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EDUCATION

- 2017-2020 **Ph.D. in Energy Science and Technology, major in Materials Science**
Myongji University, Natural Science Campus, 116 Myongji-ro; Cheoin-gu, Yongin-si, Gyeonggi-do, South Korea
August 2020, GPA: 4.38/4.50
- **Research Assistant** in Department of Energy Science and Technology; under the supervision of Professor Hern Kim
 - **Doctoral dissertation:**
Synthesis of Morphology-controlled Silver-based Nanocatalysts and their Applications for Energy Conversion and Wastewater Treatment
- 2014-2015 **Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.), major in Science and Mathematics**
Swami Ramanand Teerth Marathwada University, Vishnupuri, Nanded, Maharashtra 431606, India
July 2015 (graduate), First class with distinction
- 2012-2014 **Master of Science (M.Sc.) in Physics, major in Materials Science**
Savitribai Phule Pune University (Formerly University of Pune), Ganeshkhind Road, Pune, Maharashtra 411007, India
July 2014 (graduate), First class
- **Thesis:** Synthesis, magnetic and optical properties of aluminium incorporated NiCo nanoferrites by auto-combustion technique
- 2009-2012 **Bachelor of Science (B.Sc.), major in Physics**
Swami Ramanand Teerth Marathwada University, Vishnupuri, Nanded, Maharashtra 431606, India
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WORKING EXPERIENCE

2020-Present **Postdoctoral Researcher**, Environmental Waste Recycle Institute (EWRI), Department of Energy Science and Technology (DEST), Myongji University, Yongin, South Korea

2017-2020 **Research Assistant**, Myongji University Natural Science Campus Department of Energy Science and Technology, Yongin, South Korea

- Laboratory for Advanced Materials Processing (LAMP)
- Smart Living Innovation Technology Centre
- **Research Focus:** Advanced materials processing of nano materials for electrochromic, hydrogen production, Toxic pollutant decontamination, oil-water separation, catalytic reduction, magnetic, piezoelectric applications.

2015-2017 **Research Assistant**, Centre for Materials for Electronics Technology (C-MET), Research Institute, Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), Govt. of India, Pune, India

- Development of smart nanomaterials and research on their applications
- Experiments and research according to protocols laid out by supervisor
- Maintenance of laboratory equipment and inventory
- Handling of characterization equipments
- Collection of experimental data and presentation slides and posters
- Literature search and research paper drafting
- Participation in conferences for paper and poster presentations
- Guidance to academic B.Sc., B.E., M.Sc. project students

PUBLICATIONS

- **V.G. Deonikar**, J.M. C. Puguán, Hern Kim, Ag nanoparticles embedded defective tungsten oxide hydrate thin films for the enhanced electrochromic performance: Insights on the Physico-chemical properties and localized surface plasmon resonance mechanism, *Acta Materialia*, 207, 116693, (2021 April). SCI IF=8.203. **First-author**
- **V.G. Deonikar**, R.B. Mujmule, D.R. Patil, H. Kim, Efficient decontamination of toxic phenol pollutant using LaCO_3OH nanowires decorated Ag_3PO_4 hierarchical composites mediated by metallic Ag, *Science of The Total Environment*, 675, 325-336 (2019 July). SCI IF=7.963. **First-author**
- **V.G. Deonikar**, P.V. Rathod, A.M. Pornea, J. M. C. Puguán, K. Park, Hern Kim, Hydrogen generation from catalytic hydrolysis of sodium borohydride by a Cu and Mo promoted Co catalyst, *Journal of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry*, 86,167-177, (2020 June). SCIE IF=6.064. **First-author**
- **V.G. Deonikar**, P.V. Rathod, A.M. Pornea, Hern Kim, Superior decontamination of toxic organic pollutants under solar light by reduced graphene oxide incorporated tetrapods-like $\text{Ag}_3\text{PO}_4/\text{MnFe}_2\text{O}_4$ hierarchical composites, *Journal of Environmental Management*, 256, 109930 (2020 February). SCI IF=6.789. **First-author**
- **V.G. Deonikar**, V.D. Kulkarni, S.M. Rathod, Hern Kim, Fabrication and characterizations of structurally engineered lanthanum substituted nickel-cobalt

ferrites for the analysis of electric and dielectric properties, *Inorganic chemistry communications*, 119, 108074 (2020 September) SCI IF= 2.495 **First author**

