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## ***Education***

Ph.D., Energy, Environ. & Chemical Eng., Washington University in St. Louis, 2016  
M.S., Environmental Sciences, Peking University, 2010  
B.E., Environmental Engineering, Huazhong University of Science & Technology, 2007

## ***Professional Experience***

2017.07 - present	Assistant Professor	Hong Kong Polytechnic University
2017.02 - 2017.07	Postdoctoral Researcher	Harvard University
	Research Topic: <i>Development of Engineered Water Nanostructures for Environmental Application</i>	
	Advisor: Philip Demokritou	
2016.05 - 2017.01	Postdoctoral Researcher	Washington University in St. Louis
2011.08 - 2016.05	Graduate Research Assistant	Washington University in St. Louis
	Thesis: <i>Crumpled Graphene Oxide: Aerosol Synthesis and Environmental Applications</i>	
	Advisors: John Fortner and Pratim Biswas	
2010.06 - 2011.07	Research Associate	Tsinghua University Innovation Institute
2007.09 - 2010.06	Graduate Research Assistant	Peking University
	Thesis: <i>Electrochemical Oxidation of Phenolic Compounds at Boron-doped Diamond Anodes</i>	
	Advisor: Jinren Ni	

## ***Research Interests***

### ***Environmental nanotechnology***

- Aerosol-assisted approaches for synthesis of nanoparticles and thin films (e.g., carbon nanomaterials, metal oxides, and hybrids)
- Environmental implications of nanomaterials (aggregation, deposition, and transformation in aquatic environments)

### ***Advanced water treatment***

- Graphene-enabled water treatment membranes
- Electrochemical oxidation of emerging organic contaminants with novel electrodes
- Photocatalytic reduction of oxyanions
- Adsorption of metal ions and organic contaminants

## ***Honors & Awards***

- CH2M AEEESP Outstanding Doctoral Dissertation Award, 2017
- Environmental Chemistry Graduate Student Award, American Chemical Society, 2016
- Doctoral Student Research Award, Washington University in St. Louis, 2015
- Travel Grant, Gordon Research Conference on Environmental Nanotechnology, 2015
- Charles & Marlene Buescher Graduate Fellowship Honoring Dr. D.W. Ryckman, 2011
- Graduate Academic Excellence Scholarship, Peking University, 2007-2010
- Selected Participant, Inspire Antarctica Expedition, 2009
- Highest Graduation Honor (top 3%), Huazhong University of Science & Technology, 2007

## ***Publications***

### ***Peer-reviewed publications***

1. **Jiang, Y.**; Raliya, R.; Liao, P.; Biswas, P.; Fortner, J. D., Graphene oxides in water: assessing stability as a function of material and natural organic matter properties. *Environ. Sci.:Nano.* **2017**,4 (7), 1484-1493.
2. **Jiang, Y.\***; Zhu, X.; Xing, X., Electrochemical oxidation of phenolic compounds at boron-doped diamond anode: structure-reactivity relationships. *J. Phys. Chem. A.* **2017**, 121 (22), 4326-4333. (\*corresponding author)
3. Liao, P.; Li, W.; Wang, D.; **Jiang, Y.**; Fortner, J.D.; Yuan, S., Effect of reduced humic acid on the transport of ferrihydrite nanoparticles under anoxic conditions. *Water Res.* **2017**, 109, 347-357.
4. Hu, Y.; Wang, Y.; Jiang, H.; Li, Y.; Cohen, T.; **Jiang, Y.**; Wang, B.; Zhang, L.; Biswas, P.; Li, C., Engineering the outermost layers of TiO<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles using in situ Mg doping in a flame aerosol reactor. *AIChE J.* **2017**, 63 (3), 870-880.
5. **Jiang, Y.**, Biswas, P.; Fortner, J. D., A review of recent developments in graphene-enabled water treatment membranes. *Environ. Sci.: Water Res. Technol.* **2016**, 2 (6), 915-922. ([ES:WRT Recent Hot Article](#))
6. **Jiang, Y.**; Raliya, R.; Fortner, J. D.; Biswas, P., Graphene oxides in water: correlating morphology and surface chemistry with aggregation behavior. *Environ. Sci. Technol.* **2016**, 50 (13), 6964-6973.
7. **Jiang, Y.**; Liu, D.; Cho, M.; Lee, S.; Zhang, F.; Biswas, P.; Fortner, J. D., In situ photocatalytic synthesis of Ag nanoparticles (nAg) by crumpled graphene oxide composite membranes for filtration and disinfection applications. *Environ. Sci. Technol.* **2016**, 50 (5), 2514-2521.
8. Nie, Y.; Wang, W.-N.; **Jiang, Y.**; Fortner, J. D.; Biswas, P., Aminated reduced graphene oxide-titanium dioxide nanocomposites for simultaneous carbon dioxide adsorption and photoreduction. *Catal. Sci. Technol.* **2016**, 6 (16), 6187-6196. ([Back Cover Article](#))
9. **Jiang, Y.**; Wang, W.-N.; Liu, D.; Nie, Y.; Li, W.; Wu, J.; Zhang, F.; Biswas, P.; Fortner, J. D., Engineered crumpled graphene oxide nanocomposite membrane assemblies for advanced water treatment processes. *Environ. Sci. Technol.* **2015**, 49 (11), 6846-6854.

