-25, 2014.

C.E. Sing, J.W. Zwanikken⁺ and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Electrostatic Control of Block Copolymer Morphology", MRS Spring Meeting, San Francisco, California, April 21-25, 2014.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "DNA-Functionalized Nanoparticle Assembly and Crystallization," Dept. of Chemical Engineering, University of Texas at Austin, Austin TX, March 27, 2014.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ion adsorption at solid-electrolyte interfaces" Lorentz Center, Leiden (NL) March 10-14, 2014.

Y. Jing, J.W. Zwanikken, V. Jadhao, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ion distributions in electrolyte confined by multiple dielectric interfaces", ACS National Meeting, Dallas, Texas, March 16-20, 2014.

*C. Mirkin, R.J. Macfarlane, E. Auyeung, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Nucleic acid-modified nanostructures as programmable atom equivalents: Forging a new "Table of Elements", ACS National Meeting, Dallas, Texas, March 16-20, 2014.

F.J. Solis, V. Jadhao, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Variational formulations for electrostatic systems: Applications to molecular dynamics simulations", ACS National Meeting, Dallas, Texas, March 16-20, 2014.

F.J. Solis, G.I. Guerrero-Garcia, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ion partitioning in confined oil/water interfaces", ACS National Meeting, Dallas, Texas, March 16-20, 2014.

G.I. Guerrero-Garcia, N. Boon, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Giant charge reversal and charge amplification with monovalent ions in highly size-asymmetric colloidal suspensions", ACS National Meeting, Dallas, Texas, March 16-20, 2014.

V. Jadhao, C.K. Thomas and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Electrostatics-driven shape transitions in charged elastic membranes" ACS Spring Meeting, Dallas, Texas, March 16-20, 2014.

J. Zwanikken, Y. Jing, V. Jadhao, C.E. Sing, N. Boon and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Theoretical analysis on ion transport through polymer networks in electrochemical capacitors", APS March meeting, Denver, CO, March 3-7, 2014.

Y. Jing, J.W. Zwanikken, V. Jadhao, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ion distributions in electrolyte confined by multiple dielectric interfaces", APS March Meeting, Dallas, Texas, March 16-20, 2014.

G. Guerrero Garcia, F. Solis, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Inversion of the electric field driven by ionic solvation energy", APS March meeting, Denver, CO, March 3-7, 2014.

S. Liu, Z. Yao and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Spontaneous formation and evolution of kinks in elastic helical structures", APS March meeting, Denver, CO, March 3-7, 2014.

K. Kohlstedt, N. Jackson, B. Savoie, L. Chen, M. Olvera de la Cruz, G. Schatz, M. Ratner, "Controlling conformations of conjugated polymers and small molecules: The role of nonbonded interactions", APS March meeting, Denver, CO, March 3-7, 2014.

R. Zhang and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Accelerated Self-Replication under Non-equilibrium, Periodic Energy Delivery", APS March meeting, Denver, CO, March 3-7, 2014.

J. Dempster, R. Zhang and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Self-replicating devices with dipolar colloids", APS March meeting, Denver, CO, March 3-7, 2014.

T. Li, E. Auyeung, C.A. Mirkin and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Multi-scale modeling for the self-assembly of DNA-functionalized nanoparticle into superlattice and Wulff polyhedra", APS March meeting, Denver, CO, March 3-7, 2014.

C.E. Sing, J.W. Zwanikken and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Dramatic changes in Polyelectrolyte Blend Phase Behavior due to Charge Correlations" APS March Meeting, Denver, Colorado, March 3-7, 2014.

C.E. Sing, J.W. Zwanikken, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Highly-correlated Charges in Block Copolyelectrolytes: Charge as a Tool for Morphology Manipulation", APS March Meeting, Denver, Colorado, March 3-7 2014.

V. Jadhao, C.K. Thomas and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Changing shape of elastic shells via electrostatic interactions", APS March Meeting, Denver, Colorado, March 3-7, 2014.

N. Boon, G.I. Guerrero, R. van Roij and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Improving the accuracy of DLVO theory for dense systems of macroions", APS March Meeting, Denver, Colorado, March 3-7, 2014.

Z. Yao and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Topological Defects by Size Polydispersity", APS March Meeting, Denver, Colorado, March 3-7, 2014.

B. Qiao and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Why Hydrophilic Water can Permeate Hydrophobic Interior of Lipid Membranes", APS March Meeting, Denver, Colorado, March 3-7, 2014.

M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Report on NSF Workshop on Challenges and Opportunities of Polymer and Soft Matter Theory and Simulation", APS March meeting, Denver, CO, March 3-7, 2014

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, Condensed Matter Seminar, James Franck Institute, Departments of Chemistry and Physics & Astronomy, University of Chicago, Feb.18, 2014.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "DNA-Functionalized Nanoparticle Assembly and Crystallization," Dept. of Materials Science and Engineering, University of California, Berkeley, February 11, 2014.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Molecular Crystallization and Mesoscale Geometry of Functionalized Nanoparticles", Telluride Conference, Telluride, Colorado, February 2-5, 2014

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, International Symposium on Polyelectrolytes, Ein Gedi, Israel, Jan.20-23, 2014.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Blebbing of Nuclear Lamin Networks", American Society for Cell Biology Annual Meeting, Dec 14, 2013, New Orleans, LA.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Spherical Nucleic Acid-Au Nanoparticle Assemblies", Materials Research Society Fall Meeting, Dec 1-6, 2013, Boston, MA.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Molecular Crystallization and Mesoscale Geometry of Multicomponent Ionic Membranes", Materials Research Society Fall Meeting, Dec 1-6, 2013, Boston, MA.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, Department of Physics Colloquium, UNAM, Mexico City, Nov. 21, 2013.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Derieux Lecture", Department of Physics at North Carolina State University, Nov 11, 2013.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, Condensed Matter Seminar, Dept. of Physics & Astronomy, University of Pennsylvania, Oct 16, 2013.

