

Juin Yau Lim

Passionate sustainable practitioner that seek solutions with modern approaches



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EXPERIENCE

Argonne National Laboratory, USA — Postdoctoral Appointee

Aug. 2024 - PRESENT

Conducting research and providing solutions to stakeholders which align towards the interest of the Dept. of Energy (US).

Greenverse Co., MY — Research Engineer (Hybrid)

June 2023 - June 2024

Led research initiative on sustainable hazardous waste (HW) management, and assisted in commencement of large-scale integrated HW plants.

Korea University, KR — Research Professor & Fellow

March 2023 - March 2024

Conduct research related to decarbonization technologies focusing on biochar, and analyzing the ESG performance of top 200 corporations in South Korea.

EDUCATION

Kyung Hee University (Global), KR — PhD

Feb. 2019 - Feb. 2023

Major: Applied Environmental Science & Engineering [CGPA: 4.0/4.3]

Thesis: Comprehensive guidance on the improvement of nationwide renewable energy penetration considering overall sustainability alongside with system reliability: Power-to-X, Microalgae Biorefinery, and Hydrogen

University of Nottingham, MY — M.Eng.

Sept. 2014 - June 2018

Major: Chemical & Environmental Engineering [CGPA: 3.7/4.0]

Thesis: Fertilizer Formulation in Oil Palm Plantation with Life Cycle Assessment and P-graph Optimization.

PROJECTS

BKT Co., KR

Sept. 2020 - Oct. 2022

Digitalization of modern nitrogen recovery wastewater treatment plant based on two-stage partial nitrification - Anammox process.

Samsung Display, KR

May 2021 - Dec. 2021

Assess the performance & analyze reaction kinetics and pathway of combustion chamber under vary operating conditions..

Samsung Electronics, KR

May 2020 - Dec. 2020

Proposing optimal operating conditions for burning chamber and scrubber in compliance of air discharge limits for the semiconductor industry.

SKILLS

Advanced data analysis

Python, Matlab, & GAMS

AI, optimization, modeling

Life-cycle analysis

Techno-economic analysis

PORTFOLIO

35 publications at top tier research journal article

4 research articles in submissions/reviews.

10 main participation in conferences.

AWARDS

Postdoctoral Fellowship

Korea University, 2023-2024

Brain Korea 21+

South Korea, 2019-2023

Presidential Scholarship

South Korea, 2019-2021

LANGUAGES

Native & fluent:

English, Chinese, Malay, Cantonese, Hokkien, & Hakka

Intermediate: Korean

MAIN INTEREST

Renewable Energy

Sustainability Enhancement

Artificial Intelligence

Resources Management

Process System Engineering

Notable Experiences by Categories

**Projects led and mainly contributed only.*

[A] Renewable Energy

1. Nationwide renewable energy deployment

- A nationwide hybrid renewable energy system (HRES) coupling **Power-to-X** is deployed in 15 provinces across **South Korea**.
- Transitioning **excessive electricity and biogas** from localized HRES and wastewater treatment plants towards **green hydrogen generation and efficient decarbonization**.

2. Large-scale microalgae based biorefinery

- Ideal **process configuration** of the microalgae biorefinery coupling with **combined heat & power** is determined via a superstructure optimization model with GAMS.
- A **large-scale profitable microalgae biorefinery** is designed considering daily dynamic variation alongside **life-cycle assessment**, covering the features of: **microalgae species selection, harvest scheduling, & electricity utilization**.

3. AI-guided hydrogen generation & utilization

- Best operating condition for hydrogen production with **dry catalytic reforming of light hydrocarbons** is identified with reaction mechanism generator (RMG).
- Innovative research focusing on **proton exchange membrane fuel cells** is conducted: **remaining useful life prediction and deep generative design**.

[B] Wastewater treatment

1. Digitalization of wastewater treatment plant

BKT Co., KR Sept. 2020 – Oct 2022

- A current operating **two-stage PN SBR-Anammox treatment plant** is digitalized to provide **precise control and monitoring**.
- Model developed is currently **deployed and integrated** with the WWTP operation.

