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Professional Experience

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6/2016 - 7/2022	Associate professor (Tenured), Department of Chemical Engineering, University of
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9/2010 - 06/2016	Assistant professor, Department of Chemical Engineering, University of
	Massachusetts Amherst, USA.
9/2011 - present	Faculty member, Catalysis Center for Energy Innovation, Energy Frontier Research
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Post-tenure	
2021	2021-22 iCons Teaching Fellow
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2016	Outstanding College of Engineering Teaching Award, UMass Amherst

Pre-tenure

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2014 - 2017	3M Non-Tenured Faculty Award
2014 - 2016	Anhui One Hundred Scholar, China (Visiting Scholar)
2011	Keynote Speaker for the Young Investigator Symposium on Japanese
	Chemical Engineering Society Annual Meeting
2004 - 2007	International Student Fellowship of the University of Tokyo, Japan
2007	Excellent Overseas Chinese Student Award, Ministry of Education of China
2002 - 2004	Panasonic Scholarship, Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.
2004	Best Poster Presentation of 2004 Asian Pacific Confederation of Chemical
	Engineering Congress (APCChE)
2000	Outstanding Graduate of USTC and Anhui Province
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International Collaboration Experience

- "Development of catalytic processing for production of aromatics from cofeeding of methanol with Furan" 09/2019 to 08/2022; PI: Prof. Huiyong Chen, Northwest University (China) Consultant: Wei Fan Travelling grant: 100K RMB Visit China once during the project period, and consult the project. No research funding for Fan's research group. Nation Science Foundation of China, No. 21978238;
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Selective Publications and Creative Activities

Articles in refereed journals (Published, Total number: 110, H-index = 43, Citation: >5500, based on Web of Science, publicose.com, 09/03/2021)

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- (2) Invited Wei Fan, Development of Hierarchical Zeolite Catalysts for Chemicals Conversion, University of Maryland, Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, TBD, 2021 Fall
- (3) Invited Wei Fan, Development of Zeolite Catalysts for Production of Renewable Chemicals, University of Missouri, Department of Biomedical, Biological, and Chemical Engineering, 08/24/2021
- (4) Invited Wei Fan, Development of Zeolite Catalysts for Production of Aromatics from Lignocellulosic Biomass, UMass Amherst Chemistry Department, Amherst, MA, 12/12/2019
- (5) Invited Wei Fan, Expanding the Scope of Fluoride-free Siliceous Zeolite Syntheses, The 20th Chinese Zeolite Conference, Hangzhou, China, 10/25/2019
- (6) Invited Wei Fan, Investigation of Surface Barrier During Molecular Transport in Hierarchical Zeolites, Shanghai Petrochemical, Shanghai, China 10/25/2019
- (7) Invited Wei Fan, Development of hierarchical zeolites with enhanced mass transport for bulky chemical conversion, Nanotech 2019 Conference and Expo, Boston, MA, 6/18/2019