C. Sing and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Effects of Ion Correlations on the Thermodynamics of Polymer Interfaces" ACS Fall Meeting (Indianapolis IN), Sept. 12, 2013.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Electrostatics in Spherical Nucleic Acid-Au Nanoparticle Assemblies" Programmable Self-Assembly of Matter workshop (June 30-July 2, NYC), 2013.

*C. Sing and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Highly-correlated Charges in Polymer Gels and Blends", Telluride Polymer Physics Workshop, June 17, 2013.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Platonic and Archimedean geometries in elastic membranes" The 13th International conference on Properties and Phase Equilibria for Product and Process Design (PPEPPD), May 26-30, Iguaza Falls, Argentina.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "The Role of Electrolytes in the Assembly of Colloids" Gordon Research Conference: Self-Assembly & Supramolecular Chemistry, Les Diablerets, May 5-10, 2013, Switzerland

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Charge and Composition Patterns in Ionic Fibers, Gels and Membranes" High Polymer Research Group Conference, April 28-May 3, 2013, UK.

* C.E Sing, J. Zwanikken, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Highly-correlated charges in polyelectrolyte gels: Reentrant swelling and ion-ion correlations" in Celebrating 50 Years of Polymers at Case Western, ACS National Meeting & Exposition, April 9, 2013, New Orleans, Louisiana.

G.I. Guerrero-Garcia, and M. Olvera de la Cruz "Inversion of the electric field at the electrified liquid-liquid interface", ACS National Meeting & Exposition, April 7-11, 2013, New Orleans, Louisiana.

B. Qiao and M. Olvera de la Cruz "Crystallization of ionic lipid membranes, elucidated by atomistic simulation", ACS National Meeting & Exposition, April 7-11, 2013, New Orleans, Louisiana.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Polyhedral Geometries in the Living World," Dept. of Chemical Engineering, University of Texas at Austin, Austin TX, April 4, 2013.

R. Zhang, P. Jha, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Non-equilibrium Ionic Assemblies of Oppositely Charged Colloids," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

Y. Jing, G.I. Guerrero Garcia, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Enhancing and reversing the electric field at liquid/liquid interfaces," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

F. Solis, V. Jadhao, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "A variational formulation of electrostatics for heterogeneous dielectric media," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

B. Qiao, R.J. Ellis, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "For a Safe Diamide Extraction Process, Elucidated by Atomistic Simulations," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

C.K. Thomas, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Why square lattices are not seen on curved ionic membranes," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

C-Y. Leung, M. Greenfield, S. Kewalramani, L. Palmer, R. Sknepnek, B. Qiao, C. Newcomb, G. Vernizzi, M. Bedzyk, S. Stupp, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Mesoscopic Membrane Morphology Regulated by Molecular Crystallization," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

G.I. Guerrero Garcia, P. Gonzalez-Mozuelos, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Colloidal stability in concentrated electrolyte solutions using large counterions," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

K.L. Kohlstedt, M. Olvera de la Cruz, and G.C. Schatz, "Controlling orientational order of multivalent prisms in superlattice assemblies," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

A. Osorio-Vivanco, M. Olvera de la Cruz, and S. Glotzer, "Optimized assembly and steady-state length-scale control in dissipative systems of photo-switchable colloids," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

T.I.N.G. Li, R. Sknepnek, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Hybridization dynamics to DNA guided crystallization," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

S. Kewalramani, C-Y. Leung, J. Zwanikken, R. Macfarlane, M. Olvera de la Cruz, C. Mirkin, and M. Bedzyk, "Determination of counterion distribution around DNA coated nanoparticles (DNA-AuNP) by small angle X-ray scattering (SAXS)," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

J. Zwanikken, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Tunable Soft Structure in Charged Fluids confined by Dielectric Interfaces," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

Z. Yao, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Packing of charged chains on toroidal geometries," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

C. Sing, J. Zwanikken, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Highly-correlated charges in polyelectrolyte gels," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

V. Jadhao, F. Solis, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ion distributions near dielectric interfaces from Car-Parrinello molecular dynamics," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

C. Funkhouser, R. Sknepnek, T. Shimi, A. Goldman, R. Goldman, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "An Elastic Model of Blebbing in Nuclear Lamin Meshworks," American Physical Society March Meeting, Baltimore, MD, March 18-22, 2013.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Polyhedral geometries in crystalline membranes", XLII Winter meeting on Statistical Physics, January 8-11, 2012, Taxco, Mexico.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Platonic and Archimedean Geometries in Elastic Membranes", Materials Research Society Fall Meeting, Nov 27, 2012, Boston, MA.

