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### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., Institute of Physics, Ukrainian Academy of Sciences, Ukraine, 1997, Physics and Mathematics

M.S., Kiev State University, Kiev, Ukraine 1991, Physics

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

08/15-present	Associate Professor, Department of Materials Science and Engineering,
	Clemson University, Clemson, SC
10/11-07/15	Research Associate Professor, Chemical Engineering Department University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA
02/08-09/11	Visiting Research Assistant Professor, Chemical Engineering Department, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA
09/00-01/08	Postdoctoral Research Associate, Chemical Engineering Department, University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA
08/97-08/00	Research Scientist, Department of Theoretical Physics, Institute for Nuclear
	Research, Kiev, Ukraine

### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Reviewer for: Physical Review Letters, Physical Review E, Physics of Fluids, Soft Matter, Langmuir, Europhysics Letters, Analitica Chemica Acta, Polymer Composites, Journal of Applied Physics, Lab on a Chip, Journal of Chemical Physics, RSC Book proposal

Member of Editorial Board of ISRN Computational Mathematics Journal, 2011-2014

### **PUBLICATIONS**

## **Book Chapters**

- 6. Yong, X.; Snow, C.S.; Kuksenok, O., Balazs, A.C. Developing Hybrid Modeling Methods to Simulate Self-Assembly in Polymer Nanocomposites," *Self-Assembling Systems: Theory and Simulation*. Ed. Li-Tang Yan, Wiley, 2016, in press
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- 69. Kuksenok, O., and Balazs, A.C., "Designing Dual-functionalized Gels for Self-reconfiguration and Autonomous Motion," *Scientific Reports*, **5**, 9569 (2015)
- 68. Shastri A., He, X., Mc Gregor, L., Liu, Y., Mujica, M., Vasquez, Y., Bhattacharya, A., Ma, Y., Aizenberg, M., Kuksenok, O., Balazs, A.C., and Aizenberg, J., "An aptamer-functionalized chemomechanically modulated biomolecule catch-and-release system," *Nature Chemistry*, **7**(5) 447-454 (2015)
- 67. Yong, X., Kuksenok, O., and Balazs, A.C., "Modeling Free Radical Polymerization Using Dissipative Particle Dynamics," *Polymer*, **72** (18), 217–225 (2015)
- 66. Yong, X., Simakova, A., Averick, S., Gutierrez, J., Kuksenok, O., Balazs, A.C., Matyjaszewski, K., "Stackable, Covalently-Fused Gels: Repair and Composite Formation," *Macromolecules*, **48** (4), 1169–1178 (2015)
- 65. Kuksenok, O., Deb, D., Yong, X., and Balazs, A.C, "Designing Biomimetic, Reactive Polymer Gels," *Materials Today*, **17** (10) 486–493 (2014)
- 64. Deb, D., Kuksenok, O., and Balazs, A.C., "Using Light to Control the Interactions between Self-rotating Assemblies of Active Gels," *Polymer*, **55** (23) 5924–5932 (2014)
- 63. Kuksenok, O., "Chemical Synthesis in Small Spaces", Physics, 7, 4 (2014)
- 62. Kuksenok, O., Deb, D., Dayal, P., and Balazs, A.C., "Modeling Chemo-Responsive Polymer Gels," *Annual Review of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering*, **5** (2014) 35-54.