- (8) Invited Wei Fan, Development of P containing zeolite catalysts for production of aromatics from lignocellulosic biomass, Hokkaido University, Hokkaido, Japan, 05/23/2019
- (9) Invited Wei Fan, Development of P containing zeolite catalysts for production of aromatics from lignocellulosic biomass, Tokyo Institute of Technology, Yokohama, Japan, 05/09/2019
- (10) Invited Wei Fan, Development of P containing zeolite catalysts for production of aromatics from lignocellulosic biomass, Yokohama National University, Yokohama, Japan, 04/25/2019
- (11) Invited Wei Fan, Development of P containing zeolite catalysts for production of aromatics from lignocellulosic biomass, Japan Society for the Promotion of Science (JSPS), The 13th meeting of Frontier Research and Development Committees, Tokyo, Japan, 04/08/2019
- (12) Invited **Wei Fan**, Unexpected Long Walks in Hierarchical Porous Materials with Combined Surface and Configurational Diffusion, APS March Meeting, Advances in Hierarchical Systems: Theory and Experiments, Boston, MA, 03/06/2019
- (13) Invited Wei Fan, *Production of Renewable p-Xylene from 2, 5-Dimethylfuran and Ethylene*, <u>UMass</u> Lowell, Chemical Engineering Department, 11/8/2018,
- (14) Invited Wei Fan, Broadening the Scope for Siliceous Zeolites Synthesis Using Dry Gel Conversion, North-East Corridor Zeolite Association, University of Pennsylvania, 12/14/2018
- (15) Keynote Wei Fan, Unexpected Long Walks in Hierarchical Porous Materials with Combined Surface and Configurational Diffusion, International Symposium on Mesoporous Zeolites, Boston, 08/22/2018
- (16) Invited Wei Fan, *Production of Renewable p-Xylene from 2, 5-Dimethylfuran and Ethylene*, <u>Guangzhou Institute of Energy Conversion Chinese Academy of Sciences</u>, Guangzhou, China, 07/23/2018
- (17) Invited Wei Fan, Production of Renewable p-Xylene from 2, 5-Dimethylfuran and Ethylene, <u>King Abdullah University of Science and Technology</u>, Thuwal, Saudi Arabia, 11/01/2017
- (18) Invited Wei Fan, Investigation of Enhanced Mass Transport and Surface Barrier in Hierarchical Zeolites, 9th Sino-US Joint Conference of Chemical Engineering (SUCE 2017), Beijing, China 10/15/2017
- (19) Invited **Wei Fan**, Development of Hierarchical Zeolite Catalysts for Production of Renewable Chemicals, <u>University of Villanova</u>, Villanova, PA, 12/08/2016
- (20) Invited Wei Fan, Mass transport in Hierarchical Porous Materials due to Combined Surface and Configurational Diffusion, Shanghai Petrochemical, Shanghai, China 11/02/2016
- (21) Invited Wei Fan, *Ultra-selective production of renewable p-Xylene from dimethylfuran*, The International Symposium on Energy Chemistry & Materials (ISECM), <u>University of Science and Technology of China</u>, Hefei, China 10/29/2016
- (22) Invited Wei Fan, Development of Hierarchical Zeolite Catalysts with Enhanced Mass Transport for Bulky Molecule Reactions, MRS, OnDemand, Webinar Series 10/05/2016

Pre-tenure

- (23) Invited **Wei Fan**, Development of Hierarchical Zeolite Catalysts for Production of Renewable Chemicals, NYCS Spring Annual Spring Symposium, <u>Rutgers University</u>, NJ, 03/23/2016
- (24) Invited Wei Fan, Development of Hierarchical Zeolite Catalysts for the Production of Renewable Chemicals, Chemical Engineering Department, University of Massachusetts Amherst, MA, 01/26/2016
- (25) Invited Wei Fan, Development of Hierarchical Zeolite Catalysts for the Production of Renewable Chemicals, South China University of Technology, Guangzhou, China 12/18/2015
- (26) Invited Wei Fan, Development of Hierarchical Zeolite Materials for Ultra-Fast Gas Separation, King Abdullah University of Science & Technology, Saudi Arabia, 09/07/2015
- (27) Invited Wei Fan, Development of Hierarchical Zeolite Catalysts with Enhanced Mass Transport for Bulky

