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Curriculum Vitae

Education

- 06/2013– **Ph.D. in Computational Chemistry**, *Technical University Munich* (Germany).
05/2017 | Prof. Dr. Karsten Reuter, “*Summa Cum Laude*”
- 10/2010– **M.Sc. in Chemistry**, *Georg-August University Göttingen* (Germany).
03/2013 | “*With Honors*”
- 10/2007– **B.Sc. in Chemistry**, *Georg-August University Göttingen* (Germany).
09/2010 | “*With Honors*”

Professional Experience

- 02/2022– **Assistant Professor**, *Korea University* (Rep. of Korea).
present | Department of Chemistry
- 02/2022– **Research Fellow**, *Institute for Basic Science (IBS)* (Rep. of Korea).
present | Center for Molecular Spectroscopy and Dynamics
- 02/2020– **Assistant Professor**, *DGIST* (Rep. of Korea).
02/2022 | Department of Energy Science & Engineering
- 02/2019– **Postdoctoral Research Scholar**, *KAIST* (Rep. of Korea).
02/2020 | Prof. Dr. Hyungjun Kim
- 07/2017– **Postdoctoral Research Scholar**, *Stanford University* (USA).
01/2019 | Prof. Dr. Jens Nørskov

Research Interests

- **Computational Design for Sustainable Energy Conversion:** CO₂ reduction, water oxidation (oxygen evolution reaction – OER) and reduction (hydrogen evolution reaction – HER), oxygen reduction reaction (fuel cell), NO reduction. . . .

- **Electrified Solid-Liquid Interface Engineering:** Solid-liquid interface electrification and its influence on electrochemical reaction kinetics.
- **Machine Learning:** Development of *ab initio*-based machine learning techniques for modeling molecular dynamics at electrified solid-liquid interfaces and high-throughput screening of electrocatalysts.
- **Multi-scale Modeling of Electrochemical Systems:** Mass transport, buffer reactions, electrolyte design, porous electrodes.

Awards

- 2023-2024 **Fellowship of the Cluster of Excellence Sustainable and Energy-Efficient Aviation (SE2A)**, SE2A/TU Braunschweig, Braunschweig (Germany).
- 2019 **Award for Outstanding Oral Presentation**, 130th Physical Chemistry Summer Symposium, Busan (Rep. of Korea).
- 2016 **DAAD scholarship (Kongressreise)**, 67th Annual Meeting of the ISE, The Hague (Netherlands).
- 2014 **Selection for Global Young Scientist Summit**, Singapore National University of Singapore (Singapore).
- 2013 **Award for Outstanding Graduation**, Georg-August University Göttingen (Germany), awarded by chemistry department.
- 2012 **Award for Outstanding Teaching**, Georg-August University Göttingen (Germany), awarded by students.

2010,2011,2012 Scholarship of Lower Saxony.

- 2010 **Otto Wallach Award**, Georg-August University Göttingen (Germany), best B.Sc. degree in chemistry.
- 2007 **GDCh Award**, Halepaghen-Gymnasium Buxtehude, best graduation in chemistry (German Society of Chemistry).

Scientific Achievements

Invited Talks to International Conferences

- 06/2024 USTC School on Electrochemistry (online) [Lecture 1](#), [Lecture 2](#), [Lecture 3](#)
- 04/2024 87th Annual Conference of the DPG and DPG Spring Meeting, Berlin (Germany)
- 03/2024 Data-driven materials modeling, Ewha University, Seoul (Rep. of Korea)
- 01/2024 Lorentz Center Workshop on Atomistic Modelling of Solid-Liquid Interfaces in Electrocatalysis
- 06/2023 Canadian Chemistry Conference and Exhibition, Vancouver (Canada)
- 03/2023 1st Y-KAST International Conference, Jeju Shinhwa World, Jeju (Rep. of Korea)
- 02/2023 SIAM Conference on Computational Science and Engineering (CSE23), RAI Congress Centre, Amsterdam (Netherlands)
- 02/2023 Virtual Winterschool on Computational Chemistry (online)

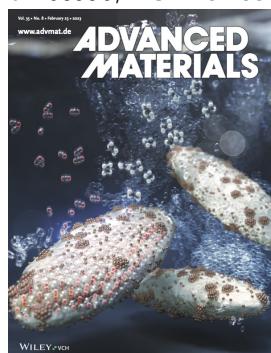
- 11/2020 6th International Conference on Electronic Materials and Nanotechnology for Green Environment (ENGE), Jeju (Rep. of Korea)
- 09/2020 2020 Pacific Rim Meeting of electrochemical and solid state science (PRIME), Online
- 07/2018 [FHI-aims Developer & User Meeting](#), Technical University Munich (Germany)

Paper reviews Over 30 peer reviews/year for various SCI journals, such as *Nature Catal.*, *Nature Energy*, *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, *Joule*, *Adv. Energy Mater.*, *Nature Comm.*, etc..

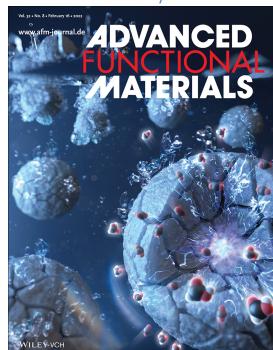
Research Stay ● 10/2011–02/2012, *Synthesis of Oxygen-Evolution Catalysts*, Prof. Dr. Åkermark, Stockholm University (Sweden)

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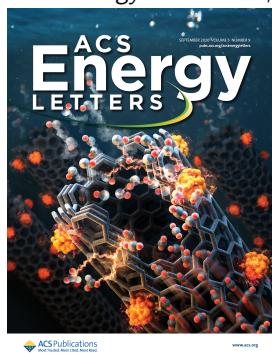
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- 2 C. Won[†], S. Kim[†], D. Kwak[†], T. Kim, J. Kim, E. Lee, S. Kim, R. V. Adith, S. Ringe*, H. I. Kim*, K. Jin*, *Spatiotemporal Nitric Oxide Modulation via Electrochemical Platform to Profile Tumor Cell Response*, *Angewandte Chemie International Edition* **2024**, e202411260.
- 3 S.-J. Kim, S. Lebègue*, S. Ringe*, H. Kim*, *Elucidating Solvatochromic Shifts in Two-Dimensional Photocatalysts by Solving the Bethe-Salpeter Equation Coupled with Implicit Solvation Method*, *The Journal of Physical Chemistry Letters* **2024**, *15*, 4575–4580.
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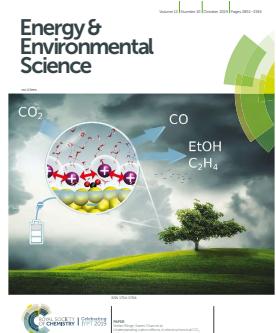


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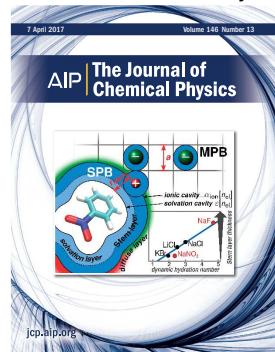
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