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### **RESEARCH MISSION STATEMENT**

To advance water separation processes via fundamental research and technology development for addressing critical challenges of water and resource sustainability.

#### **EDUCATION**

2012 Ph.D. Environmental Engineering, Duke University (Advisor: Prof. Mark Wiesner)

2011 M.Sc. Environmental Engineering, Duke University

2006 B.Sc. Environmental Engineering, Harbin Institute of Technology

### **PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS**

Vanderbilt University

Associate Professor (2021-present), Assistant Professor (2015-2021)

Dept. of Civil and Environmental Engineering (primary)

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Yale University

Postdoctoral Associate (2013-2014)

Dept. of Chemical and Environmental Engineering (Advisor: Prof. Menachem Elimelech)

Co-founder of Aquatrino LLC. (sine 2023)

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### EDITORSHIP AND EDITORIAL ADVISORY BOARD

2023 Section Editor, Journal of Water Process Engineering (Elsevier)

2021 Associate Editor, Resources, Conservation, and Recycling (Elsevier)

2020 Associate Editor, Chemical Engineering Journal Advances (Elsevier)

2019-2022 Associate Editor, Journal of Water Process Engineering (Elsevier)

- 2021 Editorial Advisory Board, Journal of Membrane Science Letters (Elsevier)
- 2020 Early Career Editorial Advisory Board, ACS ES&T Engineering (ACS)
- 2020 Early Career Editorial Advisory Board, Environmental Science & Technology (ACS)
- 2021 Lead Editor of Special Issue on "Mining Resources from Water" in *Resources*, *Conservation, and Recycling* (Elsevier)
- 2020 Guest Editor of Special Issue on "Sustainable Membrane Materials, Systems, and Processes", *Chemical Engineering Journal Advances* (Elsevier)

- 2020 Guest Editor of Special Issue on "Energy Efficient Desalination", Desalination (Elsevier)
- 2019 Guest Editor of Special Issue on "Advanced Functional Materials for Environmental Applications" in *Environmental International* (Elsevier)

### AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

- 2023 Chancellor Faculty Fellow, Vanderbilt University
- 2023 Invited Speaker, Blavatnik U.S.-Israel Scientific Forum, National Academy of Sciences
- 2023 Excellence in Graduate Student Mentoring Award, Vanderbilt University
- 2023 Walter L. Huber Civil Engineering Research Prize, American Society of Civil Engineers
- 2023 WIMEK Research Fellowship, Wageningen University
- 2022 Highly Cited Researcher, Clarivate
- 2022 Best Paper Award, ACS ES&T Engineering
- 2022 Rising Star, ACS Environmental Au
- 2022 Excellence in Review Award, ACS ES&T Engineering
- 2021 High Impact Paper Award, Vanderbilt Institute of Nano Science and Engineering
- 2021 Emerging Investigator, Environmental Science: Water Research & Technology
- 2020 James J. Morgan Early Career Award (Honorable Mention), ES&T and ES&T Letters
- 2020 Excellence in Review Award, *Environmental Science & Technology (ES&T)*
- 2020 Paul L. Busch Award, Water Research Foundation
- 2020 Young Investigator Award, Chinese American Professors in Environmental Engineering and Science (CAPEES)
- 2020 High Impact Paper Award, Vanderbilt Institute of Nano Science and Engineering
- 2019 High Impact Paper Award, Vanderbilt Institute of Nano Science and Engineering
- 2017 ExCEEd Fellowship, American Society of Civil Engineering
- 2016 Frontier of Engineering Symposium Participant, National Academy of Engineering
- 2016 Doctoral New Investigator Award, ACS Petroleum Research Foundation
- 2016 Ralph E. Powe Junior Faculty Award, Oak Ridge Associated Universities
- 2013 Graduate Student Award, ACS Environmental Chemistry

### RESEARCH

### **Journal Publications**

**Snapshot:** >110 peer-reviewed publications, Google Scholar citations > 10,000 and H-index=51 (Please refer to <u>Google Scholar</u> for a complete list of publications)

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## Invited or Keynote Technical Presentations (Selected)

