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# **Education and Professional Preparation**

Postdoc	Purdue University (West Lafayette, Indiana)	2015 - 2018
Ph.D. in Chemical Engineering <i>Co-advisors:</i>		
Prof. Arvind Varma, Purdu Prof. Guomin Xiao, Southe		
B.S. in Chemical Engineering	Southeast University (Nanjing, China)	2006 - 2010

### Ph. D. Dissertation

<u>Yang Xiao</u>, Heterogeneous Catalysis for Biodiesel Production and Utilization of its Byproduct Crude Glycerol by Selective Oxidation, Southeast University (China), May **2015**, 137 + xii pages. Co-advised by Prof. Arvind Varma (*Purdue University*) and Prof. Guomin Xiao (*Southeast University*).

# **Appointments**

Assistant Professor	Louisiana Tech University	2022 - Present
Senior Research Engineer (PI)	Purdue University	2019 - 2022
Research Scientist	Purdue University	2018 - 2019

# **Grants and Awards**

TIRE Grant (PI)	Louisiana Transportation Research Center	2024 - Present
ERI Grant (PI)	National Science Foundation	2024 - Present
LAMDA LINK Award (PI)	NSF EPSCoR	2024 - Present
LAMDA Track 1B Award (PI)	NSF EPSCoR	2023 - Present
REA Grant (PI)	NASA EPSCoR	2023 - Present
ACS Project SEED (co-PI)	American Chemical Society	2023

# **Research Group**

### **Ph.D. Graduate Students:**

Tobias K. Misicko	Louisiana Tech University	2022 - present
Xiaoyang Gao (co-advised)	Louisiana Tech University	2022 - present

Joaquin Herrero	Louisiana Tech University	2024 - present
Mantasha Noyela	Louisiana Tech University	2024 - present
Master's Graduate Students:		
Henrik Ketting	Louisiana Tech University	2023 - present
Gabriel Chukwuka (co-advised)	Louisiana Tech University	2023 - present
Thapaswi Movva	Louisiana Tech University	2024 - present
<b>Undergraduate Students:</b>		
Piper Smith	Louisiana Tech University	2023 - present
Caroline Cresap	Louisiana Tech University	2023 - present
Sean Clay	Louisiana Tech University	2023 - present
Sarah Siharath	Louisiana Tech University	2023 - present
Robert Martin	Louisiana Tech University	2023 - present
Group Alumni		
<b>Undergraduate Students:</b>		
Brady Duplessis	Louisiana Tech University	2022 - 2023
Paul Macip	Louisiana Tech University	2022 - 2023
Jacob Christ	Louisiana Tech University	2022 - 2023
High School Students:		
Piper Smith		2023
Mir Z. Ali		2023
Teaching Experience		
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Sustainable Chemical Processes (CMEN 450)	Louisiana Tech University	Present (Fall Quarter)
Sustainable Chemical Processes (CMEN 557) Chemical Plant Design I (CMEN 431)	Louisiana Tech University	Present (Fall Quarter)
Chemical Plant Design II (CMEN 432)	Louisiana Tech University Louisiana Tech University	Present (Fall Quarter) Present (Winter Quarter)
Chemical Plant Design II (CMEN 432)	Louisiana Tech University	Present (Spring Quarter)
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Transport Phenomena (CMEN 304)	Louisiana Tech University	2022 - 2024
Engineering Problem Solving II (ENG 121)	Louisiana Tech University	2022 - 2023
Heat and Mass Transfer (CHE 378)	Purdue University	2021
Chemical Reaction Engineering (CHE 660)	Purdue University	2019
(Co-Instructor)		

# **Research Publications**

31. Hao Li, Xue Liu, Yan Zhang, <u>Yang Xiao</u>\*, and Kun Cao\*, A Kinetic Model of the Cycloaddition Reactions Between Cyclopentadiene and 1, 3-Butadiene for Synthesis of 5-vinyl-2-norbornene, The Cana-