- Molecule Reactions, Gordon Research Conference, Nanoporous Materials & Their Applications, Holderness School, NH, 08/13/2015
- (28) Invited **Wei Fan**, Development of Hierarchical Zeolite Catalysts for Production of Renewable Chemicals, <u>University of Tokyo</u>, Japan, 07/03/2015
- (29) Invited **Wei Fan**, Development of Hierarchical Zeolite Catalysts for Production of Renewable Chemicals, Philadelphia Catalysis Club, Philadelphia, PA, 05/07/2015
- (30) Invited Wei Fan, One-step Synthesis of Hierarchical ZSM-5 without Using Secondary Template and Their Mass Transport and Catalytic Properties, W.R. Grace, Columbia, MD, 01/07/2015
- (31) Invited Wei Fan, Base Free, One-pot Synthesis of Lactic Acid from Glycerol Using a Bifunctional Pt/Sn-MFI catalyst, Frontiers in Biorefining 2014, St. Simons Island, GA, 10/22/2014
- (32) Invited Wei Fan, Development of Hierarchical Zeolite Catalysts for Bulky Molecule Reactions, Chemistry Department, Boston College, Boston, MA, 10/02/2014
- (33) Invited Wei Fan, Silica Nanoparticle Coatings by Adsorption from Lysine Silica Nanoparticle Sols on Inorganic and Biological Surface, 3M, St. Paul, MA, 6/11/2014
- (34) Invited Wei Fan, Advances in Zeolite Catalysis and Synthesis, 247th ACS meeting, Dallas, TX, 03/17/2014
- (35) Invited Wei Fan, One-step Synthesis of Hierarchical ZSM-5 without Using Secondary Template and Their Mass Transport Properties, Chevron company, Richmond, CA, 11/05/2013
- (36) Invited Wei Fan, Silica Nanoparticle Coatings by Adsorption from Lysine Silica Nanoparticle Sols on Inorganic and Biological Surface, Gansu Chinese Medical School, Lanzhou, China, 05/20/2013
- (37) Invited Wei Fan, Rapid Synthesis of Sn-Beta and Their Application in Biomass Conversion, Nippon Chemical Industries, Japan, 01/16/2013
- (38) Invited Wei Fan, Hydrothermal Synthesis of Zeolites with Three-Dimensionally Ordered Mesoporous-Imprinted Structure, University of Tokyo, Japan, 01/15/2013
- (39) Invited Wei Fan, Hierarchical Microporous Materials: Rational and Designable Heterogeneous Catalysts for Renewable Energy, Nanjing University, Nanjing, China, 01/09/2013
- (40) Invited Wei Fan, Hierarchical Microporous Materials: Rational and Designable Heterogeneous Catalysts for Renewable Energy, University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, China, 01/10/2013
- (41) Invited Wei Fan, Investigation of Crystallization Mechanism of Zeolites using Small Angle X-ray Scattering, Small Angle X-ray Scattering Master Class, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, 05/01/2012
- (42) Invited Wei Fan, Hydrothermal Synthesis of Zeolites with Three-Dimensionally Ordered Mesoporous-Imprinted Structure, Materials Chemistry Division, VIT, India, 09/06/2012
- (43) Keynote Wei Fan, Hydrothermal Synthesis of Zeolites with Three-Dimensionally Ordered Mesoporous-Imprinted Structure, Keynotes on Asian International Symposium, 92nd Annual Meeting of The Chemical Society of Japan, Tokyo, Japan, 03/27/2012
- (44) Invited Wei Fan, Hydrothermal Synthesis of Zeolites with Three-Dimensionally Ordered Mesoporous-Imprinted Structure, University of Florida, Chemical Engineering Department, 03/19/2012
- (45) Invited Wei Fan, Hydrothermal Synthesis of Zeolites with Three-Dimensionally Ordered Mesoporous-Imprinted Structure, TMS Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, 03/15/2012
- (46) Invited Wei Fan, Hydrothermal Synthesis of Zeolites with Three-Dimensionally Ordered Mesoporous-Imprinted Structure, Chemical Engineering, Worcester Polytechnic Institute, MA, 2/29/2012
- (47) Invited Wei Fan, Hydrothermal Synthesis of Zeolites with Three-Dimensionally Ordered Mesoporous-Imprinted Structure, Chemistry Department, <u>University of Maine</u>, ME, 2/17/2012
- (48) Invited Wei Fan, Hydrothermal Synthesis of Zeolites with Three-Dimensionally Ordered Mesoporous-