- 1. "Membrane-based Processes for Li/Mg Separation", Tongji University, 11/8/2023
- 2. "Membrane-based Processes for Li/Mg Separation", Tsinghua University, 11/6/2023
- 3. "Membrane-based Processes for Li/Mg Separation", Institute of Process Engineering, Chinese Academy of Sciences, 11/5/2023
- 4. "Membrane-based Processes for Li/Mg Separation", 5<sup>th</sup> International Water Association— Resource Recovery, Shenzhen, 11/2/2023
- "Performance Metrics, Process Innovation, and Membrane Design for Selective Ion Separation: Li/Mg Separation as an Example", New Jersey Institute of Technology, 10/9/2023
- 6. "Moving Ions to Achieve Greater Sustainability" Oak Ridge National Laboratory, 8/22/2023
- "Performance Metrics for Nanofiltration-based Selective Separation for Resource Extraction and Recovery", International Water Association-Membrane Technology Conference, Washington University St. Louis, MI, 7/24/2023
- 8. "Electro-dialytic Crystallization", Battery Deionization and Electrochemical Separation, Taipei, 7/4/2023
- 9. "Evaluating Performance of Nanofiltration-based Selective Solute Separation", North America Membrane Society Annual Conference, Tuscaloosa, AL, 5/16/2023
- 10. "New approaches to mitigate wetting and scaling in membrane distillation" North America Membrane Society Annual Conference, Tuscaloosa, AL, 5/16/2023
- 11. "Moving Ions to Achieve Greater Sustainability", University of Missouri, MI, 4/21/2023
- 12. "Foundational framework for evaluating performance of nanofiltration-based solute-solute separation", International Congress on Separation and Purification Technology, 12/11/2022 (virtual)
- 13. "Moving Ions to Achieve Greater Sustainability" Clarkson University, 12/2/2022 (virtual)
- 14. "Nanofiltration for Li/Mg separation" Inaugural ORNL-Vanderbilt Collaborative Workshop, Nashville, TN, 11/21/2022
- 15. "Energy efficiency of desalination and zero liquid discharge", Southern University of Science and Technology, China, 6/23/2022 (virtual)
- 16. "Selectivity in solute-solute separation: definitions, measurements, and comparability" 5<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Desalination using Membrane Technology, 11/16/2021(virtual)
- 17. "Energy efficiency of desalination", Louisiana State University, 4/23/2021 (virtual)
- 18. "Energy efficiency of desalination", University of New Haven, 4/2/2021 (virtual)
- 19. "Mechanism and mitigation strategies of fouling, wetting, and scaling in membrane distillation", University of California Riverside, 01/22/2021 (virtual)
- 20. "Material strategies to overcome fouling, wetting, and scaling in membrane distillation", Drylands, Deserts, and Desertification conference (Israel), 11/17/2020 (virtual)
- 21. "Control of membrane failure" MIT Innotherm panel on Membrane Distillation for Desalination, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 11/10/2020 (virtual)
- 22. "Toward Selective Solute Separation for Sustainable Water and Wastewater Treatment", Paul L. Busch Award Lecture, 10/29/2020 (virtual)

- 23. "Energy efficiency of desalination", University of Southern California, 09/14/2020 (virtual)
- 24. "Pore Wetting and Mineral Scaling in Membrane Distillation: Mechanisms and Solutions", Georgia Institute Technology, 10/30/2019
- 25. "Energy efficiency of desalination", Dalian University of Technology, 8/14/2020 (virtual)
- 26. "Progress in understanding and mitigating fouling, wetting, and scaling in membrane distillation", Xiamen University, Xiamen, China, 07/02/2019
- 27. "Energy Efficiency and Performance Evaluation for Capacitive Deionization", Shanghai Jiaotong University, Shanghai, China, 06/26/2019
- 28. "Energy Efficiency of Desalination" Sun Yet-sen University, Guangzhou, Guangdong, China, 06/21/2016
- 29. "Energy Efficiency of Desalination", University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, Anhui, China, 06/20/2019
- 30. "Performance Evaluation for Capacitive Deionization", University of Science and Technology of China, Hefei, Anhui, China, 06/20/2019
- 31. "Energy Efficiency of Desalination and Design Principles of NF Membranes", Suzhou Institute of Nano-Tech and Nano-Bionics, Suzhou, Jiangsu, China, 06/17/2019
- 32. "Capacitive Deionization: Energy Efficiency and System Operation" Shandong University, Qingdao, Shandong, China, 06/11/2019
- 33. "Progress in understanding and mitigating fouling, wetting, and scaling in membrane distillation", Shandong University, Shandong, China, 06/11/2019
- 34. "Capacitive Deionization: Energy Efficiency and System Operation" Harbin Institute of Technology, Harbin, Heilongjiang, China, 06/05/2019
- 35. "Pore wetting in membrane distillation: detection, mechanism, and solution", Shanghai Advanced Research Institute, Shanghai, China, 06/02/2018
- 36. "Energy Efficiency of Desalination", Tianjin Polytechnic University, Tianjin, China, 05/29/2019
- 37. "Energy Efficiency of Desalination", Nankai University, Tianjin, China, 05/28/2019
- 38. "Energy Efficiency of Desalination and Research Activities in the Lin Lab", Institute of Process Engineering of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China, 05/24/2019
- "Energy Efficiency of Desalination and Research Activities in the Lin Lab", Research Center for Eco-Environmental Research of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China, 05/22/2019
- 40. "Pore wetting in membrane distillation: detection, mechanism, and solution", University of Tennessee, Knoxville, TN, 04/19/2018
- 41. "Wetting in membrane distillation: relevance, detection, dynamics, and solution", Tennessee State University, Nashville, TN, 09/28/2017
- 42. "Developing anti-wetting and anti-fouling membranes for membrane distillation with challenging applications", Dow Company, Lake Jackson, TX, 07/18/2017
- 43. "Anti-fouling and anti-wetting membrane distillation using membranes with special wettability" U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center, Vicksburg, MS, 04/19/2017

