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CONTACT INFORMATION

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EDUCATION

1998	Ph.D.	University of Massachusetts, Amherst Chemical Engineering/Polymer Science & Engineering
1989	B.Sc.	National Taiwan University (NTU), Taipei Chemical Engineering

APPOINTEMENTS

2022 – now	Regular Member	Connecticut Academy of Science and Engineering (CASE)
2019 – now	Professor	UCONN
2010 – 2019	Associate Professor	UCONN
2007 – 2010	Associate Research Officer	National Research Council, Canada (NRC) – Canadian Neutron Beam Centre (CNBC)
2005 – 2007	Assistant Research Officer	NRC-CNBC
2004 – 2005	Research Associate	NRC-CNBC/ University of Guelph
2001 – 2004	Visiting Fellow	NRC-CNBC, Chalk River Laboratories
1998 – 2001	Postdoctoral Researcher	National Institute of Standards & Technology (NIST) /Penn. State Univ. (PSU)

ACHIEVEMENTS

1. Organized sessions for the annual conferences of national scientific societies: “Biomembrane Synthesis, Structure, Mechanics, & Dynamics” (2014-now) and “Metrology of Characterization, Simulation & Theory of Biomembranes” (2015), symposia at American Chemical Society (**ACS**); “Structures and Dynamics of Biomimetic Membranes” focus sessions (2012, 2013) at the American Physical Society (**APS**).
 2. Discovered novel aggregation-enhanced emission and aggregation-enhanced photoluminescence of atomically precise Au₂₅-clusters in nanodiscs.
 3. Discovered that discoidal lipid nanoparticles have higher cellular uptake than liposomes do.
 4. Designed/constructed Canadian first small angle neutron scattering (**SANS**) instrument based on the configuration of Triple-Axis Neutron Scattering Spectrometer.
 5. Supervised 15 graduate and > 40 undergraduate students conducting research
 6. Initiated a webinar about “small angle X-ray scattering (**SAXS**)” and organize a workshop of dynamic light scattering (**DLS**) at UCONN for industrial researchers.
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EXPERIENCES

Research:

1. Designing generalized polymerization in well-defined templates to yield various polymeric nano-morphologies (e.g., nanoring, nanoweb, nanodisc, nanosheet...)
 2. Constructing universal nanoparticle-in-nanodisc (NANO²) platform for theranostics
 3. Developing new (light, X-ray and neutron) scattering strategies to identify structures with the length scale from Å to micron – applicable for crystals, polymers, composites, micelles, colloids and aggregates.
 4. Probing the structure-function relationship of surfactants, soft nanomaterial and biomaterials under various environments (flow, controlled temperature, salinity, humidity) and geometries (thin films, porous media)
 5. Investigating kinetics of reaction- and diffusion- limited aggregation processes as well as spontaneous molecular transfer mechanism
 6. Establishing the spontaneous structural diagram of external-field alignable phospholipid mixtures (“bicelles”) in solutions, commonly used as substrates for structural study on membrane-associated proteins
 7. Developing low-cost, high-sensitivity, instrument-free pathogen-, cell- or toxin- detecting technology
 8. Investigating the quenching mechanism of fluorescence-based polymer films for fast explosive detection
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Teaching:

1. Offering Courses: “Polymeric Materials”, “Intro to Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics I & II” (*core courses*), “*Polymer Properties*” (*core course*); “Nano-Structural Characterization” – UCONN, Lanzhou Univ. & Tamkang Univ.,
2. Lecturing “Small Angle Neutron Scattering” (2013) & “High Flux Small-Angle X-ray Scattering on Biological Complex Structures” (2017) @ *Taiwan National Synchrotron Radiation Research Center*. “*Small Neutron Scattering*” @ 2006, 2009, 2013 *CNBC summer school*
3. Hosting research sites for training high school students to conduct 4-week research projects at the UCONN Mentor Connection program since 2012 as well as for high/middle school STEM teachers (4-weeks) at Joule program (organized by the School of Engineering, SoE, UCONN) since 2015.
4. Presenting the topic “Principle & Application of Nano-Materials in Biomedical Engineering” for middle and high school teachers at da Vinci Project (organized by SoE, UCONN) since 2013

EXPERIMENTAL EXPERTISE

Small Angle Scattering, Diffraction (Neutron, X-ray and Light), Microscopy (Optical and Electron), Fluorescent Spectroscopy, Differential Scanning Calorimetry

COMMITTEES

- Editorial board member for Journals, **Sci. Rep. (Nature Publishing Group)**, *Chem. Eng. & Proc. Tech.*, *Indian J. Mat. Sci.* and *SOJ Mat. Sci. & Eng.* Guest Editor for “*Molecules*” on the topic, “*Phospholipid: Structures and Functions*”.
- Reviewing neutron scattering beamtime proposals for NIST Center for Neutron Research, ORNL (Spallation Neutron Source and High Flux Isotope Reactor) as well as Center for Functional Nanomaterials (CFN) at Brookhaven Nat. Lab. (BNL) user Proposals.
- Grant proposal reviewer for National Science Foundation (NSF), National Institute of Health (NIH) and Department of Energy (DoE)
- Reviewer for publications in international prestigious journals e.g., *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, *Nature*, *Angewandte Chemie*, *Adv. Func. Mater.*, *Adv. Mater.*, *Small*, *Phys. Rev. Lett.* etc.

SCIENTIFIC OUTPUT (in APPENDICES)

Refereed Publications: 138 [w/ **total citations > 5,200**, **h-index= 37 (scopus)**, **citations > 6,700**, **h-index= 41 (google scholar)**]; **In Press:** 0; **Patents:** 5; **Book Editing:** 2; **Invited Talks (after 2000):** 101; **Book Chapters:** 9; **Conference Contributions:** 104

AWARDS/FUNDINGS

Funding (see appendix) Prior to UCONN: **\$105K**

- External **7 NSF grants** (5 as a PI and 2 as a co-PI); **3 GAANN grants** as a co-PI, Industrial Projects (Pfizer, Moderna therapeutix and Beohringer Ingelheim); **1 National Lab (LLNL) grant** as a co-PI; in total: ~ **\$5.0 M** (NSF: \$2.17M, GAANN: \$2.2M, LLNL: \$60K, ORNL: \$52K, and Industry: \$400K)
- Internal **4 UCONN grants as a PI** (Bioscience Pipeline, START, Research Excellence Program and Faculty Large Research Grant) - **\$120K** or **co-PI** (Research Excellence Program) – **\$25K**

Awards:

- 2023 – Presidential M1 Mentorship Award, the Cato T. Laurencin Institute for Regenerative Engineering, UCONN
- 2017 – 2018 Director’s Award for Faculty Excellence, IMS, UCONN
- 2012 – 2013 Director’s Award for Faculty Excellence, IMS, UCONN
- 2008 NRC – Steacie Institute for Molecular Sciences (SIMS) “*Significant Partnership*” Award
- 1986 – 1989 3 times of NTU “Book Coupon Awards” (for top 5% academic performance students)

*17 Awards to Advisees

MEMBERSHIPS

CASE, APS, American Chemical Society, Biophysical Society, Neutron Scattering Society of America, Storrs Chinese Christian Church

PATENTS:

- U. Roy, **M.-P. Nieh** “Nanodrugs for targeted drug delivery and use thereof” **2023** US Patent Application No.: 18041811
- R. Bahal, **M.-P. Nieh**, A. T. Rad, S. Malik “Discoidal nano universal platform for efficient delivery of PNAs” **2023** US Patent No. 11833254
- **M.-P. Nieh**, A. T. Rad, R. Amin, L. Daneshmandi “Multigel Tumor-on-a-Chip System” **2023** US Patent No. 11760966, **2024** US Patent App. 18/364,999,
- A. Abulrob, D. Stanimirovic; U. Iqbal, **M.-P. Nieh**, J. Katsaras “Antibody-targeted carrier for contrast agents” **2010** (EP 2367851 A1, WO 2010060217 A1), **2011** (US20110274617 A1).
- X. Qi, **M.-P. Nieh**, J. Katsaras “Spontaneously formed ellipsoidal phospholipid unilamellar vesicles” **2007** (US2007081880), **2009** (WO 2008051818 A8).