2. Commissioning biological treatment plant

Nottingham GreenTech, MY June. – Sept. 2017

- An **integrated anaerobic aerobic bioreactor plant** focussed on treating **palm oil mill effluent** is commissioned.
- Technical drawings (**PFD, PID, and Isometric**) are updated to the plant site.

3. Physical-chemical WWTP setup & maintenance

BeChem Technologies, MY June. – Sept 2016

- Coordinate and commissioning an

underground water treatment plant (1,000 m³/day) with **ultrafiltration membrane**.

- Performed **on-site checking and maintenance** for multiple plant site: **TRIM, Jotun, Southern Steel, and Kozato Kizai**

[C] Air Pollution Control

1. AI guided upgrade for coal-fired power plant

- A **real-time monitoring database** for the discharge air pollution for 30 mins intervals are collected for one year period.
- Upgrade of the existing air pollution control system with **best-available-technology**.

2. Reducing air pollutant discharge from industry

Samsung Display, KR May – Dec 2021

Samsung Electronics, KR May – Dec 2020

- Identified the **reaction pathways and kinetics** inside of the **combustion chamber** at various operating conditions with ML-based RMG.
- Proposed solutions that are **in compliance with the discharge limit** by the local authority with ideal operating conditions.

[D] Waste management

1. Hazardous waste management

Greenverse Co., MY June. 2023 – till date

- Participate in **commencement of large-scale integrated hazardous waste plant** in East Coast of Peninsular Malaysia with **Environmental Impact Assessment reporting** to local authority (i.e., Dept. of Environment).
- Lead **research initiatives** and collaborate closely with the CEO on **sustainable hazardous waste management** representing companies.

2. Plastic waste management

- Thorough **cradle-to-grave life cycle** assessment of the plastic waste for China, US, Germany, Japan, Korea, and Malaysia are assessed accordingly.
- A **cross-nation plastic waste management** strategy is evaluated and proposed considering the **economic-environment-energy criterias**.

[E] Evaluation of ESG performance

1. Top 200 Korean corporates evaluation

Korea University, KR Mar. 2023 – Mar. 2024

- An evaluation of the **performance and further trends** on the corporate's ESG strategies are performed focusing on South Korea.

Teaching Experiences

1. Conducted courses & workshops

Theoretical and hands-on experience.

- Life cycle assessment (LCA)
- P-graph hands-on workshop
- Reaction Mechanism Generation (RMG)
- Modeling, Optimization, & Statistical analysis.

2. Educational class for undergraduates

- Matlab, Python, P-graph, RMG, GAMS, Wastewater Treatment

Others

1. Academic Community

- Youth Editorial Board** (June 2023 – till date). Biochar, Springer. Impact Factor: 12.7 (2022).
- Editorial Board** (March 2024 – till date). Applied Science and Engineering Progress
- Reviewer (actively available).**
Reviewed more than 70 articles ||
Chemical Engineering Journal, Applied Energy, Trends in Analytical Chemistry, Journal of Cleaner Production & etc.

2. Conference (Hosted)

- Chair of the Local Organizing Committee** 2023
15th Japan-China-Korea (JCK) Forum; Co-hosting with 6th Global Conference: ESG Management & Sustainability. 28 to 30 November 2023. Korea University, South Korea.
- Organizing Committee,** 2023
2023 Global ESG Forum: Pursuing Sustainability through ESG. 26 to 29 June 2023. National University of Singapore, Singapore.

