

Curriculum Vitae

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I. EDUCATION

- 06/2002 – Present NSF CTBP (Center for Theoretical Biological Physics) Fellow
Postdoctoral Associate in the group of Prof. Charles Brooks,
The Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla
- 02/1997 – 05/2002 Ph. D. in Biochemistry
Weill Medical College of Cornell University, New York
Thesis Supervisor: Prof. Benoit Roux
- (02/1997 – 05/2000 in Chemistry, University of Montreal, Montreal)
- 03/1994 – 02/1996 M. Sc. in Chemistry, Hanyang University, Seoul
Thesis Supervisor: Prof. Youngdo Won
- 03/1990 – 02/1994 B. Sc. in Chemistry, Hanyang University, Seoul

II. EXPERIENCE

1. Postdoctoral Research Experience
 - Development of Generalized Born Model (GBSW module in CHARMM).
 - Folding, assembly, and modeling of membrane peptides/proteins.
 - Membrane insertion and interfacial folding of synthetic peptides (WALP and TMX).
 - Structure refinement of proteins with implicit solvent models.
 - Molecular dynamics simulations with implicit solvent models for proteins and DNA.
2. Doctoral Research Experience
 - Molecular dynamics simulations of aqueous salt solutions.
 - Molecular dynamics simulations of the membrane-protein system (OmpF porin).
 - Grand Canonical Monte Carlo - Brownian Dynamics (GCMC/BD) simulations of ion permeations through the porin (OmpF, PhoE, OmpK36, and mutants of OmpF).
 - PNP (Poisson-Nernst-Planck) solver and its applications to porins.
 - Generalized Solvation Boundary Potentials (GSBP).
 - Electrostatic solvation forces based on the Poisson-Boltzmann equation.
 - Development of CHARMM source code (PBEQ/GSBP module).

3. Pre-doctoral Research Experience
 - Molecular dynamics simulations of liquid systems (normal alkanes and acetonitrile).
 - Parameterization of acetonitrile.
 - Potential of mean force (PMF) calculations for the anion pair formation of acetonitrile.
 - Development of CHARMM source code (CRYSTAL module).
4. Teaching experience
 - Aug. 9 2004 — Aug. 20 2004 2004 CTBP Summer Workshop, UCSD
 - Jan. 2002 — April 2002 Teaching Assistant in Department of Biochemistry
Weill Medical College of Cornell University
 - March 1995 — Feb. 1996 Teaching Assistant in Department of Chemistry
Hanyang University
5. Honors
 - 2002 Graduate School Scholarship Award of Excellence (May, 2002)

III. REFEREES

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IV. INVITED TALKS

1. Insertion and Folding Mechanism of Membrane Peptides and Proteins Studied by Molecular Simulation, The Protein Society's 18th Annual Symposium, San Diego, USA (2004)
2. Atoms in Motion, 3rd Symposium of Korean-American Scientists and Engineers Association at San Diego Chapter (KSEA-SD), San Diego, USA (2004)
3. De Novo Folding of Membrane Proteins, Theory and Applications of Computational Chemistry, Gyeongju, KOREA (2004)
4. An Implicit Membrane Generalized Born Theory for the Study of Structure, Stability, and Interactions of Membrane Proteins. 5th Canadian Computational Chemistry Conference, Toronto, CANADA (2003)
5. The Role of Electrostatics in Ion Permeation and Selectivity of Biological Membrane Channels. Department of Chemistry, Hanyang University, Seoul, KOREA (2002)
6. Ion Permeation and Selectivity of OmpF Porin from *Escherichia coli*: Theoretical Studies using Molecular Dynamics, Brownian Dynamics, and the Electrodiffusion Theory. 46th Annual Biophysical Society Meeting, San Francisco, USA (2002)
7. Ion Permeation and Selectivity of OmpF Porin from *Escherichia coli*: Theoretical Studies using Molecular Dynamics, Brownian Dynamics, and the Electrodiffusion Theory. Laboratory of Chemical Physics, NIDDK, National Institutes of Health, USA (2001)

V. REFEREED JOURNALS

1. **W. Im**, J. Chen, and C.L. Brooks III
Performance of a Generalized Born / Nonpolar Solvation Model with a Simple Switching Function. in preparation (2004).
2. **W. Im** and C.L. Brooks III
Interfacial Folding and Membrane Insertion: A Molecular Dynamics Study with Synthetic Peptides. submitted (2004).
3. J. Chen, H. Won, **W. Im**, H.J. Dyson and C.L. Brooks III
Generation of Native-like Models from limited NMR data. *J. Biomolec. NMR* in press (2004).
4. J. Chen, **W. Im**, and C.L. Brooks III
Refinement of NMR Structure Using Implicit Solvent and Advanced Sampling Techniques. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* in press (2004).
5. S.Y. Noskov, **W. Im**, and B. Roux
Ion Permeation through the α -Hemolysin Channel: Theoretical Studies based on Brownian Dynamics and Poisson-Nernst-Planck Electrodiffusion Theory. *Biophys. J.* 87:2299-2309 (2004).
6. B. Roux, T. Allen, S. Berneche, and **W. Im**
Theoretical and Computational Models of Ion Channels. *Q. Rev. Biophys.* 37:15-103 (2004).
7. **W. Im** and C.L. Brooks III
De Novo Folding of Membrane Proteins: An Exploration of the Structure and NMR Properties of the fd Coat Protein. *J. Mol. Biol.* 337:513-519 (2004).

