## **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

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**EDUCATION** 

2018-Present University of Puerto Rico at Rio Piedras San Juan, PR

B.S. in Chemistry

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Jan 2020- present Synthesis, characterization, and biological applications

of Adamantane Ferrocenyl Derivatives

Mentor: Ingrid Montes, Ph.D.

University of Puerto Rico at Rio Piedras

May 2018- Aug 2018 Protein interactions and self-assembly of HIV-1 maturation

San Juan, PR

Mentor: Marvin Bayro, Ph.D.

Molecular Sciences Research Center

## **RESEARCH INTEREST**

Our main goal in Dr. Ingrid Montes' Lab is to synthetize, characterize and evaluate biological applications of ferrocenyl chalcones and ferrocenyl derivatives. My project is focused on the synthesis of adamantyl and ferrocenyl derivatives as potential anticancer compounds. Other scaffolds such as urea, thiourea and amide are incorporated in the proposed compounds to enhance their biological activity. The structures of these compounds will be further confirmed utilizing characterization techniques such as <sup>1</sup>H-NMR, <sup>13</sup>C-NMR, XRD, IR and UV-Vis.

#### **HONORS AND AWARDS**

- RISE UPRRP fellow 2020
- Dean's Honor List 2020
- Dean's Honor List 2019

# **PRESENTATIONS**

• Protein interactions and self-assembly in HIV-1 maturation

Short-Term Research Experience for Underrepresented Person (STEP-UP) at the National Institute of Health, Bethesda, MA

August 2018

### **EXTRACURRICULAR**

2020- present Organic Chemistry Majors course's Mentor San Juan, PR QUIM-3451/QUIM-3452 2020-present Member of the American Chemistry Society (ACS) San Juan, PR Board member: Magic Show coordinator Founder of Undergraduate Scientific Enhancement for Puerto Rico (USEPR) 2020-present San Juan, PR 2020-present Alternate Student at the University of Puerto Rico-University Board San Juan, PR 2019-2020 Academic Student Senator at the University of Puerto Rico-Río Piedras San Juan, PR 2019-2020 General Chemistry course's Mentor San Juan, PR QUIM-3001/QUIM-3002 2019-2020 Member of the Society for Advancing Chicanos/Hispanics & Native Americans in Science (SACNAS) San Juan, PR Board member: Outreach coordinator Member of the UPRRP General Student Council 2018-2019

San Juan, PR

Board member: Recording Secretary