BOOK EDITING

- **M.-P. Nieh**, F. Heberle, J. Katsaras “Characterization of Biological Membranes: Structure and Dynamics”, 2019 (De Gruyter STEM)
- G. Pabst, N. Kučerka, **M.-P. Nieh**, J. Katsaras “Liposomes, Lipid Bilayers and Model Membranes – From Basic Research to Application”, 2014, CRC Press (Taylor & Francis Group),

BOOK CHAPTERS

- Y. Liu, Y. Xia, A. T. Rad, W. Aresh, J. M. Fang, **M.-P. Nieh** **2023** “Stable Discoidal Bicelles: Formulation, Characterization, and Functions” in “**Liposomes: Methods and Protocols**” Ed. G. G. D'Souza, H. Zhang, pp. 147-157 (Springer) [Stable Discoidal Bicelles: Formulation, Characterization, and Functions | SpringerLink](#)
- Y. Xia, **M.-P. Nieh** **2019** “Spontaneous Lipid Transfer Rate Constants”, in “Characterization of Biological Membranes: Structure and Dynamics” Ed. **M.-P. Nieh**, F. Heberle, J. Katsaras, pp. 177-194 (De Gruyter STEM) [Characterization of Biological Membranes](#)
- Y. Liu, Y. Xia, A. T. Rad, W. Aresh, **M.-P. Nieh** **2017** “Stable Discoidal Bicelles: A Platform of Lipid Nanocarriers for Cellular Delivery” in “**Liposomes: Methods and Protocols**” Ed. Gerard G.M. D'Souza, pp. 273-282 (Springer) [Stable Discoidal Bicelles: A Platform of Lipid Nanocarriers for Cellular Delivery | SpringerLink](#)
- J. Pan, N. Kučerka, **M.-P. Nieh**, F. A. Heberle, P. Drazba and J. Katsaras. **2014**. “Lipid Diversity and Its Implications for Membrane Organization” in “**Liposomes, Lipid Bilayers and Model Membranes – From Basic Research to Application**” Ed. G. Pabst, N. Kučerka, M.-P. Nieh, J. Katsaras, pp. 125-142, CRC Press (Taylor & Francis Group) [Liposomes, Lipid Bilayers and Model Membranes | From Basic Research to](#)
- N. Kučerka, **M.-P. Nieh** and J. Katsaras. **2010**. “*Small-Angle Scattering from Homogenous and Heterogeneous Lipid Bilayers*” in “**Advances in Planar Lipid Bilayers And Liposomes**” Vol. 12, Ed. A. Iglic and H. T. Tien, pp. 201 – 236. Academic Press (Elsevier Inc.) [Small-Angle Scattering from Homogenous and Heterogeneous Lipid Bilayers | Semantic Scholar](#)
- **M.-P. Nieh**, N. Kučerka and J. Katsaras. **2009**. “*Spontaneously Formed Unilamellar Vesicles*” in “**Methods in Enzymology**” Vol. 465, Ed. Nejat Düzgüneş, pp. 3 – 20. Academic Press (Elsevier) [Spontaneously Formed Unilamellar Vesicles - ScienceDirect](#)
- J. Katsaras, J. Pencer, **M.-P. Nieh**, T. Abraham, N. Kučerka and T. A. Harroun. **2008**. “*Neutron and X-Ray Scattering from Isotropic And Aligned Membranes.*” in “**Structure And Dynamics of Membranous Interfaces**” Ed. K. Nag, pp. 107 – 134. Wiley. [Neutron and X-Ray Scattering from Isotropic and Aligned Membranes - Structure and Dynamics of Membranous Interfaces - Wiley Online Library](#)
- Pencer, J., T. T. Mills, N. Kučerka, **M.-P. Nieh** and J. Katsaras. **2007**. “*Small-Angle Neutron Scattering to Detect Rafts and Lipid Domains.*” in “**Lipid Rafts**” Ed. T. J. McIntosh, pp. 231 - 244. The Humana Press Inc. (ISBN 13: 978-1-58829-729-7). [978-1-59745-513-8_16.pdf](#)

- J. Katsaras, V. A. Raghunathan, T. A. Harroun, **M.-P. Nieh**, M. Chakrapani, M. J. Watson. 2005. "Neutron Scattering from Biomaterials in Complex Sample Environments." in "**Neutron Scattering in Biology - Techniques and Applications**". Ed. J. Fitter, T. Gutberlet, J. Katsaras, pp.107 – 126. Springer. [Neutron Scattering from Biomaterials in Complex Sample Environments | SpringerLink](#)

PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

1. **(Review Article)** J. Amengual, L. Notaro-Roberts, **M.-P. Nieh** "Morphological control and modern applications of bicelles" *Biophys. Chem.* 302:107094 (2023). [Morphological control and modern applications of bicelles - PubMed](#)
2. **(Review Article)** Y. Huang, **M.-P. Nieh**, W. Chen, Yu Lei "Outer membrane vesicles (OMVs) enabled bio-applications: A critical review" *Biotechnol Bioeng.* 119:34–47 (2022). [Outer membrane vesicles \(OMVs\) enabled bio-applications: A critical review - PubMed](#)
3. **(Review Article)** Z. Shen, **M.-P. Nieh**, Y. Li "Decorating nanoparticle surface for targeted drug delivery: Opportunities and challenges" *Polymers* **8**, 1–18 (2016) [Decorating Nanoparticle Surface for Targeted Drug Delivery: Opportunities and Challenges - PubMed](#)
4. **(Review Article)** G. Pabst, N. Kučerka, **M.-P. Nieh**, M. C. Rheinstädter, J. Katsaras "Applications of Neutron And X-ray Scattering to the Study of Biologically Relevant Model Membranes" *Chem. Phys. Lipid.* **163**, 460 – 479 (2010). [Applications of neutron and X-ray scattering to the study of biologically relevant model membranes - PubMed](#)
4. **(Review Article)** T. A. Harroun, N. Kučerka, **M.-P. Nieh** and J. Katsaras "Neutron and X-ray scattering for biophysics and biotechnology: examples of self-assembled lipid systems" *Soft Matter* **5**, 2694-2703 (2009) [Mu-Ping Nieh, PhD](#)
5. **(Review Article)** J. Katsaras, N. Kučerka and **M.-P. Nieh** "Structure from substrate supported lipid bilayers" *Biointerphases* **3**, FB55-63 (2008). [Structure from substrate supported lipid bilayers \(Review\) | Biointerphases | AIP Publishing](#)
6. **(Review Article)** N. Kučerka, **M.-P. Nieh**, J. Pencer, T. A. Harroun, J. Katsaras "The study of liposomes, lamellae and membranes using neutrons and X-rays" *Curr. Opin. Colloid & Interf. Sci.*, **12**, 17-22 (2007). [The study of liposomes, lamellae and membranes using neutrons and X-rays](#)
7. **(Review Article)** J. Katsaras, T.A. Harroun, J. Pencer, T. Abraham, N. Kučerka and **M.-P. Nieh** "Small-angle neutron scattering and biomolecules" *Physics in Canada*, **62**, 233-240 (2006). ["Bicellar" Lipid Mixtures as used in Biochemical and Biophysical Studies](#)
8. **(Review Article)** J. Katsaras, T. A. Harroun, J. Pencer, **M.-P. Nieh** "Bicellar" lipid mixtures as used in biochemical and biophysical studies" *Naturwissenschaften*, **92**, 355-366 (2005). ["Bicellar" Lipid Mixtures as used in Biochemical and Biophysical Studies](#)
9. **(Review Article)** J. Katsaras, **M.-P. Nieh**, T. A. Harroun, M. Chakrapani, M. J. Watson "Neutron and X-ray scattering from biologically relevant materials" *Physics in Canada* March/April Issue 93-100 (2004). [Relationship between the unbinding and main transition temperatures of phospholipid bilayers under pressure - PubMed](#)
10. K.-H. Wang, C.-H. Liu, D. H. Tan, **M.-P. Nieh***, W.-F. Su "Block Sequence Effects on the Self-Assembly Behaviors of Polypeptide-Based Penta-Block Copolymer Hydrogels" *ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces.* **16**, 6674–6686 (2024) <https://pubs.acs.org/doi/epdf/10.1021/acsmi.3c18954>
11. K.-C. Shih, G. Leriche, C.-H. Liu, J. He, V. T. John, J. Fang, J. G Barker, M. Nagao, L. Yang, J. Yang, **M.-P. Nieh*** "Antivesiculation and Complete Unbinding of Tail-Tethered Lipids" *Langmuir.* **40**, 1688–1697 (2024) [NSE Instrument Publications](#)
12. Z. Wei, A. Vandergriff, C.-H. Liu, M. Liaqat, **M.-P. Nieh**, Y. Lei, J. He "Strongly coupled plasmonic metal nanoparticles with reversible pH-responsiveness and highly reproducible SERS in solution" *Nanoscale.* **16**, 708-718 (2024) [Strongly Coupled Plasmonic Metal Nanoparticles with Reversible pH-Responsiveness and Highly Reproducible SERS in Solution](#)
13. K. Zygadlo, C.-H. Liu, E. R. Bernardo, H. Ai, **M.-P. Nieh**, L. A. Hanson "Correlating structural changes in thermoresponsive hydrogels to the optical response of embedded plasmonic nanoparticles" *Nanoscale Adv.* **6**, 146-154 (2024) [Correlating structural changes in thermoresponsive hydrogels to the optical response of embedded plasmonic nanoparticles - Nanoscale Advances \(RSC Publishing\) DOI:10.1039/D3NA00758H](#)