S. Patala, L. Marks, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Stability Analysis for Faceted Pentagonal Nanoparticles", Materials Research Society Fall Meeting, Nov 30, 2012, Boston, MA.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Modeling mesoscale phenomena in crystalline membranes", SACNAS National Conference, October 11-14, 2012, Seattle WA.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Polyhedral Geometries in the Living World", Condensed Matter Seminar, Dept. of Physics, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, September 21, 2012, Urbana IL.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Computational efforts in Polymer Science", 244th ACS National Meeting, August 19-23, 2012, Philadelphia, PA.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Computational modeling of polyelectrolyte gels: Charge regulation and nanoscale phase behavior", 244th ACS National Meeting, August 19-23, 2012, Philadelphia, PA.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Platonic and Archimedean Geometries in Multicomponent Elastic Membranes" XXI International Materials Research Congress (IMRC), August 13-17, 2012, Cancun, Mexico.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "The stability of polyvalent nanoparticles and effective interactions in molecular electrolytes" XXI International Materials Research Congress (IMRC), August 13-17, 2012, Cancun, Mexico.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Surprises in ionic driven assembly of membranes" Argonne National Laboratory, August 7, 2012, Argonne, IL.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Charge and Composition Patterns in Ionic Membranes" Recent Progresses on Coulomb Many-body Systems Workshop, Shanghai Jiao Tong University, June 9-16, 2012, Shanghai, China.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Polyelectrolyte Gels" International Symposium on Polymer Physics, June 4-8, 2012, Chengdu, China.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ionic driven assembly of membranes: Surprising findings in shell shape and composition", May 3, 2012, Dept. of Physics, North Dakota State University.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Modeling heterogeneous fibers and membranes" (in "Computational Materials Design In Heterogeneous Systems") MRS Spring meeting, April 9-13, 2012, San Francisco, CA.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Physical Properties of Heterogeneous Microcompartments", Procter and Gamble Lecture Series, Spring 2012, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, University of California, April 16, 2012, Los Angeles, CA.

C. Thomas and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Charge correlations in multicomponent ionic crystalline membranes", American Physical Society March Meeting, Boston, MA, February 27- March 2, 2012.

M. Olvera de la Cruz, J. Zwanikken and C.A. Mirkin, "Local ionic environment around polyvalent nucleic-acid functionalized gold nanoparticles", American Physical Society March Meeting, Boston, MA, February 27- March 2, 2012.

M. Demers, R. Sknepnek and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Curvature driven domain formation in ternary lipid membranes", American Physical Society March Meeting, Boston, MA, February 27- March 2, 2012.

R. Sknepnek and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Thin-shell model for faceting of multicomponent elastic vesicles", American Physical Society March Meeting, Boston, MA, February 27- March 2, 2012.

T. Li, R. Sknepnek, R.J. Macfarlane, C.A. Mirkin and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Modeling of DNA-directed colloidal self-assembly and crystallization", American Physical Society March Meeting, Boston, MA, February 27- March 2, 2012.

C-Y. Leung, L. Palmer, S. Kewalramani, R. Sknepnek, G. Vernizzi, M. Greenfield, S. Stupp, M. Bedzyk and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Electrostatics-driven assembly of uni-lamellar cationic faceted vesicles", American Physical Society March Meeting, Boston, MA, February 27- March 2, 2012.

J. Zwanikken and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ion-induced interactions between charged macroions and dielectric inhomogeneities", American Physical Society March Meeting, Boston, MA, February 27- March 2, 2012.

P. Jha, J. Zwanikken, F. Detcheverry, J. de Pablo and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Influence of charge and network inhomogeneities on the swollen-collapsed transition in polyelectrolyte nanogels", American Physical Society March Meeting, Boston, MA, February 27- March 2, 2012.

J. Su, H. Guo and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Solubility and transport of cationic and anionic patterned nanoparticles", American Physical Society March Meeting, Boston, MA, February 27- March 2, 2012.

B. Grzybowski, M. Olvera de la Cruz, P. Jha and V. Kuzovkov, "A novel kinetic Monte Carlo algorithm for non-equilibrium simulations", American Physical Society March Meeting, Boston, MA, February 27- March 2, 2012.

G.I. Guerrero Garcia and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ion correlations in the electrical double layer near liquid/liquid interfaces", American Physical Society March Meeting, Boston, MA, February 27- March 2, 2012.

C. Funkhouser, R. Sknepnek and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Morphologies of elastic membranes with fluctuating connectivity", American Physical Society March Meeting, Boston, MA, February 27- March 2, 2012.

