

Curriculum Vitae

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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Advance the fundamental understanding of the structure and dynamics of polymers at surface, interface and under confinement, to lay the foundations for innovations in robust nanomanufacturing, high efficiency polymer-based separation membranes, and responsive materials.

EDUCATION

Ph.D. – University of Akron, Akron, Ohio Department of Polymer Science	09/2001 – 05/2005
M.S. – Fudan University, Shanghai, China Department of Macromolecular Chemistry and Physics	09/1998 – 07/2001
B.S. – Fudan University, Shanghai, China Department of Polymer Science and Engineering	09/1994 – 07/1998

EMPLOYMENT

07/2017 – present	Director (CU site), Membrane Science, Engineering and Technology (MAST) Center, an NSF Industry and University Collaborative Research Center (IUCRC)
08/2019 – present	Professor, Mechanical Engineering, University of Colorado at Boulder
08/2014 – 07/2019	Associate Professor, Mechanical Engineering, University of Colorado at Boulder
08/2008 – 07/2014	Assistant Professor, Mechanical Engineering, University of Colorado at Boulder
06/2005 – 07/2008	Post-doctoral Researcher, National Institute of Standards & Technology (NIST)
08/2001 – 05/2005	Graduate Assistant, University of Akron, Akron, OH
09/1998 – 07/2001	Graduate Assistant, Fudan University, Shanghai, China

AWARDS AND HONORS

2022-2025 Board of directors, North American Membrane Society (NAMS)
2021 Outstanding service award, Department of Mechanical Engineering, CU Boulder
2021 Co-chair of 30th North American Membrane Society (NAMS) annual meeting
2019-2021 American Chemical Society - Petroleum Research Fund (ACS- PRF) New Direction (ND) award
2012-2013 Dean's Faculty Fellowship, College of Engineering and Applied Science, CU Boulder
2010-2011 Outstanding Research Award, Department of Mechanical Engineering, CU Boulder
2010 ACS-PMSE Young Investigator Symposium speaker
2010 ACS-PRF New investigator award
2009 Junior Faculty Development Award, CU Boulder

PATENTS

- (Under examination) Novel Nano-Patterned Thin Film Membranes and Thin Film Composite Membranes, And Methods Using Same. *WO2015048442-A1*
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- “Effect of the Branch Length on Structural and Separation Properties of Hyperbranched Poly(1,3-dioxolane)”, L. Huang, W. Guo, H. Mondal, S. Schaefer, T. Tran, S. Fan, Y. Ding, H. Lin, *Macromolecules*, **2022**, 55, 1, 382–389.
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RESEARCH FUNDING

Active Awards

- NSF-MAST Center: “Measuring and Understanding the “True” Permeation Resistance of Porous Support in Ultrahigh Pressure Reverse Osmosis Membranes”, PI: Yifu Ding, \$54,000 (no overhead). 1/2022-12/2022.
- NSF-MAST Center: “A Fractal-Analysis Based Metrology to Quantify Porous Structures of Membranes”, PI: Yifu Ding, Co-PI: Todd Murray, \$54,000 (no overhead). 1/2022-12/2022.
- NSF-CBET: “Support to Broaden Student Participation in the 2021 Meeting of the North American Membrane Society (NAMS)”, PI: Yifu Ding, \$15,990. 03/01/2021-2/28/2022.
- NSF-MAST Center: “A New Metrology to Assess Pore Size and Gradients in Membranes using IR Ellipsometry”, PI: Bryan Vogt (Penn State University), Co-PI: Yifu Ding, \$75,000 (no overhead). 12/2020-12/2021.

- NSF-MAST Center: “Acoustofluidics Enhanced Membrane Technology for Separation of Cells and Particles”, PI: Xiaoyun Ding (CU), Co-PI: Yifu Ding, \$110,000 (no overhead). 12/2020-12/2022.
- University of Colorado, Innovative Seed Grant, “Artificial Snakeskin via Solid Liquid Interfacial Polymerization (SLIP) Process”, PI: Ding, \$45,000, 06/2020-12/2021. (no overhead).
- NSF-MAST Center: “Fabrication, Characterization and Performance Studies of Novel Robust Microporous Membranes for Treatment of High Salinity Water”, PI: Yifu Ding (CU), Co-PI: Kamallesh Sirkar (New Jersey Institute of Technology), \$162,500 (no overhead). 07/2019-12/2021.
- NSF-CMMI (Advanced Manufacturing Program): “Travel Support for Students, Post-Docs, and Young Faculty to Attend the Symposium on “Polymer Processing: Nanomanufacturing and Nanofabrication” at ACS meeting, Philadelphia, PA, March 22-26, 2019”. PI: Yifu Ding, \$15,000. 03/01/2020-12/31/2020.
- NSF (IIP-1624602): “Phase II U. of Colorado Boulder Site: Center for Membrane Science, Engineering, and Technology (MAST)”, PI: Yifu Ding, Co-PI: Victor Bright, \$500,000, 07/2016-06/2021.