14. H. Duan, Z. Jia, M. Liaqat, M. Mellor, H. Tan, **M.-P. Nieh**, Y. Lin, S. Link, C. Landes, J. He “Site-Specific Chemistry on Gold Nanorods: Curvature-Guided Surface Dewetting and Supracolloidal Polymerization” *ACS Nano*, **17**, 12788–12797 (2023) [Site-Specific Chemistry on Gold Nanorods: Curvature-Guided Surface Dewetting and Supracolloidal Polymerization - Illinois Experts](#)
15. C.-H. Liu, S. Kueger, **M.-P. Nieh** “Synthesis of Polymer Nanoweb via a Lipid Template” *ACS Macro Lett.* **12**, 993-998, (2023) [Achieving Fast Ionic Transport and High Mechanical Properties of Cellulose-Based Solid-State Electrolyte via a Cationic Chain-Extended Effect for Zinc Metal Batteries | Langmuir](#)
16. Z. Wei, C.-H. Liu, Q. Luo, S. Thanneeru, A. M. Angeles-Boza, **M.-P. Nieh**, J. He “Hydrophobic pockets built in polymer micelles enhance the reactivity of Cu²⁺ ions “ *Mater. Chem. Front.* **7**, 2038-2048 (2023) [Achieving Fast Ionic Transport and High Mechanical Properties of Cellulose-Based Solid-State Electrolyte via a Cationic Chain-Extended Effect for Zinc Metal Batteries | Langmuir](#)
17. V. Kasina, A. Wahane, C.-H. Liu, L. Yang, **M.-P. Nieh**, F. J. Slack, R. Bahal “Next-generation poly-L-histidine formulations for miRNA mimic delivery” *Mol. Therapy: Methods & Clinical Develop.* **29**, 271–283 (2023) [Next-generation poly-L-histidine formulations for miRNA mimic delivery - PubMed](#)
18. W. Xian, C.-H. Liu, B. Kangarlou, S.-Y. Chang, C. Wu, Y. Cao, L. Sun, A. Ma, **M.-P. Nieh**, A. Maiti, A. Saab, Y. Li “Effect of Diphenyl Content on Viscoelasticity of Poly(dimethyl-co-diphenyl)siloxane Melt and Network” *ACS Appl. Polym. Mater.* **5**, 3, 1915–1925 (2023) [Selectivity Modulation of Encapsulated Palladium Nanoparticles by Zeolite Microenvironment for Biomass Catalytic Upgrading | ACS Catalysis](#)
19. J. M. Fang, S. Basu, J. Phu, **M.-P. Nieh**, J. J. LoTurco “Cellular Localization, Aggregation and Cytotoxicity of Bicelle-Quantum Dot Nanocomposites “ *ACS Applied Bio. Mat.* **6**, 566–577 (2023) [Achieving Fast Ionic Transport and High Mechanical Properties of Cellulose-Based Solid-State Electrolyte via a Cationic Chain-Extended Effect for Zinc Metal Batteries | Langmuir](#)
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23. W. Zheng, C.-H. Liu, **M.-P. Nieh**, C. J. Cornelius “Sulfonated Pentablock Copolymer Membrane Morphological Anisotropy and Its Impact on Dimensional Swelling, Proton Conductivity, and the Transport of Protons and Water” *Macromolecules* **55**, 20, 9269–9281 (2022) [Effect of Architecture on the Phase Behavior of AB-Type Block Copolymer Melts | Macromolecules](#)
24. C. R. Garcia, A. T Rad, F. Saeedinejad, A. Manojkumar, D. Roy, H. Rodrigo, S. A. Chew, Z. Rahman, **M.-P. Nieh**, U. Roy “Effect of Drug-to-Lipid Ratio on Nanodisc-Based Tenofovir Drug Delivery to the Brain for HIV-1 Infection” *Nanomedicine* **17**, 959–978 (2022) [Effect of drug-to-lipid ratio on nanodisc-based tenofovir drug delivery to the brain for HIV-1 infection - PubMed](#)
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26. H. Duan, T. Malesky, J. Wang, C.-H. Liu, H. Tan, **M.-P. Nieh**, Y. Lin, J. He “Patchy Metal Nanoparticles with Polymers: Controllable Growth and Two-Way Self-Assembly” *Nanoscale* **14**, 7364–7371 (2022). [Changes Experienced by Low-Concentration Lipid Bicelles as a Function of Temperature - PubMed](#)

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IN PRESS:

INVITED TALKS

1. May 7, 2024 **Boehringer-Ingelheim** “Application of Small Angle Scattering (SAS) on Nanoscale Self-assemblies and Macromolecules” (Invited Seminar) Ridgefield, CT, USA
2. Apr. 18, 2024 **YIIP Students Seminar (online)** “Biomaterials – Lipids & Their Applications”
3. July 27, 2023 **Biomedical Translation Research Center, Academia Sinica.** “What Can We Learn from Small Angle Scattering” (Seminar) Taipei, Taiwan, ROC
4. July 26, 2023 **Chemical Engineering Department, Min-Chih Univ. of Tech.** “What Can We Learn from Small Angle Scattering” (Dept. Seminar) Taipei, Taiwan, ROC
5. July 21, 2023 **Development Center for Biotechnology.** “Design Discoidal Lipid Nanoparticle (DLNP) as a Nanoscale Theranostic Delivery Carrier” (Seminar) Taipei, Taiwan, ROC
6. Jun 7, 2023 **Chemical Engineering Department, Nat. Taiwan Univ. of Sci. & Tech.** “Internal Structure of Nanoparticles Revealed by Small Angle Scattering” (Dept. Seminar) Taipei, Taiwan, ROC
7. May 12, 2023 **Polymer Science & Engineering Department, Univ. of Massachusetts,** “Unusual Phenomena Observed as Confined in Well-Defined Lipid Bicelle” (Dept. Seminar) Amherst, MA, USA
8. Jan 31, 2023 **2023 Workbenches Center for BioMolecular Structure (CBMS), Brookhaven National Laboratory** “Nanoparticle Structures Revealed by SAXS” (online)

9. Jun 28, 2022 **2022 New England Structural Biology Association** “SAXS View of Lipid Nanoparticles” , Boston, Massachusetts, USA
10. Aug 20, 2021 **2021 Joint Nanoscience and Neutron Scattering Virtual User Meeting, Oak Ridge National Laboratory** “Small Angle Neutron Scattering” at the session of “Nanoscopic Characterization Resources for Biological Materials” (online), Oak Ridge, Tennessee, USA
11. Aug 12, 2021 **Symposium of Nucleic Acid Drugs/Vaccines and Delivery Systems, Development Center for Biotechnology**, “*One-Pot Synthesis of A Lipid-Based Nanoscale Delivery Platform for Peptide Nucleic Acids*” (online) Taipei, Taiwan, ROC.
12. Mar 23, 2020 **American Chemical Society (Colloid and Surface Chemistry)** “Efficacious Bicelle/PNA Nanodisc for Antisense” (online)
13. June, 23, 2019 **College of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, Shaoxing University**, “*Controlling Structures of Lipid Nanoparticles for Potential Biomedical Applications*” Shaoxing, Zhejiang, PRC.
14. June 17, 2019 **Graduate School, China Academy of Engineering Physics** “*Controlling Nanostructures of Lipid Mixtures*” Beijing, PRC.
15. May 31, 2019 **Chemical Engineering Department Seminar, National Chung-Cheng University** “*Well-Defined Lipid Theranostic Self-Assemblies*” Chia-Yi, Taiwan, ROC.
16. May 27, 2019 **Macromolecular Science, Fudan University** “*Small Angle Scattering for Nanostructural Characterization*” Shanghai, PRC.
17. May 24, 2019 **2019 Cross Disciplinary Science Seminar – Multi-dimensional Structure & Dynamics of Protein Molecules** “What can Small Angle Scattering Do” National Center for Protein Science - Shanghai, Shanghai, PRC.
18. Apr. 2, 2019 **American Chemical Society (Colloid and Surface Chemistry)** “*Design Efficacious Targeting Lipid Nanoparticles*” Orlando, FL
19. Dec. 2, 2018 **National Taiwan University Molecular Imaging Center** “One-Pot Synthesis of Controllable, Biocompatible NANO² for Potential Bioimaging Carriers”, Taipei, Taiwan, R.O.C
20. Sep. 20, 2018 **Henkel** “General Principle & Applications of Scattering Technology for Nanostructural Characterization of Soft Matter”, Rocky Hill, CT
21. Jul. 27, 2018 **National Synchrotron Light Source- II, Brookhaven National Laboratory** “Aggregation Enhanced Emission of A Lipid-Based Nano-in-Nano (NANO²) System”, Upton, NY
22. Jul. 3, 2018 **Membranes Beyond**, “Twenty Years of Characterization & Development of Bicelles and Beyond”, McMaster University, Hamilton, ON, Canada
23. May 23, 2018 **National Taiwan University** “Aggregation Enhanced Emission of Self-Assembled Au Nanoclusters in Lipid Nanodiscs (NANO²)”, Taipei, Taiwan ROC.
24. Feb. 9, 2018 **Boehringer-Ingelheim Pharmaceutical Inc.** “Self-Assembled Functional Nanomaterials Research & Capabilities”, Ridgefield, CT.
25. Jan. 9, 2018 **Polymer Science Fudan University** “Defects on Biomembrane Enhance Spontaneous Lipid Transfer Rate and Hydrophobic Interactions”, Shanghai, P.R.C.
26. Jan. 8, 2018 **Shanghai Tech. University** “Small Angle Scattering for Nanostructural Characterization”, Shanghai, P.R.C.
27. Jan. 5, 2018 **South China University of Technology** “Small Angle Scattering for Nanostructural Characterization”, Guangzhou, Guangdong, P.R.C.
28. Jan. 5, 2018 **South China University of Technology** “Defects on Biomembrane Enhance Spontaneous Lipid Transfer Rate and Hydrophobic Interactions”, Guangzhou, Guangdong, P.R.C.
29. Jan. 4, 2018 **East China University of Science & Technology** “Defects on Biomembrane Enhance Spontaneous Lipid Transfer Rate and Hydrophobic Interactions”, Shanghai, P.R.C.
30. Dec. 22, 2017 **National Taiwan University** “The Effects of Biomembrane “Defects” on Lipid Transfer Rate and Hydrophobic-Hydrophilic Interactions”, Taipei, Taiwan ROC.