B. Qiao and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Effect of valence of counterions on the structure of charged membranes, a computer simulation study", American Physical Society March Meeting, Boston, MA, February 27- March 2, 2012.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Surprises in ionic driven assembly of membranes", Caltech Chemical Physics Seminar Series, California Institute of Technology, January 31, 2012, Pasadena, CA.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Surprises in electrostatic driven assembly of ionic crystalline shells", Department of Materials Science, University of Michigan, November 18, 2011, Ann Arbor, MI.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, J. W. Zwanikken and C. A. Mirkin "Ionic screening and ion-induced attractions in solutions of nanoparticles" First Workshop on Advances in Colloidal Materials- 25th Anniversary-Biocolloid and Fluid Physics Group (1986-2011), University of Granada, September 23, 2011, Granada, Spain.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ionic Crystalline Shells", Colloquium, Dept. of Chemical & Biological Engineering, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, September 14, 2011, Troy, NY.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Platonic and Archimedean Geometries in Elastic Membranes", Colloquium, Applied Physics, Harvard University, September 9, 2011, Cambridge, MA.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "New Geometries of Elastic Closed Membranes and Crystalline Shells", Laboratoire de Physique de Solides, University of Orsay, July 12, 2011, Orsay, France.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Heterogeneous Elastic Membranes: New Shapes of Microcompartments", Telluride Workshop on Polymer Physics, June 20-24, 2011, Telluride, CO.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, J. W. Zwanikken, P. Guo, R. J. Macfarlane, and C. A. Mirkin, "Grafting density effect on ionic screening around functionalized Nanoparticles", 241st ACS National Meeting & Exposition - March 27-31, 2011, Anaheim, California.

G. Ivan Guerrero-Garcia, P. Gonzalez-Mozuelos, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "On the interaction of equally charged nanoparticles in presence of a size-asymmetric salt", 241st ACS National Meeting & Exposition - March 27-31, 2011, Anaheim, California.

J. W. Zwanikken and Monica Olvera de la Cruz, "Ions and charged macromolecules near the interface between two electrolyte solutions", 241st ACS National Meeting & Exposition - March 27-31, 2011, Anaheim, California.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Responsive Polyelectrolyte Gels and Tethered Membranes", American Physical Society March Meeting, Dallas, TX, March 21-25, 2011.

F. J. Solis and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ionic conduction at liquid-liquid interfaces", American Physical Society March Meeting, Dallas, TX, March 21-25, 2011.

P. Jha, J. Zwanikken, F. Detcheverry, J. de Pablo, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Theoretically informed coarse-grained simulations of polymer nanogels", American Physical Society March Meeting, Dallas, TX, March 21-25, 2011.

P. Guo, R. Sknepnek, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ridge formation of charged end group ligands grafted on faceted nanoparticle", American Physical Society March Meeting, Dallas, TX, March 21-25, 2011.

V. Jadhao, F. J. Solis, G. Guerrero-Garcia, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Towards simulation of charges in the presence of varying dielectric response", American Physical Society March Meeting, Dallas, TX, March 21-25, 2011.

M. Demers, F. J. Solis, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Pattern formation in ternary lipid membranes with composition-deformation coupling", American Physical Society March Meeting, Dallas, TX, March 21-25, 2011.

S. Dhakal, F. J. Solis, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Orientational order and defect structures on curved surfaces", American Physical Society March Meeting, Dallas, TX, March 21-25, 2011.

J. Zwanikken, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Correlated electrolyte solutions and ion-induced attractions between nanoparticles", American Physical Society March Meeting, Dallas, TX, March 21-25, 2011.

C. Y. Leung, R. Sknepnek, L. Palmer, G. Vernizzi, M. Greenfield, S. Stupp, M. Bedzyk, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Crystallization induced by electrostatic correlations in vesicles of mixed-valence ionic amphiphiles", American Physical Society March Meeting, Dallas, TX, March 21-25, 2011.

S. Swaminathan, F. J. Solis, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Conformation and mechanical properties of diblock fibers", American Physical Society March Meeting, Dallas, TX, March 21-25, 2011.

R. Sknepnek, C. Leung, L. C. Palmer, G. Vernizzi, S. I. Stupp, M. J. Bedzyk, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Faceting of multicomponent charged elastic shells", American Physical Society March Meeting, Dallas, TX, March 21-25, 2011.

A. Parsaeian, J. F. Marko, M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Binding-rebinding dynamics of proteins interacting non-specifically with a long DNA molecule", American Physical Society March Meeting, Dallas, TX, March 21-25, 2011.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz "Regular and Irregular Polyhedra in Multi-Component Crystalline Shells", Fay Ajzenberg-Selove Colloquium, Physics Department, University of Wisconsin, Madison, Feb. 18, 2011.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz "Regular and Irregular Polyhedra in Multi-Component Elastic Membranes" Workshop on Self-Assembled Bio-Inspired Materials for Energy, Argonne, February 4, 2011.

*M. Olvera de la Cruz "Heterogeneous Membranes" Colloquium, Department of Chemical Engineering, University of Illinois at Chicago, January 13, 2011.

- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Surprises in Heterogeneous Elastic Membranes" Colloquium, Department of Polymer Science and Eng., University of Massachusetts, Amherst Physics, September 24, 2010.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Ionic Membranes and Gels" **Plenary Lecture**, 2nd International Soft Matter Conference (ISMC 2010), Granada Spain July 5-8, 2010.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Heterogeneous Elastic Membranes" Self-assembly in Biology and Materials Science Workshop, Huatulco, Oaxaca, June 9-11, 2010.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Symmetries Broken by Electrostatics in Nanoscale Ionic Assemblies", **Plenary Speaker**, Society of Industrial and Applied Mathematics (SIAM) meeting on Mathematical Aspects of Materials Science, Philadelphia, PA, May 23-26, 2010.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Self-Assembly in Molecular Electrolytes" **Plenary Talk**, The 4th PENN-UPRH PREM Symposium on Soft Matters in Materials Science, Humacao, Puerto Rico, May 7, 2010.
- D. Zhang, P. González Mozuelos, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Cluster Formation by Charged Nanoparticles on a Surface in Aqueous Solution" American Chemical Society Spring Meeting, San Francisco, CA, March 21-25, 2010.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz and P. Gonzalez-Mozuelos, "Nanoparticles in aqueous media" American Chemical Society Spring Meeting, San Francisco, CA, March 21-25, 2010.
- R. Sknepnek, A. J. Morris-Cohen, G. D. Lilly, M. Olvera de la Cruz and E. Weiss "Ligand exchange on CdSe quantum dots", American Physical Society March Meeting, Portland, OR, March 15-19, 2010.
- F. J. Solis, G. Vernizzi, S. Swaminathan and M. Olvera de la Cruz "Semi-flexible polymer with heterogeneous bending rigidity adsorbed at interfaces" American Physical Society March Meeting, Portland, OR, March 15-19, 2010.
- D. Zhang, G. Vernizzi, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Simulation of structural phase transition in two dimensional ionic crystal", American Physical Society March Meeting, Portland, OR, March 15-19, 2010.
- J. W. Zwanikken, R. Sknepnek, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Effective interactions between pH-responsive particles", American Physical Society March Meeting, Portland, OR, March 15-19, 2010.
- G. Vernizzi, R. Sknepnek, and M. Olvera de la Cruz "The shapes of two-component crystalline shells", American Physical Society March Meeting, Portland, OR, March 15-19, 2010.
- K. L. Kohlstedt, G. Vernizzi, F. J. Solis and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Optimal arrangement of lamellar and triangular lattices confined to cylindrical fibers", American Physical Society March Meeting, Portland, OR, March 15-19, 2010.
- M. Olvera de la Cruz, R. Sknepnek, G. Vernizzi "The buckling transition of ionic shells and electrostatics", American Physical Society March Meeting, Portland, OR, March 15-19, 2010.
- M. J. Bedzyk, C. Leung, M. A. Greenfield, L. C. Palmer, G. Vernizzi, M. Olvera de la Cruz and S. I. Stupp "Buckled membranes in mixed-valence ionic amphiphile vesicles analyzed by x-ray scattering", American Physical Society March Meeting, Portland, OR, March 15-19, 2010.
- P. K. Jha, J. W. Zwanikken, J. J. de Pablo, and M. Olvera de la Cruz "Effects of charge inhomogeneities on the phase behavior of polyelectrolyte gels", American Physical Society March Meeting, Portland, OR, March 15-19, 2010.
- G. I. Guerrero-Garcia, E. Gonzalez-Tovar, and M. Olvera de la Cruz "Effects of the Ionic-size Asymmetry around a Charged Colloid: Unequal Charge Neutralization and Electrostatic Screening", American Physical Society March Meeting, Portland, OR, March 15-19, 2010.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Ionic Driven Self-Assembly", Physics Department Colloquium, University of Texas, San Antonio, March 5, 2010.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Asymmetric Interactions and Assembly of Positive and Negative Charged Nanoparticles in Water" 2010 Colloidal, Macromolecular & Polyelectrolyte Solutions Gordon Research Conference, Ventura, CA, February 21-26, 2010.

- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Ionic Driven Self-Assembly", Physics Department Colloquium, Boston University, January 26, 2010.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, 4th Africa Materials Research Society (Africa MRS Meeting), Abuja, Nigeria, 14th to 18th of December, 2009 (cancelled).
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Ionic Membranes and Gels" Materials Science Division, Argonne, November 20, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Spontaneous Buckling of Ionic Membranes", Martin Weiner Lecture Series Department of Physics Colloquium, Brandeis University, November 17, 2009.
- Dorsi Grillo, M. Olvera de la Cruz, and I. Szleifer "Phase Behavior Calculations of DOPC Phospholipid Bilayers" AIChE Annual Meeting, Nashville, TN, November 8-13, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Spontaneous Buckling of Ionic Membranes", Polymer Science Lecture Series, Polymer Science Department, University of Akron, Akron, OH, October 8, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Current Status of Materials Research", Kyoto Institute of Technology, Kyoto, Japan, September 28, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Ionic self-Assemblies" Kyoto Institute of Technology, Kyoto, Japan, September 28, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Lectures on Critical Phenomena in Polymers" Lecture series at the Kyoto Institute of Technology, Kyoto, Japan, September 25, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Functional Ionic Membranes" 6th International Discussion Meeting on Relaxations in Complex Systems, Rome, Italy Aug 30-Sept 6, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, Lecture Series on Molecular Electrolytes and Ionic Assemblies at the Nanoscale, "Meeting on the Science and Technology of Complex Fluids" San Luis Potosi, Mexico, August 17-21, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Polyelectrolyte Gels: Solvation versus Segregation" Polymer Physics Workshop, Telluride Science Research Center, Telluride, CO, July 6-10, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Self-Assembly via Electrostatics: Simple and Complex Shapes and Symmetries", Chemistry of Supramolecules and Assemblies, Gordon Research Conference, Waterville, Maine, June 28 to July 3, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Buckled membranes and other surprises in the ionic driven self-organization of biomolecules", Molecular Biophysics, Northwestern University, April 15, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Asymmetric Charge Renormalization and Interactions of Nanoparticles in Aqueous Media", American Chemical Society Meeting, Salt-Lake City, March 22-26, 2009.
- M. Olvera de la Cruz, Megan Greenfield, Liam Palmer, Graziano Vernizzi and Samuel Stupp "Buckled Membranes in Mixed-Valence Ionic Amphiphiles" American Chemical Society Meeting, Salt-Lake City, March 22-26, 2009.
- D. Zhang and M. Olvera de la Cruz "Nano-patterns in Tethered Membranes of Polyelectrolyte with Hydrophobic Backbones" American Chemical Society Meeting, Salt-Lake City, March 22-26, 2009.
- D. Zhang, P. Gonzalez-Mozuelos and M. Olvera de la Cruz "Crystallization of charged nano-particles in solution" American Chemical Society Meeting, Salt-Lake City, March 22-26, 2009.
- * Monica Olvera de la Cruz "Spontaneous Symmetry Breaking by Electrostatics in Helical Fibers and Buckled Membranes" Materials Science and Engineering Seminar Series, MIT, Cambridge, MA, February 6, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Nano-patterns in Gels of Charged Chains" Kent State University, January 28, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Self-Organization of Complex Molecular Electrolytes", Macromolecular Materials Gordon Research Conference, Ventura, CA, January 11-15, 2009.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Ionic Assemblies: Symmetries and Functions", 10th Berkeley Mini Stat. Mech. Meeting, Berkeley University, CA, January 09-11, 2009.