Competitively Awarded Research Grants

Post-tenure

- **Department of Energy,** Basic Energy Sciences Catalysis Center for Energy Innovation, PI: Wei Fan,
 - Title: "Development of Phosphorus Containing Zeolite Catalysts for Biomass Conversion",
 Funding: \$321,000, Period: August 2018 September 2022
- Department of Energy, Basic Energy Sciences

PI: Scott Auerbach; CO-PI: Wei Fan,

• Title: "Integrated Synthesis and Modeling Study on the Roles of Heteroatoms and Structure-Directing Agents in Zeolite Formation",

Funding: \$630,000, (50% Fan) Period: August 2018 – August 2022

• Sinopec Shanghai Petroleum Chemical Engineering Research Institute

PI: Wei Fan

Title: "Fundamental Understanding of Mass Transport in Hierarchical Zeolites",
 Funding: \$210,000, Period: August 2021 – August 2024

• Nanoblue Inc China,

Title: "Development of Zeolite Catalysts in Diesel Engine Emission Control",
 Funding: \$200,000, Period: December 2021 - August 2023
 PI: Wei Fan

ACS PRF

PI: Friederike C. Jentoft; CO-PI: Wei Fan

• Title: "Identification and Design of Sites for Methane Conversion to Higher Alkanes under Mild Conditions",

Funding: \$110,000, Period: August 2018 – August 2020

ACS PRF

PI: Henning H. Winter; CO-PI: Wei Fan

o Title: "Fabrication of Two-dimensional zeolite nanosheets using telechelic liquid polybutadiene", Funding: \$110,000, Period: August 2017 – August 2019

National Science Foundation

PI: Kevin Kittilstved, Co-PI: Dhandapani Venkataraman, Wei Fan, Friederike Jentoft

o Title: "MRI: Acquisition of a modern powder X-ray diffractometer with in-situ capabilities", Funding: \$ 259,528, Period: August 2017 - August 2020

• National Science Foundation

PI: Kevin Kittilstved, Co-PI: Dhandapani Venkataraman, Wei Fan, Friederike Jentoft

Title: "S-STEM Overcoming Barriers for Transfer Students in the Engineering Pipeline",
 Funding: \$ 632,369, Period: August 2015 - August 2021

• Nation Science Foundation of China 100,000 RMB 09/2019 – 08/2022

"Development of catalytic processing for production of aromatics from cofeeding of methanol with Furan" (PI: Huiyong Chen, Northwest University (China); Consultant: Wei Fan UMass Amherst)

100K RMB is for travelling grant. Visit China once during the project period, and consult the project. No research funding for Fan's research group.

• Ministry of Science and Technology of China 50,000 RMB 06/2018 – 05/2021

"Mechanism of catalytic production of jet fuel from lignocellulosic biomass using base solid Catalysts" (PI: Qi Zhang, Guangzhou Institute of Energy (China), Chinese Academy of Sciences Consultant: Wei Fan UMass Amherst)

50 K RMB is for travelling grant. Visit China once during the project period, and consult the project. No research funding for Fan's research group.

Pre-tenure

Department of Energy, Basic Energy Sciences - Catalysis Center for Energy Innovation,

PI: Wei Fan, Co-PI: Friederike Jentoft

o Title: "Selective Hydrolysis of Cellulose into Glucose",

Funding: \$220,000, Period: August 2014 - September 2018. PI: Wei Fan

- o Title: "Development of Bifunctional Zeolite Catalyst for Production of Aromatics from Biomass", Funding: \$220,000, Period: August 2014 September 2018. PI: Wei Fan
- University of Massachusetts Amherst, International Program Office
 - Title: "Advance Internationalization of UMass Education and Research in Materials Science"
 Funding: \$4000, Period: September 2015 September 2016
 PI: Wei Fan

Reliance Inc.