31. Dec. 21, 2017 **Biomedical Technology and Device Research Lab., Industrial Tech. Research Institute** “Rational Design for Efficacious Theranostic Nanocarriers”, Hsinchu, Taiwan ROC.
32. Dec. 21, 2017 **Medical & Pharmaceutical Industry Technology and Development** “Rational Design for Efficacious Theranostic Nanocarriers”, Taipei, Taiwan ROC.
33. Dec. 19, 2017 **National Central University** “Rational Design for Efficacious Theranostic Nanocarriers”, Chungli, Taiwan ROC.
34. Dec. 19, 2017 **National Central University** “How to Prepare Yourself & What to Expect to Study Abroad”, Tamsui, Taiwan ROC.
35. Dec. 11, 2017 **Tamkang University** “Apply Small Angle Scattering for Nanostructural Characterization”, Tamsui, Taiwan ROC.
36. Dec. 11, 2017 **Tamkang University** “How to Prepare Yourself & What to Expect to Study Abroad”, Tamsui, Taiwan ROC.
37. Nov. 30, 2017 **National Chiao-Tung University** “Special Dynamics and Molecular Interactions around the Bilayer Defects”, Hsinchu, Taiwan ROC.
38. Nov. 30, 2017 **National Chiao-Tung University** “How to Prepare Yourself & What to Expect to Study Abroad”, Hsinchu, Taiwan ROC.
39. Oct. 17, 2017 **The 9th Sino-US Joint Conference of Chemical Engineering** “One-Pot Well-Defined NANO² (Nano-in-Nano) – A Potential Platform for High-Efficiency Theranostic Carriers”, Beijing, P.R.C.
40. Sep. 28, 2017 **Korean Institute of Science & Technology** “NANO² (Nano-in-Nano) for Delivering Bioimaging Agents – A Perfect Marriage between Lipid Bicelles and Au-Nanoclusters”, Seoul, Korea
41. Sep. 6, 2017 **National Synchrotron Radiation Research Center User Meeting Workshop II (High Flux Small Angle X-ray on Biological Complex Structures** “Nanostructural Characterization of Au-nanocluster/Lipid Complexes Using SAXS”, Taiwan NSRRC, Hsin-Chu, Taiwan, ROC
42. Sep. 2, 2017 **Taiwan Neutron Science Society Annual Conference** “Neutron Scattering – Utilization of Contrast Variation”, National Chiao-Tung University, Hsin-Chu, Taiwan, ROC (**Keynote Speaker**)
43. July 18, 2017 **International Organization of Chinese Physicists and Astronomers 9th Conference** “Implications of the Mismatch of Lipid Hydrophobic Tails on Lipid Transfer Rate and Hydrophobic Interaction”, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China
44. June 26, 2017 **Polymer Sci. Eng., National Pusan University** “Lipid-Based Nanodiscs as Potential Platform as Nanocarriers for Cells”, Pusan, South Korea
45. May 24, 2017 **Institute of Basic Science – Center for Soft and Living Matter** “Structures and Dynamics of “Bicelles” – A Potential Self-Assembled Nanocarrier for in vivo Delivery”, Ulsan, South Korea
46. Feb. 16, 2017 **Boehringer-Ingelheim Pharmaceutical Inc.** “A Universal Lipid-Based Platform for Encapsulating Hydrophobic Molecules”, Ridgefield, CT
47. Oct. 4, 2016 **Moderna Therapeutics** “Future Prospects for Application of Scattering on Characterization of LNPs”, Cambridge, MA
48. May 14, 2016 **UConn Mentor Connection Program (Exploring Expertise)** “Engineering Lipid Mixtures into Well-Defined Nanoparticles”, Storrs, CT
49. Jan. 13, 2016 **Moderna Therapeutics** “A Universal Self-Assembled Delivery Nanopatform – Lipid Nanodiscs (Bicelles)”, Cambridge, MA
50. Nov. 30, 2015 **New Jersey Institute of Technology** “Properties and Applications of Well-Defined Self-Assembled Lipid Nanodiscs (Bicelles)”, Newark, NJ.
51. Sep. 18, 2015 **Chem. & Biomol. Eng. Tulane University.** “Playground of Phospholipid-Based Self-Assemblies”, New Olean, LA
52. Aug. 25, 2015 **Pfizer Inc.** “Small Angle X-ray Scattering”, Groton, CT.
53. Jul. 25, 2015 **Drug Discovery & Therapy World Congress** “Single-Step Formation and Cellular Response of Vesicles and Disk-like Bicelles”, Boston, MA
54. Jun. 12, 2015 **NCS4: Northeast Complex Fluids and Soft Matter Workshop (Stony Brook University)** “Controlling Self-Assembled Lipid-Based Nanoparticles for Theranostic and Nanobiosensing Material”, Stony Brook, NY

55. Jun. 1, 2015 **Lanzhou Institute of Chemical Physics (Chinese Academy of Science)** “Properties of Self-Assembled Discoidal Bicelles and Their Potential Applications in Bionanotechnology”, Lanzhou, Gansu, China
56. May 29, 2015 **Lanzhou University, School of Nuclear Science & Technology** “Properties of Self-Assembled Discoidal Bicelles and Their Potential Applications in Bionanotechnology”, Lanzhou, Gansu, China
57. May 16, 2015 **UCONN Mentor Connection Program (Exploring Expertise)** “Engineering Lipid Mixtures into Well-Defined Nanoparticles”, Storrs, CT
58. Mar. 22, 2015 **American Chemical Society (Colloid and Surface Chemistry)** “Cellular uptake mechanisms as controlled by nanostructures of a lipid mixture: Comparison between bicelles and vesicles”, Denver, CO
59. Mar. 3, 2015 **Iona College**, Department of Chemistry “Building up Lipid-Legos and Their Applications”, New Rochelle, NY
60. Jun. 3, 2014 **American Conference on Neutron Scattering** “Self-Assembled Lipid-Based Nanodiscs, Their Characterizations and Applications”, Knoxville, TN
61. May 17, 2014 **UCONN Mentor Connection Program (Exploring Expertise)** “Having Fun and Making Something Useful from the Amphiphilic Molecules that Have Two ‘Faces’”, Storrs, CT
62. Mar. 17, 2014 **American Chemical Society (Colloid and Surface Chemistry)** “Controlling “stringed” lipid nano-aggregates”, Houston, TX
63. Feb. 7, 2014 **University of Connecticut**, Department of Biomedical Engineering “Novel and Simple Approaches to Make Stable Nanodiscs And Nanovesicles for Theranostic Delivery”, Storrs, CT
64. Oct. 19, 2013 **National Synchrotron Radiation Research Center**, “When Nanodiscs Meet – in the Eyes of Neutrons”, Hsin-Chu, Taiwan
65. Oct. 17, 2013 **National Tsing-Hua University**, Department of Chemical Engineering “Controlling Morphologies of Uniform Self-Assembled Lipid-Based Nanostructures – The Potential Applications”, Hsin-Chu, Taiwan
66. Oct. 16, 2013 **National Chung-Hsing University**, Department of Physics “Controlling Morphologies of Uniform Self-Assembled Lipid-Based Nanostructures – The Potential Applications”, Taichung, Taiwan
67. Oct. 14, 2013 **National Cheng-Kung University**, Department of Chemical Engineering “Controlling Morphologies of Uniform Self-Assembled Lipid-Based Nanostructures – The Potential Applications”, Tainan, Taiwan
68. Oct. 13, 2013 **2013 Joint Conference of Taiwan Neutron Science Society Annual Meeting and NSSRC Neutron User Meeting & Workshop**, “Structures of Bilayered Lipocomplexes as Revealed by Neutron Scattering”, Hengchun, Taiwan – **as a keynote speaker**
69. Apr. 4, 2013 **University of Massachusetts at Lowell**, Department of Chemistry “Self-Assembled Lipid-Based Nanodiscs and Nanovesicles – Fundamental Understanding, Applications and Manufacturing”, Lowell, MA, USA
70. Feb. 7, 2013 **Oak Ridge National Laboratory**, Center for Nanophase and Materials Sciences “Controlling Nanodisc-to-Nanovesicle Formation and Implication of Its Applications”, Oak Ridge, TN, USA
71. Nov. 29, 2012 **Emory University**, Department of Chemistry “Self-Assembled Structures, Kinetics & Applications of a Phospholipid Mixture - Bicelle”, Atlanta, GA, USA
72. Nov. 11, 2012 **Shaoxing University**, College of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering “Neutron Scattering – an Advanced Tool for Nano-Scaled Structural Characterization” and “Fundamental Understanding of Self-Assembly of Lipid-Based Nanoparticles”, Shaoxing, Zhejiang, China
73. Nov. 8, 2012 **BIT, Symposium of Drug Delivery Systems**, “Bridging Fundamental Science to Practical Applications of Self-Assembled Targeting Lipid-Based Delivery Nanoparticles”, Nanjing, Jiangsu, China
74. Feb. 29, 2012 **American Physical Society** “The Morphology of Lipid Aggregates based on the Interplay among Molecular Architectures, Hydrophobic-Hydrophilic and Coulombic Interactions and their Kinetics”, Boston, MA, USA