- * G. Vernizzi and M. Olvera de la Cruz "Icosahedral Ionic Shells", Fall 2008 MRS Symposium, Boston, December 1-5, 2008.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Nanostructures in Molecular Electrolytes" 2008 Dow Foundation Distinguished Lecturer at UCSB, Graduate Students Diversity of Science, Materials Department Colloquium, University of California Santa Barbara, October 3, 2008.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Ionic Membranes and Gels" Institute of Materials Science Colloquium, University of Connecticut, September 19, 2008.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Functionalities driven by Symmetries Broken in Assemblies with Charge Heterogeneities" 2008 American Conference in Theoretical Chemistry (ACTC 2008), Northwestern University, July 19-24, 2008.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Symmetries in Ionic Assemblies: Vesicles, Membranes and Gels" 2008 Polymer Physics, Gordon Research Conference, Salve Regina University Newport, RI, June 29 - July 4, 2008.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Patterns in Charged Gels: from Actuators to Chromosomes" 8th International Symposium of Polymer Physics, Xiamen, China, June 8-12, 2008 (Trip cancelled).
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Organic and Inorganic Nanoelectronic Materials" **Plenary Lecture**, International Conference on Molecular Electronic Devices, Korea, May 29-30, 2008.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Novel Processing Methods for Nanostructured Materials and Supramolecular Structures", Ajou University, Korea, May 28, 2008.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Broken Symmetries in Ionic Nanopatterns: from Fibers to Gels" Department of Physics Colloquium, Northwestern University, April 25, 2008.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Educational outreach activities at the Northwestern University Materials Research Science; Engineering Center" American Chemical Society March Meeting, New Orleans, LA, April 6-10, 2008.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Microphase Segregation in Gels of Charged Chains with Hydrophobic Backbones" American Chemical Society Meeting, New Orleans, LA, April 6-10, 2008.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "The Mutual Benefit of International Research Interactions" American Physical Society March Meeting, New Orleans, LA, March 10-14, 2008,
- M. Olvera de la Cruz and J. J. de Pablo "Nano-patterns in gels of charged chains with self-attracting interactions" American Physical Society March Meeting, New Orleans, LA, March 10-14, 2008.
- Megan Greenfield, Graziano Vernizzi, Liam Palmer, Samuel Stupp and Monica Olvera de la Cruz "Self-Assembly of Mixed-Valence Ionic Amphiphiles into Faceted Vesicles" American Physical Society March Meeting, New Orleans, LA, March 10-14, 2008.
- William Kung and Monica Olvera de la Cruz "Mystery on Charge Asymmetry: Anionic Macroions in Periodic Lattices Held by Hydrated Cations and Not vice versa" American Physical Society March Meeting, New Orleans, LA, March 10-14, 2008.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Charged Molecule Co-Absorption at Liquid-Liquid Interfaces: Membrane Buckling and Nanopatterned Membranes" Physic Department Colloquium, University of Illinois, Chicago, March 5, 2008.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Ion Absorption at Liquid-Liquid Interfaces and Charged Patterned Membranes: Thermodynamics and Structure", Physics Department, Kyoto University, Kyoto, Japan, October 10, 2007
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Charged Gels" Kyoto Institute of Technology, October 9, 2007.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Ionic Assemblies: Patterns and Symmetries", Department of Physics, Edinburgh University, September 24, 2007.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Structures and Symmetries in Self-Assembly" Polymer Physics Workshop, Telluride Science Research Center, Telluride, CO, August 06-10, 2007.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Symmetries in Ionic Assemblies" Colloquium, Service de Physique Théorique, CEA, Saclay, France, June 26, 2007.

- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Surface Assembly of Adsorbed Ionic Molecules", Department of Materials Science, ETH, Zurich, June 22, 2007.
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- K. Kohlstedt, G. Vernizzi F.J. Solis and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "The Breaking of Chiral Symmetry Using Long-Range Electrostatic Forces" American Chemical Society, Chicago Illinois, March 25, 2007.
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- K. L. Kohlstedt, F. J. Solis, G. Vernizzi and M. Olvera de la Cruz "Charged Helical Patterns on the Surface Nanofibers and the Salt-induced Melting of the Nanopatterns", Materials Research Society Meeting, Boston, November 27, 2006.
- M. J. Bedzyk, J. A. Libera, H. Cheng, K. Zhang, and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "X-Ray Standing Wave Observation of Cations and Polynucleotides Explains Polyion Adsorption to Like-Charged Surfaces", American Chemical Society Meeting, San Francisco. September 2006.
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S. M. Loverde, F. J. Solis, M. Olvera de la Cruz "Phase Segregation and Patterning in Two Dimensional Systems: Competition between Van der Waals and Electrostatic interactions" American Physical Society, March Meeting, March 2006, Baltimore, MD.

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* M. Olvera de la Cruz "Cationic and Anionic Assemblies: Bulk Ionic Structures and Surface Pattern Formation in Mixtures of Oppositely Charged Amphiphiles", Colloquium, Department of Materials science and Engineering, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, IL, 08/29/05

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H. Guo and M. Olvera de la Cruz "Structure and Dynamics of Microemulsions/Micelles in the Presence of a Monolayer Interface in the Ternary Amphiphilic Systems: A Computer Simulation Study" American Physical Society, March Meeting, March 2005, Los Angeles, CA.

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M. D. Lefebvre, M. Olvera de la Cruz, and K. R. Shull, "Homopolymer Volatilization in Diblock Copolymer Micelles," Annual American Physical Society March Meeting 2004, Montreal, Quebec, March 24, 2004.

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M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Solutions of Charged Polymers," "Second International Conference on Applied Statistical Physics: Molecular Engineering (ASTATPHYS-MEX-2003)", Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, August 24-29, 2003.

M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Polyelectrolytes: Gelation and Adsorption," 2003 Telluride Workshop on "Polymer Theory vs. Polymer Experiment, Colorado, July 2003.

M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Statistical Mechanics," Nano Training Bootcamp, ASME Nanotechnology Institute, Northwestern University, Evanston IL, July 8-11, 2003.

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M. S. Yeom and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Monte Carlo Simulations of Solutions of Rod-Like Charged Chains," American Physical Society Meeting, Austin TX, March 2003.

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- F. J. Solis and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Attractions Between Charged Colloidal Spheres Mediated by Correlated Distributions of Absorbed Mobile Ions," American Physical Society March meeting, Seattle, WA, 2001.
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Self-Organized Complex Polymers: From Condensed Polyelectrolytes to Non-Centrosymmetric Supramolecular Films of Rod-Coil Polymers," NSF Workshop on Opportunities in Materials Theory, Arlington, VA, October 5, 2000.
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz "An Ionic Glass Approach to Polyelectrolyte Solutions," Colloquium Chemical Engineering Department, Georgia Tech, Atlanta, GA, September 13, 2000.
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Polyelectrolytes in Salt Solutions," Air Force, Dayton, OH, June 12, 2000.
- F. J. Solis and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Collapse of Flexible Polyelectrolytes with Multivalent Salt," American Physical Society March meeting, MN, 2000.
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- K. Mahdi and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Phase Diagrams of Salt Free Polyelectrolyte Semi-Dilute Solutions," APS Meeting, St. Louis, MO, March 1999.
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz and F. Solis, "Polyelectrolytes: Ion Condensation and Conformation," Polymer Winter Gordon Conference, Ventura, CA, January 1999.

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- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Phase Separation of Ternary Mixtures," SCM, CE-Saclay, France, December, 1996.
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* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Transition to Periodic Structures in Block Copolymer Melts" Polymers West Gordon Conference, Los Angeles, CA. January 4-8, 1993.

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- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Transitions to Periodic Structures in Block Copolymers," Seminar to honor Prof. Mondragon, Instituto de Fisica, Mexico, August 15-16, 1991.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Correlations and Phase Transitions in Polymers," IV Meeting on the Science & Technology of Colloids and Complex Fluids, San Luis Potosi, Mexico, July 16-20, 1991.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Transitions to Periodic Structures in Block Copolymers," University of Texas at Austin, TX, June 11, 1991.
- A. M. Mayes and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Transitions to Periodic Structures in Block Copolymer Melts," The Materials Research Society Spring Meeting 1991, Anaheim, CA, April, 1991.
- M. Olvera de la Cruz and A.M. Mayes, "Transitions to Periodic Structures in Block Copolymer Melts," The American Physical Society March Meeting, Cincinnati, OH, March, 1991.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Dynamics of DNA during Pulsed-Field Gel Electrophoresis," International Meeting of the Electrophoresis Societies, Washington, D.C., March, 1991.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Gel Electrophoresis Dynamics," XX Winter Symposium in Statistical Physics, Mexico, January, 1991.
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Effects of Concentration Fluctuations in Polymer Blends and Block Copolymer Melts," The American Institute of Chemical Engineers' Annual Meeting, Chicago, IL, November, 1990.
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Aggregation in Block Copolymers," 1990 David & Lucile Packard Fellows Meeting, Monterey Bay, CA, September 6, 1990.
- *M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Aggregation in Block Copolymer Systems," Polymers Physics Gordon Conference (as a poster), Newport, RI, July, 1990.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Pulsed Field Gel Electrophoresis," The American Chemical Society, 22nd Central Regional Meeting, Midland, MI, June 6, 1990.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Aggregation in Block Copolymer Systems," DOW, Midland, MI, May 5, 1990.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Local Segregation in Block Copolymers," The American Chemical Society Meeting, Boston, MA, April, 1990.
- A. M. Mayes and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Microphase Separation in Block Copolymer Systems," The American Physical Society Meeting 1990, Anaheim, CA, March, 1990.
- D. Gersappe, J.M. Deutsch and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Density Fluctuations of Self Avoiding Walks in Random Systems," The American Physical Society March Meeting, 1990, Anaheim, CA, March, 1990.
- M. Olvera de la Cruz and D. Gersappe, "Dynamics of Pulsed Field Gel Electrophoresis," The American Physical Society March Meeting, Anaheim, CA, March, 1990.
- M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Aggregation in Block Copolymer Solutions," The Materials Research Society Fall Meeting, Boston, MA, November, 1989.
- A. M. Mayes and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Microphase Separation in Multiblock Copolymer Melts," The Materials Research Society Fall Meeting, Boston, MA, November, 1989.

- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Aggregation in Block Copolymer Systems," The James Frank Institute, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, October 2, 1989.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz and D. Gersappe, "Dynamics of Gel Electrophoresis," The American Chemical Society Meeting, Miami, FL, September, 1989.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Weak Crystallization in Block Copolymer Systems," Department of Physics, University of California, Santa Cruz, CA, May 18, 1989.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Disorder-Order Transitions in Block Copolymer Systems," Department of Physics, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, April 6, 1989.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Aggregation in Block Copolymer Systems," Department of Physics, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, Mexico D. F., March 7, 1989.
- D. Gersappe, M. Olvera de la Cruz, and J. M. Deutsch, "Chain Statistics in Random Frozen Impurities," The American Physical Society Meeting, St. Louis, MO, March, 1989.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz "Concentration Fluctuations in Polymer Blends," Polymers West Gordon Conference, Ventura, CA, January, 1989.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Aggregation in Block Copolymer Systems," Allied Signal Inc., Morristown, NJ, November 18, 1988.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Theory of Microphase Separation in Block Copolymer Solutions," Polymer Division, National Bureau of Standards, Gaithersburg, MD, August 18, 1988.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz and I. C. Sanchez, "Microphase Separation in Block Copolymers and Related Systems," The American Chemical Society Meeting, Dallas, TX, April 19-22, 1988.
- E. O. Shaffer and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Computer Simulation of Gel Electrophoresis," The American Physical Society Meeting, New Orleans, LA, March 21-25, 1988.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Segregation in Block Copolymers/Homopolymer Blends," Department of Materials Science and Engineering, University of Illinois, Champaign Urbana, IL, October 1, 1987.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Phase Separation in Polymer Blends," Department of Physics, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI, September 14, 1987.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Micelle Formation in Block Copolymer/Homopolymer Blends," Johnson Wax Company, Racine, Wisconsin, May 11, 1987.
- * I. C. Sanchez and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "The Processing Window for Block, Graft and Star Copolymers," The Third Annual Meeting of the Polymer Processing Society, Stuttgart, West Germany, April 7-10, 1987.
- A. M. Mayes and M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Micelle Formation in Diblock Copolymers-Homopolymers Blends," The American Physical Society Meeting, New York, NY, March 16-20, 1987.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Polymer Diffusion in Topologically Restricted Environments," The James Frank Institute, University of Chicago, February 18, 1987.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Polymer Diffusion in Topologically Restricted Environments," Department of Physics, University of California at Los Angeles (UCLA), March 13, 1986.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Polymer Diffusion in Topologically Restricted Environments," Department of Physics, California State University, Los Angeles, CA. February 1986.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Dynamics of a Polymer in an Electric Field," Department of Physics, State University of New York at Albany, February 21, 1986.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz and I. C. Sanchez, "Theory of Microphase Separation in Copolymer Stars," The Polymers Gordon Research Conference (as a poster), Santa Barbara, CA, January, 1986.
- * M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Phase Separation in Block Copolymer Melts," Department of Chemical Engineering and Materials Science, University of Minnesota, November 26, 1985.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Microphase Separation in Graft and Stars Block Copolymer Melts," Statistical Mechanics Meeting in the Washington D. C. area, National Bureau of Standards, March, 1985.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Phase Separation in Polymer Blends," Polymer Division, National Bureau of Standards, January, 1985.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, J. M. Deutsch, and S. F. Edwards, "Electrophoresis in Strong Fields," The Polymers Gordon Research Conference (as a poster), Santa Barbara, CA, January, 1985.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Phase Separation in Polymer Blends," Department of Polymer Science and Engineering, University of Massachusetts, November, 1984.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz, "Equilibrium Properties of Polymer Blends," Department of Physics, Imperial College, London, U.K., March 1984.

* M. Olvera de la Cruz and S. F. Edwards, "Spinodal Decomposition in Protonated and Deuterated Polymer Mixtures," in "Recontre de Physique Statistique," Paris, France, February, 1984.

M. Olvera de la Cruz and S. F. Edwards, "Model of a Ground State of a Spin Glass," The "2nd Conference of the Condensed Matter Division of the European Physical Society," Manchester, U. K., March, 1982.

(* invited presentations)