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Education

University of New Mexico, Albuquerque	Mathematics	B.S., <i>Cum Laude</i> , 1972
University of New Mexico, Albuquerque	Chemistry	B.S., <i>Magna cum Laude</i> , 1972
University of California, Berkeley	Physical Chemistry	Ph.D., 1976

Research Interests

Surface Chemistry and Catalysis; structure-function relations in catalysis by Au, cerium oxide and carbon; metal support interactions in catalysis; surface chemistry of oxygenates; electron-proton reactions at electrochemical interfaces, effect of adsorbed cations on O₂ evolution reaction; mesoporous materials; emission control catalysis; *operando* spectroscopy of model catalysts; soft x-ray photoemission for analysis of surface chemisorbates; x-ray absorption for analysis of redox processes in catalysts

Professional Experience:

2006–p Senior R&D Staff /Catalysis Theme Leader (2006-2011), Chemical Functionality Group, Center for Nanophase Materials Sciences, Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL)
1985–p Group Leader, Surface Chemistry and Catalysis Group, Chemical Sciences Division, ORNL
2009–p Leader for Thrust 3, FIRST Energy Frontier Research Center, ORNL
1994–1995 Section Head (Acting), Materials Chemistry, Chemical Sciences Division, ORNL

Professional and Synergistic Activities:

2011 Director, Southeastern Catalysis Society
2010 Co-Organizer, Neutrons for Catalysis: A Workshop on Neutron Scattering Techniques for Studies in Catalysis, ORNL, Sept. 16-17, 2010
2009 Co-Organizer, Catalysis for Fuel Chemistry Symposium, ACS 237th National Meeting, Salt Lake City, Utah, Mar. 22-26, 2010
2009–p Editorial Board, *Catalysis Letters*, *Catalysis Communications*, *Topic in Catalysis*
2009–p Officer, Southeastern Catalysis Society
2006–2007 Participant, DOE Basic Research Needs Workshop in Combustion, 2006; in Catalysis, 2007
2006 Catalysis Committee, GOLD 2006 International Conference, Limerick, Ireland, Sept. 3-6, 2006
2006–2011 External Advisory Committee, Catalysis and Energy Processes Institute, Northwestern University, Chicago, Illinois
2003 Organizer, National Laboratory Catalysis Conference, Oak Ridge, TN
2002 Workshop Leader, RFA for Nanostructured Materials for Ultra-Selective Catalysis Workshop, Center for Nanophase Materials Sciences, ORNL
2001 Lead PI, Successful NSET Proposal “Nanocatalysis: Synthesis, Properties and Mechanisms,”
1999 Personnel Exchange, Phillips Petroleum Research Lab
1989–1990 Member, ORNL Seed Money Committee
1988 Program Co-Chair, 35th International AVS Symposium & Exhibition, Lakewood, Colorado

Memberships, *American Chemical Society*, *Tennessee Valley Chapter of American Vacuum Society*

Honors and Awards:

2002 Battelle S&T Challenges Award
1992; 1989 Martin Marietta Energy System (MMES) Publication Award
1987 MMES Technical Achievement Award

Selected Peer-Reviewed Publications (>100 publications in refereed journals and books) *Select List follows CV.*

Collaborators (Last 4 Years; Outside ORNL):

W. Dmowski (Univ. of TN-Knoxville); T. Egami (Univ. of TN-Knoxville); A. Egbebi (Louisiana State Univ.); B. Eichhorn (Univ. of Maryland); S. H. Sun (Brown Univ.); J. J. Spivey (Louisiana State Univ.); M. Flytzani-Stephanopoulos (Tufts Univ.); V. Gulians (Univ. of Cincinnati); R. J. Harrison (Univ. of TN-Knoxville); B. Jang (Texas A&M); S. Pantelides (Vanderbilt Univ.); S. Rashkeev (Idaho National Laboratory); C. S. Song (Pennsylvania State Univ.)

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PUBLICATIONS

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Peer-Reviewed Publications (>100 publications in refereed journals and books)

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