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- 30. Zhe Li<sup>†</sup>, Tobias K. Misicko<sup>†</sup>, Fan Yang<sup>†</sup>, Xiaopeng Liu, Zhenwei Wu, Xiaoyang Gao, Tao Ma, Jeffrey T. Miller, Daniela S. Mainardi, Collin D. Wick, Zhenhua Zeng\*, <u>Yang Xiao</u>\*, Yue Wu\*, Two-dimensional Atomically Thin Pt Layers on MXenes: The Role of Electronic Effects During Catalytic Dehydroge nation of Ethane and Propane, Nano Research, **2024**, 17 (3), 1251-1258.
- 29. Zhichao Shang, Teng Wang, Aoxia Ren, Yong Yu, Yan Zheng, Yuan Tao, Peizhong Feng, Yang Xiao\*, Xiaohong Wang\*, Hollow Macroporous CeO<sub>2</sub>/β-Bi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> Heterostructure Sphere via One-step Spray Solution Combustion Synthesis for Efficient Photocatalysis, Applied Surface Science, **2023**, 619, 156718.
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- 27. Zhichao Shang, Yong Yu, Hang Yang, Zhongxiang Yang, Yang Xiao\*, Xiaohong Wang\* One-step Solution Combustion Synthesis of Micro/nano-scale Porous Cu/CeO<sub>2</sub> with Enhanced Photocatalytic Properties, Journal of Rare Earths, **2023**, 41 (2), 250-258.
- 26. Zhe Li<sup>†</sup>, Yang Xiao\*<sup>†</sup>, Prabudhya Roy Chowdhury, Zhenwei Wu, Tao Ma, Johnny ZhuChen, Gang Wan, Tae-Hoon Kim, Dapeng Jing, Peilei He, Pratik J. Potdar, Lin Zhou, Zhenhua Zeng, Xiulin Ruan, Jeffrey T. Miller, Jeffrey P. Greeley, Yue Wu\*, Direct Methane Activation by Atomically Dispersed Platinum Nanolayers on Two-dimensional Metal Carbides (MXenes), Nature Catalysis, 2021, 4, 882-891.
- 25. Ruiping Wei, Xumin Qu, <u>Yang Xiao</u>\*, Jingdeng Fan, Gaoli Geng, Lijing Gao, Guomin Xiao, Glycerol Hydrogenolysis Propanediols over Silicotungstic Acid Catalysts Intercalated with CuZnFe Hydrotalcite-like Compounds **2021**, Catalysis Today, **2021**, 368, 224-231.
- 24. Chunxiao Xu, Yayong Li, Ryan A. Adams, Vilas G. Pol, <u>Yang Xiao</u>, Arvind Varma, Pengwan Chen, One-Step Combustion Synthesis of Carbon-Coated NiO/Ni Composites for Lithium and Sodium Storage, Journal of Alloys and Compounds, **2021**, 310, 110578.
- 23. Yuanfeng Wu, Yang Xiao, Hui Yuan, Zongqi Zhang, Shengbin Shi, Ruiping Wei, Lijing Gao and Guomin Xiao, Imidazolium ionic liquid functionalized UiO-66-NH<sub>2</sub> as highly efficient catalysts for chemical fixation of CO<sub>2</sub> into cyclic carbonates, *Microporous and Mesoporous Materials*, **2021**, 310, 110578.
- 22. Feng Jiang, Shanshan Wang, Bing Liu, Jie Liu, Li Wang, Yang Xiao, Yuebing Xu, and Xiaohao Liu, Insights into the Influence of CeO<sub>2</sub> Crystal Facet on CO<sub>2</sub> Hydrogenation to Methanol over Pd/CeO<sub>2</sub> Catalysts *ACS Catalysis*, **2020**, 10 (19), 11493–11509.
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- Xiaoni Du, Xiaohong Wang and Yang Xiao, Bi<sub>5</sub>O<sub>7</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> and Ag/Bi<sub>5</sub>O<sub>7</sub>NO<sub>3</sub> Composites: One-step Solution Combustion Synthesis, Characterization and Photocatalytic Properties, CrystEngComm, 2018, 20, 7536-7542.
- 15. <u>Yang Xiao</u>, Yuan Wang and Arvind Varma, Low-Temperature Selective Oxidation of Methanol over Pt-Bi Bimetallic Catalysts, *Journal of Catalysis*, **2018**, 363, 144-153.
- 14. <u>Yang Xiao</u> and Arvind Varma, Highly Selective Nonoxidative Coupling of Methane over Pt-Bi Bimetal-lic Catalysts, *ACS Catalysis*, **2018**, 8 (4), 2735-2740.
- 13. Yang Xiao and Arvind Varma, Bio-oil Upgrading Using Methane: A Mechanistic Study of Model Compound Guaiacol Reactions over Pt-Bi Bimetallic Catalysts, *ACS Sustainable Chemistry & Engineering*, **2018**, 6 (12), 17368-17375.
- 12. <u>Yang Xiao</u> and Arvind Varma, Kinetics of Glycerol Conversion to Hydrocarbon Fuels over Pd/H-ZSM-5 Catalyst, *AIChE Journal*, **2017**, 63 (12), 5445-5451.
- 11. Yang Xiao and Arvind Varma, Kinetics of Guaiacol Deoxygenation over the Pt-Bi Catalyst, *Reaction Chemistry & Engineering*, **2017**, 2, 36-43.
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- 8. Danni Gao, <u>Yang Xiao</u> and Arvind Varma, Guaiacol Hydrodeoxygenation over Platinum Catalyst: Reaction Pathways and Kinetics, *Industrial & Engineering Chemistry Research*, **2015**, 54 (43), 10638-10644.
- 7. Yang Xiao and Arvind Varma, Catalytic Deoxygenation of Guaiacol Using Methane, *ACS Sustainable Chemistry & Engineering*, **2015**, 3 (11), 2606-2610.
- 6. Haoyang Li, Xiaomei Pan, Yang Xiao, Guomin Xiao and Jinjin Huang, Simulation of Biodiesel Industrial Production via Solid Base Catalyst in a Fixed-bed Reactor, *Journal of Southeast University* (English Edition), **2014**, 30 (3), 380-386.
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- 4. <u>Yang Xiao</u>, Haoyang Li, Guomin Xiao, Lijing Gao and Xiaomei Pan, Simulation of the Catalytic Reactive Distillation Process for Biodiesel Production via Transesterification, *International Conference on Materials for Renewable Energy and Environment*, Chengdu, China, **2013**, 1, 196-199.
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- 5. Yang Xiao, Arvind Varma, Anand Ramanathan, and Bala Subramaniam, Method of Enhanced Aromatic Products from Bio-oil Upgrading, Patent Application US20220356137A1, June 22, **2019**.
- 4. Yang Xiao and Arvind Varma, Catalytic Deoxygenation of Bio-Oils Using Methane, Patent, No. US10023809 B2, July 17, **2018**.
- 3. Yang Xiao and Arvind Varma, Method of Producing Formaldehyde from Methanol, Patent No. US10392333B2, December 19, **2018**.
- 2. <u>Yang Xiao</u> and Arvind Varma, Method of Conversion of Glycerol to Hydrocarbon Fuels, Patent No. US10781376B2, October 3, **2018**.
- Yang Xiao and Arvind Varma, Non-oxidative Production of Hydrocarbon from Methane, Patent No. US10450247B2, September 19, 2018.

