CURRICULUM VITAE

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Core Competency

- Characterizations on solution/solid interactions
- Experimental instrumentations: ICP-MS, IR, NMR, Raman, SEM/ EDS, XRD, etc.
- Molecular Modelling using Molecular Dynamics and Density Functional Theory Simulations

Education

Louisiana State University, Geology & Geophysics, Baton Rouge, LA Anticipated Dec 2019
Ph. D. Geosciences (Earth material) Advisor: Dr. Jianwei Wang GPA 3.9/4.0
Dissertation: Investigating geochemical processes of fluid-rock interactions of materials relate to energy and environment

Stony Brook University, Department of Geosciences, Stony Brook, NY May 2014
M. Sc. Geosciences (Biomineral) Advisor: Dr. Brian L. Phillips
Thesis: NMR Investigation of Organic Phosphorus in Calcite, 117 p.

China University of Geosciences, School of Earth Sciences, Wuhan, China Jul 2010
B. Sc. Geochemistry Advisor: Dr. Shucheng Xie & Dr. Junhua Huang
Thesis: Study on 3-hydroxy Acids Distribution in Stalagmite as a Record of Microbial Response to Paleoclimate Variation, 51 p.

Research Experience

Louisiana State University, Department of Geology & Geophysics, LA Sep 2014 – Present
Research Assistant:
1) Study the degradation of iodoapatite crystalline ceramic in aqueous environments
U.S. Department of Energy, EFRC WastePD[1] & NEUP[2]

- Adopt the standard leach test method ASTM C1308-08 to evaluate the long-term leaching behavior of iodine in the nuclear waste form lead vanadate iodoapatite $Pb_5(VO_4)_3I$
- Perform SEM/EDS, Raman, IR, XRD, ICP-MS, ICP-OES, etc. to characterize the chemical and physical alterations

2) Investigate the geochemistry of fluid/rock interactions in shale nanopore

- Simulate oil interactions with calcite and kerogen by Molecular Dynamics modeling
- Calculate the energetics of oil desorption from shale by Umbrella Sampling

Deep Learning for Science School, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab**,** Berkeley, CA Jul 2019

- Gained hands-on experience using TensorFlow 2.0 on Kera at NERSC HPC

Stony Brook University, Department of Geosciences, Stony Brook, NY Jul 2011 – May 2014
Research Assistant: Developed methodology with NMR to study organophosphates in calcite matrix
U.S. National Science Foundation, EAR, Division of Earth Sciences

- Independently performed solid-state NMR experiments and spectral data analysis
- Applied wet chemistry method to coprecipitate lipid biomarkers with calcite $CaCO_3$

Stony Brook University, Department of Geosciences, Stony Brook, NY Mar 2011 – Jun 2011
Research Assistant: Reconstructed magnetic record from core logging data in Flathead Lake, MT

State Key Lab of Geological Processes and Mineral Resources, Hubei, China Jun 2008 – Jul 2010
Research Assistant: Provided geobiological evaluation of hydrocarbon rocks by biomarkers

China University of Geosciences, School of Earth Sciences, Wuhan, China Jan 2008 – Jun 2010

Research Co-leader: Invented an experimental apparatus to physically simulate geology structures

Wuhan Polytechnic University, School of Chemistry, Hubei, China Jan 2009 – Oct 2009

Research Assistant: Developed methodology to test the viscosity of liquid crystal

Teaching Experience

Louisiana State University, Geology & Geophysics, Baton Rouge, LA Aug 2017 – Dec 2017

Student mentor: Supervised research of undergraduate student

Stony Brook University, Department of Geosciences, NY Sep 2010 – Jul 2011

Teaching Assistant: Assisted in three undergraduate courses

Field Experience

Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, CA July 2019

Deep Learning for Science School (Summer School)

Goldschmidt 2018, Boston, MA Aug 2018

Data Science in Geochemistry (Workshop)

Louisiana State University, Geology & Geophysics, Baton Rouge, LA 2015-2016

Boresight Geosteering (BHL)

LWD Technologies & Capabilities (Baker Hughes)

Volumetric Calculation and Risk Analysis of Hydrocarbon Reservoir (Talisman)

AAPG Spring Break Field Trip, Big Bend National Park, TX (1 week)

Shell Exploration and Production Co. and AAPG, New Orleans, LA Oct 2013

Imperial Barrel Award Training – Integrated Basin and Play Analysis

China University of Geosciences (Wuhan), School of Earth Sciences, Hubei, China 2007-2009

On-site practicum in SINOPEC Jianghan Oilfield, Hubei, China (2 weeks)
Geochemical survey in Three Gorges Dam area, China (3 weeks)
Geological survey in Zhoukoudian District, Beijing, China (6 weeks)
Geology field practicum in Beidaihe District, Hebei, China (2 weeks)

Volunteer Experience

Education

GSA, South Central Section 50th Annual Meeting, Baton Rouge, LA Mar 2016

Louisiana Children's Museum, 15th Super Saurus Saturday, New Orleans, LA Apr 2015

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA

- 2014 Live Gold Leadership Conference Nov 2014
- Super Science Saturday 2014 Oct 2014

New York City FIRST Mega Celebration of Science and Technology, NY Mar 2013

Conference on the Geology of Long Island and Metropolitan New York (Annual) 2011-2012

Humanitarian

Louisiana State University, Baton Rouge, LA

- 6th Annucal Spring Greening Day Apr 2015
- "Geaux BIG Baton Rouge" LSU 3rd Annual Day of Service Mar 2015