o Title: "Cotton Stalk/Straw Bio-Crude for Renewable Biofuels and BTX from Biomass" Funding: \$75,000 (80% Fan), Period: September 2014 - August 2015

PI: Wei Fan, Co-PI: Triantafillos J. Mountziaris and Curt Conner

National Science Foundation, CBET,

• Title: "Developing Dynamic Mean Field Theory to Model Separations with Inorganic Mesoporous Membranes: Combined Theoretical and Experimental Study",

Funding: \$ 327,038 (50% Fan), Period: August 2014 - August 2018

PI: David Ford, Co-PI: Peter Monson, Wei Fan

- Joint Program between Anhui province, China, and Act-blue Inc, "Hundred Talents Program of Anhui Province, China"
 - o Title: "Development of Small Pore Zeolites for NOx Control in Automobile Emission Control", Funding: \$80,000, Period: August 2014 August 2016

PI: Wei Fan

- 3M Corporation, Nontenured Faculty Award,
 - Title: "Engineering Porous Materials for Biorefinery and Biomedical applications",
 Funding: \$45,000, Period: January 2013 December 2016

PI: Wei Fan

CSP Technologies Inc.,

Title: "Adsorption Capacity of Volatile Organic Compounds"
 Funding: \$6,000, Period: May 2013 - March 2014
 PI: Wei Fan

CSP Technologies Inc.,

Title: "Investigation of CO Production from Polymer/4A Zeolite Composite"
 Funding: \$12,000, Period: March 2013 - December 2013.
 PI: Wei Fan

Rive Technology Inc.

Title: "Analyzing Mass Transport in Mesoporous Zeolites"
 Funding: \$2,000, Period: May 2013 - December 2013.
 PI: Wei Fan

- Department of Energy, Basic Energy Sciences Catalysis Center for Energy Innovation,
 - Title: "Selective Hydrolysis of Cellulose by Solid Catalysts in Water"
 Funding: \$93,227, Period: September 2013 August 2014
 PI: Wei Fan
- Department of Energy, Basic Energy Sciences Catalysis Center for Energy Innovation,
 - Title: "Catalytic Insertion for Conversion of Furans to Alkylated Aromatics"
 Funding: \$223,627(50% Fan), Period: September 2013 August 2014
 PI: Paul J. Dauenhauer, Co-PI: Wei Fan

The grant supports Fan's group on the development of Lewis zeolites for ultra-high selective production of p-xylene from dimethlyfuran.

- Department of Energy, Basic Energy Sciences Catalysis Center for Energy Innovation,
 - Title: "Selective Hydrolysis of Cellulose by Solid Catalysts in Water" Funding: \$105,588, Period: September 2012 August 2013. PI: Wei Fan
- Department of Energy, Basic Energy Sciences Catalysis Center for Energy Innovation,
 - Title: "Catalytic Insertion for Conversion of Furans to Alkylated Aromatics"
 Funding: \$223,627(50% Fan), Period: September 2012 August 2013
 PI: Paul J. Dauenhauer, Co-PI: Wei Fan

The grant supports Fan's group on the development of zeolite Beta for ultra high selective production of p-xylene from dimethlyfuran.

- Department of Energy, Basic Energy Sciences Catalysis Center for Energy Innovation,
 - Title: "Catalytic Insertion for Conversion of Furans to Alkylated Aromatics (e.g. Xylenes)" Funding: \$ 223,627 (50% Fan), Period: August 2011 - July 2012.

PI: Paul J. Dauenhauer, Co-PI: Wei Fan

The grant supports Fan's group on the synthesis of zeolites for conversion of furans to alkylated aromatics.

