

# Curriculum Vitae

Anna Renfrew

## **Education**

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PhD in Chemistry, Area of Specialisation: Medicinal Inorganic Chemistry <i>Swiss Federal Institute of Technology (EPFL), Lausanne, Switzerland.</i>	2006-2010
Masters in Chemistry (First Class) <i>The University of York, United Kingdom.</i>	2002-2006

## **Awards and Honours**

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Swiss National Science Foundation Postdoctoral Fellowship	2011-2013
ARC Discovery Early Career Researcher Award (DECRA)	2013-2016

## **Research Experience**

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<b>Current:</b> <i>Rational design of novel metal-based chaperones for tumour-selective drug delivery</i>	2013- present
<i>ARC DECRA Fellow at the University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia</i>	
Research areas: Drug delivery, Photochemistry, Inorganic chemistry	
<b>Postdoctoral research:</b> <i>Rational design of hypoxia selective anticancer drugs</i>	2011-2012
<i>Swiss National Science Foundation Postdoctoral Fellow at the University of Sydney, Sydney, Australia</i>	
Research areas: Anticancer drug design, Fluorescence microscopy, Inorganic chemistry	
<b>PhD:</b> <i>Novel organometallic ruthenium complexes for selective activation in tumour cells</i>	2006-2010
<i>EPFL, Lausanne, Switzerland</i>	
Research areas: Medicinal chemistry, Anticancer drug design, Organometallic chemistry	
<b>Masters:</b> <i>Spectroelectrochemical behaviour of [Ru(bpy)(CO)Cl<sub>3</sub>] and its derivatives</i>	2005-2006
<i>Universite Joseph Fourier, Grenoble, France.</i>	
Research areas: Electrochemistry, Inorganic chemistry, Catalysis	
<b>Undergraduate:</b> <i>Synthetic and X-ray fibre diffraction studies on Polyd(A)±Polyd(T) DNA</i>	2004-2005
<i>Institut Laue-Langevin, Grenoble, France.</i>	
Research areas: Structural biology, X-ray fibre diffraction	

## **Teaching Experience**

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Supervision of masters and honours project students	2008-2012
Laboratory demonstrator for second, third and fourth year students	2007-2010

## **Technical Skills**

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- Synthetic:* Synthesis and purification of air-sensitive organometallic and inorganic compounds using Schlenk and glove box techniques. Ligand orientated organic synthesis
- Analytical:* NMR (multinuclear, 2D), UV-Vis and IR spectroscopy. Electrospray ionisation mass spectrometry. Cyclic voltammetry. Structure solution and refinement of crystallographic data.
- Biological:* Maintenance of various cell lines. Cytotoxicity and uptake assays. Fluorescence and confocal microscopy. Gel electrophoresis. Protein crystallisation.

## **IT and language skills**

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- IT:* Use of scientific and processing software: Scifinder, ChemDraw, Origin, Scientist and Microsoft Word and Excel.
- Languages:* Native English, fluent French.

## **Conferences attended**

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International Conference of Bioinorganic Chemistry, Grenoble, France	2013
International Conference of Bioinorganic Chemistry, Vancouver, Canada	2011
Swiss Chemical Society fall meeting (Oral presentation)	2009
Hands on course in proteins and proteomics (University of Lisbon)	2008
Swiss Chemical Society fall meeting (Poster prize)	2008
Symposium on Medicinal Organometallic Chemistry, St. Martin in der Pfalz, Germany (Oral presentation)	2008
International Conference of Bioinorganic Chemistry, Vienna, Austria	2007

## **Publications**

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- 20) P. Govender, **A. K. Renfrew**, C. M. Clavel, P. J. Dyson, B. Therrien, G. S. Smith, Antiproliferative activity of chelating N,O- and N,N-ruthenium(II) arene functionalised poly(propyleneimine) dendrimer scaffolds, *Dalton Trans* **2011**, *40*, 1158-1167.
- 19) **A. K. Renfrew**, L. Juillerat-Jeanneret, P. J. Dyson, Adding diversity to ruthenium(II)-arene anticancer (RAPTA) compounds via click chemistry: the influence of hydrophobic chains, *J. Organomet. Chem.* **2011**, *696*, 772-779.