75. Nov. 29, 2011 **University of Tennessee**, Physics Department “from Fundamental Understanding of Lipid Mixtures to Their Applications” Knoxville, Tennessee, USA.
76. Nov. 28, 2011 **Oak Ridge National Laboratory**, Join Institute for Neutron Sciences “Kinetics of the Growth of Lipid-Based Nanodiscs” Oak Ridge, Tennessee, USA.
77. Feb. 28, 2011 **Pfizer Inc.**, Pharmaceutical Development group “Self-Assembled Nano-Liposomes for Targeting Delivery” Groton, Connecticut, USA.
78. Feb. 7, 2011 **Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute**, Center for Biotechnology & Interdisciplinary Studies “Bicelle-to-Vesicle Transition – Probed by Small Angle Neutron Scattering” Troy, New York, USA.
79. Jul. 16, 2010 **University of Western Ontario**, Department of Physics, “Small Angle Neutron Scattering – Its Application on Soft Material Research And Recent Development at CNBC” London, Ontario, Canada.
80. Jun. 9, 2010 **National Research Council**, Canadian Neutron Beam Centre, “Self-Assembled Unilamellar Vesicles: Formation Mechanism, Characterization and Applications” Chalk River, Ontario, Canada.
81. Apr. 22, 2010 **University of Rhode Island**, Department of Chemical Engineering, “Self-Assembled Nano-Liposomes as Diagnostic/Therapeutic Carriers” Kingston, Rhode Island, USA.
82. Mar. 12, 2010 **Oak Ridge National Laboratory**, Neutron Scattering Science Division, “Small Angle Neutron Scattering – A Powerful Tool for Fundamental Material Research” Oak Ridge, Tennessee, USA.
83. Feb. 26, 2010 **University of Connecticut**, Institute of Materials Science, “From Basic Research to Technology: Applications of Soft Materials” Storrs, Connecticut, USA.
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1. Graham Roberts, **M.-P. Nieh**, Qian Yang “Automated Small Angle Scattering Interpretation via Machine Learning Morphology Classification and Structural Parameter Regression” Biomembrane Synthesis, Structure, Mechanics, and Dynamics. Division of Colloid & Surface Chemistry, 2024 Spring American Chemical Society, New Orleans, LA (Mar. 19, 2024)
2. C. Cheu, **M.-P. Nieh** “Modeling Lipid Nanodiscs to Encapsulate Multiple Materials in Circumferential Divided Rim Sections” Biomembrane Synthesis, Structure, Mechanics, and Dynamics. Division of Colloid & Surface Chemistry, 2024 Spring American Chemical Society, New Orleans, LA (Mar. 17, 2024)
3. C.-H. Liu, **M.-P. Nieh** “The Influence of Short-Chain Lipid (Detergent-like Molecules) on the Morphology of Bicelles” Biomembrane Synthesis, Structure, Mechanics, and Dynamics. Division of Colloid & Surface Chemistry, 2023 Spring American Chemical Society, Indianapolis, IN (Mar. 29, 2023)
4. C.-H. Liu, **M.-P. Nieh** “Shape and Size Controllable Polymer Nanostructures via Facile Polymerization in a Bicellar Template” Biomembrane Synthesis, Structure, Mechanics, and Dynamics. Division of Colloid & Surface Chemistry, 2023 Spring American Chemical Society, Indianapolis, IN (Mar. 27, 2023)
5. C.-H. Liu, **M.-P. Nieh** “Facile Template-Polymerization of Controllable Nano-Ring” Biomembrane Synthesis, Structure, Mechanics, and Dynamics. Division of Colloid & Surface Chemistry, 2022 Spring American Chemical Society, Chicago, IL (Aug. 23, 2022)
6. C.-H. Liu, **M.-P. Nieh** “Controlled Controllable Nanostructures via a Lipid Self-Assembled Bicellar Template – Characterized by Contrast-Variation SANS”, 2022 American Conference on Neutron Scattering, Boulder, CO (June 7, 2022)
7. C. Cheu, L. Yang, **M.-P. Nieh** “Developing Small Angle Scattering Models for Detailed Structures of Bicelles” Biomembrane Synthesis, Structure, Mechanics, and Dynamics. Division of Colloid & Surface Chemistry, 2021 Spring American Chemical Society (online)
8. I. Alahmadi, **M.-P. Nieh** “High Sensitivity DSC of Bicellar Mixtures Regarding Structural Transformations” Biomembrane Synthesis, Structure, Mechanics, and Dynamics. ACS Division of Colloid & Surface Chemistry, 2021 Spring American Chemical Society (online)
9. K.-C. Shih, **M.-P. Nieh** “Unusual Complete Unbinding of Single-tail Tethered Lipids” Biomembrane Synthesis, Structure, Mechanics, and Dynamics. Division of Colloid & Surface Chemistry, 2020 Spring American Chemical Society (online)
10. J. Fang, J. LoTurco, **M.-P. Nieh** “Mn doped ZnSe/ZnS quantum dot (QD) species show increased fluorescence emission when encapsulated in a lipid bilayer bicelles” Biomembrane Synthesis, Structure, Mechanics, and Dynamics. Division of Colloid & Surface Chemistry, 2021 Spring American Chemical Society (online)
11. A. T. Rad, P.-S. Lai, **M.-P. Nieh** “Bicellar Nanocarrier for Cancer Phodynamic Therapy”, Society for Biomaterials, Seattle, WA (April 3, 2019)
12. A. T. Rad, **M.-P. Nieh** “Multitumor on a chip device for chemotherapy results prediction”, CMBE 2019, San Diego, CA. (Jan. 2, 2019)
13. A. T. Rad, **M.-P. Nieh** “Tumor on a chip platform for cancer therapy prediction”, MEDcity Converge, Philadelphia, PA. (Jan. 19, 2018)
14. C. Mandelkern, Y. Liu, I. Alahmadi, K.-C. Shih, J. Fang, **M.-P. Nieh** “*Designing Size-Controllable Bicelles*” 2018 American Chemical Society, New Orleans, LA (Mar. 19, 2018)
15. A. T. Rad, **M.-P. Nieh** “*Self-Assembled Bicelle Platform: A Universal Theranostic Nanocarrier for Cancer*”, BMES 2017 annual conference, Phoenix, AZ. (Oct. 13, 2017)
16. **M.-P. Nieh**, Y. Xia, F. Heberle, J. Katsaras “*The Effects of Defects on Lipid Biomembranes*” 2017 American Chemical Society, San Francisco, CA (Apr. 3, 2017)
17. Y. Xia, C. Bowerman, J. Chan, C. Clemente, A. Esposito, E. Miracco, B. Kangarlou, **M.-P. Nieh** “Determining the mRNA Nanoparticle structure using SANS and SAXS” 2017 American Chemical Society, San Francisco, CA (Apr. 2, 2017)
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19. Y. Xia, H.-S. Jang, Z. Shen, C. Yu, N. Tennakoon, Y. Li, M.-P. Nieh “Polymer-induced Liposome Aggregation: Toward the Application of Naked-eye Bio-detection” American Institute of Chemical Engineers, San Francisco, CA (Nov. 16, 2016)

