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Education:

BS (Chemistry), Jilin University
PhD (Chemistry), Changchun Institute of Applied Chemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences
Postdoctoral (Analytical Chemistry), Oakland University
Postdoctoral (Analytical Chemistry), Clemson University

Research Expertise:

Electrochemistry | Electrochemical energy storage and conversion devices | Spectroscopy | Surface Characterization | Nanomaterials Characterization | Conductive polymers

My three major research projects are: (1) ionic liquids solutions of lithium ion and acids as advanced electrolyte solutions of lithium ion batteries and fuel cells; (2) electrochemical preparation of carbide-derived carbon and its application in supercapacitors, sensors, and biomedical devices; (3) quantities measurement and characterization of nanoparticles in complicated systems. Other projects include the development of biosensors and synthesis of soluble conducting polymers.

Member of:

American Chemical Society (www.acs.org)
The Electrochemical Society (www.electrochem.org)

Recent Academic Projects:

(1) Ionic liquid solutions' properties and applications as electrolytes; (2) electrochemical oxidation of metal carbides; (3) effects of nanoparticles on human and cancer cells.

Recent Publications:

Lam PH, Tran AT, Walczyk DJ, Miller AM, Yu L (2017) Conductivity, Viscosity, and Thermodynamic Properties of Propylene Carbonate Solutions in Ionic Liquids. *J Mol Liq.* 246:215-220.

Goderecci S, Kaiser E, Yanakis M, Norris, Scaturro J, Ozust R, Medina C, Waechter F, Heon M, Yu L, Lofland S, Demarest R, Krchnavek R, Caputo G, Hettinger J (2017) Silver oxide coatings with high silver-ion elution rates and characterization of bactericidal activity. *Molecules.* 22:1487.

Walczyk DJ, Mason DF, Palazzo BG, Norris ZA, McRae, N, Tran AT, Hettinger JD, Yu L (2017) Electrochemical Oxidation of Niobium and Tantalum Carbides in Aqueous Solutions. *ECS Trans.* 77:1599-1606.

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Camargo LGB, Palazzo BG, Taylor G, Norris ZK, Patel YK, Hettinger JD, Yu L (2015) Carbide-Derived Carbon by Electrochemical Etching of Vanadium Carbides. *J Electrochem Soc.* 162:H811-H815.