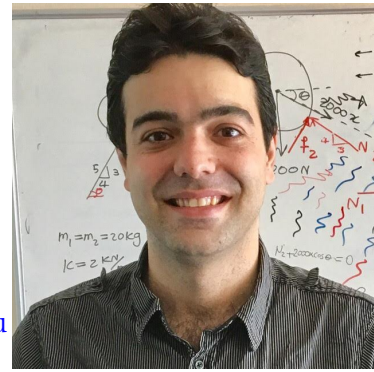


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- **MSc** in Mechanical Engineering, Caltech, Pasadena, CA Sep'09 - Jun'10
- **BSc** in Mechanical Engineering (**top 5%**), Sharif U of Tech, Tehran, Iran Sep'05 - Jun'09
- **BSc** in Civil Engineering (**top 2%**), Sharif U of Tech, Tehran, Iran Sep'04 - Jun'08

Previous Employments:

- Visiting Associate, Chemical Eng/Env Sci, Caltech, Pasadena, CA Aug'18 - Aug'19
- Lecturer, Mechanical and Civil Engineering, Bahçeşehir University, Istanbul, Turkey Sep'16 - Aug'18
- Postdoctoral Scholar, Material Sci. & Eng., UCLA, Los Angeles, CA Jun'15 - Aug'16
- Research Assistant, Caltech, Pasadena, CA Sep'09 - May'15
- Intern Researcher, FARAB hydropower plant Co, Tehran, Iran. Jun'07 - Sep'07
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- Qatar National Research Fund (Masri Institute at AUB): \$50K May'20
- University Research Board Research Grant: \$30K Apr'20
- International Travel grant from AUB: \$2.5K Mar'20
- Internal grant competition award for research advancement: \$60K+\$40K Nov'17
- Entrepreneurship awards (KOSGEB + BIGG): \$100K Nov'17, May'18

Honors:

- Senior-level engineering job offers from [Tesla](#) and [Intel](#). Jun '16
- **American Institute of Physics** interview on extending battery's lifetime : [\[AIP\]](#), [\[Phys.org\]](#), [\[ChemEurope\]](#). Oct'15
- **Cover Image**, The Journal of Chemical Physics: [\[Link\]](#) Oct'15

- CNN interview on a novel method for electrochemical treatment of wastewater. [CNN] May'13
- SolidWorks cover design. [SolidWorks] Jun'13
- 1st Prize: Grant Challenge, *Gates Foundation* ,[Science], [CNN], [Reuters] Aug'12
- Graduate Fellowship, California Institute of Technology, Pasadena, CA Sep'09
- Top 2%, Undergraduate class, Sharif U of Tech, Tehran, Iran Sep'04 - Jun'09
- 6/15000+, National Civil Engineering Olympiad, Iran Jul'08
- 1/500000+, National non-profit college entrance exam, Iran Jun'04

Publications:

1. Asghar Aryanfar, S. Medlej, A. Tarhini, S. R. Damadi, A. R. Tehrani, W. A. Goddard III: *3D percolation modeling for predicting the thermal conductivity of graphene-polymer composites*: **Computational Materials Science (Q1)** - 97, 110650. **2021**
2. Asghar Aryanfar, I. Sanal, J. Marian: *Percolation-Based Image Processing for the Plastic Viscosity of Cementitious Mortar with Super Absorbent Polymer*: **Int J Concrete Structures and Materials (Q1)** - 15(25). **2021**
3. Asghar Aryanfar, Y. Ghamlouche, W. A. Goddard III: *Real-time Control of Dendritic Propagation in Rechargeable Batteries using Adaptive Pulse Relaxation*: **J Chemical Physics (Q1)** - 154, 194702. **2021**
4. Asghar Aryanfar, S. Medlej, A. Tarhini, A. Tehrani : *Elliptic Percolation Model for Predicting the Electrical Conductivity of Graphene-Polymer Composites*: **Soft Matter (Q1)** - 17, 2081 **2021**
5. Asghar Aryanfar, D. M. Saad, W. A. Goddard III: *A Novel Method for Estimating the Charge Equilibrium within the Dendrites of Rechargeable Batteries*: **Computational Materials Science (Q1)** - 187, 110059 **2021**
6. Asghar Aryanfar, S. Medlej, W. A. Goddard III: *Morphometry of dendritic materials in Rechargeable Batteries*: **J Power Sources (Q1)** - 481, 228914 **2021**
7. Asghar Aryanfar, Y. Ghamlouche, W. A. Goddard III: *Pulse-Reverse Protocol for Efficient Suppression of Dendritic Micro-structures in Rechargeable Batteries*: **Electrochimica Acta (Q1)** - 367, 137469 **2021**
8. Asghar Aryanfar, I. Sanal, J. Marian: *Novel Percolation-based Measure for Fibre Efficacy in fiber-reinforced concrete Beams*: **Structural Concrete (Q1)** - 22(1), 264-272 **2021**
9. Asghar Aryanfar, M. R. Hoffmann, W. A. Goddard III : *Finite pulse waves for efficient suppression of evolving mesoscale dendrites in rechargeable batteries*: **Physical Review E (Q1)** - 2019, 100, 042801 **2019**
10. Asghar Aryanfar, W. A. Goddard III, J. Marian: *Constriction Percolation Model for Coupled Diffusion-Reaction Corrosion of Zr in PWR*: **Corrosion Science (Q1)**, 158, 108058 **2019**

11. M. Reyes. Asghar Aryanfar, S. W. Baek, J. Marian: *Multilayer interface tracking model of zirconium clad oxidation*: **J Nuclear Materials (Q1)**, 509, 550-565. **2018**
12. Asghar Aryanfar, D.J. Brooks, W. A. Goddard III: *Theoretical pulse charge for optimal inhibition of growing dendrites*: **MRS Advances**, 1, 1-7 **2018**
13. C. Xu, Z. Ahmad, **Asghar Aryanfar**, V. Viswanathan, J. R. Greer: *Enhanced strength and temperature dependence of mechanical properties of Li at small scales and its implications for Li metal anodes*: **PNAS (Q1)**, 114 (1), 57 **2017**
14. Asghar Aryanfar, J. Thomas, A. Van der Ven, D. Xu, M. Youssef, J. Yang, B. Yildiz, J. Marian: *Integrated computational modeling of water-side corrosion in zirconium metal clad under nominal LWR operating conditions*: **J Metals Minerals & Materials (Q1)**, 47, 1543-1851. **2016**
15. L. M. Kasmaee, Asghar Aryanfar, Z. Chikneyan, M.R. Hoffmann, A. J. Colussi: *Improving solid-electrolyte interfaces via underpotential solvent electropolymerization*: **Chemical Physics Letters (Q1)**, 661, 65. **2016**
16. Asghar Aryanfar, T. Cheng, , A. J. Colussi, B. V. Merinov, W. A. Goddard, M. R. Hoffmann: *Annealing kinetics of electrodeposited lithium dendrites*: **J Chem Phys (Q1)** - 143, 134701. **2015**
17. Asghar Aryanfar, D. J. Brooks, B. V. Merinov, A. J. Colussi, W. A. Goddard, M. R. Hoffmann: *Thermal relaxation of lithium dendrites*: **Phys Chem Chem Phys (Q1)** - 17, 8000. **2015**
18. Asghar Aryanfar, D. J. Brooks, B.V. Merinov, W. A. Goddard III, A. J. Colussi, M. R. Hoffmann: *Dynamics of lithium dendrite growth and inhibition: pulse charging experiments and monte carlo calculations*: **J Phys Chem Letters (Q1)**, 5(10), 1721. **2014**
19. Asghar Aryanfar, D. J. Brooks, A. J. Colussi, M. R. Hoffmann: *Quantifying the Dependence of Dead Lithium Crystals on Cycling Period in Lithium Metal Batteries*: **Phys Chem Chem Phys (Q1)**, 16, 24965. **2014**
20. K. Cho, Y Qu, D. Kwon, H. Zhang, C. Cid, **Asghar Aryanfar**, M. R. Hoffmann: *Effects of anodic potential and chloride ion on overall reactivity in semiconductor electrochemical reactors designed for solar-powered wastewater treatment*: **Environmental Sci & Tech (Q1)** - 48(4), 2377. **2014**