Educational Activities

Teaching Activities

Courses were taught at the University of Massachusetts Amherst:

- Chemical Engineering 625, Graduate course in Reaction Engineering
 - o Teaching from 2015 to 2019
- Chemical Engineering 226, Undergraduate course in Thermodynamics I
 - o Taught from 2011 to present
- Chemical Engineering 590D, Graduate and senior undergraduate elective course in Nanomaterials Chemistry and Engineering (Developed by Fan)
 - o Taught from 2011 to 2014, 2021
- Chemical Engineering 290A, Undergraduate elective course in Introduction to Renewable Energy
 - o Two lectures on Conversion of lignocellulosic biomass into fuels and Chemicals
 - o Taught in Fall from 2011 to 2019
- Chemical Engineering 390C, Design and Testing of the Chemical Engineering Car
 - o Teaching from 2016 to 2018

- Chemical Engineering 401, Undergraduate Senior Lab
 - o Two experiments were taught in the fall of 2010 (Methanation and Ion exchange)

Mentoring of Graduate & Undergraduate Students and Postdoctoral Scholars

Graduate Students Advised (16):

Graduated

1. Ph.D. Sanket Sabnis 9/2015 - 9/2020

Research Topic: Synthesis of Zeolite Catalyst with Precisely Controlled Active Site Locations

2. Ph.D. Vivek Vattipalli 9/2013 - 9/2018

Research Topic: Mass Transport in Hierarchical Porous Materials and Application in Mesoporous Membrane

Starting at BASF, USA

3. Ph.D. Xiaoduo Qi 9/2012 - 4/2019

Research Topic: The Investigation of Surface Barrier During Molecular Transport in Zeolite Nanoparticles

Starting at BASF, China

4. Ph.D. Hong Je Cho 9/2011- 9/2016

Research Topic: Development of Lewis/metal Bifunctional Catalysts for Biomass Conversion Starting at University of Delaware as a postdoc and working at Intel Corporation, USA

5. Ph.D. Paul Dornath 9/2010 - 8/2015

Research Topic: Development of Heterogeneous Catalyst for Hydrolysis of Cellulose, Starting at Micromidas, A renewable plastics company located at West Sacramento, CA

6. Ph.D. Chun-Chih Chang 9/2010 - 8/2015

Research Topic: Development of Heterogeneous Catalyst for Production of Aromatic Chemicals from Biomass Derived Furans

Starting at W.R. Grace, Core R&D, at Columbia, MD,

7. Ph.D. Qiyu Liu 7/2017-7/2019 (Exchange Student from University of Science and Technology of China)

Research Topic: Selective depolymerization of cellulose into water soluble oligomers and glucose

8. Ph.D. Qiaozhi Ma 7/2017-7/2019 (Exchange Student from University of Science and Technology of China)

Research Topic: Development of bifunctional catalyst for lignin conversion

9. Ph.D. Guangyue Xu 5/2017-5/2018 (Exchange Student from University of Science and Technology of China)

Research Topic: Hydrothermal stability of zeolite catalysts

10. Ph.D. Chao Li 8/2012 - 8/2014 (Exchange Student from South China University of Technology)

Research Topic: Development of Hierarchical Zeolites for Biomass Conversion

11. Ph.D. Chen Yu Hong 3/2013-3/2014 (Exchange Student from National Taiwan University)

Research Topic: Drug Delivery System with Hierarchical Porous Materials

12. Ph.D. Huiyong Chen 9/2010 - 9/2011 (Co-advised with Prof. Michael Tsapatsis, UMN)

Research Topic: Synthesis of Hierarchical Zeolites for Reaction Involving Bulky Molecules

Current Affiliation: Associate Professor at Northwest University, Xi'an, China

In Progress

13. Ph.D. Jason Gulbinski

Research Topic: Synthesis of Phosphorus-Containing Zeolite Catalysts for Biomass Conversion

14. Ph.D. Song Luo

Research Topic: Investigation of Zeolite Crystallization Mechanism Using Computational and Experimental Methods

15. Ph.D. Kaivalya Gawande

Research Topic: Synthesis of Hierarchical Zeolites with Improved Mass Transport and Separation in Alkane/Alkene

