Researcher profile (portfolio) form for potential research supervisors of postgraduate track participants in the Global Universities Association International Olympiad for graduate and postgraduate applicants.

University English language proficiency Applicant's postgraduate program	Tomsk polytechnic university C1 Organic chemistry
List of research projects of a potential research supervisor (participation/leadership) List of possible research topics	 Photochemical C-H modification of polyhydroxylated compounds Synthesis of antiviral drugs based on uronic acid disaccharides Total synthesis of natural low molecular weight plant metabolites with carbohydrate motifs New materials based on cyclodextrins and polysaccharides
	Chemical sciences Supervisor's research interests



Research supervisor:

Elena V. Stepanova,

Candidate of Science in organic chemistry (TPU, 2014)

Supervisor's research interests

Carbohydrate chemistry

Total synthesis

Protective groups in carbohydrates

Research highlights (if applicable):

- Cooperation with the Institute of Organic Chemistry (IOC RAS, Moscow) and the Royal Institute of Technology (KTH, Stockholm): long business trips/internships are possible
- Employment under programs and grants (researcher engineer with the possibility of transfer to junior researcher)

Supervisor's specific requirements:

- Basics of organic synthesis
- NMR spectroscopy
- Laboratory skills (safe work in the lab of organic chemistry)
- High motivation

Supervisor's main publications

- Shatskiy A, Stepanova EV, Kärkäs MD. Exploiting photoredox catalysis for carbohydrate modification through C– H and C–C bond activation Nature Reviews Chemistry. 2022; DOI: 10.1038/s41570-022-00422-5
- Shatskiy A, Axelsson A, **Stepanova EV**, Liu JQ, Temerdashev AZ, Kore BP, Blomkvist B, Gardner JM, Dinér P, Kärkäs MD. Stereoselective synthesis of unnatural α-amino acid derivatives through photoredox catalysis. Chemical science. 2021;12(15):5430-7.
- Fedorova DD, Nazarova DS, Avetyan DL, Shatskiy A, Belyanin ML, Kärkäs MD, Stepanova EV. Divergent Synthesis of Natural Benzyl Salicylate and Benzyl Gentisate Glucosides. Journal of Natural Products. 2020 Oct 3:83(10):3173-80.
- Romanova DA, Avetyan DL, Belyanin ML, **Stepanova EV**. Synthesis of Salicaceae Acetyl Salicins Using Selective Deacetylation and Acetyl Group Migration. Journal of natural products. 2020 Mar 19;83(4):888-93.
- **Stepanova EV**, Nagornaya MO, Filimonov VD, Valiev RR, Belyanin ML, Drozdova AK, Cherepanov VN. A new look at acid catalyzed deacetylation of carbohydrates: A regioselective

synthesis and reactivity of 2-O-acetyl aryl glycopyranosides. Carbohydrate research. 2018 Mar 22;458:60-6.