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- 36. Tobias Misicko and Yang Xiao Thermal Runaway of Catalytic Reactors: an Experimental, Modeling and Machine-Learning Study *Southeastern Catalysis Society 2023 Annual Symposium*, Tuscaloosa, AL, February 27 28, **2023**.
- 35. Yang Xiao, Tobias Misicko, Jeffrey Miller and Yue Wu, Atomically Thin Pt Nanolayer Catalysts Supported on Two-dimensional Molybdenum Titanium Carbide (MXene) for Shale Gas Conversion, *Southeastern Catalysis Society 2023 Annual Symposium*, Tuscaloosa, AL, February 27 28, **2023**.
- 34. Zhe Li, Yang Xiao, Prabudhya Chowdhury, Zhenwei Wu, Tao Ma, Johnny Zhuchen, Gang Wan, Tae-

Hoon Kim, Dapeng Jing, Peilei He, Pratik Potdar, Lin Zhou, Zhenhua Zeng, Xiulin Ruan, Jeffrey T. Miller, Jeffrey Greeley, Yue Wu and Arvind Varma, Nonoxidation Coupling of Methane over Nano-Layer Platinum Catalysts on Two-Dimensional Metal Carbides (MXenes), *AIChE Annual Meeting*, Phoenix, AZ, November 13 - 18, **2022**.