10. **Jiang, Y.**; Wang, W.-N.; Biswas, P.; Fortner, J. D., Facile aerosol synthesis and characterization of ternary crumpled graphene–TiO<sub>2</sub>–magnetite nanocomposites for advanced water treatment. *ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces* **2014**, 6 (14), 11766-11774.
11. Wang, W.-N.; **Jiang, Y.**; Fortner, J. D.; Biswas, P., Nanostructured graphene-titanium dioxide composites synthesized by a single-step aerosol process for photoreduction of carbon dioxide. *Environ. Eng. Sci.* **2014**, 31 (7), 428-434.
12. Wang, W.-N.; **Jiang, Y.**; Biswas, P., Evaporation-induced crumpling of graphene oxide nanosheets in aerosolized droplets: confinement force relationship. *J. Phys. Chem. Lett.* **2012**, 3 (21), 3228-3233.
13. Xing, X.; Zhu, X.; Li, H.; **Jiang, Y.**; Ni, J., Electrochemical oxidation of nitrogen-heterocyclic compounds at boron-doped diamond electrode. *Chemosphere* **2011**, 86(4), 368-375.
14. Zhu, X.; Ni, J.; Xing, X.; Li, H.; **Jiang, Y.**, Synergies between electrochemical oxidation and activated carbon adsorption in three-dimensional boron-doped diamond anode system. *Electrochim. Acta* **2011**, 56 (3), 1270-1274.
15. **Jiang, Y.**; Zhu, X.; Li, H.; Ni, J., Effect of nitro substituent on electrochemical oxidation of phenols at boron-doped diamond anodes. *Chemosphere* **2010**, 78 (9), 1093-1099.
16. Li, H.; Zhu, X.; **Jiang, Y.**; Ni, J., Comparative electrochemical degradation of phthalic acid esters using boron-doped diamond and Pt anodes. *Chemosphere* **2010**, 80 (8), 845-851.
17. Zhu, X.; Ni, J.; Wei, J.; Xing, X.; Li, H.; **Jiang, Y.**, Scale-up of BDD anode system for electrochemical oxidation of phenol simulated wastewater in continuous mode. *J. Hazard. Mater.* **2010**, 184 (1-3), 493-498.
18. Zhu, X.; Ni, J.; Li, H.; **Jiang, Y.**; Xing, X.; Borthwick, A. G., Effects of ultrasound on electrochemical oxidation mechanisms of *p*-substituted phenols at BDD and PbO<sub>2</sub> anodes. *Electrochim. Acta* **2010**, 55 (20), 5569-5575.
19. Yuan, S.; Xi, Z.; **Jiang, Y.**; Wan, J.; Wu, C.; Zheng, Z.; Lu, X., Desorption of copper and cadmium from soils enhanced by organic acids. *Chemosphere* **2007**, 68 (7), 1289-1297.

#### ***In review/preparation***

1. **Jiang, Y.**; Zeng, Q.; Biswas, P.; Fortner, J. D., Graphene oxide functionalized polysulfone ultrafiltration membranes: shape matters. In preparation for *Environ. Sci.:Nano*.
2. Vaze, N.#; **Jiang, Y.#**; Mena, L.; Zhang, Y.; Bello, D.; Leonard, S.; Morris, A.; Eleftheriadou, M.; Pyrgiotakis., G.; Demokritou, P An integrated electrolysis – electrospray – ionization antimicrobial platform using Engineered Water Nanostructures (EWNS) for food safety applications. Submitted to *Int. J. Food Microbiol.* (# **equal contribution**)
3. Lu, L.; Hu, Y.; Jiang, H.; Wang, Y.; **Jiang, Y.**; Huang, S.; Niu, X.; Biswas, P.; Li, C., Ultra-high lithium storage by synergistic effect of doping of mesoporous structure for multi-shell LiMn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> cathode, Submitted to *Chem. Eng. J.*
4. Liao, P.; Li, W.; **Jiang, Y.**; Wu, J.; Yuan, S; Fortner, J.D.; Giammar, D., Formation, aggregation, and deposition dynamics of NOM-iron colloids at anoxic-oxic interfaces. Submitted to *Environ. Sci. Tech.*
5. Li, W.; Liao, P.; Oldham, T.; **Jiang, Y.**; Pan, C.; Giammar, D.; Fortner, J.D., Surface partitioning dynamics of natural organic matter onto model environmental surfaces. To be submitted to *Water. Res.*