3. Extracurricular Activities

- Squash Club**
University of Nottingham

Vice President June '17 – May '18
Event Team Leader Nov. '16 – May '17

b. Education Network University of Nottingham

Secretary of Dept. Rep.	Sept. '17 – May '18
Class Representative, Yr. 4	Sept. '17 – May '18
Class Representative, Yr. 3	Sept. '16 – May '17

c. Chinese Cultural Society University of Nottingham June '17 – May '18

- Act as *Honorable Senior Advisor*, raised fund for one year's club activities
- *Member of Impromptu Speech Division.*

d. Student Representative University of Nottingham June '16 – May '18

4. Volunteering Activities

- Participated Charity Program**
Experian Aug. '18
 - Autism Cafe Project & Kechara Soup Kitchen (Food Bank)
- Global Leader Experiences**
Common Purpose Sept. '17
 - Participated various leadership programme and charity @ General Electric, Great Heart Charity Association, and Invest KL
- Volunteering Activity**
Blue Sky, Uni. Nottingham Nov. '16
 - Tutoring programme for refugee kids and organized sports day activity
- Community Service**
University of Nottingham July '15
 - Lead and conducted mural art painting at an underprivileged local primary school.

Portfolios: Publications & Conference

[A] Publications

* **Underlined & bolded** indicates authorship position;

+ indicates authors contributed equally

Submitted & In Review

1. **Lim, J.Y.**⁺, Loy, A.C.M.⁺, How, B.S., Sonne, C., Chang, S.X., Ok, Y.S., 202x, Enhancing Future in the Agricultural Industry through Sustainable Digitalization. (*Under Review*).
2. Wang, M.M.K.⁺, **Lim, J.Y.**⁺, Chan, Y.J., Lam, H.L., 202x. Navigating the path to sustainable hazardous waste management for a resilient future projecting Malaysia with smart and innovative solutions. (*In submission*)
3. Cho, Y., Withana, P.A., Rhee, J.H., Lim, ST, **Lim, J.Y.**, Park S., Ok, Ys., 202x. Achieving the sustainable waste management of medical plastic packaging using a life cycle assessment approach. (*Under Review*).
4. Lin, Z.Y., Oh, HJ, Chang, K.H., **Lim, J.Y.**^{**}, Oh, JM, 202x, Spatio-temporal Dynamics Variation of Dissolved Organic Matter and Water Quality Parameters in a Lake: A Vertical Perspective. (*Under Review*)
5. Lyu, H.H.⁺, **Lim, J.Y.**⁺, Zhang, Q.⁺, Senadheera, S., Zhang, C.C., Huang, Q.L., Ok, Y.S. (2023), Conversion of organic solid waste into energy and functional materials using biochar catalyst: bibliometric analysis, research progress, and directions. *Applied Catalysis B: Environmental*. 340, 123223.
9. **Lim, J.Y.**, Teng, S.Y., Loy, A.C.M., How, B.S., Heo, S., Jansen, J., Show, P.L., Yoo, C.K., (2023). Interpretable artificial intelligence guided configuration of sustainable coal-fire flue gas treatment under best available technology set. *Environmental Pollution*. 122335.
10. Lo, S.L.Y., How, B.S., Teng, S.Y., **Lim, J.Y.**, Loy, A.C.M., Lam, H.L., Sunarso, J., (2023). A novel hybrid method for constructing resilient microalgae supply chain: Integration of n-1 contingency analysis with stochastic modelling. *Journal of Cleaner Production*. 417, 137939.
11. Loy, A.C.M.⁺, **Lim, J.Y.**⁺, How, B.S., Yiin, C.L., Lock, S.M.S., Lim, L.G., Alhamzi, H., Yoo, C., (2023). Rethinking of the future sustainable paradigm roadmap for plastic waste management: A multi-nation scale outlook compendium. *Science of The Total Environment*. 881, 163458.
12. Foong, S.Y., Chan, Y.H., Yiin, C.L., Lock, S.S.M., Loy, A.C.M., **Lim, J.Y.**, Yek, P.N.Y., Wan, Mahari W.A., Liew, R.K., Peng, W., Tabatabaei, M., Aghbashlo, M., Lam, S.S. (2023). Sustainable CO₂ capture via adsorption by chitosan-based functional biomaterial: A review on recent advances, challenges, and future directions. *Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews*. 181, 113342.
13. Heo, S.⁺, **Lim, J.Y.**⁺, Nguyen, H., Vilela, P., Safder, U., Woo, T., Kim, S., Oh, T., Yoo, C., (2023). End-to-end autonomous and resilient operability strategy of full-scale PN-SBR system: From influent augmentation to AI-aided optimal control and scheduling. *Journal of Water Process Engineering*. 53, 103694.
14. Loy, A.C.M., Kong, K.G.H., **Lim, J.Y.**, How, B.S., (2023). Frontier of Digitalization in Biomass-to-X Supply Chain: Opportunity or Threats?. *Journal of Bioresources and Bioproducts*. 8, 101-107.
15. Sahl, A. Bin, Loy, A.C.M., **Lim, J.Y.**, Orosz, Á., Friedler, F., How, B.S., (2023). Exploring N-best solution space for heat integrated hydrogen regeneration network using sequential graph-theoretic approach. *International Journal Hydrogen Energy*. 48, 4943-4959.
16. **Lim, J.Y.**, Teng, S.Y., How, B.S., Nam, K., Heo, S., Máša, V., Stehlík, P., Yoo, C.K., (2022). From microalgae to bioenergy: Identifying optimally integrated biorefinery pathways and harvest scheduling under uncertainties in predicted climate. *Renewable and Sustainable Energy Reviews*. 168, 112865.
17. **Lim, J.Y.** and How BS, (2022). A Comprehensive Guidance on Transitioning Toward Sustainable Hydrogen Network from Localized Renewable Energy System: Case study of South Korea. *Optimization for Energy Systems and Supply Chains*, CRC Press, 73-92.