- 44. "Membrane-based desalination: fundamentals, challenges, and potential areas for technical innovations", Chinese Academy of Science, Suzhou Institute of Nano-Tech and Nano-Bionics, Suzhou, Jiangsu, China, 12/30/2016
- 45. "Developing anti-fouling and anti-wetting membranes for membrane distillation" Huazhong University of Science and Technology, Wuhan, Hubei, China, 12/27/2016
- 46. "Developing anti-fouling and anti-wetting membranes for membrane distillation" Sun Yetsen University, Guangzhou, Guangdong, China, 12/21/2016
- 47. "Developing anti-fouling and anti-wetting membranes for membrane distillation" Ji-nan University, Guangzhou, Guangdong, China, 10/14/2016
- 48. "Membrane-based desalination: fundamentals, challenges, and potential areas for technical innovations", Oak Ridge National Lab, Oak Ridge, TN, 12/30/2016
- 49. "Expanding the Versatility of Membrane Distillation via Materials Innovation", Clemson University, Clemson, SC, March, 2016
- 50. "Membrane distillation for improving sustainability at water-energy-environment nexus", University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI, February, 2014
- 51. "Membrane distillation: thermodynamic analysis and novel membrane development", University of Massachusetts, Amherst, MA, September, 2014

## Past and Current Research Sponsors

National Science Foundation (6 projects), Bureau of Reclamation, Desalination and Water Purification Research (2 projects), Strategic Environmental Research and Development Program (3 projects), National Energy Technology Laboratory, Department of Energy (2 projects), National Alliance of Water Innovation, Department of Energy, Consortium for Risk Evaluation with Stakeholder Participation, Office of Naval Research, Water Research Foundation, US-Israel Binational Agricultural Research and Development Fund, American Society of Chemistry Petroleum Research Fund, Environmental Protection Agency, Discovery Grant Program, Vanderbilt University, Seeding Success Grant, Vanderbilt University, Venture Well

## **TEACHING AND MENTORING**

## Courses Taught

- CE 3600 Environmental Engineering
- CE 3100W Civil and Environmental Laboratory (co-teach)
- ENVE 4625/5625 Environmental Separation Processes
- ENVE 4605/5605 Environmental Thermodynamics, Kinetics, and Mass Transfer

## **Graduate Student Supervised**

**Current Graduate Students (with selected awards)** 

- Rayan Alghanayem (PhD student, Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering)
- Jin Zhang (PhD student, Civil and Environmental Engineering)
- Abigail Cafferty (PhD student, Civil and Environmental Engineering)
- Sk Md Ali Zaker Shawon (PhD student, Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering)
- Joshua Livingston (PhD student, Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering)
- Weifan Liu (PhD student, Civil and Environmental Engineering)