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- 60. Kuksenok, O., and Balazs, A.C., "Modeling the Photoinduced Reconfiguration and Directed Motion of Polymer Gels," *Advanced Functional Materials*, **23** (36), 4601-4610, (2013)
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- 58. Dutt, M., Kuksenok, O., and Balazs, A.C., "Nano-pipette directed transport of nanotube transmembrane channels and hybrid vesicles," *Nanoscale*, **5**, 9773-9784 (2013)
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- 56. Kuksenok, O., Dayal, P., Bhattacharya, A., Yashin, V.V., Deb, D., Chen, I.C., Van Vliet, K.J., and Balazs, A.C, "Chemo-responsive, self-oscillating gels that undergo biomimetic communication," *Chem. Soc. Rev.*, **42**, 7257-7277 (2013)
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- 53. Dayal, P., Kuksenok, O., and Balazs, A.C., "Reconfigurable assemblies of active, autochemotactic gels," *PNAS* **110** (2), 431-436, (2013)
- 52. Liu, Y., Kuksenok, O., and Balazs, A.C., "Coassembly of nanorods and photosensitive binary blends: "combing" with light to create, periodically ordered nanocomposites," *Langmuir* 29 (2), 750-760, (2013)
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- 39. Dayal, P., Kuksenok, O., and Balazs, A.C., "Designing autonomously motile gels that follow complex paths," *Soft Matter*, **6** (4), 768 (2010)
- 38. Kuksenok, O., Yashin, V.V., Dayal, P., and Balazs, A.C., "Copying from nature: Designing adaptive, chemoresponsive gels," *Polymer Physics*, **48** (24), 2533, (2010)
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- 34. Kuksenok, O., Yashin, V.V., and Balazs, A.C., "Global signaling of localized impact in chemo-responsive gels," *Soft Matter*, **5**, 1835-1839 (2009)
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- 21. Travasso, R.D.M., Buxton G.A., Kuksenok, O., Good, K., and Balazs, A.C., "Modeling the morphology and mechanical properties of sheared ternary mixtures," *J. Chem. Phys.* **122**, 194906 (2005).
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- 19. Kuksenok, O., and Balazs, A.C., "Structures formation in binary fluids driven through patterned microchannels: effect of hydrodynamics and arrangement of surface patterns," *Physica D*, **198** (3-4): 319-332 (2004).
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- 17. Kuksenok, O., Jasnow, D., and Balazs, A.C., "Diffusive Intertwining of Two Fluid Phases in Chemically Patterned Microchannels," *Phys. Rev. E* **68**, 051505 (2003).
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# Conference Proceedings

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#### **PRESENTATIONS**

- 34. "Modeling gel-based composites," MRS Fall, Boston, MA, (Dec, 2015)
- 33. "Designing biomimetic gel-based composites," 12<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Stimuli-responsive Materials, Santa Rosa, CA, (Oct, 2015)
- 32. "Stimuli-induced Reconfiguration and Directed Motion of Chemo-responsive Gels," *Nonlinear Dynamics in Chemical Systems*, Tempe, AZ, (Sep, 2015)
- 31. "Shape Changes and Active Motion of Dual-functionalized Gels," *Polymer Networks Group Meeting & Gel Symposium* Tokyo, Japan (Nov. 2014).
- 30. "Shape-shifting and Self-propelled Motion of Spirobenzopyran-functionalized Self-oscillating Gels," *MRS Spring* (Apr, 2014).
- 29. "Modeling Spirobenzopyran-Functionalized Self-Oscillating Gels: Focus on 3D Shape Changes and Self-Propelled Motion," *Gordon Research Conferences*, Girona, Spain (July 13-18, 2014).
- 28. "Light-induced reconfiguration and directed motion of chemo-responsive gels," *International Workshop on Micro- and Nanomachines*, Hannover, Germany (July 2-5, 2014).
- 27. "Modeling stimuli-responsive reconfiguration and directed motion of self-oscillating gels," *9th International Symposium on stimuli-responsive materials*, Santa Rosa, CA (October 20-23, 2013).
- 26. "Modeling photo-induced reconfiguration and directed motion of active gels," 7th International Conference on Engineering of Chemical Complexity, Rostock-Warnemünde, Germany (10-13 June 2013).
- 25. "Designing active polymer gels with biomimetric functionality: from reconfiguration to directed motion and autochemotaxis," *Colloquium at Leibniz Institute of Polymer Research*, Dresden (Jun 6, 2013).
- 24. "Toward Autonomic Response: Self-oscillating Gels." *CIMTEC* 2012, Montecatini Terme, Italy (June 10-14, 2012).
- 23. "Designing Synthetic Self-oscillating Cilia using Active Polymer Gels," *Advanced Energy Consortium Biannual Project Review*, Austin, TX (Dec. 7, 2010).