Accepted & Published

1. Cho, Y.⁺, **Lim, J.Y.**⁺, Igalabithana, A.D., Hwang, G.W., Masek, O., Ok, Y.S., (2024). AI-guided investigation of biochar's efficacy in Pb immobilization for remediation of post-mining contaminated agricultural land. *Applied Biological Chemistry* (Accepted)
2. Senadheera, S.S.⁺, Withana, P.A.⁺, **Lim, J.Y.**⁺, Scott, C.X., Wang, F., You, S.M., Rhee, J.H., Ok, Y.S., (2024). Carbon Negative Biochar Systems Contribute to Sustainable Urban Green Infrastructure: A Bibliometric Analysis. *Green Chemistry* (Accepted)
3. Lin, Z.Y., Lee, K.H., **Lim, J.Y.**, Kim J.H., Eun, B., Lee, S.J., Park, J.Y., Oh, JM., (2024), Spatial and Temporal Effect of Industrial Effluent on the Dissolved Organic Matter Quality across Riverine. *Journal of Environmental Chemical Engineering*
4. Ngan, S.P., Ngan, S.L., How, B.S., Tan, A.ST., **Lim, J.Y.**, Lam H.L., (2024), Using Life Cycle Assessment to Achieve Circular Economy. *Encyclopedia of Sustainable Technologies*, 2nd Edition, vol. 1, pp. 217-234. Oxford: Elsevier
5. Lin, Z.Y., **Lim, J.Y.**, Oh, JM, (2024), Innovative interpretable AI-guided water quality evaluation with risk adversarial analysis in river streams considering spatial-temporal effects. *Environmental Pollution*.
6. Yuan, X.Z., Manu, S., **Lim, J.Y.**, Javier, P.R., Wang, X.N., Ok, Y.S., (2024). Active Learning based Guided Synthesis of Engineered Biochar for CO₂ Capture. *ACS ES&T*
7. Yuan, X.Z., Li, J., **Lim, J.Y.**, Ashkan, Z., Daniel, A., Wang, Y., Wang, X.N., Ok, Y.S., (2023). Machine learning for heavy metal removal from water: recent advances and challenges. *ACS ES&T Water*