Conference Papers:

1. **A. Aryanfar** et al: *Image Processing for Workability of Concrete with Super Absorbent Polymer*, Int Conf in Intelligent Decision Science, Springer, Cham, 681. **2020**
2. **A. Aryanfar** et al: *Bulk properties of amorphous lithium dendrites*, ECS Trans. 80 (10), 365 **2017**
3. **A. Aryanfar** et al: *Lithium dendrite inhibition on post-charge anode surface: The kinetics role*, MRS proceedings, V. 1774. **2015**

4. **A. Aryanfar** et al: *Lithium dendrite growth control using local temperature variation*, MRS Proceedings, V. 1680. **2014**

Book Chapter:

A.Aryanfar et al: *Electropolymerization:Fundamental and Applications/Electrodes and Double Layers-Advances in Material Science and Engineering*, V. 39, Nova Pub., ISBN: 978-1-53616-176-2. **2019**

Patents:

- **Asghar Aryanfar**: *Method and device for dendrite research and discovery in batteries*, US Patent 14/201, 979. **2017**
- M.R. Hoffmann, **Asghar Aryanfar**, C. Cid, K. Cho, D. J. Kwon, Y. Qu:*Self-contained PV-powered Toilet and Domestic Wastewater Disinfection System*, US Patent14/048, 163. **2014**

Invited Talks:

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| • MRS Fall meeting (Session Chair) | Nov'21 | • ECS Conference, Spring 2021 | May'21 |
| • MRS Conference, Spring 2021 | Apr'21 | • ICAPP 2016, San Francisco, CA | May'16 |
| • American University of Beirut | May'19 | • MIT, Cambridge, MA | Jul'15 |
| • Tesla Corporation, Palo Alto, CA | Apr'16 | • MRS, San Francisco, CA | Apr'15 |
| • EPFL, Lausanne, Switzerland | May'16 | • ECS, Orlando, FL | May'14 |
| • ECS, National Harbor, MD | Oct'17 | • Sharif U of Tech, Tehran, Iran | Mar'14 |
| • ECS, Chicago, IL | May'15 | • ECS, Honolulu, HI | Oct'12 |
| • MIT, Cambridge, MA | Dec'14 | • MRS, San Francisco, CA | Apr '14 |

Reviewer Activities:

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| • Physical Review E | • Chemical Reviews | • Chemical Society Reviews |
| • J Materials Chem A | • J Electrochemical Society | • J Fluid Mechanics |
| • ECS Electrochemistry Letters | • Physics of Fluids (x2) | |

Teaching Experience:

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| • Mech. Eng. Design | Sp'17,'18, Sp'20,'21 | • Thermodynamics | Fa'16, Sp'18, Fa'21 |
| • Finite Element Methods | Fa'18 | • Vehicle Aerodynamics | Fa'18 |
| • Transport Phenomena | Fa'17 | • Fluid Mech & heat transfer | Sp'17, Sp'18 |
| • Mech of Materials | Fa'16, Fa'17, Fa'20 | • Mechanics of Materials | Fa'10 |
| • Statics and Dynamics | Fa'11, Fa'20, Fa'21 | • Hydraulics | Fa'07 |
| • Structural Loading | Fa'06 | • Tutoring Science/Eng. | '04-'15 |

Poster Presentation:

- Featured research, Caltech Board of Trustees, Pasadena , CA Jan '12
- International Energy Storage Conference (IPS-19), Pasadena, CA Jul'12
- Reinvent the Toilet fair, Gates Foundation, Seattle, WA Aug'12

Skills:

Python (Numpy, Matplotlib, Pandas, Tensor Flow, Scipy, Scikit Learn), Matlab, SolidWorks (design and simulation), AutoCAD, Photoshop, L^AT_EX

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