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## Research Mission

To identify and exploit structure-property relationships to design and optimize functional materials for, including but not limited to, electronic and optoelectronic applications. I explore the fundamental nature of materials including imperfections and their interaction with light. I aim to tackle technical challenges and to establish reliable theory to be able to calculate all properties of any materials via multiscale materials theory such as First-principles calculations and tight-binding modeling.

## Education

- **Ph.D. in Physics:** KAIST, Republic of Korea, 2016  
(*Dissertation: Theoretical study on doping efficiency in silicon nanowires* supervised by [Prof. K. J. Chang](#))
- **B.S. in Physics:** KAIST, Republic of Korea, 2010

## Academic Research Experience

- **Postdoctoral Research Associate**, Department of Materials, Imperial College London, 2017 - 2020  
(PI [Prof. Aron Walsh](#))
- **Postdoctoral Research Associate**, Department of Physics, KAIST, 2016 - 2017 (PI [Prof. K. J. Chang](#))
- **Undergraduate internship**, Department of Physics, University of Cambridge, 2006 (Advised by [Dr. Pietro Cicuta](#))

## Technical Skill

- First-principles calculations within the Density Functional Theory (DFT) framework and tight-binding modeling
- Experience in molecular dynamics simulations and finite-difference modeling
- Experience in VASP, QE, Wannier90, LAMMPS, GULP, Phonopy, etc.
- **Programing:** Python, Julia, C/C++, FORTRAN

## Extracurricular Activities

- United Nations peacekeeping mission ([UNIFIL](#))
- Swimming

## Publications

1. Andrea Crovetto, **Sunghyun Kim**, Moritz Fischer, Nicolas Stenger, Aron Walsh, Ib Chorkendorff, and Peter C. K. Vesborg, **Assessing the defect tolerance of kesterite-inspired solar absorbers**, [Energy Environ. Sci.](#), 2020, *Advance Article*.
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11. Ji-Sang Park, **Sunghyun Kim**, Samantha N. Hood, and Aron Walsh, **Open-circuit voltage deficit in  $\text{Cu}_2\text{ZnSnS}_4$  solar cells by interface bandgap narrowing**, [Appl. Phys. Lett.](#) 113, 212103 (2018).
12. Ji-Sang Park, **Sunghyun Kim**, and Aron Walsh, **Stability and electronic properties of planar defects in quaternary  $\text{I}_2\text{-II-IV-VI}_4$  semiconductors**, [J. Appl. Phys.](#) 124, 165705 (2018).
13. MinJoong Kim, **Sunghyun Kim**, Dong Hoon Song, Se Kwon Oh, Kee Joo Chang, and Eun Ae Cho, **Promotion of electrochemical oxygen evolution reaction by chemical coupling of cobalt to molybdenum carbide**, [Appl. Catal. B](#) 227, 340 (2018).
14. Ji-Sang Park, **Sunghyun Kim**, Zijuan Xie, and Aron Walsh, **Point defect engineering in thin-film solar cells**, [Nat. Rev. Mat.](#) 3, 194 (2018).
15. Bartomeu Monserrat, Ji-Sang Park, **Sunghyun Kim**, and Aron Walsh, **Role of electron-phonon coupling and thermal expansion on band gaps, carrier mobility, and interfacial offsets in kesterite thin-film solar cells**, [Appl. Phys. Lett.](#) 112, 193903 (2018).
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