20. **M.-P. Nieh**, A. T. Rad, E. Dormidontova, F. Maran, T. J. Lakis Mountziaris, "Aggregation-Induced Emission of Hydrophobically-Modified Metal Clusters in Lipid Nanodiscs" American Institute of Chemical Engineers, San Francisco, CA (Nov. 17, 2016)
21. Y. Xia, H.-S. Jang, C. Yu, N. Tennakoon, **M.-P. Nieh** "Interaction between Triblock Copolymer Poly (propylene glycol) – Poly (ethylene glycol) – Poly (propylene glycol) and Model Lipid Membranes" 2016 American Chemical Society, San Diego, CA (Mar. 14, 2016)
22. Y. Xia, K. Charubin, F. Herbele, D. Marquardt, J. Katsaras, J. Tian, X. Cheng, **M.-P. Nieh** "Spontaneous Lipid Transfer and its Implication of Membrane Lateral Organization and Structural Stability" 2016 American Chemical Society, San Diego, CA (Mar. 13, 2016)
23. Y. Bao, A. T. Rad, Z. Wang, E. Dormidontova, J. Arora, V. John, F. Maran, **M.-P. Nieh** "Self-Assembled Nanoparticle-in-Nanoparticle Metal/Lipid Complex" 2015 American Institute of Chemical Engineers, Salt Lake City, UT (Nov. 12, 2015)
24. Y. Xia, Hyun-Sook Jang, Ying Liu, Chenlu Yu, **M.-P. Nieh** "Polymer-induced lipid cluster formation: Effects of charge density, curvature, lipid composition and polymer concentration" 2015 American Chemical Society, Boston, MA (Aug. 18, 2015)
25. Y. Xia, K. Charubin, F. Herbele, D. Marquardt, Y. Liu, J. Katsaras, B. Hammouda, **M.-P. Nieh** "New Insights to the Distinct Increase of Spontaneous Lipid Transfer Rate in Bicelles" 2015 American Chemical Society, Boston, MA (Aug. 16, 2015)
26. **M.-P. Nieh**, Y. Lei, A. Amalaradjou "Lipid Nanoclusters – a Potential Instrument-Free, Low-Cost, High-Sensitivity Biosensing Platform" 2015 Gordon Research Conference, Waltham, MA (Jun. 7-12, 2015)
27. W. Aresh, Y. Liu, J. Sine, D. Thayer, A. Puri, Y. Huang, Y. Wang, **M.-P. Nieh** "Cellular uptake mechanisms as controlled by nanostructures of a lipid mixture: Comparison between bicelles and vesicles" 2015 American Chemical Society, Denver, Co (Mar. 22, 2015)
28. **M.-P. Nieh**, T.-H. Fan, Y. Wang "Scalable Manufacture of Multi-Functional Lipid-Based Nanoparticles" 2014 NSF Nano Science & Engineering Grantee Conference, Wahsington D. C. (Dec. 9-10, 2014).
29. W. Aresh, Y. Liu, J. Sine, D. Thayer, A. Puri, Y. Huang, Y. Wang and **M.-P. Nieh** "Enhancement of Cancer Cellular Uptake By the Morphology of Lipid-Based Nanodiscs" 2014 American Institute of Chemical Engineering, Altanta, GA (Nov. 20, 2014)
30. K. Charubin, Y. Xia and **M.-P. Nieh** and Y. Lei "The Study of Short-Chain Phosphatidylcholine Effect on the Spontaneous Lipid Transfer in Phospholipid-Based Vesicles Using Differential Scanning Calorimetry" 2014 American Institute of Chemical Engineering, Altanta, GA (Nov. 20, 2014)
31. X. Sun, C. Brückner, **M.-P. Nieh** and Y. Lei "Properties of Fluorescent Polymer Film with Three-Dimensionally Ordered Nanopores and Its Application in Explosive Detection" 2014 American Institute of Chemical Engineering, Altanta, GA (Nov. 18, 2014)
32. Y. Xia, K. Charubin, Y. Liu, M. Li, F. A. Herberle, D. Marquardt, J. Katsaras and **M.-P. Nieh** "Analysis of Lipid Transfer Rates of Phospholipid Nanodiscs (Bicelles) Using Time-Resolved Differential Scanning Calorimetry and Small Angle Neutron Scattering" 2014 American Institute of Chemical Engineering, Altanta, GA (Nov. 18, 2014)
33. W. Aresh, Y. Liu, D. Thayer, A. Puri, J. Sine, **M.-P. Nieh** "Cellular Uptake of Morphological Dependence Lipid-Based Nano-Carriers" 2014 NANOSMAT, Houston, TX (May 2014).
34. H.-S. Jang, F. Maran, **M.-P. Nieh** "Self-assembly of Unilamellar vesicles (ULV) with lipids and hydrophobated Gold Nanoparticles" 2014 American Chemical Society, Houston, TX (Mar. 20, 2014).
35. Y. Xia, K. Charubin, F. Heberle, J. Katsaras, **M.-P. Nieh** "Time-Resolved Differential Scanning Calorimetry and Small Angle Neutron Scattering Studies on the Lipid Exchange of Phospholipid Nanodiscs" 2014 American Chemical Society, Houston, TX (Mar. 16, 2014).
36. Y. Liu, P. Molinaro, **M.-P. Nieh** "Study of Nile red exchange between nanodiscs: A kinetics study of hydrophobic molecular transportation" 2014 American Chemical Society, Houston, TX (Mar. 16, 2014).
37. A. Hu, T.-H. Fang, J. Katsaras, Y. Xia, M. Li, **M.-P. Nieh** "Coalescence Kinetics of Lipid Based Bicelles" 2014 American Physical Society, Atlanta, GA (Mar. 7, 2014)
38. **M.-P. Nieh**, T.-H. Fan, Y. Wang "Single-Step Manufacture of Affinity Nanodiscs for Drug Delivery" 2013 NSF Nanoscale Science and Engineering Grantees Conference, Washington D. C. (Dec. 6, 2013)

