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Date of Birth: 18 October, 1960 Place of Birth: Limasol, Cyprus Place of residence: Charalabopoulou str. 35, Agios Vasilios, Rion, 26504 Patras Marital Status: Married, three Children

## Education

## Diploma in Chemical Engineering

Department of Chemical Engineering, University of Patras, Greece, 1985

## PhD in Chemical Engineering

Department of Chemical Engineering, University of Patras, Greece, 1990\*

\* I defended my PhD in July of 1988 and it was officially awarded on 16 January, 1990

## **Professional Experience**

2007 – Today: FORTH/ICE-HT Research Director

- 2005 2010: Chairman of the board of directors of ADVENT Technologies S.A.
- 2002 2007: FORTH/ICE-HT Principal Researcher
- 1995 2002: FORTH/ICE-HT Associate Scientist
- 1991 1995: FORTH/ICE-HT Post Doctoral Fellow
- 1988 1991: Laboratory of Petochemical Techn., Univ. of Gent, Belgium Post Doctoral Fellow

## **Research Interests**

- Electrochemistry and electrochemical Engineering: Design and development of Pilot scale electrochemical reactors
- Fuel Cells (solid oxide, SOFCs and polymer electrolytes, PEM)
- PEM water electrolysis
- Photo-electrocatalytic water splitting and organics photoelectrooxidation
- Heterogeneous Catalysis
- Chemical Reaction Engineering
- Applications of Infrared and X-ray photoelectron spectroscopies in catalysis and electrocatalysis

## **OVERVIEW OF PUBLICATIONS**

- In refereed international Journals: 152
- Chapters in books: 5
- In refereed special issues and refereed conference proceedings: 41
- > Patents: 6
- > Total number of publications: 204
- Invited Lectures: 29
- Plenary lectures: 3
- Oral presentations in international conferences: 102
- Participation in Greek conferences: 57

- total citation index: 5101
- citation index without self-citations: 3741
- ➢ h-index: 40

## **Research Projects**

- Project Coordinator: 16 (11 European, 5 National)
- Project participation Scientific leader: 13 (9 European, 3 National)
- Members of the research team: 5
- Budget for my research group: 7,750,000 €
- Total Budget: **28,000,000 €**

## Participation in PhD defence commeetees

Participation in 28 PhD defence comeetees in Greece and abroad

- Department of Chemicall Enginnering, University of Patras
- Department of Chemistry, University of Patras
- General Department, University of Patras
- Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of Thessally
- Department of Chemical Engineering Aristotele University of Thesalloniki
- Ecole doctoral des sciences chimique, University of Strassburg
- Department of Inorganic Chemistry, University of Chemical Technology Prague

## **Reviewer of International Journals**

I am reviewer in international scientific Journals related to electrochemistry, catalysis and chemical engineering. On the average, I review 10 articles per year for the Journals listed below:

- Science
- Journal of catalysis
- Electrochimica Acta
- Journal of Applied Electrochemistry
- Journal of solid state electrochemistry
- Journal of physical chemistry
- Journal of electrochemical society
- Electrochimical acta
- Catalysis today
- Chemical Engineering Science
- Applied catalysis
- Industrial Engineering and chemistry research
- Journal of polymer science

## **Proposals Reviewer**

- Greek General Secretarial of research and technology
- Estonian Reasearch Counsil, 2018
- Fuel Cell & H2 2 Joint Undertaking (FCH 2 JU), 2018
- European Commision, H2020-Spire programme, 2017
- ANR France 2016
- Swiss National Science Foundation, 2015
- DOE United states 2011

## **Membership of Professional Bodies and Associations**

- 2019- : Member of the board of directors of the Hellenic Foundation of Research and Innovation (HFRI).
- 2016- : Regional representative of Greece, International Society of Electrochemistry (ISE)
- Greek Technical Society
- Hellenic Catalysis Society
- The Electrochemical Society (ECS)

## Organization of conferences, summer schools and Scientific meetings

- **10/2004 1**<sup>st</sup> summer school in SOFC technology , 80 participants, Patras Greece
- **09/2006 3**<sup>rd</sup> **Summer School on SOFC technology**, 150 participants, Lemnos, Greece.
- **10/2010** Summer School on Electrolytes for PEM Water Electrolysis, 29 participants, Patras, Greece.
- 09/2015 3rd International Workshop on Degradation issues of Fuel Cells and Electrolysers, 130 participants, Santorini, Greece.
- **10/2016 11th European Space Power Conference (ESPC 2016)**, Thessaloniki, Greece, 400 participants, member of the organizing commeetee.
- **2000-Today** Several **technical project meetings** within the framework of the research projects that I was coordinating, about 10-15 participants in each meeting.