- A.M. Pornea, JM.C. Puguán, **V.G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, Robust Janus nanocomposite membrane with opposing surface wettability for selective oil-water, *Separation and Purification Technology* 236, 116297 (2020 April). SCIE IF=7.312. **Co-author**
- P.V. Rathod, **V.G. Deonikar**, JM.C. Puguán, Hern Kim, Synthesis of biomass-based amines: metal-free catalytic reductive amination of xylose and biomass-derived carbonyl compounds using pyridine-based ionic liquid/triethoxysilane, *Fuel* (2020 March) SCI IF=6.609. **Co-author**
- A. M. Pornea, JM. C. Puguán, **V.G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, Fabrication of multifunctional wax infused porous PVDF film with switchable temperature response surface and anti corrosion property, *Journal of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry*, 82,211-219 (2020 February 25), SCIE IF=6.064, **Co-author**
- **V. G. Deonikar**, K. K. Reddy, Wook-Jin Chung, Hern Kim, Facile synthesis of $\text{Ag}_3\text{PO}_4/\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$ composites in various solvent systems with tuned morphologies and their efficient photocatalytic activity for multi-dye degradation, *Journal of Photochemistry and Photobiology A: Chemistry* 368, 168-181 (2019 January 1). SCI IF = 4.291 **First-author**
- R. B. Mujmule, P. V. Rathod, **V. G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, Synergistic effect of a binary ionic liquid/base catalytic system for efficient conversion of epoxide and carbon dioxide into cyclic carbonates, *CO₂ utilization*, 33, 284-291 (2019 October) SCI IF=7.132, **Co-author**
- V. Hiremath, **V. G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, Jeong Gil Seo, Hierarchically assembled porous TiO_2 nanoparticles with enhanced photocatalytic activity towards Rhodamine-B degradation, *Colloids and Surfaces A: Physicochemical and Engineering Aspects*, 586, 124199 (2020 February) SCI IF= 4.539, **Co-author**
- **V. G. Deonikar**, S.S. Patil, M.S. Tamboli, J.D. Ambekar, M.V. Kulkarni, R. P. Panmand, G. G. Umarji, M. D. Shinde, S. B. Rane, N. R. Munirathnam, D. R. Patil, B. B. Kale, Growth study of hierarchical $\text{Ag}_3\text{PO}_4/\text{LaCO}_3\text{OH}$ heterostructures and their efficient photocatalytic activity for RhB degradation, *Physical Chemistry Chemical Physics* 19 (31), 20541-20550 (2017 June) SCI IF= 3.676, **First-author**
- S. R. Gawali, V. L. Patil, **V. G. Deonikar**, S. S. Patil, D. R. Patil, P. S. Patil, J. Pant, Ce doped NiO nanoparticles as selective NO_2 gas sensor, *Journal of Physics and Chemistry of Solids* 114, 28-35 (2018 March) SCI IF=3.995, **Co-author**
- S. S. Patil, D. P. Dubal, **V.G. Deonikar**, M. S. Tamboli, J. D. Ambekar, P. Gomez Romero, S. S. Kolekar, B. B. Kale, D. R. Patil, Fern-like rGO/ BiVO_4 hybrid nanostructures for high-energy symmetric supercapacitor, *ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces*, 8, 46, 31602–31610 (2016 November) SCI IF=9.229, **Co-author**
- M.S. Tamboli, D. P. Dubal, S. S. Patil, A. F. Shaikh, **V. G. Deonikar**, M. V. Kulkarni, N. N. Maldar, P. Gomez Romero; B. B. Kale, D. R. Patil, Mimics of Microstructures of Ni substituted $\text{Mn}_{1-x}\text{Ni}_x\text{Co}_2\text{O}_4$ for high energy density asymmetric capacitors, *Chemical Engineering Journal*, 307, 300-310 (2017 January) SCI IF=13.273, **Co-author**