16. Ph.D. Yachan Liu

Co-advised with Prof. Peng Bai

Postdoctoral Scholars and Visiting Scholars Advised (9):

1. Post-Doc: Dr. Qiyu Liu 10/2019-10/2020

Research Topic: Selective Depolymerization of Cellulose into Oligomers and Glucose

Current Affiliation: South China University of Technology, China

2. Post-Doc: Zhuopeng Wang 4/2011-4/2013

Research Topic: Development of Hierarchical Zeolites for Biomass Conversion

Current Affiliation: Jilin University, China

3. Visiting Scholar: Prof. Xiaoli Wang 12/2018-01/2020 (Inner Mongolia University, China)

Research Topic: Development of Natural Zeolites for Removal of Heavy Ions

Current Affiliation: Inner Mongolia University, China

4. Visiting Scholar: Prof. Feijian Chen 11/2018-12/2019 (Bengbu Normal College, China)

Research Topic: Synthesis of Hierarchical Zeolites by Rational Design of Organic Structure Directing Agent

Current Affiliation: Bengbu Normal College, China

5. Visiting Scholar: Prof. Huiyong Chen 09/2017-08/2018 (Northwest University, China)

Research Topic: Development of Bifunctional Zeolite Catalysts for Biomass Conversion

Current Affiliation: Northwest University, China

6. Visiting Scholar: Prof. Xiangke Guo 10/2017-9/2018 (Nanjing University, China)

Research Topic: Synthesis of Phosphorous Containing Zeolite Catalysts

Current Affiliation: Nanjing University, China

7. Visiting Scholar: Prof. Hongjuan Wang 8/2016-9/2017 (South China University of Technology, China)

Research Topic: Synthesis of metal oxides for electronic catalysis

Current Affiliation: South China University of Technology, China

8. Visiting Scholar: Prof. Junliang Wu 8/2016-9/2017 (South China University of Technology, China)

Research Topic: Synthesis of metal nanoparticles encapsulated zeolite catalysts for oxidation of VOCs

Current Affiliation: South China University of Technology, China

3. Visiting Scholar: Prof. Yongfei Li 9/2015-9/2016 (Xiangtan University, China)

Research Topic: Development of Lewis Acid Zeolites for the Conversion of Biomass into Fuels and Chemicals

9. Visiting Scholar: Prof. Jinsheng Gou 6/2014-6/2015 (Beijing Forestry University, China)

Research Topic: Conversion of Furan into Aromatics Using Bifunctional Zeolite Catalysts

Current Affiliation: Associate Professor, Beijing Forestry University, China

Wei Fan, University of Massachusetts Amherst

Undergraduate Students Advised (33):

Supported REU Students in Summer:

- 1. B.S. Alexander Engstrom, REU student supported by NSF Chemistry Program in Chemistry Department of UMass, *Analysis of Structure Directing Agent Sizes and Ratios in LTA Zeolite Synthesis*, 2019
- 2. B.S. Li Zhang, REU student supported by NSF Chemistry Program in Chemistry Department of UMass, *Investigation of Effects of Heteroatoms on The Structure of Zeolite Gel*, 2018
- 3. B.S. Abdul Mughis Paracha, REU student supported by DOE from University of Delaware, *Synthesis of CHA zeolites for DeNOx application*, 2017
- 4. B.S. Helen Hua, REU student supported by NSF Chemistry Program in Chemistry Department of UMass, *Depolymerization of crystalline cellulose using ball-milling method*, 2017
- 5. B.S. Jason Gulbinski, REU student supported by DOE from University of Delaware, *Dehydration of Alcohols Using Lewis Acid Zeolite Catalysts*, 2015
- 6. B.S. Syed Hussain, REU student supported by NSF Chemistry Program in Chemistry Department of UMass, *Aldo Condensation Reactions Using Bronsted and Lewis Acid Zeolite Catalysts*, 2015
- 7. B.S. Stephen Ruzycky, REU student supported by DOE from UMass Amherst, *Development of Bifunctional Carbon Catalyst for Hydrolysis of Cellulose*, 2014
- 8. B.S. Kyle Whitcomb, REU student supported by DOE from UMass Amherst, *Facile Synthesis of Hierarchical ZSM-5 for Biomass Conversion*, 2013
- 9. B.S. Sanaz Taghvaii, REU student supported by DOE from University of Delaware, *Synthesis of Hierarchical Zeolites with Controllable Mesoporosity*, 2012