- 18) H. Amouri, J. Moussa, **A. K. Renfrew**, P. J. Dyson, M. Noelle Rager, L.-M. Chamoreau, Discovery, structure and anticancer activity of an iridium complex of diselenobenoquinone, *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2010**, *49*, 7530-7533.
- 17) **A. K. Renfrew**, A. E. Egger, R. Scopelliti, C. G. Hartinger, P. J. Dyson, Synthesis and characterisation of the water soluble bis-phosphine complex  $[\text{Ru}(\eta^6\text{-cymene})(\text{PPh}_2(o\text{-C}_6\text{H}_4\text{O})\kappa^2\text{-P}_2\text{O})(\text{pta})\text{Cl}]^+$  and an investigation of its cytotoxic effect, *Comptes Rendus Chimie* **2010**, *13*, 1144-1150 (*Invited publication*).
- 16) J. Mattsson, O. Zava, **A. K. Renfrew**, Y. Sei, K. Yamaguchi, P. J. Dyson, B. Therrien, Drug delivery of lipophilic pyrenyl derivatives by encapsulation in a water soluble metalla-cage, *Dalton Trans.* **2010**, 8248-8255.
- 15) A. E. Egger, C. G. Hartinger, **A. K. Renfrew**, P. J. Dyson, Metabolization of  $[\text{Ru}(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{H}_5\text{CF}_3)(\text{pta})\text{Cl}_2]$ : a cytotoxic RAPTA-type complex with a strongly electron-withdrawing ligand, *J. Biol. Inorg. Chem.* **2010**, *15*, 919-927.
- 14) **A. K. Renfrew**, R. Scopelliti, P. J. Dyson, The use of perfluorinated phosphines to provide thermomorphic anticancer complexes for heat-based tumour targeting, *Inorg. Chem.* **2010**, *49*, 2239-2246.
- 13) J. Schulz, **A. K. Renfrew**, I. Císovová, P. J. Dyson, P. Stepnicka, Synthesis and anticancer activity of chalcogenide derivatives and palladium(II) and platinum(II) complexes derived from a polar ferrocene phosphanyl-carboxamide, *Appl. Organomet. Chem.* **2010**, *24*, 392-397. *J. Organomet. Chem.* **2009**, *694*, 3470-3476.
- 12) G. Suss-Fink, F.-A. Khan, L. Juillerat-Jeanneret, P. J. Dyson, **A. K. Renfrew**, Synthesis and Anticancer Activity of Long-Chain Isonicotinic Ester Ligand-Containing Arene Ruthenium Complexes and Nanoparticles, *J. Cluster Sci.* **2010**, *21*, 313-324.
- 11) P. Govender, N. C. Antonels, J. Mattsson, **A. K. Renfrew**, P. J. Dyson, J. R. Moss, B. Therrien, G. S. Smith, Anticancer activity of multinuclear arene ruthenium complexes coordinated to dendritic polypyridyl scaffolds, *J. Organomet. Chem.* **2009**, *694*, 3470-3476.
- 10) **A. K. Renfrew**, A. D. Phillips, E. Tapavicza, R. Scopelliti, U. Rothlisberger, P. J. Dyson, Tuning the Efficacy of Ruthenium(II)-Arene (RAPTA) Antitumor Compounds with Fluorinated Arene Ligands, *Organometallics* **2009**, *28*, 5061-5071.
- 9) F. Hartl, **A. K. Renfrew**, F. Lafosset, T. Mahabiersing, M. J. Calhorda, S. Chardon-Noblat, M. Haukka, A. Deronzier, Soluble Redox-Active Polymetallic Chains  $\{[\text{Ru}_0(\text{CO})(\text{L})(\text{bpy})]_m\}_n$  ( $\text{bpy} = 2,2'\text{-bipyridine}$ ,  $\text{L} = \text{PrCN, Cl-}$ ;  $m = 0, -1$ ): Electrosynthesis and Characterization, *Inorg. Chem.* **2009**, *48*, 8233-8244.
- 8) J. Mattsson, P. Govindaswamy, **A. K. Renfrew**, P. J. Dyson, P. Stepnicka, G. Suss-Fink, B. Therrien, Synthesis, Molecular Structure, and Anticancer Activity of Cationic Arene Ruthenium Metallarectangles, *Organometallics* **2009**, *28*, 4350-4357.
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- 5) **A. K. Renfrew**, A. D. Phillips, A. E. Egger, C. G. Hartinger, S. S. Bosquain, A. A. Nazarov, B. K. Keppler, L. Gonsalvi, M. Peruzzini, P. J. Dyson, Influence of Structural Variation on the Anticancer Activity of RAPTA-Type Complexes: ptn versus pta, *Organometallics*, **2009**, *28*, 1165-1172.
- 4) S. Chardon-Noblat, **A. Renfrew**, F. Lafosset, A. Deronzier, M. Jakonen, E. Laurila, M. Haukka, An easy electrochemical and chemical synthesis of  $[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})(\text{CH}_3\text{CN})_2\text{Cl}_2]$ : a synthon for heteroleptic tris(diimine) Ru(II) complexes, *Dalton Trans.* **2008**, 5891-5896.
- 3) M. Gras, B. Therrien, G. Suess-Fink, P. Stepnicka, **A. K. Renfrew**, P. J. Dyson, Water-soluble arene ruthenium complexes containing pyridinethiolato ligands: Synthesis, molecular structure, redox properties and anticancer activity of the cations  $[(\eta^6\text{-arene})\text{Ru}(p\text{-SC}_5\text{H}_4\text{NH})_3]^{2+}$ , *J. Organomet. Chem.* **2008**, *693*, 3419-3424.
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