18. Vilela, P., Safder, U., Heo, S., Nguyen, H.-T., **Lim, J.Y.**, Nam, K., Oh, T.-S., Yoo, C., (2022). Dynamic calibration of process-wide partial-nitritation modeling with airlift granular for nitrogen removal in a full-scale wastewater treatment plant. *Chemosphere*. 305, 135411.
19. Kong, K.G.H., **Lim, J.Y.**, Leong, W.D., Ng, W.P.Q., Teng, S.Y., Sunarso, J., How, B.S., (2022). Fuzzy optimization for peer-to-peer (P2P) multi-period renewable energy trading planning. *Journal of Cleaner Production*. 368, 133122.
20. Heo, S., **Lim, J.Y.**, Chang, R., Shim, Y., Ifaei, P., Yoo, C., (2022). Non-Gaussian multivariate statistical monitoring of spatio-temporal wind speed frequencies to improve wind power quality in South Korea. *Journal of Environmental Management*. 318, 115516.
21. Yap, T.L., Loy, A.C.M., Chin, B.L.F., **Lim, J.Y.**, Alhamzi, H., Chai, Y.H., Yiin, C.L., Cheah, K.W., Wee, M.X.J., Lam, M.K., (2022). Synergistic effects of catalytic co-pyrolysis *Chlorella vulgaris* and polyethylene mixtures using artificial neuron network: Thermodynamic and empirical kinetic analyses. *Journal of Environmental Chemical Engineering*. 10, 107391.
22. Woo, T., Nam, K., Heo, S., **Lim, J.Y.**, Kim, S., Yoo, C., (2022). Predictive maintenance system for membrane replacement time detection using AI-based functional profile monitoring: Application to a full-scale MBR plant. *Journal of Membrane Science*. 649, 120400.
23. **Lim, J.Y.**, Loy, A.C.M., Alhazmi, H., Fui, B.C.L., Cheah, K.W., Taylor, M.J., Kyriakou, G., Yoo, C.K., (2022). Machine learning-assisted CO₂ utilization in the catalytic dry reforming of hydrocarbons: Reaction pathways and multicriteria optimization analyses. *International Journal of Energy Research*. 46, 6277–6291.
24. Peter, A.P., Tan, X., **Lim, J.Y.**, Chew, K.W., Koyande, A.K., Show, P.L., (2022). Environmental analysis of *Chlorella vulgaris* cultivation in large scale closed system under waste nutrient source. *Chemical Engineering Journal*. 433, 134254.
25. Kong, K.G.H., How, B.S., **Lim, J.Y.**, Leong, W.D., Teng, S.Y., Ng, W.P.Q., Moser, I., Sunarso, J., (2022). Shaving electric bills with renewables? A multi-period pinch-based methodology for energy planning. *Energy* 239, 122320.
26. **Lim, J.Y.**, Orosz, A., How, B.S., Friedler, F., Yoo, C., (2022). Reliability incorporated optimal process pathway selection for sustainable microalgae-based biorefinery system: P-graph approach, in: Yamashita, Y., Kano, Computer Aided Chemical Engineering (Eds.), 14 International Symposium on Process Systems Engineering. Elsevier, pp. 217–222.
27. Safder, U. +, **Lim, J.Y.**, How, B.S., Ifaei, P., Heo, S., Yoo, C., (2022). Optimal configuration and economic analysis of PRO-retrofitted industrial networks for sustainable energy production and material recovery considering uncertainties: Bioethanol and sugar mill case study. *Renewable Energy* 182, 797–816.
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30. Loy, A.C.M. +, **Lim, J.Y.**, How, B.S., Yoo, C.K., (2021). Blockchain as a frontier in biotechnology and bioenergy applications. *Trends in Biotechnology*. 40 (3), 225–258.
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35. **Lim, J.Y.**, Safder, U., How, B.S., Ifaei, P., Yoo, C.K., (2021). Nationwide sustainable renewable energy and Power-to-X deployment planning in South Korea assisted with forecasting model. *Applied Energy*. 283, 116302.
36. **Lim, J.Y.**, How, B.S., Rhee, G., Hwangbo, S., Yoo, C.K., (2020). Transitioning of localized renewable energy system towards sustainable hydrogen development planning: P-graph approach. *Applied Energy*. 263, 114635.