- Siyuan Feng (PhD student, Civil and Environmental Engineering)
- Rui Chen (PhD student, Civil and Environmental Engineering)
- Ariel Roh (MSc student, Civil and Environmental Engineering)
- Past Graduates (with selected awards while at Vanderbilt)
  - Ruoyu Wang (PhD 2023, Postdoc at Yale University)
    - o 2023 CAPEES/Elsevier Outstanding Graduate Student Award
    - o 2023 ACS Environmental Chemistry Graduate Student Award
    - o 2019/2020 Carl E. Adams Graduate Award
  - Thomas (Drew) Horseman (PhD 2022, currently Senior Engineer in Linkan Engineering)
    - o 2022 AIChE Separation Division Graduate Student Research Award
    - o 2022 M. Douglas LeVan Award for Distinguished Record of Graduate Research
    - o 2022 Chain Reaction Innovation at ANL-Finalist
    - o 2020 DOE Solar Desalination Prize
  - Yuanzhe Liang (PhD 2020, currently Assistant Professor at Oregon State University)
    - o 2020 Graduate Student Best Paper Award, Interdisciplinary Material Science
  - Kofi Christie (PhD 2020, currently Assistant Professor in Louisiana State University)
    - o 2020 Princeton Presidential Postdoctoral Research Fellowship
    - 2016 NSF Graduate Research Fellowship
  - Li Wang (PhD 2019, currently Full Professor in Tongji University, China)
    - o 2019 Carl E Adams Best Paper Award, Dept. of Civil and Environmental Engineering
    - o 2019 Best Poster Award, International Conference on CDI&E
    - o 2019 ACS Environmental Chemistry Graduate Student Award
  - Zhangxin Wang (PhD 2018, currently Full Professor at Guangdong University of Technology)
    - o 2017 Best Student Paper Award, CAPEES
    - o 2016 Carl E Adams Best Paper Award, Dept. of Civil and Environmental Engineering
    - 2016 ACS Environmental Chemistry Graduate Student Award
  - Yuanmiaoliang Chen (MSc 2018, currently Research Associate in Guangdong University of Technology)
    - o 2018 National University of Singapore President's Graduate Fellowship

## **Undergraduate Student Supervised**

Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering

Chiwon Oh, Derek Gloudemans, Jacob Van Geffen

Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering

Penelope Fries, Riley Miller, Molly Friedman, Nicholas Lowes, Sydney Juda, Irfan Iskandar Jasmi, Victoria Yao

## **Postdoc Supervised**

- Longqian Xu (current)
- Ruoyu Wang (currently postdoctoral associate at Yale University)
- Yu-xi Huang (currently associate professor at Sun Yet-sen University, China)

## **Visiting Students Supervised**

- Zhichao Xia (2023, Undergraduate student at University of Science and Technology China)
- Yujiao Li (2019-2020, PhD student at Institute of Process Engineering, CAS)
- Chunlei Su (2018-2019, PhD student at Institute of Process Engineering, CAS)
- Fei Gao (2018-2019, currently at Tiangong University, China)
- Linglong Shan (2018, currently research associate at Institute of Process Engineering, CAS)

## Visiting Scholar Hosted

- Yanhong Shi (2019-2020, currently associate professor at Institute of Process Engineering, Chinese Academy of Sciences)
- Fei Shen (2017-2018, currently associate professor at Institute of Process Engineering, Chinese Academy of Sciences)
- Huixia Lu (2017-2018, currently associate professor at Nankai University)
- Deyin Hou (2015-2016, currently Professor at Research Center for Eco-environmental Sciences, Chinese Academy of Sciences)

## PhD Dissertation Committee (not primary supervisor)

- Zane Parkerson (Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, VU)
- Allison Cordova Huaman (Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, VU)
- Guanyu Zhu (Civil and Environmental Engineering, New Jersey Institute of Technology)
- Nicholas Craven (Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, VU)
- Zezhou Yang (Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, VU)
- Andrew Naclerio (Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, VU)
- Zekun Liu (Chemical and Environmental Engineering, University of California Riverside, defended in 2023)
- John Waugh (Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, VU, defended in 2023)
- Alyssa Nelson (Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, VU, defended in 2023)
- Zhihao Shang (Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, VU, defended in 2022)
- Hanqing Fan (Earth and Environmental Engineering, Columbia U, defended in 2022)
- Justin Gilmer (Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering, VU, defended in 2022)
- Matthew Fitzgeral (Mechanical Engineering, VU, defended in 2022)
- Imri Atlas (Mechanical Engineering, Technion, Israel, defended in 2022)
- Liudmyla Prozorovska (Interdisciplinary Material Science, VU, defended in 2021)
- Yanjie Zheng (Mechanical Engineering, VU, moved to Princeton in 2021)
- Matthew D. Gerboth (Interdisciplinary Material Science, VU, defended in 2020)
- Ke (Jack) Ding (Civil and Environmental Engineering, VU, defended in 2020)
- Nathaniel J. Barnes (Civil and Environmental Engineering, VU, defended in 2020)
- Mengya Li (Mechanical Engineering, VU, defended in 2018)
- Andrew S. Westover (Mechanical Engineering, VU, defended in 2016)

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AND MEMBERSHIPS**

#### **Service in Professional Societies**

- Committee member, Conference Site Selection Committee, Association of Environmental Engineering and Science Professors (AEESP), 2022-present
- President, association of Chinese American Professors in Environmental Engineering and Science (CAPEES), 2022-present
- President-elect and strategic communication officer, association of Chinese American Professors in Environmental Engineering and Science (CAPEES), 2019-2022