## Supervision of PhDs

#### PhDs already defended

- 1. Study of chemisorbed carbon species during the equilibrium of CH<sub>4</sub> dissociative adsorption on Ni based YSZ cermets.
- 2. The electrochemical promotion of Pt and PtRu supported on Zeolites and Carbon and the study of oxygen reduction electrocatalysts.
- 3. Synthesis, physicochemical characterization and electrochemical study of bimetallic and trimetallic electrocatalysts for PEM fuel cells.
- 4. Study of the physicochemical and electrocatalytic properties of metal. metal interphases formed by under potential deposition.
- 5. Development and study of polymer electrolytes for high temperature >100°C PEM fuel cells
- 6. Study and development of photosensitive electrodes for the photoelectrochemical dissociation of water.
- 7. Synthesis and study of bimetallic Ni based electrocatalysts with high tolerance to carbon deposition under CH<sub>4</sub> steam reforming partial oxidation conditions.
- 8. Anode degradation in SOFCs. Electrocatalysts development tolerant to carbon deposition and sulfur poisoning
- 9. Development of functionalized carbon nanotubes Pt electrocatalysts for high temperature PEM fuel cells. Study of the degradation mechanism.
- 10. Study of the electrocatalytic activity of Pt supported in atomic dispersion on modified carbon nanotubes
- 11. Study of the photoelectrochemical activity and stability of ZnO nanorodes in contact with alkaline solutions of NaOH.
- 12. Study of simultaneous / co electrolysis of  $CO_2$  and  $H_2O$  in high temperature solid oxide cells

## **Ongoing PhDs**

- 1. Physical mathematical modeling of electrochemical impedance spectra for the study of the electrokinetic mechanism of electrocatalytic reactions.
- 2. Development of electrocatalysts and electrodes for the electrochemical decomposition of water in high temperature solid oxide cells

#### Lectures

#### I. Invited Lectures

- 1. "Electrochemical Promotion in catalysis in liquid electrolyte cells", University of Poitier, Poitiers, France, December, 1994.
- 2. 1st Greek conference in Green Chemistry, Athens, Greece, February 28-29, 2004.
- 3. "Catalysis and electrocatalysis in PEM fuel cells. Methodologies and experimentation", CONCENT meeting, Sofia, November 26-27, 2004.
- 4. "Fuel Cell research and development in Greece", 55th Annual Meeting of the
- 5. INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY OF ELECTROCHEMISTRY 19-24 September 2004, Thessaloniki, Greece
- 6. "Electrocatalysts development for PEM Fuel Cells", Chemical Process and energy resouses Institute (CPERI), Thessaloniki, Greece February 4, 2005.
- 7. "Recent trends in Fuel Cell Catalysts Effect of Mo oxides and  $TiO_2$  on the catalytic and electrocatalytic properties of Pt Symposium on High Temperature PEM Fuel Cells", Rio, Greece, September 13 14, 2005.
- "Electrochemical Promotion and Electrochemical Metal Support Interaction: From Fundamentals to Monolithic Electropromoted Reactors", 4th European Summer School on Electrochemical Engineering, Palić, Serbia and Montenegro, September 17 – 22, 2006.
- 9. "Clean and efficient electricity production by the use of Fuel Cells", INNOREF-BRIE WORKSHOP, PATRAS, December 7-8, 2006.
- 10. "High Tolerant to Carbon Deposition Ni-based Electrodes under Internal Steam Reforming Conditions", TMS meeting, New Orleans, March 9-13, 2008.
- 11. "Proton conduction mechanism in H3PO4 imbibed Polymer electrolytes. The effect of water vapors", 8th European Conference in Electrochemical Engineering, Prague, 2008.
- 12. Proton conductivity in PEM Fuel Cells, IMPRS "Energy" summer school, Patras, Greece, 1-8 June, 2008
- Novel MEAs for high tempeature PEM fuel cells and proton conduction mechanism, 5th Chemical Engineering Conference for Collaborative Research in Eastern Mediterranean Countries, Cetraro CS, May 24-29, 2008
- Electrochemical Metal Support Interactions. The role of electrochemical interface in the promotion of supported metal catalysts, 2nd International Conference on the Electrochemical Promotion of catalysis and its applications Oleron Island, France 29 Sept-3 Oct, 2008
- 15. "New high temperature polymer electrolytes and MEAs", Neophytides S.G., Kallitsis J., TEPOC, Almagro, Spain, November 24 26 (2009).