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- 32. <u>Yang Xiao</u>, Pratik Potdar, Kaida Liu, Arvind Varma and Guomin Xiao A Machine Learning Tool for Thermal Runaway Prediction of Chemical Reactors *AIChE Annual Meeting* (Virtual) November 16 20, **2020**.
- 31. Yang Xiao, Feng Jiang, Guomin Xiao and Arvind Varma, CO<sub>2</sub> Hydrogenation to Ethanol over Pd/Bi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> Catalysts: The Synergistic Effect of Pd Particle Size and Surface Oxygen Vacancy *AIChE Annual Meeting* (Virtual) November 16 20, **2020**.
- 30. <u>Yang Xiao</u> and Arvind Varma, Parametric Sensitivity and Runaway in Fixed-Bed Reactors: Example of Methanol Selective Oxidation over Pt-Bi Catalysts, *AIChE Annual Meeting*, Orlando, Florida, November 10-15, **2019**.
- 29. <u>Yang Xiao</u>, Anand Ramanathan, Bala Subramaniam and Arvind Varma, Enhanced Aromatic Selectivity during Deoxygenation of Phenolic Model Compounds over Bifunctional Catalysts, *AIChE Annual Meeting*, Orlando, Florida, November 10-15, **2019**.
- 28. <u>Yang Xiao</u>, Anand Ramanathan, Bala Subramaniam and Arvind Varma, Enhanced Aromatic Selectivity during Deoxygenation of Phenolic Model Compounds over Bifunctional Catalysts, *2019 North American Catalysis Society Meeting (NAM26)*, Chicago, Illinois, June 23-28, **2019**.
- 27. Johnny ZhuChen, Zhenwei Wu, Slgi Choi, Yang Xiao, Arvind Varma, Wei Liu, Guanghui Zhang and Jeffrey T. Miller, Structure Determination of Nanoscale Pt<sub>3</sub>Bi Intermetallic Alloy Catalysts for Non-Oxidative Coupling of Methane and Propane Dehydrogenation, 2019 North American Catalysis Society Meeting (NAM26), Chicago, Illinois, June 23-28, 2019.
- 26. Yang Xiao and Arvind Varma, A Mechanistic Study of Glycerol Conversion to Aromatic Hydrocarbons over Bifunctional Metal-Supported H-ZSM-5 Catalysts, The 4th North American Symposium for Chemical Reaction Engineering (NASCRE 4), invited talk in honor of Prof. Dan Luss' contributions to the field of chemical reaction engineering, Houston, Texas, March 10-13, 2019.
- 25. <u>Yang Xiao</u> and Arvind Varma, Highly Selective Nonoxidative Coupling of Methane (NOCM) over Pt-Bi Bimetallic Catalysts, *AIChE Annual Meeting*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 28 November 2, **2018**.
- 24. Arvind Varma and Yang Xiao, Bio-Oil Upgrading Using Methane: A Mechanistic Study of Model Compound Guaiacol Reactions over Pt-Bi Bimetallic Catalysts, *invited talk in honor of Prof. Doraiswami Ramkrishna' contributions to the field of chemical reaction engineering*, AIChE Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 28 November 2, 2018.
- 23. Yang Xiao, Yuan Wang and Arvind Varma, Methanol Conversion to Formaldehyde at Low Temperatures over Pt-Bi Bimetallic Catalysts, *AIChE Annual Meeting*, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, October 28 November 2, **2018**.

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- 21. Rexonni B. Lagare, Yang Xiao and Arvind Varma, Direct Catalytic Conversion of Methane to Liquid Oxygenates CISTAR Biannual Meeting, Albuquerque, NM, October 3-5, **2018**.
- Yang Xiao and Arvind Varma, Upgrading Bio-Oil Model Compound over Pt-Based Catalysts: A Comparative Study Using Hydrogen and Methane, *International Symposium on Chemical Reaction Engineering (ISCRE-25)*, Florence, Italy, May 20 23, 2018.
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- 18. Yang Xiao, Yuan Wang and Arvind Varma, Low-Temperature Selective Oxidation of Methanol to Formaldehyde over Pt-Bi Bimetallic Catalysts, *39th Annual Michigan Catalysis Society Spring Symposium*, Midland, Michigan, May 3, **2018**.
- 17. Lindsey Blanshan, <u>Yang Xiao</u> and Arvind Varma, Catalytic Conversion of Biomass Model Compounds to Biofuels over Pt-based Supported Catalysts, *AIChE North Central Regional Conference*, West Lafayette, IN, April 6 7, **2018**.
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- 14. Yang Xiao and Arvind Varma, Kinetics of Guaiacol Deoxygenation Using Methane over Pt-Bi Catalyst, 5th North American Catalysis Society Meeting, Denver, CO, June 4-9, **2017**.
- 13. Xiaohong Wang, Yang Xiao and Arvind Varma, Controllable Solution Combustion Synthesis of Nanoscale  $\alpha$  /  $\beta$   $Bi_2O_3$  and Its Catalytic Application, AIChE Annual Meeting, San Francisco, CA, November 13-18, **2016**.
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- 10. Yang Xiao and Arvind Varma, Insight into Pt-Bi Bimetallic Catalysts: An Experimental and DFT Study, *AIChE Annual Meeting*, San Francisco, CA, November 13-18, **2016**.
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### **Professional Services**

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#### **Conference Sessions Chaired**

- 5. Catalysis on Low Dimensional Materials, AIChE Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, November 5 10, 2023.
- 4. Session III, Southeastern Catalysis Society 2023 Annual Symposium, Tuscaloosa, AL, February 27 28, 2023.
- 3. Fundamentals of Catalysis and Surface Science II: Zeolites and Acid Catalysis, *AIChE Annual Meeting*, Phoenix, AZ, November 13 18, 2022.
- 2. Biomass Upgrading I: Reaction Fundamentals, *AIChE Annual Meeting*, Boston, MA, November 5 11, 2021.
- 1. Fundamentals and Strategies for Catalytic Biomass Conversion, *AIChE Annual Meeting*, Virtual, November 16 20, 2020.

### **Manuscript Reviewer**

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