- S. S. Patil, M. S. Tamboli, **V. G. Deonikar**, G. G. Umarji, J. D. Ambekar, M. V. Kulkarni, B. B. Kale, S. S. Kolekar, D. R. Patil, Magnetically separable $\text{Ag}_3\text{PO}_4/\text{NiFe}_2\text{O}_4$ composites with enhanced photocatalytic activity, *Dalton Transactions* 44 (47), 20426-20434 (2015 October) SCI IF=4.390, **Co-author**
- S.R. Gawali, D.P. Dubal, **V.G. Deonikar**, S.S. Patil, S.D. Patil, P. Gomez-Romero, D. R. Patil, J. Pant, Asymmetric supercapacitor based on nanostructured Ce-doped NiO (Ce: NiO) as positive and reduced graphene oxide (rGO) as negative electrode, *Chemistry Select* 1 (13), 3471-3478 (2016 august) SCI IF=2.109, **Co-author**
- S. S. Patil, M. G. Mali, A. Roy, M. S. Tamboli, **V. G. Deonikar**, D. R. Patil, M. V. Kulkarni, S. S. Al-Deyab, S. S. Yoon, S. S. Kolekar, B. B. Kale, Graphene-wrapped $\text{Ag}_3\text{PO}_4/\text{LaCO}_3\text{OH}$ heterostructures for water purification under visible light, *Journal of energy chemistry* 25 (5), 845-853, (2016 September), SCIE IF=9.676, **Co-author**
- S.D. Patil, S.S. Patil, **V.G. Deonikar**, K. Y. Rajpure, A.M. Shaikh, Enhanced magnetoelectric effect in Metglas/K NaNbO_3 /metglas lead-free ME laminates, *Functional Materials Letters* 10 (02), 1650076 (2017 April), SCIE IF= 2.170, **Co-author**
- S.M. Rathod, **V.G. Deonikar**, P.P. Mirage, Synthesis of nano sized cerium doped copper ferrite, their magnetic and optical studies, *Advanced Science Letters* 22 (4), 964-966, (2016 April), IF=0.274, **Co-author**
- S.M. Rathod, **V.G. Deonikar**, R.R. Shah, P.P. Mirage, Synthesis, magnetic and optical properties of $\text{Ni}_{0.5}\text{Co}_{0.5}\text{Al}$ nanoferrite by autocombution technique, *International Journal of Engineering Research & Technology* 3 (5), 1486-1489, IF=7.870, **Co-author**

SUBMITTED RESEARCH ARTICLES

- **V.G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, A synergistic and unique corrosive/non-corrosive integrated impacts of waste recycled and activated multi-Al composites for enhanced hydrogen generation: Insights on structural, physical properties and hydrolysis mechanism, *Applied Surface Science*, (Rebootal revision) SCI IF=6.707, **First author**

RESEARCH ARTICLES IN PREPARATION

- **V.G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, The structural modification through generated microstrain in $\text{WO}_3 \cdot 0.33\text{H}_2\text{O}$ thin films with the support of Cu/Zn/Al/Sm metals for enhanced photochromic and thermochromic performance, **First author**

CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

- **V.G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, Fabrication and properties of in -situ polymerized polyurea microcapsules for robust reversible photochromic and energy storage performances, *The Polymer Society of Korea 2021 Fall Meeting*, Gyeongju, Republic of Korea, Oct 20-22, 2021 (**Poster presentation**)
- **V.G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, The structural modification through generated microstrain in $\text{WO}_3 \cdot 0.33\text{H}_2\text{O}$ thin films with the support of Cu/Zn/Al/Sm metals for enhanced photochromic and thermochromic performance, *Korean Society of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry Spring 2021 (KSIEC 2021)*, Busan, Republic of Korea, May 12-14, 2021 (**Poster presentation**)