Habitat for Humanity, Baton Rouge, LA Mar 2015

International Thanksgiving Banquet, Baton Rouge, LA Nov 2014

Animal Welfare

Cat Haven, Baton Rouge, LA May 2019 - Present

Companion Animal Alliance, Baton Rouge, LA Jul 2018 – May 2019

Certificate and Award

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Logging for Oil and Gas Evaluation (issued by Total S.A.) 2019
Petrel Fundamentals; Petrel Geology; Petrel Property Modeling (issued by Schlumberger) 2016

Award

People's Choice Award, Best Writing Award, US D.O.E. Video Contest II Jul 2019
The New Orleans Geological Society Memorial Foundation Scholarship May 2019
Laura Cordell & John P "Jay" Moffitt Scholarship Jan 2018
Goldschmidt 2016 Travel Grant May 2016
LSU Graduate School Dean's Travel Awards May 2016
Leadership LSU 2015 Apr 2015
Excellence Award of National Undergraduate Innovation Experimental Project Sep 2010

Patent and Publication

Zhang, Z., **Zhang**, **Z**., Deng, M., Dai, Z., & Zhan. Z. The Preparation and use of low viscosity liquid crystal materials at low-temperature, China Patent 200910273196.0, issued Dec 2009.

Zhang, Z., Liu, H., & Wang, J. (2019). Investigating the Energetics of Fluid-rock Interactions in Shale Nanopore using Molecular Dynamics Simulation. *EarthArXiv Preprints*

Zhang, Z., Gustin, L., Xie, W., Lian, J., Valsaraj, K. T., & Wang, J. (2019). Effect of solution chemistry on the iodine release from iodoapatite in aqueous environments. *Journal of Nuclear Materials, 525*, 161-170

Zhang, Z., Ebert, W. L., Yao, T., Lian, J., Valsaraj, K. T., & Wang, J. (2019). Chemical durability and dissolution kinetics of iodoapatite in aqueous solutions. *ACS Earth and Space Chemistry*, *3* (3), 452-462

Zhang, Z., Heath, A., Valsaraj, K. T., Ebert, W. L., Yao, T., Lian, J., & Wang, J.(2018). Mechanism of iodine release from iodoapatite in aqueous solution. *RSC advances*, *8*(8), 3951-3957.

Yao, G., **Zhang, Z**., & Wang, J. (2017). Beta transmutations in apatites with ferric iron as an electron acceptor–implication for nuclear waste form development. *Physical Chemistry Chemical Physics*, *19*(37), 25487-25497.

Phillips, B. L., **Zhang, Z**., Kubista, L., Frisia, S., & Borsato, A. (2016). NMR spectroscopic study of organic phosphate esters coprecipitated with calcite. *Geochimica et Cosmochimica Acta*, *183*, 46-62.

Zhang, Z., Deng, M., Zhang, Z., Wei, B., & Xuan, L. Study on the synthesis of difluorooxymethylene alkybenzene and the properties of low temperature viscosity *Digest of Technical Paper*, ASID' 09, (2009)190-1

Professional Communication (Talk, Video, and Poster)

Life at the Frontiers of Energy Research Video Contest II, US D.O.E. July 2019

Video: **Nuclear Energy Waste and WastePD** (on behalf of WastePD)

Deep Learning for Science School, Lawrence Berkeley National Lab, Berkeley, CA July 2019

Poster: An integrated approach to study the iodine immobilization in apatite ceramic waste forms - from Artificial Neural Network to First Principle Calculation

EFRC WastePD Meeting at University of Virginia, Charleville, VA Sep 2018

Goldschmidt Conference, Boston, MA Aug 2018

Workshop: Data Science in Geochemistry

Poster: Energetics of the Oil Interaction with Calcite and Kerogen – Implication for Hydrocarbon

Transport and Storage in Shale

D.O.E. EFRC Mid-term Review Meeting, Gaithersburg, MD Apr 2018

Poster: Long-term Chemical Duration of Iodine-bearing Apatite in Aqueous Environments

MRS Spring, Phoenix, AZ Mar 2018

Poster: Release Mechanism of Iodine Retained by Apatite Structure Waste Form in Aqueous Environments

WastePD Monthly Research Highlight Webinar Dec 2017

Talk: Mechanisms of Iodine Release from Iodoapatite in Aqueous Solution

AGU Fall, New Orleans, LA Dec 2017

Talk: Mechanisms of Iodine Release from Iodoapatite in Aqueous Solution

Poster: The interfacial energetics of the oil molecules interactions with shale media using molecular dynamics simulation

EFRC WastePD Meeting at Pacific Northwest National Lab, Richland, WA Sep 2017

Poster: Mechanisms of Iodine Release from Iodoapatite in Aqueous Solution

EFRC WastePD Kick-off Meeting, OSU, Columbus, OH Dec 2016

4th Annual LONI HPC Parallel Programming Workshop, LSU, Baton Rouge, LA Jun 2015

Gordon Research Conferences, Biomineralization, New London, NH Aug 2014

Poster: NMR Investigation of Organic Phosphoesters Coprecipitated with Calcite

Gordon Research Conferences, Organic Geochemistry, Holderness, NH Aug 2014

Poster: Biomarker Phospholipids in Calcite – NMR evidence

Goldschmidt Conference, Sacramento, CA Jun 2014

16th Annual Chemistry Event Symposium, Boston, MA May 2014

Poster: Organic Phosphorus Speciation in Carbonate Mineral – NMR Study

AAPG Eastern Section, Morgantown, WV Nov 2013

Student Chapter Leadership Workshop

SPE ATCE international, New Orleans, LA Sep– Oct 2013

SEG International Exposition and Annual Meeting, Houston, TX Sep 2013

IEEE 23rd Magnet Technology Conference, Boston, MA Jul 2013

References

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