- 16. "The interraction of water vapors with phosphoric acid imbibed membranes", Fuel Cells GRC conference, July 26-31, 2009, Bryant University
- 17. Proton conduction mechanism in H3PO4 imbibed PEMs: The effect of chemical structure and Steam, 218th ECS fall meeting, 10-15 October, 2010 Las Vegas
- 18. High Temperature PEM Fuel Cells Materials and fundamentals, Joint European Summer School for Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Technology, Viterbo, Italy, August 22 September 2, 2011.
- 19. High Temperature PEM Fuel Cells Materials and challenges, Joint European Summer School for Fuel Cell and Hydrogen Technology, LOW TEMPERATURE FUEL CELLS, Viterbo, Italy, August 22 –September 2, 2011.
- 20. FUNCTIONALIZED CARBON NANOTUBES AND ANODE DEGRADATION IN HIGH TEMPERATURE PEM FUEL CELLS, 19th Annual International Conference on Composites or Nano Engineering, ICCE-19, July 24-30, 2011 in Shanghai, China
- 21. "Increase in Pt utilization on Pyridine Modified Pt/CNTs for High Temperature PEM fuel cells", 10th ISE Spring Meeting, Perth, Australia, April 15 18, 2012.
- 22. "From innovative materials to processes and devices for high performance, selfsustained energy production. The case of high temperature polymer electrolyte fuel cells (HTPEMFCs)", ITE workshop, Heraklion, July 12 -13, 2013.
- 23. "Carbon and Sulfur tolerant anodes for SOFCs", Hydrogen days 2014, Prague, Czech Republic, April 2- 4, 2014.
- 24. "Energy efficient electricity production based High Temperature PEM Fuel Cells", Industrial Technologies 2014, Athens, Greece, April 9 - 11, 2014
- 25. "Regenerative PEM Fuel Cells", 11th International Conference on Nanosciences & Nanotechnologies NN14, Porto Palace Conference Centre & Hotel, 8 11 July 2014 Thessaloniki, Greece
- 26. Au and Mo modified Carbon and Sulfur Tolerant anodes for SOFCs, CNRS and University of Strasbourg, Strasbourg, 24 March, 2016
- 27. The development of High Temperature Polymer Electrolyte Fuel Cells and their role in a sustainable energy system, Khalifa University, Abu Dhabi 3 April, 2016
- 28. High temperature PEM fuel cell systems for stationary and portable applications, Stylianos G. Neophytides, CARISMA 2017, 10-12 April, Newcastle
- 29. The role of fuel cells in a distributed energy production system, 7<sup>th</sup> Energy FORUM Patras 17 March, 2018

## II. Pleanary Lectures

- 1. "Non-Faradaic Modification of Catalytic Activity", 'Modern trends in chemical kinetics and catalysis', Novosibirsk, Russia, November 21-23, 1995.
- "Electrochemical testing and spectroscopic investigation of anode electrocatalysts", 5th International Conference of New Materials for Electrochemical Systems, Montreal, Canada, July 6 - 11, 2003.
- Effect of Au and/or Mo doping on the development of carbon and sulfur tolerant anodes for SOFCs., 15<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Symposium in Catalysis, 18-20 October, 2018, Ioannina, Greece

## III. Keynote Lectures

- "From basic research to new fuel cell technology", 55th Annual Meeting of the International Society of Electrochemistry, Thessaloniki, Greece, September 19 – 24, 2004.
- "The role of catalysis and electrocatalysis towards the succesfull implementation of Fuel Cell technology", 8th PanHellenic Symposium on Catalysis, Cyprus, October 30 – November 1, 2004.
- "Interfacing Surface Catalysis and Electrocatalysis for the Succesful Implementation of PEM Fuel Cells: The case of PtMo catalysts", Physical Chemistry 2006, Belgrade, September 26 – 29, 2006.
- 4. "Electrochemical Metal Support Interactions. The role of electrochemical interface in the promotion of supported metal catalysts", 2nd International Conference on the Electrochemical Promotion of catalysis and its applications, Oleron Island, France, 29 September 29 October 3, 2008.
- 5. "Proton conduction mechanism in H3PO4 imbibed PEMs: The effect of chemical structure and Steam", 218th ECS fall meeting, Las Vegas, USA, October 10 15, 2010.
- Regenerative PEM Fuel Cells, Stylianos G. Neophytides, 11th International Conference on Nanosciences & Nanotechnologies – NN14 Porto Palace Conference Centre & Hotel, 8 - 11 July 2014 Thessaloniki, Greece

## Spin-offs

## Participation in the establishment of ADVENT Technologies SA.

I was one of the key founders of ADVENT Technologies SA. The company was founded in November 2004 and was co-financed within the framework of the PRAXE program from the Greek Ministry of Development, with a shared cost action of 700,000 €. ADVENT Technologies SA was established in Patras Greece in November 2004 and I used to chair the company from 2005-2010. In 2010 ADVENT expanded its activities to connecticat in the USA. The activities of the company focus on the optimization and commercialization of high temperature polymer electrolyte fuel cell technology, based on materials and processes that were developed at FORTH/ICE-HT and the Department of Chemistry of the University of Patras. The company is currently specialized in the development of high temperature PEM fuel cell stacks based on its proprietary technology.