39. H.-S. Jang, R. Cersonsky, **M.-P. Nieh** "Fluorescence Quenching Kinetics of Pyrene Excimer in Polystyrene Films" 2013 Material Research Society, Boston, MA (Dec. 4, 2013).
40. Y. Xia, **M.-P. Nieh** "Reaction-Limited Fusion Mechanism of Zwitterionic Nanodiscs" 2013 American Institute of Chemical Engineering, San Francisco (Nov. 8, 2013).
41. X. Sun, S. Mopidevi, Y. Liu, C. Silhavy, **M.-P. Nieh**, Y. Lei "'smart' Sand for Buried Explosive Detection By Naked Eye Under Handheld UV Light" 2013 American Institute of Chemical Engineering, San Francisco (Nov. 8, 2013).
42. Y. Liu, Noel Cielo, **M.-P. Nieh** "Effect of PEGylated Lipids on Lipid-Based Nanodisc-to-Nanovesicle Mechanism" 2013 American Chemical Society, New Orleans, LA (Apr. 10, 2013).
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44. H.-S. Jang, **M.-P. Nieh** "Effects of Manufacturing Processes and Ionic Environment on the Formation of Pyrene Excimers" 2013 American Physical Society, Baltimore, MD (Mar. 19, 2013).
45. **M.-P. Nieh**, Y. Xia, M. Li, N. Kučerka "Shear-Induced Alignment of 'Bicellar' Phospholipid Membranes" 2013 American Physical Society, Baltimore, MD (Mar. 18, 2013).
46. H.-S. Jang, Y. Wang, Y. Lei, **M.-P. Nieh** "Fluorescence Response of Pyrene/Polystyrene/Organic Salt Thin Films: Materials and Processing for Explosives Detection" 2012 Materials Research Society, Boston, MA (Nov. 25-30, 2012).
47. H.-S. Jang, Y. Wang, Y. Lei, **M.-P. Nieh** "The Controlling Parameters of Pyrene/Polymer Thin Films as Fluorescence Explosive Detecting Materials" 2012 American Institute of Chemical Engineering, Pittsburgh, PA (Nov. 2, 2012).
48. M. Li, **M.-P. Nieh** "Swellable Model POPC/POPG/DHPC Membrane with a Lamellar Long-Range Order" 2012 American Physical Society, Boston, MA (Feb. 27, 2012).
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50. M. Li, H. Morales, J. Katsaras, P. M. MacDonald, **M.-P. Nieh** "The Effect of Short-Chain Lipid on the Morphology of Bicellar Mixtures" 2012 American Physical Society, Boston, MA (Feb. 27, 2012).
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53. H.-S. Jang, Y. Wang, Y. Lei, **M.-P. Nieh** "What determines photoluminescence and quenching when fluorophores in a polymer matrix?" 2012 American Physical Society, Boston, MA (Mar. 1, 2012).
54. **M.-P. Nieh**, A. Hu, A. Dizon, M. Li, T.-H. Fan "How Lipid-Based Nanodiscs Interact with Each Other" 2012 Gordon Research Conference (Colloidal, Macromolecular & Polyelectrolyte Solutions), Ventura, CA (Feb. 5 – 10, 2012).
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57. **M.-P. Nieh**, S. Mahabir, J. Katsaras, W. K. Wan "Time-Resolved Study on Nanodisc-to-Vesicle Transformation" 2011 American Physical Society, Dallas, TX (Mar. 22, 2011).
58. **M.-P. Nieh**, N. Kučerka, J. Katsaras "Can Multilamellar Vesicles Be Transformed into Unilamellar Vesicles?", 2010 American Conference on Neutron Scattering, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada (Jun. 29, 2010).
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60. N. Kučerka, D. Marquardt, T. A. Harroun, **M.-P. Nieh**, D. de Jong, L. Schafer, S.-J. Marrink, J. Katsaras "Cholesterol in PUFA Bilayers Studied by Small-Angle Neutron Diffraction", 2010 American Conference on Neutron Scattering, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada (Jun. 27, 2010).
61. N. Kučerka, D. Marquardt, T. A. Harroun, **M.-P. Nieh**, S. R. Wassall, D. de Jong, L. Schafer, S.-J. Marrink, J. Katsaras "Cholesterol's Location in Bilayers is Determined by Lipid Composition", 2010 American Conference on Neutron Scattering, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada (Jun. 27, 2010).
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63. **M.-P. Nieh**, S. Mahabir, W. Wan, J. Katsaras "Direct Evidence of Formation Mechanism of Self-Assembled Monodisperse Unilamellar Vesicles for Potential Delivery Carriers", 93th Canadian Chemistry Conference and Exhibition, Toronto, Ontario, Canada (May 30, 2010).
64. S. Mahabir, W. Wan, J. Katsaras, **M.-P. Nieh** "Investigation of Charge And Heating Rate on Spontaneously Assembled Unilamellar Vesicles Using Small-Angle Neutron Scattering", American Association of Pharmaceutical Sciences National Biotechnology Conference, San Francisco, CA, USA (May 16-19, 2010).
65. **M.-P. Nieh** "What Can Neutron And X-Ray Scattering Do for Silk Characterization?", AFMNet transgenic Spider Silk Workshop, Montreal, Quebec, Canada (Dec 9, 2009).
66. S. Mahabir, W. Wan, J. Katsaras, **M.-P. Nieh** "Using SANS to Study Unilamellar Vesicles", Canadian Institute of Neutron Scattering, Toronto, Canada (Oct 30, 2009).
67. **M.-P. Nieh**, J. Katsaras, E. Nicholson, R. Soong, P. MacDonald "Detailed Structure of A Magnetically Alignable Mixture – "Bicelles"", Canadian Association of Physicists, Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada (June 9, 2009).
68. **M.-P. Nieh**, Z. Yamani, N. Kučerka, J. Katsaras "New Development of Small Angle Neutron Scattering (SANS) Capability & Application at Canadian Neutron Beam Centre", Canadian Association of Physicists, Moncton, New Brunswick, Canada (June 8, 2009).
69. **M.-P. Nieh**, J. Katsaras, E. Nicholson, R. Soong, P. MacDonald "Detailed Structure of A Magnetically Alignable Mixture – "Bicelles"", 92th Canadian Chemistry Conference and Exhibition, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada (June 3, 2009).
70. **M.-P. Nieh**, G. Yuan, C. N. Mulligan "Small Angle Neutron Scattering (SANS) Study on the Morphological Transformation of Rhamnolipid Aggregates Induced by Styrene", 92th Canadian Chemistry Conference and Exhibition, Hamilton, Ontario, Canada (June 1, 2009).
71. S. Mahabir, **M.-P. Nieh**, J. Katsaras, W. K. Wan "SANS Characterization of Self-Assembled Unilamellar Vesicles for Controlled Release". Canadian Biomaterials Society, Quebec City, Quebec, Canada (May 21 2009).
72. **M.-P. Nieh**, Z. Yamani, N. Kučerka, J. Katsaras "Adapting a Triple-Axis Spectrometer for Small Angle Neutron Scattering Measurements", International Conference on Neutron Scattering, Knoxville, Tennessee, Canada (May 5, 2009).
73. S. D. Hudson, J. L. Hutter, L. E. Millon, W. Wan, **M.-P. Nieh** "Anisotropic Poly(Vinyl Alcohol) Hydrogel: Connection Between Structure and Bulk Mechanical Properties" American Physics Society, Pittsburgh, PA, USA (March 19, 2009)
74. **M.-P. Nieh**, M. D. Guiver, D. S. Kim, J. Ding, T. Norsten "Small Angle Neutron Scattering Study on Comb-Shaped Fluorocarbon Copolymer as a Proton Exchange Membrane (PEM)", 58th Canadian Chemical Engineering Conference, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada (October, 2008).
75. **M.-P. Nieh**, Z. Yamani, N. Kučerka, J. Katsaras "Structural Characterization of Soft Materials with Small Angle Neutron Scattering - General Introduction and New Development at Chalk River Laboratories", 58th Canadian Chemical Engineering Conference, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada (October, 2008).
76. **M.-P. Nieh**, J. Katsaras, U. Iqbal, A. Abulrob, D. Stanimirovic, U. Tuor "A Recent Development of Spontaneously Forming Liposomes for Potential Diagnostic and Therapeutic Carriers", 58th Canadian Chemical Engineering Conference, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada (October, 2008).
77. S. D. Hudson, J. L. Hutter, **M.-P. Nieh**, J. Pencer, L. E. Millon, W. Wan "SANS and USANS of Anisotropic PVA Hydrogel", Canadian Association of Physicists, Quebec City, Quebec, Canada (June, 2008).

78. **M.-P. Nieh**, M. D. Guiver, D. S. Kim, T. Norsten "Morphology of Comb-Shaped Proton Exchange Membrane (PEM) Copolymers Using Small Angle Neutron Scattering", Canadian Association of Physicists, Quebec City, Quebec, Canada (June, 2008).
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80. J. Katsaras, N. Kučerka, **M.-P. Nieh**, T. Harroun, S. Schooling, E. Papp-Szabo, J. Pencser, E. Nicholson, T. Beveridge "Effect of Cations on the Structure of Lipopolysaccharide Bilayers Isolated from *P. aeruginosa* PAO1", Quebec City, Quebec, Canada (June, 2008).
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82. **M.-P. Nieh**, Z. Yamani, J. Katsaras, N. Kučerka "Small Angle Neutron Scattering Development at Canadian Neutron Beam Centre (CNBC) – Chalk River Laboratories" American Conference on Neutron Scattering, Santa Fe, New Mexico, USA (May, 2008).
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85. **M.-P. Nieh**, N. Kučerka, J. Pencser, J. Katsaras "The morphologies of magnetically alignable bicelle mixtures", 90th Canadian Chemistry Conference and Exhibition, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada (May, 2007).
86. **M.-P. Nieh** "Important parameters controlling size, polydispersity and shape of self-assembled unilamellar vesicles", (*invited*) American Conference on Neutron Scattering, St. Charles, IL, USA (June, 2006).
87. **M.-P. Nieh**, J. Katsaras, J. Pencser, X. Qi "Properties of spontaneously formed unilamellar vesicles and their interactions with Saposin C", Canadian Association of Physicists, St. Catharines, Ontario, Canada (June, 2006).
88. **M.-P. Nieh** "Neutron scattering for characterizing the structure of soft materials", Canadian Chemistry Conference and Exhibition, Halifax, Nova Scotia, Canada (May, 2006).
89. C. Y. Huang, **M.-P. Nieh**, V. A. Raghunathan, J. Katsaras "Fluctuations of model biomimetic membranes with perforation defects", American Chemical Soc., San Diego, CA, USA (March, 2005).
90. **M.-P. Nieh**, C. Y. Huang, V. A. Raghunathan, J. Katsaras "Perforation defects on model biomimetic membrane: A neutron scattering study", American Chemical Soc., San Diego, CA, USA (March, 2005).
91. **M.-P. Nieh**, V. A. Raghunathan, T. A. Harroun, J. Katsaras "Spontaneous Formation of Monodisperse Small Uni-lamellar Vesicles – Kinetically Trapped or Thermodynamically Stable ?", Canadian Association of Physicists, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada (June, 2004).
92. V. A. Raghunathan, **M.-P. Nieh**, T. A. Harroun, J. Katsaras "*Phase Behaviour of Aqueous Solutions of Short and Long Chain Phospholipids*", Canadian Association of Physicists, Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada (June, 2004).
93. **M.-P. Nieh**, V. A. Raghunathan, C. J. Glinka, T. A. Harroun, J. Katsaras "Structure Phase Behavior of a Highly Alignable Model Membrane - Bicelles", American Chemical Society, Anaheim, CA, USA (March, 2004).
94. B. Yue, C. Huang, **M.-P. Nieh**, C. J. Glinka, J. Katsaras "Spontaneously Forming Unilamellar Phospholipid Vesicles", American Chemical Society, Anaheim, CA, USA (March, 2004).
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99. **M.-P. Nieh**, T. A. Harroun, J. Katsaras “Spontaneous Unilamellar Liposomes of Low Polydispersity and High Stability”, Liposomes Conference, Hamilton, ON, Canada (July, 2003).
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101. **M.-P. Nieh**, C. J. Glinka, J. Katsaras “Spontaneously Formed Monodispersed Unilamellar Vesicles for Controlled drug delivery”, Biophys. Soc., St. Antonio, TX, USA (March, 2003).
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- Y. Xia, M. Li, N. Kučerka, S. Li, **M.-P. Nieh** “Neutron Diffraction on Bicellar Mixtures Aligned by an In-Situ Temperature Controllable Shear Flow Device” Annual Report to CNBC (2014). (http://www.cins.ca/docs/exp_rep/CNBC-2014-SM-6.pdf)
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2020 – 2021	BioScience Pipeline “A Universal Nanocarrier Platform for Cancer Detection and Treatment: One-Pot Self-Assembled, Scalable, Low-Cost Red Blood Cell Mimicked Carrier” \$30,000 as a PI.
2019 – 2020	Lawrence Livermore National Laboratory “Integrated Multiscale Modeling and Experimental Approach to Understand Viscoelasticity of Elastomers” \$119,950 as a co-PI (50%).
2018 – 2019	UCONN-START. “Scalable, low-cost and targeted nanodisc: A universal oral drug carrier for cancer therapy” \$10,000.00 as a PI.
2017 – 2018	Boehringer-Ingelheim Inc. “Controlling Drug Crystals through Microemulsion” \$50,000.00 as a PI.