### **Professional Society Memberships**

- American Chemical Society (ACS)
- American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE)
- Association of Environmental Engineering and Science Professors (AEESP)
- American Water Works Association (AWWA)
- International Water Association (IWA)
- North American Membrane Society (NAMS)
- Chinese American Professors in Environmental Engineering and Science (CAPEES)

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## **Reviewer for Funding Agencies and Programs**

**United States** 

- National Science Foundation
- Department of Energy
- National Alliance of Water Innovation
- Uniformed Services University Center for Global Health Engagement (DOD)
- SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory
- ACS Petroleum Research Foundation

International

- Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council of Canada (NSERC)
- Israeli Ministry of Science Technology, and Space
- The German-Israeli Foundation for Scientific Research and Development
- NWO Wetsus Partnership Program (Netherland)
- Luxembourg National Research Fund (FNR)
- Austrian Science Fund (FWF)
- King Abdullah University of Science and Technology
- King Abdulaziz City for Science and Technology
- United Arab Emirates University (UAEU)
- Competitive Research Grants (CRG) program KAUST (Saudi Arabia)
- Nazarbayev University Research Council, Kazakhstan
- The U.S. Egypt Science and Technology Joint Fund
- U.S.-Israel Binational Science Foundation
- Research Grant Council of Hong Kong

• Hong Kong Innovation & Technology Commission (HK-ITC)

## **Reviewer for Academic Journals**

As a Frequent Reviewer

Environmental Science & Technology, Environmental Science & Technology Letters, Energy and Environmental Science, ACS ES&T Engineering, Water Research, Desalination, Journal of Membrane Science, Environmental Science: Water Research & Technology, Environmental Science: Nano, Journal of Material Chemistry A

**Others (selected)** 

Science, Science Advances, Natuer Water, Nature Nanotechnology, Nature Sustainability, Nature Communication, Joule, Advanced Materials, ACS Nano, ACS Energy Letter, ACS Sustainable Chemistry & Engineering, Nano Letter, Progress in Material Science, Progress in Polymer Science, Journal of Colloid and Interface Science, Langmuir, Journal of Electrochemical Society, AIChE Journal, Advance in Colloid and Interface Science

## **Conference Session Organizer/Chair (selected)**

- Membrane Synthesis, International Water Association-Membrane Technology Conference, July 23-26, 2023
- Drinking Water Treatment, International Water Association-Membrane Technology Conference, July 23-26, 2023
- Membrane Separation: Performance and Fouling Control, AEESP2022 Conference, St. Louis, June 28-30, 2022
- Electrified Water Treatment Processes, American Society of Chemistry Fall Meeting, Atlanta, August 21-25, 2021
- 5<sup>th</sup> International CDI&E conference, Atlanta, GA, USA, May 11-14, 2021 (changed to Virtual due to COVID 19)
- AIChE Sustainable Waste Management Workshop, Glasgow UK, September 11-12, 2020
- Molecular and Process Modeling, North American Membrane Society (NAMS) 29th Annual Meeting, Tempe, AZ, (changed to virtual due to COVID 19)
- Gordon Research Conference: Materials and Processes, NH, August 12-17, 2018
- Membranes for Water Treatment: Membrane Distillation, North American Membrane Society (NAMS) 27th Annual Meeting, Lexington, KY, June 10-13, 2018
- Membranes for water treatment: special synthesis and water remediation, North American Membrane Society (NAMS) 27th Annual Meeting, Lexington, KY, June, 2018
- Advanced Membrane Materials, Gordon Research Conference: Membranes: Materials and Processes, New London, New Hampshire, July 31- August 5, 2016
- Membranes: Water Treatment, 2015 AEESP Research and Education Conference, Yale, New Haven, Connecticut, June 12-16, 2015
- Membranes: Processes, 2015 AEESP Research and Education Conference, Yale, New Haven, Connecticut, June 12-16, 2015

## Service within Vanderbilt University (selected)

- Vanderbilt Sustainability, Energy, and Climate Institute Research Committee (2023)
- VUceptor (2023)
- Internal Awards Review Committee, 2022-present
- Undergraduate Honor Council, 2021-present
- Undergraduate Advisor (Class of 2019 and 2024)
- Faculty Search Committee, CEE (2017, 2023), ChBE (2022)
- University Working Group on Schools and Childcare, 2021-present
- Oversight and Management Policy Committee (EnvE), 2017-present
- Director of Graduate Recruiting (EnvE), 2016-present