Honor College Research Thesis Students:

- 10. B.S. Sydney Foster, Undergraduate Research Thesis: Inexpensive Synthesis of High-Silica CHA Zeolite
- 11. B.S. Tam Nguyen, Honor College Research Thesis: *Ion-exchange of Ag*⁺ with mesoporous LTA zeolites
- 12. B.S. Michael Stellato, Honor College Research Thesis: Controlled Synthesis of CHA from Zeolite Phase Transformation
- 13. B.S. Nicholas Barberio, Honor College Research Thesis: *Understanding of Surface Barrier Phenomena in Hierarchical Zeolites*
- 14. B.S. Dimitri Livitz, Honor College Research Thesis: Facile Synthesis of Hierarchical Zeolites without Using Hard Template

Independent Study in Research Group:

- 15. B.S. Anshula Kale, Research Topic: Development of MOF materials of stabilization of Vitamin C (Current)
- 16. B.S. Kirby Yen, Research Topic: Investigation of crystal structure of zeolites using XRD (Current)
- 17. B.S. Mahidhar Lakkavaram, Research Topic: Development of porous materials for drug delivery (Current)
- 18. B.S. Jonathan Delaney, Research Topic: P Zeolite Catalysts for Alcohols Dehydration
- 19. B.S. Jonathan Chen, Research Topic: Rapid Synthesis of SSZ-13 Zeolites
- 20. B.S. Neal Chadha, Research Topic: Synthesis of SSZ-13 Using Dry Gel Conversion Method
- 21. B.S. Abdul Mughis Paracha, Research Topic: *Crystallization Process of SSZ-13 Zeolite*Rising Researcher Award 2018
- 22. B.S. Sydney Foster, Research Topic: Synthesis of SSZ-13 Catalyst Using Tetraethylammonium Hydroxide
- 23. B.S. Nicholas Lines, Research Topic: Synthesis of Alkali Supported Clay Catalyst for Combustion of Soots
- 24. B.S. Xuanting Wang, Research Topic: *Characterization of Lewis Acid Zeolite Catalysts*Rising Researcher Award 2015
- 25. B.S. Miles Sakwa-Novak, Research Topic: Growth Mechanism of Silica Nanoparticles

- 26. B.S. Timothy Coogan, Research Topic: *Zero Length Chromatography* (Co/advised with Prof. Paul Dauenhauer)
- 27. B.S. Sanaz Taghvaii, Research Topic: Hydrothermal Stability of Three Dimensionally Ordered Mesoporous Imprinted Zeolites
- 28. B.S. Raymond Chan, Research Topic: Synthesis of Mesoporous LTL and MOR Using Carbon Template
- 29. B.S. Hiu Fai Yeung, Research Topic: Synthesis of Ag Containing Zeolite in Cellulose Nanofiber for Water Purification (Co/advised with Prof. Jessica Schiffman)
- 30. B.S. Nathan Abraham, Research Topic: Synthesis of Solid Lewis Acid Catalyst-Nb₂O₅
- 31. B.S. Alex Stephen, Research Topic: Synthesis of 3DOm Carbon and Ordered Mesoporous ZSM-5
- 32. B.S. Anthony Valle, Research Topic: Effects of Calcination on the Catalytic Activity of Zeolite Catalysts
- 33. B.S. Wayne Lee, Research Topic: Synthesis of 3DOm Carbon with Controlled Morphology