- Xing, X.; Zhu, X.; **Jiang, Y.**; Li, H.; Ni, J., Maximization of current efficiency for organic pollutants oxidation at BDD, Ti/SnO<sub>2</sub>-Sb/PbO<sub>2</sub>, and Ti/SnO<sub>2</sub>-Sb Anodes. Submitted to *Chem. Eng. J.*
- Zeng, Q.; **Jiang, Y.**; Fortner, J. D., Preparation and characterization of polysulfone ultrafiltration membrane with fullerol modification. In preparation for *J. Membr. Sci.*

### **Book Chapters**

- Contributing author. Transformation: case studies of innovation cities, 2011, Tsinghua University Press: Beijing, China. (In Chinese)
- Contributing author. From Strategy to Action: An overview of sustainable development in the European Union, 2008, Social Sciences Academic Press: Beijing, China. (In Chinese)

### **Presentations**

#### **Seminars**

- Huazhong University of Science & Technology, Wuhan, China, December, 2016  
*Crumpled graphene oxide: aerosol synthesis and environmental applications*
- China University of Geosciences, Wuhan, China, June, 2016  
*Crumpled graphene oxide: aerosol synthesis and environmental applications*
- Washington University in St. Louis, St. Louis, MO, United States, March, 2016  
*Crumpled graphene oxide: aerosol synthesis and environmental applications*

#### **Selected Conference Presentations**

- Gordon Research Conference on Environmental Nanotechnology, Mount Snow Resort, VT, United States. June, 2015  
*Aqueous stability of reduced graphene oxide: effects of surface chemistry, morphology, and humic acids* [Poster]  
*Engineered crumpled graphene oxide nanocomposite membrane assemblies for advanced water treatment processes* [Poster]
- AEESP Research and Education Conference, New Haven, CT, United States. June, 2015  
*Aqueous stability of reduced graphene oxide: effects of surface chemistry, morphology, and humic acids* [Poster]
- Mid-America Environmental Engineering Conference, Missouri S&T, Rolla, MO, United States. November, 2014  
*Engineered crumpled graphene oxide nanocomposite membrane assemblies for advanced water treatment processes* [Oral]
- 248<sup>th</sup> ACS National Meeting, San Francisco, CA, United States. August, 2014.  
*Engineered crumpled graphene nanocomposites for photocatalytic environmental reduction applications* [Oral]  
*Crumpled graphene oxide nanocomposites for multifunctional water treatment membrane structures* [Oral]
- 247<sup>th</sup> ACS National Meeting, Dallas, TX, United States. March, 2014.  
*High performance crumpled graphene-TiO<sub>2</sub> photocatalysts for water treatment technologies* [Oral]

## ***Patents***

**Jiang, Y.;** Fortner, J. D., Biswas, P.; Wang, W.-N., Composite Nanostructures Having a Crumpled Graphene Oxide Shell. International Patent Application PCT/US2015/021084

## ***Teaching Experience***

### ***Teaching Assistant (3)***

1. Environmental Organic Chemistry (EECE 448/548, Fall 2014)  
Washington University UG/GR course, Instructor: John Fortner
2. Environmental Engineering Laboratory (E63 408A/508A, Spring 2013)  
Washington University UG/GR course, Instructor: Young-shin Jun and Zimeng Wang
3. Chemical Engineering Thermodynamics (ChE 320, Fall 2012)  
Washington University UG course, Instructor: Brent Williams

### ***Student Mentoring (8)***

Lucas Pepe Mena (Spring 2017, Harvard/U. Sao Paulo UG), Qingqing Zeng (Fall 2015, WUSTL EECE PhD), Sung Yoon Jung (Fall 2015, WUSTL EECE PhD), Isaac Fuhrman (Summer 2015, U. Nebraska-Lincoln UG), Daniel Plants (Summer 2014, Rice U. UG), Yao Nie (Fall 2013, WUSTL EECE PhD), Siyuan An (Fall 2013, WUSTL EECE PhD), Christine Le (Summer 2013, Brown U. UG)

## ***Journal Review (15)***

*Chemosphere; Desalination and Water Treatment; Energy & Fuels; Environmental Science & Technology; Industrial & Engineering Chemistry Research; Journal of Aerosol Science; Journal of Electroanalytical Chemistry; Journal of Hazardous Materials; Materials Science in Semiconductor Processing; Nanomaterials and Nanotechnology; New Journal of Chemistry; RSC Advances; Separation and Purification Technology; Ultrasonics Sonochemistry; Water, Air, & Soil Pollution*

## ***Professional Affiliation***

Member, Association of Environmental Engineering & Science Professors	2017-present
Member, American Chemical Society	2012-present
Member, Geochemical Society	2013-2014