Completed Grants

- NSF-MAST Center: “Phase Inversion Process on Micro-patterned Substrates: Membrane Formation and Particle Filtration Study (Donaldson)”, PI: Yifu Ding, \$55,000 (no overhead), 07/2019-06/2020.
- ACS-PRF (ND), “Probing and Controlling Active Dissipation Zone during Fracture using Photoplastic Polymers”, PI: Yifu Ding, Co-PI, Rong Long, \$110,000 (no overhead), 07/2019-06/2021.
- University of Colorado, College of Engineering and Applied Science, Water-Energy-Nexus (WEN) Interdisciplinary Research Theme (IRT), Seed Grant (Phase I), “Robust Membrane for Treatment of Flue-Gas Desulfurization (FGD) Wastewater”, PI: Ding, \$17,500, 3/2018-12/2018.
- University of Colorado, College of Engineering and Applied Science, Multifunctional Materials (MFM) Interdisciplinary Research Theme (IRT), Seed Grant (Phase I), “Smart Particle Adhesives”, PI: Ding, \$5,000, 3/2018-9/2018.
- University of Colorado, Innovative Seed Grant, “Sequential Laser Ablation and AFM (SLAA) for Imaging 3D Porous Structures”, PI: Ding, \$50,000, 07/2017-06/2018. (no overhead).
- Sandia National Lab, “Characterization of Micro Glass Balloons”, PI: Rong Long, Co-PIs: Yifu Ding, Jianliang Xiao, \$60,000, 2016-2017.
- NSF (IIP-1432952): “Nano-patterned Thin Film Composite Membranes for Scaling Mitigation during Desalination”, PI: Yifu Ding, Co-PIs: Alan Greenberg, John Pellegrino, \$199,954, 08/2014-12/2017.
- NSF-PFI (IIP-1414317): AIR-TT: “Scalable NIL-membranes”, PI: John Pellegrino, Co-PIs: Yifu Ding, \$249,007, 04/2014-09/2017.
- NSF-MAST Center: “Direct Nanoimprinting of Surface Patterns on Membranes for Protein Fouling Mitigation”, PI: Yifu Ding, Co-PIs: Alan Greenberg, John Pellegrino, \$135,000 (no overhead). 01/2014-12/2017.
- NSF (CBET- 1264276): “Nanoimprinting Ultrafiltration Membranes for Non-Chemical Fouling Mitigation” PI: Yifu Ding, Co-PIs: Alan Greenberg, John Pellegrino, \$320,000, 08/2013-07/2018.
- NSF (CMMI-1233626): “Scalable Fabrication of Smart Polymer Surfaces Using Nanoimprint Lithography”, PI: Yifu Ding, \$279,056, 09/2012-08/2015.
- University of Colorado, Innovative Seed Grant, “Enhancing separation performance of membranes by nanotexturing”, PI: John Pellegrino, Co-PI: Ding. \$46,000, 07/2012-06/2013. (no overhead)
- University of Colorado, Innovative Seed Grant, “Creating Novel Hybrid Materials through Guided Growth of 3-D Inorganic Networks in Polymeric Matrices”, Sole PI, \$46,000, 07/2012-06/2013. (no overhead)

- NSF (CMMI-092867): Mechanics of Cell Alignment due to Contact Guidance by Substrate Surface Patterns (PI Qi, Co-PI: Yifu Ding and Martin Dunn, \$320,000, 09/01/2009-08/31/2012).
- NSF (CMMI-1031785): Instabilities of Patterned Polymer Surface (PI: Ding, Co-PI Jerry H. Qi, \$309,000, 08/01/2010-07/31/2013).
- NSF (EFRI-SEED-1038305), PI: John Zhai, Co-PI Jerry H. Qi, Kurt Maute, Yifu Ding, Fred Andreas, Living Wall Systems, \$1,957,446, 09/01/2010-08/31/2014.
- ACS-PRF (DNI), Demixing of Polymer Blends during Nanoimprinting Lithography Process, PI: Yifu Ding, \$100,000 (no overhead).
- NSF-MAST Center (09-05): Characterization of Polymeric Barrier Layer on Thin Film Composite Reverse Osmosis Membranes via Nanoscale Thermal Mechanical Analysis. PI: Yifu Ding, Co-PI: Alan Greenberg, Virginia Ferguson, and Richard Noble. \$80,000 (no overhead).
- Junior Faculty Development Award, University of Colorado at Boulder, \$6,000.