## Participation in Research & Development Projects

I. Coordination of national and European research projects (16 projects)

1998 - 2000	Advances in electrocatalysis and catalysis for contemporary important electrode and heterogeneous chemical processes leading to renewable and sustainable energy and fuels Funding organization: Ministry of Development, Joint research and technology programs between Greece and Yugoslavia Contract No.: 3143/26.2.99 (Bilateral Cooperation) Budget: 11.000 EURO Duration: 1998 - 2001
1999-2001	Development of novel composite ceramic materials for solid oxide fuel cells (Coordinator) Funding organization: Greek Ministry of Development, ΠΕΝΕΔ 99 Contract No.: 99ΕΔ-557 Budget: 155.000 EURO Duration: 2000 - 2001
2000-2003	Natural gas fuelled solid oxide fuel cells (SOFCs) for cogeneration of electricity and chemicals (Coordinator) Acronym: NG-SOFC-CO Funding organization: European Commission, INCO2-COPERNICOUS2 Contract No.: ICA2-CT-2000-10030 Budget: 180.000 EURO Duration: 2000 - 2003
2001-2004	<ul> <li>"Advanced PEM fuel cells" (Coordinator)</li> <li>Acronym: APOLLON</li> <li>Funding organization: European Commission, EESD Program Contract</li> <li>No.: NNE5-2001-00187</li> <li>Budget: 600.000 kEURO</li> <li>Duration: 2001 - 2005</li> </ul>
2002-2005	Membrane Cell Hydrogen Generator and Electrocatalysis for Water Splitting (Coordinator) Funding organization: European Commission, INCO-COPERNICOUS- BALKANS Contract No.: ICA2-CT-2002-10001 Budget: 238.000 EURO Duration: 2002 - 2006
2005-2008	Development of nanostructured electrodes and electrolytes for solid oxide fuel cells (Coordinator) Funding organization: Ministry of Development, PENED 2003 Contract No.: 03-ED-505 Budget: 38 605 EURO Duration: 2005 - 2009
2006-2009	Polymer Electrolytes and Non Noble Metal Electrocatalysts for High

**Temperature PEM Fuel Cells (Coordinator)** Acronym: APOLLON-B Funding organization: European Commission Contract nr.: ENG2-CT2002-20652 Budget: 604.992 EURO Duration: 2006 - 2009

2010-2013 Understanding the Degradation Mechanisms of Membrane-Electrode-Assembly for High Temperature PEMFCs and Optimization of the Individual Components (Coordinator) Acronym: DEMMEA Funding organization: European Commission FCH-JU Contract No: 245156 Budget: 400.000€ Duration: 36 months

2013-2016 Development of a portable internal reforming methanol high temperature PEM Fuel Cell (Coordinator) Acronym: IRMFC Contract No: 325358 Funding organization: European Commission FCH-JU Budget: 310.000 EURO Duration: 2013 - 2016

2013-2016 Understanding the Degradation Mechanisms of a High Temperature PEMFC Stack and Optimization of the Individual Components (Coordinator) Acronym: DEMSTACK

Contract No: 325368 Funding organization: European Commission FCH-JU Budget: 300.000 EURO Duration 2013 – 2016

 2014-2017 Development of a Closed Loop Regenerative HT PEM Fuel Cell System (Coordinator) Acronym: Regenerative fuel cell Contract No: European Space Agency (ESA) Contract No. 4000109578/13/NL/SC Funding organization: European Space Agency Budget: 1.000.000 EURO Duration 2014 - 2017
 2015-2019 Development of new electrode materials and understanding of

2015-2019 Development of new electrode materials and understanding of degradation mechanisms on Solid Oxide High Temperature Electrolysis Cells. (Coordinator) Acronym: SElySOs Contract No: 671481 Funding organization: European Commission FCH-JU Budget: 500.000 EURO Duration 2015 – 2019

