



## Profile

### Work Experience:

- 1.East China University of Science and Technology (ECUST), P.R. China, 2010.1- present  
Faculty, Chemical Engineering Department, Professor
- 2.Pacific Northwest National Laboratory (PNNL) U.S.A., 2007 – 2009.11  
Postdoctoral research associate  
Research focuses on Self-assembled Materials (nanoscale materials and porous solids) (in the group of Dr. Jun Liu).
- 3.Technical University of Denmark (DTU) Denmark, 2005 - 2006  
Postdoctoral research associate in Center for Sustainable and Green Chemistry Research mainly on hierarchical-porous zeolites synthesis (zeolites modified with larger pores), nano gold catalysts for CO Removal and aerobic oxidations (in the group of Profs. Claus Hvidt Christensen)
- 4.Jacobs University Bremen (JUB) Germany 2003 - 2005  
Postdoctoral research associate in School of Engineering and Sciences  
Research mainly on mesoporous material functionalization with gold nanoparticles and activity in catalytic aerobic oxidation of cyclohexane, syntheses of high-surface area materials through silica (super critical fluids and ionic liquids), controlled formation of nano metal oxides (in the group of Prof. Ryan Richards)

### Teaching Experience:

Teaching Surface Chemistry and Applications for undergraduates, Surface Chemistry and Catalysis for graduates.

### Education:

- 1.Ph. D in Physical Chemistry, Department of Chemistry, Fudan University, China (2003). Advisor: Prof. Heyong He
- 2.M.S. in Physical Chemistry, Modern Physics Institute, North West University of China (2000). Advisors: Prof. Yubin Wang and Zhenyi Wen
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## Research Field

- 1.Zeolite synthesis and catalytic applications  
2.Methane dry reforming catalyst design  
3.Porous sorbents and separations

## Research results and main published thesis

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- 7.Zhang Y. F., Ding H. X., Li L. Y., Zhu K. K.\*, Liu J. C.\* Generating nanocrystalline SAPO-34 through bead-milling and porogen-assisted recrystallization: Structural evolution and catalytic consequence in dimethyl ether-to-olefin conversion, *Appl. Catal. A-Gen.*, 2022, 632, 2022, 118483.
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- 10.Zhao X. L., Zeng S., Zhang X. L., Deng Q. Z., Li X. J., Yu W. G., Zhu K. K.\*, Xu S. T.\* Liu J. C., Han L.\* Generating assembled MFI nanocrystals with reduced b-axis through structure-directing agent exchange induced recrystallization, *Angew. Chem. -Int. Ed.*, 2021, 60, 13959-13968. (Hot paper).
- 11.Liu Z. X., Gao F. F., Zhu Y.-A., Liu Z. C., Zhu K. K., Zhou X. G., Bi-reforming of methane with steam and CO<sub>2</sub> under pressurized conditions on a durable Ir-Ni/MgAl<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> Catalyst, *Chem. Commun.*, 2020, 56, 13536-13539. (Cover story).
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