STUDENT FELLOWSHIPS & AWARDS

- Adrienne Blevins (2021), NSF travel Award for NAMS 2021 Conference
- Jaylene Martinez (2021), NSF travel Award for NAMS 2021 Conference
- Riccardo Lovison (2021), Colorado-EU Mobility Program Fellowship
- Adrienne Blevins (2021), GAANN Fellowship
- Adrienne Blevins (2019-2020), ARCS Foundation award
- Adrienne Blevins (2019-2020), GAANN Fellowship
- Adrienne Blevins (2019), NIST-CU PREP Fellowship
- Masoud Aghajani (2018), Research Innovation Fellowship, Department of Mechanical Engineering, CU Boulder
- Masoud Aghajani (2018), David LaMonica Award for Excellence, student poster award, NAMS annual meeting
- Jaylene Martinez (2018), NSF Graduate Research Fellowship
- Mengyuan Wang (2018), AMTA/Reclamation Fellowship for Membrane Technology
- Masoud Aghajani, Elias Klein Travel Award (2017 & 2018)
- Masoud Aghajani (2016), AMTA Fellowship
- Lewis Cox (2016-2018), National Research Council (NRC) postdoctoral fellowship
- Lewis Cox (2011-2012), NIST Materials Science Engineering Fellowship
- Zhen Wang (2010), Teets Family Fellowship (1 per year in engineering college)

COURSE TEACHING

- MCEN 1024, “*Chemistry for Engineers*”, Fall 2016, Spring 2018, Fall 2018
- MCEN 2024, “*Materials Science*”, Fall 2012, Fall 2013, Spring 2015, Fall 2019, Fall 2020
- MCEN 4228/5228, “*Intro to Polymers*”, Spring 2020, Spring 2009, Spring 2010, Fall 2011, Spring 2014, Spring 2015
- MCEN 4037, “*Measurements Lab*”, Fall 2009, Fall 2010, Fall 2011, Spring 2012, Spring 2014
- MCEN5027, “*Graduate Seminar Series*”, Spring 2011, Fall 2011
- MCEN 5024, “*Chemistry and Structure of Materials*”, Spring 2022
- MCEN 6228, “*Structure and Dynamics of Polymer*”, Fall 2010, Fall 2016, Spring 2017

- MCEN 6228, “Wetting, Adhesion and Friction”, Fall 2022
- MCEN 6184, “*Structure and Properties of Polymer*”, Spring 2013, Spring 2018, Fall 2019

GRATUATE STUDENT/POST-DOC MENTORING

- *Current graduate students/postdoc/visiting scholars at CU Boulder:*
 - Jaylene Martinez (4th year Ph.D, ME department)
 - Stefano Berti Perez (2nd year Ph.D, ME department)
 - Shouhong Fan (3rd year Ph.D, ME department)
 - Kieran Fung (2nd year Ph.D, ME department, co-advised with Xiaoyun Ding)
 - Riccardo Lovison (1st year Ph.D, ME department)
- *Past students/postdocs:*
 - Dr. Adrienne Blevins (Ph.D 2021)
 - Dr. Masoud Aghajani (Ph.D 2019)
 - Dr. Mengyuan Wang (Ph.D 2019, Postdoc 2020)
 - Dr. Ozge Heinz (Post-doc 2018)
 - Dr. Zheng Zhang (Ph.D 2015)
 - Dr. Lewis Cox (Ph.D 2016)
 - Dr. Liang Wang (Ph.D 2015)
 - Dr. Sajjad Maruf (Ph.D 2014, Postdoc 2014-2016)
 - Dr. Zhen Wang (Ph.D 2013)
 - Dr. Dae-Up Ahn (Post-doc 2012)
 - Dr. Devid Maniglio (Postdoc 2010)
- *Undergraduate researchers:*
 - Faith Olulana (SMART student, summer 2019), University of Maryland
 - Reinaldo Dos Santos (SMART student, summer 2018), Florida Atlantic University
 - Jaylene Martinez (SMART student, summer 2017), University of New Mexico
 - Kyle Kolanowski (UROP student, 2017), CU Boulder
 - Anouk Uragoda (UROP student, 2017), CU Boulder
 - James Nimtzt (REU 2016), Colorado Mesa University
 - Gabriel Pichorim (Brazilian Scientific Mobility Program, 2016)
 - Chip Bollendonk (UROP student 2015), CU Boulder
 - Joseph Yoshimura (REU, 2014), CU Boulder
 - Zachary Otts (REU, 2014), CU Boulder
- *Visiting scholars:*
 - Mr. Riccardo Lovison, University of Trento, Italy (2021)
 - Prof. Ling Li (North China University)
 - Mr. Simone Murchio, University of Trento, Italy (2018).
 - Ms. Seema Gul, International Islamic University, Pakistan (2018).
 - Mr. Wenbing Li, Harbin Institute of Technology, China (2017-2018)
 - Mr. Miguel Palos Pou, University of Barcelona (spring 2018)