- 22. "Modeling Multi-Component Reactive Polymeric Systems," *Department of Macromolecular Science and Engineering, Graduate School of Science and Technology*, Kyoto Institute of Technology, Kyoto, Japan (Sep. 1, 2010).
- 21. "Confinement-Directed Dynamic Patterning in Chemo-Responsive Gels," *Gordon Research Conference: Oscillations & Dynamic Instabilities in Chemical Systems*, Lucca (Barga), Italy (July 4-9, 2010).
- 20. "Controlling bending of chemo-responsive gels with gradient in cross-link density," *APS March Meeting*, Portland, OR (March 15–19, 2010).
- 19. "Self-oscillating Gels as Stimuli-Responsive Materials," *International Symposium on Stimuli-Responsive Materials*, Hattiesburg, MS (October 27 28, 2009).
- 18. "Global signaling of localized impact in chemo-responsive gels," 2nd International Conference on Self-Healing Materials 2009, Chicago, IL (June 28-July 1, 2009).
- 17. "Effect of Confinement on the Dynamics of Three-Dimensional Chemoresponsive Gels," 2009 APS March Meeting, Pittsburgh, PA (March 16–20, 2009).
- 16. "Modeling mechanochemical transduction in chemo-responsive gels," 2007 APS March Meeting, Denver, CO (March 5–9, 2007).
- 15. "Multi-component reactive membranes: a computer simulation study," 2001 MRS Fall Meeting, Boston, MA (Nov 27-Dec 1, 2006).
- 14. "Dynamics of ternary mixtures with photosensitive chemical reactions: designing three dimensionally ordered blends," *Annual APS March Meeting* 2006, Baltimore, MD (March 13-17, 2006).
- 13. "Harnessing light to create defect free, hierarchically structured polymeric materials," *168th Technical Meeting of the Rubber Division, ACS* in Pittsburgh, PA (Nov 1-3, 2005).
- 12. "Local control of periodic pattern formation in driven binary immiscible fluid," *Annual APS March Meeting 2005*, Los Angeles, CA (March 21-25, 2005).
- 11. "Modeling non-equilibrium phenomena in multi-component systems," *Department of Materials Science and Engineering at Pennsylvania State University*, PA (October 28, 2004).
- 10. "Diffusive entwining and slug-like flow in patterned microchannels," *Annual APS March Meeting* 2004, Montreal, Canada (March 20 26, 2004).
- 9. "Modeling equilibrium and non-equilibrium phenomena in complex fluids," *North Dakota State University, Physics Department*, ND (March 11, 2004).
- 8. "Using chemical patterning to direct the flow of binary fluids in microchannels," *Tribology Programm Review*. US Naval Academy, Annapolis, MD (August 13-14, 2003).
- 7. "Oscillatory behavior and pattern formation in binary fluid flowing in patterned Microchannel," 2003 MRS spring meeting, San Francisco, CA (April 21-25, 2002).
- 6. "Dynamics of binary fluids in patterned microchannels: periodic droplet formation and memory effect," *Annual APS March Meeting 2003*, Austin, TX (March 3 7, 2003).

- 5. "Modeling the flow of binary fluid in patterned microchannels," *AIChE 2002 Annual Meeting*, Indianapolis, IN (November 3-8, 2002).
- 4. "Flow of binary fluids over patterned substrates within microchannels," 2002 MRS spring meeting, San Francisco, CA (April 1-5, 2002).
- 3. "Dynamics of binary fluid within 3D microchannel with chemically patterned substrates," *Annual APS March Meeting* 2002, Indianapolis, IN (March 18 22, 2002).
- 2. "Structural transitions in nematic filled with colloid particles," *7th International Topical Meeting on Optics of Liquid Crystals*, Heppenheim, Germany (September 8-12, 1997).
- 1. "Conductivity of liquid crystals under irradiation," *1st International Conference* "Electronic Processes in Organic Materials", Kiev, Ukraine (August 1996).

## HONORS AND AWARDS

Scholarship of the President of Ukraine for Young Scientist (1998 – 2000). Young Scientist Award of the Ukrainian Academy of Sciences (1997).

## SPONSORED RESEARCH

"Combing With Light to Create Hierarchically Ordered Polymeric Materials", Department of Energy, co-PI, \$1,047,374, (2005-2008).

## **TEACHING**

### Courses

CHE 3922: Modeling of Soft Matter

MSE 2100: Introduction to Materials Science