[B] International Conferences

1. **Juin Yau Lim**, Wai Yin Wong, SangYoun Kim, ChangKyoo Yoo*, Generative AI-assisted functional design of PEMFC flow field channel for the flooding issue, pp.72, 3rd International Symposium on Carbon & Functional Materials For Energy & Environment, Poster Presentation, DaNang, Vietnam (Feb 2024).
2. **Juin Yau Lim**, Unleashing potential of renewable energy from different aspects and highlighting current industrial practice of waste management. Oral Presentation (co-chair session & plenary speaker), 6th International ESG Conferences x JCK Forum. Seoul, South Korea (Nov 2023)
3. **Juin Yau Lim**, Akos Orosz, Bing Shen How, Ferenc Friedler, ChangKyoo Yoo*. Reliability incorporated optimal process pathway selection for sustainable microalgae-based biorefinery system: P-graph approach. 14th International Symposium on Process System Engineering -PSE 2021+, Kyoto, Japan (June 2022).

4. **Juin Yau Lim**, Roberto J. Chang Silva, ChangKyoo Yoo*. An effective guidance of deploying solar and wind energy with multiperiod optimization model considering the geospatial characteristics: A case study of South Korea. *6th Postgraduate Colloquium for Environmental Research 2022 (POCER 2022)*, Physical poster presentation, Langkawi, Malaysia (June 2022).
5. **Juin Yau Lim**, ChangKyoo Yoo*, SungKu Heo, TaeSeok Oh, Global sensitivity analysis and multi-objective model calibration study of in-cycle full-scale data-based PN-SBR ASM model. *Korean Society of Environmental Engineering 2021 National Conference*, pp.701-701, poster presentation, Jeju Island, Korea (Nov. 2021).
6. **Juin Yau Lim**, Jeongin Kim, SungKu Heo, KiJeon Nam, ChangKyoo Yoo*, Data-Driven Process Integration on Identifying Best Available Technology for Sustainable Air Pollution Controls Aided by P-graph Superstructure Optimization. *PRES21, 24th Conference on Process Integration, Modelling, and Optimisation for Energy Saving and Pollution Reduction*. Oral presentation, Brno, Czech Republic (Oct 2021).
7. **Juin Yau Lim**+, Soonho Hwangbo+, KiJeon Nam and ChangKyoo Yoo*, Guidance and sustainable platform to design combined microalgae biorefinery-biogas-hydrogen networks towards nationwide green energy deployment, *12th International Conference on Applied Energy (ICAE2020)*, pp. 116, Oral presentation, Bangkok / Virtual, (Dec. 2020)
8. **Juin Yau Lim**, ChangKyoo Yoo*, Research on improving reliability of hybrid renewable energy design. *Korean Society of Chemical Engineers 2020 Conference*, Poster, (Online), p.386 (Oct. 2020).
9. **Juin Yau Lim**, KiJeon Nam, ChangKyoo Yoo*, Circular economy assessment towards optimal process configuration of microalgae-based bio-refinery system with consideration of risk analysis and redundancy allocation: P-graph approach. *PRES20, 23rd Conference on Process Integration, Modelling, and Optimisation for Energy Saving and Pollution Reduction*. pp 21, Oral presentation, Xi'an, China (Aug 2020).
10. **Juin Yau Lim**, KiJeon Nam, ChangKyoo Yoo* Research on optimization of intermediate storage hub design of optimal biogas supply chain (greenhouse gas and economic evaluation), *Korean Society of Chemical Engineers 2019 Spring Conference*, Poster, Jeju Island, Korea, p.170 (Apr. 2019).

Summary of the research achievement