8. M. Feig, **W. Im**, and C.L. Brooks, III
Implicit Solvation Based on Generalized Born Theory in Different Dielectric Environment. *J. Chem. Phys.* 120:903-911 (2004).
9. M. Feig, A. Onufriev, M.S. Lee, **W. Im**, D.A. Case, and C.L. Brooks, III
Performance Comparison of Generalized Born and Poisson Methods in the Calculation of Electrostatic Solvation Energies for Protein Structures. *J. Comput. Chem.* 25:265-284 (2004).
10. **W. Im**, M. Feig, and C.L. Brooks III
An Implicit Membrane Generalized Born Theory for the Study of Structure, Stability, and Interactions of Membrane Proteins. *Biophys. J.* 85:2900-2918 (2003).
11. **W. Im**, M.S. Lee, and C.L. Brooks III
Generalized Born Model with a Simple Smoothing Function. *J. Comput. Chem.* 24:1691-1702 (2003).
12. N.K. Banavali, **W. Im**, and B. Roux
Electrostatic Free Energy Calculations using the Generalized Solvent Boundary Potential Method. *J. Chem. Phys.* 117:7381-7388 (2002).
13. **W. Im** and B. Roux
Ion Permeation and Selectivity of OmpF Porin: A Theoretical Study Based on Molecular Dynamics, Brownian Dynamics, and Continuum Electrodiffusion Theory. *J. Mol. Biol.* 322:851-869 (2002).
14. **W. Im** and B. Roux
Ions and Counterions in a Biological Channel: A Molecular Dynamics Simulation of OmpF Porin from Escherichia coli in an Explicit Membrane with 1 M KCl Aqueous Salt Solution. *J. Mol. Biol.* 319:1177-1197 (2002).
15. A. Philippsen, **W. Im**, A. Engel, T. Schirmer, B. Roux, and D.J. Muller
Imaging the Electrostatic Potential of Transmembrane Channels: Atomic Probe Microscopy of OmpF Porin. *Biophys. J.* 82:1667-1676 (2002).
16. **W. Im** and B. Roux
Brownian Dynamics Simulations of Ions Channels: A General Treatment of the Electrostatic Reaction Field for Molecular Pores of Arbitrary Geometry. *J. Chem. Phys.* 115:4850-4861 (2001)
17. **W. Im**, S. Berneche, and B. Roux
Generalized Solvent Boundary Potentials for Computer Simulations. *J. Chem. Phys.* 114:2924-2937 (2001).
18. B. Roux, S. Berneche and **W. Im**
Ion Channels, Permeation, and Electrostatics: Insight into the Function of KcsA. *Biochemistry* 39:13295-13306 (2000).
19. **W. Im**, S. Seefeld and B. Roux
Grand Canonical Monte Carlo - Brownian Dynamics Algorithm for Simulating Ion Channels. *Biophys. J.* 79:788-801 (2000).
20. M. Nina, **W. Im**, and B. Roux
Optimized Atomic Radii for Protein Continuum Electrostatics Solvation Forces. *Biophys. Chem.* 78:89-96 (1999).

21. **W. Im**, D. Beglov, and B. Roux
Continuum Solvation Model: Computation of Electrostatic Forces from Numerical Solutions to the Poisson-Boltzmann Equation. *Comput. Phys. Comm.* 111:59-75 (1998).
22. **W. Im** and Y. Won
Molecular Dynamics Simulation on Thermodynamic and Structural Properties of Liquid Hydrocarbons : Normal Alkanes. *bull. Korean Chem. Soc.* 15:852-856 (1994).

VI. BOOK CHAPTERS & THESIS

1. **W. Im** and C.L. Brooks III
Structure prediction of membrane proteins. *In* Computational Methods for Protein Structure Prediction and Modeling, Springer-Verlag Press, Ying Xu , Dong Xu, and Jie Liang Eds. in preparation (2005)
2. B. Roux, D. Beglov, and **W. Im**
Generalized Solvent Boundary Potentials for Computer Simulations. *In* Treatments of electrostatics interactions in computer simulations of condensed media, Santa Fe Workshop, L.R. Pratt and G. Hummer Eds. 492:473-491 (1999).
3. **W. Im**
The Role of Electrostatics in Ion Permeation and Selectivity of Biological Membrane Channels. Ph.D. Thesis. Cornell University. (2002)
4. **W. Im**
Molecular Dynamics Simulation on Thermodynamic, Structural, and Dynamic Properties of Liquid Alkanes and Liquid Acetonitrile. M. Sc. Thesis}. Hanyang University. (1996)