- 2020-2023 Next Generation solid oxide fuel cell and electrolysis technology ACRONYM: "NewSOC" Contract number No: 874577. Funding organization: European Commission FCH-JU Budget: 300.000 EURO Duration 2020 – 2023
- 2018-2020 Advanced electrocatalysts and electrodes for PEM fuel cells for energy applications.
   Acronym: ADEL4PEM
   Funding Organization: Περιφέρεια Δυτικής Ελλάδας
   Budget: 90.900 EURO
   Duration: 2018-2020
- 2020-2023 Development and demonstration at pilot scale of an innovative, efficient and environmentally friendly process for H2 and electricity production from biogas. Acronym: Eco-Bio-H2-FCs Contract No: T2EΔK-00955 Funding organization: Greek general secretarial for research and development Budget: 150.000 EURO Duration 2020 – 2023
  - 2020-2023 Autonomous system of a regenerative fuel cell based on renuable energy sourses. Acronym: Solar2HyP Contract No: T2EΔK-01877

Funding organization: Greek general secretarial for research and development Budget: 316,000 EURO Duration 2020 – 2023

## II. Scientific leader in national and European collaborative research projects

- 2002-2005 **Thematic network on Solid Oxide Fuel Cell Technology (SOFC NET)** Funding organization: European Commission Contract nr.: ENG2-CT2002-20652 Budget: 9 kEURO Duration: 2003 - 2005
- 2004-2008 Realising Reliable, Durable, Energy Efficient and Cost Effective SOFC systems Acronym: REAL-SOFC

Funding organization: European Commission Contract No.: SES6-CT-2003-502612 Budget: 450.000 EURO Duration: 2004 - 2008

2005-2008 Development of photocatalytic and photoelectrochemical cells for the water dissociation by the use of sunlight Funding organization: Ministry of Development, PENED 2003 Contract No.: 03-ED-607 Budget: 44.333 EURO Duration: 2005 - 2009

2006-2009 Novel Materials for Silicate-Based Fuel Cells Acronym: MatSILC Funding organization: European Commission Contract No.: NMP3-CT2006-033410 Budget: 394.999 EURO Duration: 2008 - 2009

2006-2009 "Development of a Bioelectrochemical Device for CNS Repair" ACRONYM: NERBIOS Funding organization: European Commission Contract nr.: 28473 Budget: 300.000€ Duration 36 months

 2010-2013 "Understanding and minimizing anode degradation in hydrogen and natural gas fuelled SOFCs, ACRONYM : ROBANODE Funding organization: European Commission FCH-JU Budget: 310.000€ Duration: 36 months

2010-2013 **"Development of an Internal Reforming Alcohol High Temperature PEM Fuel Cell Stack"** ACRONYM: *IRAFC* Contract No: 245202 Funding organization: European Commission FCH-JU Budget: 310.000€ Contribution: 350.000 € Duration: 36 months

- 2010-2013 **"Sustainable Hydrogen Generation**" ACRONYM: **SusHGEN** Contract No: 238678 Funding organization: European Commission Marie Curie Budget: 1.736.940 EURO Duration 48 months
- 2012-2015 "Innovative SOFC Architecture based on Triode Operation" Acronym: T-Cell

Contract No: 298300 Funding organization: European Commission FCH-JU Budget: 3.424.168 EURO Duration: 2012 - 2015

2013-2016 **"Novel Catalyst materials for the cathode side of MEAs suitable for transportation applications"** Acronym: CathCat Contract No: 303492 Funding organization: European Commission FCH JU Budget: 176.000 EURO Duration 2013 – 2015

2013-2016 **"Development of innovative photo-fuel cells for hydrogen** production and electricity based on the photo electro reforming of organic compounds" Acronym:Thalis Funding organization: Greek Ministry of education GSRT Budget: 600.000 EURO Duration 2013 – 2015

## III. Participation in research projects

1990-1995	Fundamental studies of non-faradaic catalysis Funding organization: European Commission, SCIENCE program Contr. No.: SCI*-CT90-0533 Budget: 192 kEURO Duration: 1991 - 1994
1992-1995	Integration techniques for up-scaled sofc modules (sofc integration) Funding organization: European Commission, SCIENCE program Contr. No.: JOU2-CT92-0016 Budget: 2630 kEURO Duration: 1992 - 1995
1994-1995	"Internal reforming of natural gas (methane) in solid oxide fuel cells and catalytic and electrocatalytic performance of the anode" Funding organization: Ministry of development PENED 95 Contr. No.: AA2004 Budget 24,000 €
2003-2007	PEM Fuel Cell Electricity Generator Operating on Methanol Funding organization: Ministry of Development, EΠAN E25 Contract No.: E 25 Budget: 219 kEURO € Duration: 2003 - 2007