- 2016 – 2019 Moderna Therapeutics Inc., “Design and Characterization of RNA lipid nanoparticles” - \$ 255,000.00 as a PI.
- 2016 – 2019 NSF (CBET-Biomedical Engineering), “Collaborative Research: Advanced Biomanufacturing of Functional Bionanoparticles for Biomedical Engineering Applications” (#1604826) - \$ 321,177.00 as a co-PI.
- 2016 – 2019 NSF (CBET-Particulate & Multiphase Processes), “(NANO)²: gold nanoclusters in lipid nanodiscoidal bicelles as a potential nanodiagnostic platform: experiment and computer modeling” (#1605971) - \$ 369,482.00 as a PI.
- 2016 – 2017 UCONN Research Excellent Program, “Scalable One-Pot Theranostic Nanodiscs Formulations for Cancer Targeting” - \$ 50,000.00 as a PI.
- 2017 Pfizer Inc. “Characterization of drug in microemulsion” \$10,000 as a PI
- 2015 – 2018 Department of Education (GAANN), “Multi-functional Polymer Based Materials – Derived and Learned from Nature” (P200A150330) - \$ 966,713 (including matching fund) as a co-PI.
- 2015 – 2018 NSF (CBET-Nanobiosensing), “UNS: Signal-Amplification for Instrument-Free, Multiplexed Immunoassay - a Generalized Platform for Biosensing” (#1510468) - \$ 300,413 as a co-PI.
- 2014 – 2015 NSF (CBET-Interfacial Process & Thermodynamics), “EAGER: The Effects of Molecular Architectures on Lipid-Based Nanoparticulate Interaction through Polymer Linkers” (#1433903) - \$ 149,992 as a PI.
- 2012 – 2014 NSF (MRI-DMR), “MRI: Acquisition of a State-of-the-Art Small Angle X-Ray Scattering (SAXS) Instrument for Research and Education” (#1228817) – \$568,398 (Total: \$811,997 with 30% cost sharing from UConn) as a PI
- 2012 – 2014 NSF (CMMI-Nanomanufacturing), “Single-Step Manufacture of Affinity Nanodiscs for Drug Delivery” (#1131587) – \$387,249 as a PI
- 2011 – 2012 UConn Faculty Large Grant, “Investigation on structural transformation from nanodiscs to unilamellar vesicles” (FRS#443360) - \$ 25,156 as a PI
- 2004 – 2006 AFMNet “Developing monodisperse spontaneous unilamellar vesicles of phospholipid mixtures” – (\$ 65,000/ year), as a key researcher
- 2001 – 2004 Visiting Fellowship, Natural Sciences & Engineering Research Council, Canada (\$40,000/year)

ADVISEES:

PhD

Year	Name	Current Position
2010 – 2014	Hyun-Sook Jang	Quantum Science, UK
2010 – 2017	Ying Liu	Xenocs, PRC
2012 – 2015	Wafa Aresh	Imam Muhammad bin Saud Islamic University (Assistant Professor), Saudi Arabia
2012 – 2016	Yan Xia	76Bio, Boston, MA, (Research Director) USA
2014 – 2019	Armin Tahmasbi Rad	Encapsulate (CEO), USA
2015 – 2022	Justin Fang	Beam Therapeutics, USA
2015 – 2023	Behrad Kangarlou	(back to Iran)
2018 – 2023	Chung-Hao Liu	Postdoctoral Researcher at ORNL
2015 – now	Ibtihal Alahmadi	(back to Saudi Arabia)
2015 – 2023	Donyeil Hoy	AstraZeneca
2016 – 2023	Catherine Cheu	BNL
2022 – now	Justin Amengual	
2023 – now	Muhammad Faheem Hassan	

MS

Year	Name
2010 – 2014	Ming Li
2013 – 2015	Yue Bao
2013 – 2015	Chenlu Yu
2015 – 2017	Amani Ebrahim
2022 - 2024	Luke Notaro-Roberts

AWARDS TO ADVISEES:

Year	Recipient	Award
2022	Chung-Hao Liu	IMS Samuel J. Huang Graduate Research Award
2021	Behrad Kangarlou	IMS Annual Meeting top presenter
2019	Patrick Adamczyk	<i>SURF: Construction of an RNA-Bicelle Composite</i>
2019	Armin T. Rad	<i>Entrepreneur of the year in CT Entrepreneurship award, Honorable Mention Pre-revenue Venture of the Year</i>
2019	Capstone Design Team	<i>The first place at CBE (out of 19 teams, mentored by A. Rad)</i>
2018	Armin T. Rad	<i>Winner of the CTNext Connecticut Innovation Grant, \$10,000 award</i>
2018	Armin T. Rad	<i>One of the top five companies for Wolff institute grant money 2019, \$20,000 award</i>
2018	Armin T. Rad	<i>Granted by Third Bridge Grant as a seed funding for the company, "Encapsulate", for \$30,000</i>
2018	Armin T. Rad	<i>First Place winner of the 3-minute thesis (3MT) university competition and UConn's representative for U21 international 3MT competition</i>
2018	Armin T. Rad	<i>Best Ph.D. Dissertation Award, UConn Graduate School. Awarded a \$2,000 scholarship.</i>
2018	Armin T. Rad	<i>Funded I-Corp Grant: NSF Program through "Summer Fellowship" from "Connecticut Center for Entrepreneurship and Innovation", Summer 2018, \$15,000 grant and entrepreneurial 3 months program (May-Aug 2018)</i>
2018	Armin T. Rad	<i>Funded I-Corp Grant: NSF Program through "Accelerate UConn" in the spring 2018 cohort, 3K grant and entrepreneurial 2 months program (February-April 2018)</i>
2017	Sricharan Kadimi	<i>SURF: Development of Lipid Bicelles as Self-Assembling siRNA Delivery Vehicles</i>
2017	Armin T. Rad	<i>Awarded as the most marketable idea of the year at 3rd annual competition of UConn School of Engineering Graduate Students Symposium</i>
2017	Donyeil Hoy	<i>NSF-GRFP: Design Well-defined Structure of Lipid Nanoparticles containing Carbon-Derived Materials for Biomedical Applications</i>
2016	Christopher Tricard	<i>SURF: Enhanced Photodynamic Efficacy of Porphyrin by Nanodisc Encapsulation</i>
2015	Justin Letendre	<i>SURF: Lipid-Coated Quantum Dots: A Novel In-Vivo Imaging Probe</i>
2014	Kamil Charubin	<i>SURF: Differential Scanning Calorimetry Study on the Lipid Transfer between Lipid-Based Nanodiscs</i>
2013	Milos Atz	<i>SURF: A Study of Amyloid Protein Aggregation Kinetics</i>