Prof. Shiyun Li, Jiansu University of Science and Technology (2015-2016)

Ms. Yuqing Zhao, McMaster University (2015)

SERVICES

- Director for CU Boulder site of the MAST center (2017-). Responsible for sponsor recruiting, collaboration/communications with the two other university sites (New Jersey Institute of Technology and University of Arkansas) and with Industrial Advisory Board (IAB) members. Reporting to NSF annually and to the IABs every 6 months.
- Services to the College of Engineering and Applied Science (CEAS)
 - First Level Review Committee (FLRC, 2021-2023)
- Services to the Mechanical Engineering Department:
 - Executive Committee (2019-2021)
 - Personnel Committee (2019-2021): Chair of the committee.
 - External Relations Committee (2019)
 - Personnel Committee (2016-2018)
 - Graduate committee from (2009-2012, 2014-2016): Besides other regular committee duty, I served as seminar organizer for the department from 2009-2011, served as faculty advisor for the GEAR²S in 2012, and representing ME department on the college's outstanding thesis committee.
 - Industrial relations committee (2012-2014)
 - Search committee for financial manager (2012)
 - Search committees for tenure-track faculty position (fall 2013-spring 2014, fall 2014-spring 2015)
 - Undergraduate committee (2008-2009)
- Services to Materials Science and Engineering (MSE) program:
 - MSE task force committee (2009-2010), where I helped the development of MSE curriculum
 - Search committee for two tenure-track faculty positions (2010-2011)
 - Represented ME department in college's effort (led by Prof. Zoya Popovic, ECEE at CU Boulder) in successful application of NIST-MSE fellowship.
- Services to Professional Societies:
 - Board of Directors for North American Membrane Society (NAMS), 2022-2025.
 - Conference co-chair (with John Pellegrino, Uwe Beuscher) of North America Membrane Society (NAMS) 2021 annual meeting (Estes Park, CO).
 - Guest editor (with Prof. Haiqing Lin, University of Buffalo) for *Journal of Polymer Science*, on a special issue of Advanced Polymer Materials for Separation and Energy Harvesting (Sep 2020).
 - Organizer for ACS symposium "Polymer processing: nanomanufacturing and nanofabrication" at 2022 Spring ACS meeting (Atlanta, GA).
 - Organizer for ACS-NAMS joint symposium "Novel Polymeric Materials & Polymer-Based Processes for Energy-Efficient Treatment of Water & Resource Recovery" (2019 ACS annual meeting, San Diego, CA).
 - Organizer for MRS symposium "Advanced Membranes for Energy-efficient Molecular Separation and Ion Conduction" (Fall 2019 MRS annual meeting, Boston, MA)
 - Organizer for the polymer session for the 19th Thermo-physical Properties, ASME/AICHE joint symposium every 3 years.
 - Symposium organizer for "Dynamics of Nanostructured Polymers", 2011 fall ACS annual meeting.

- Served as panelist and reviewer for NSF, EPA, ACS- PRF proposals, and OSC (Ohio Super Computing) proposals.
 - Served as reviewer for President Technology Award, Singapore (2014).
 - Served as journal reviewer for: Science, Macromolecules, J. Polymer Science, J. Applied Polymer Science, Nanotechnology, J. Physical Chemistry, Macromolecular theory and simulations, ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces, ACS Nano, Nano Letters, Accounts of Chemical Research, Soft Matter, PNAS, Langmuir, Chemistry of Materials, Small, Advanced Materials, Applied Physics Letters, J. Applied Physics, J. Membrane Science, European Physics Journal, Proceedings of National Academy of Science.
 - Membership: American Chemical Society, American Physical Society, Materials Research Society, North American Membrane Society.
- Outreach (Since 2008): advised 12 undergraduate (two has coauthored publications) and 7 high school students (one first prize of Boulder Valley Science Fair).