

# Aditi Seshadri

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## Education

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**Cornell University** Ithaca, NY  
PhD in Chemical Engineering *August 2023 - present*

**University of Rochester** Rochester, NY  
Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering *May 2022*  
○ **Minor:** Computer Science, **Cluster:** Linguistics

## Honors and Awards

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### University of Rochester

- Cum Laude & High Distinction in Chemical Engineering
- Meliora Alumni Scholarship and New York State Merit Scholarship *2018 - 2022*
- Dean's List *2018 - 2021*
- Patrick P. Lee Foundation Scholarship *2020 - 2022*
- Tau Beta Pi Engineering Honor Society *Fall 2021 - present*
- Discover Grant, University of Rochester *Summer 2021*

## Programming Skills

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- Python, Java, C, R, LabVIEW, MATLAB
- Relevant AI/ML Courses: Introduction to Statistical Machine Learning, Introduction to Artificial Intelligence

## Research Experiences

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**Project Assistant, University of Rochester** *Fall 2022*  
○ Exploring Molecular Structure-Odor Relationships with Explainable AI (Advisor: Dr. Andrew White)

**Independent Research, University of Rochester** *Fall 2021 - Spring 2022*  
○ Examining the Use of Counterfactuals and Descriptor Explanations in Scent Prediction (Advisor: Dr. Andrew White)

**Summer Research, University of Rochester** *Summer 2021*  
○ Predicting Molecular Scent with Graph Neural Networks and Counterfactuals (Advisors: Dr. Andrew White and Dr. Ignacio Franco)

**Independent Research Project, Allendale Columbia School** *2017 - 2018*  
○ Chemical Cytotoxicity Research using Machine Learning Techniques (Advisors: Dr. Jeffrey Lawlis and Dr. David Giacherio)

**Summer Internship, Perception For Movement (PerForM) Lab, Rochester Institute of Technology** *Summer 2017*  
○ Eye Tracking and Machine Vision Research (Advisor: Dr. Gabriel Diaz)

**Summer Internship, Department of Chemistry, Nazareth College** *Summer 2016*  
○ Algal Bloom Research of Waters in the Lower Genesee Watershed (Advisors: Dr. David Giacherio and Dr. Padmini Das)

## Publications and Preprints

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- Wellawatte, G. P., **Seshadri, A.**, & White, A. D. (2022). Model agnostic generation of counterfactual explanations for molecules. *Chemical Science*, 13(13), 3697-3705.
- Wellawatte, G. P., Gandhi, H. A., **Seshadri, A.**, & White, A. D. (2023). A Perspective on Explanations of Molecular Prediction Models. *Journal of Chemical Theory and Computation*, 19(8), 2149-2160.
- **Seshadri, A.**, Gandhi, H., Wellawatte, G., & White, A. (2022). Why does that molecule smell? *ChemRxiv*. doi:10.26434/chemrxiv-2022-vs838 This content is a preprint and has not been peer-reviewed.

## Professional Activities

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**American Institute of Chemical Engineers, University of Rochester** *2019 - 2022*

**Engineers for a Sustainable World Club, University of Rochester** *2019 - 2022*

- XPRIZE Carbon Removal Student Competition (Team Meliora Emissions, University of Rochester) *2021*
- US Department of Energy Solar Decathlon Design Challenge (University of Rochester Team) *2020 - 2021*

**Toy Adaptation Program, University of Rochester** *2019 - 2020*

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