- **V.G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, Highly efficient hydrolysis of recycled waste aluminium (Al) cans and their activated composites with robust galvanic corrosion, *European Materials Research Society (E-MRS-2021) Virtual Conference*, May 31-June 03, 2021, France (**Poster presentation**)
- **V.G. Deonikar**, J. M. C. Puguán, Hern Kim, Tailored nanoscale properties of Ag nanoparticles incorporated $\text{WO}_3 \cdot 0.33\text{H}_2\text{O}$ nanohybrids and their efficient electrochromic device applications, *The Korean Institute of Chemical Engineers, (KICHE 2020 e-conference)*, October 14-16, 2020 (**Poster presentation**)
- **V.G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, Investigation of electric and dielectric properties of La^{3+} doped and structurally engineered Ni-Co nanoferrites, *The Korean Institute of Chemical Engineers, (KICHE 2020 e-conference)*, October 14-16, 2020 (**Poster presentation**)
- **V. G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, Synergistic effect of marigold-like CoCuMoO_4 microspheres for efficient hydrogen generation via hydrolysis of NaBH_4 , *The Korean Society of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry 2019 (KSIEC 2019)*, Jeju, South Korea, October 30-November-1, 2019 (**Poster presentation**)
- **V. G. Deonikar**, J. M. C. Puguán, Hern Kim, Optimized properties and electrochromic performance of WO_3 based nanohybrids, *The Korean Society of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry 2019 (KSIEC 2019)*, Jeju, South Korea, October 30-November-1, 2019 (**Poster presentation**)
- **V. G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, Mimics of Cu Substituted $\text{Co}_{1-x}\text{Cu}_x\text{MoO}_4$ nanohybrids as efficient catalyst for hydrolysis of NaBH_4 , *The Korean Society of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry 2019 (KSIEC 2019)*, Busan, South Korea, May 1-3, 2019 (**Poster presentation**)
- **V. G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, A new approach for fabricating magnetically separable $\text{rGO}/\text{Ag}_3\text{PO}_4/\text{MnFe}_2\text{O}_4$ heterostructure photocatalysts with enhanced photocatalytic activity, *The Korean Society of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry 2018 (KSIEC 2018)*, Jeju, South Korea, October 31-November 02, 2018 (**Poster presentation**)
- **V. G. Deonikar**, Hern Kim, Enhanced photo-stability and photocatalytic activity of $\text{Ag}_3\text{PO}_4/\text{g-C}_3\text{N}_4$ composite photocatalysts via modification with the solvent system: Study of their growth mechanism, *International Conference on Functional Materials 2018 (ICFM-18)*, Shanghai, China, September 15-17, 2018 (**Oral presentation**)
- **V. G. Deonikar**, S. S. Patil, M. S. Tamboli, J. D. Ambekar, M. V. Kulkarni, Hern Kim, D. R. Patil, B. B. Kale, Effect of solvent system on structural growth of $\text{Ag}_3\text{PO}_4/\text{LaCO}_3\text{OH}$ heterostructures and their efficient photocatalytic activity for RhB degradation, *International Environmental Engineering Conference & Annual Meeting of the Korean Society of Environmental Engineers (IEEC-17)*, Jeju, South Korea November 15-17, 2017. (**Oral presentation**)
- **V. G. Deonikar**, S. S. Patil, M. V. Kulkarni, D. R. Patil, B. B. Kale, Hydrothermally synthesized dendrite rGO/BiVO_4 hybrid nanostructures for high-energy symmetric supercapacitor, *International Conference on Advanced Rechargeable Batteries & allied Materials (ICARBM-2017)*, Pune, India, March 8-10, 2017 (**Poster presentation**)
- M. R. Mulay, **V. G. Deonikar**, D. Dubal, D. R. Patil, M. V. Kulkarni, B. B. Kale, Novel

green synthesis of ternary metal oxides for energy storage application, International Conference on Advanced Rechargeable Batteries & allied Materials (ICARBM-2017), Pune, India, March 8-10, 2017 **(Poster presentation)**

- **V. G. Deonikar**, J. D. Ambekar, S. D. Patil, P. M. Jadhav, S. S. Sadavar, M. V. Kulkarni, B. B. Kale, D. R. Patil, Synthesis and characterizations of hydrothermally prepared lead free piezoelectric KNN ($K_{0.5}Na_{0.5}NbO_3$) material, *Raman Memorial Conference (RMC-2017)*, Pune, India, March 3-4, 2017 **(Poster presentation)**
- **V. G. Deonikar**, S. S. Sadavar, P. M. Jadhav, D. R. Patil, S. M. Rathod, Synthesis of nickel copper aluminium ferrite ($NiCu_xAl_{x-1}Fe_2O_4$) by sol-gel auto combustion method & study of their change in magnetic properties, National Conference on Technical Revolution (NCTR 2017), Pune, India, February 16-17, 2017 **(Oral presentation)**
- **V. G. Deonikar**, S. S. Patil, J. D. Ambekar, M. V. Kulkarni, B. B. Kale, D. R. Patil, A novel $Ag_3PO_4/LaCO_3OH$ heterojunction photocatalyst for phenol degradation under visible light irradiation, International Conference on Functional Eco-friendly Smart Emerging Materials (FESEM-2016), Pune, India, March 10-12, 2016 **(Poster presentation)**
- S. S. Patil, **V. G. Deonikar**, M. S. Tamboli, D.R. Patil, J. D. Ambekar, M. V. Kulkarni, S. S. Kolekar, B. B. Kale, Hierarchical nanostructured Ag-ZnO: In-situ hydrothermal synthesis using neem extract (reducing agent) and their photocatalytic applications International Conference on Functional Eco-friendly Smart Emerging Materials (FESEM-2016), Pune, India, March 10-12, 2016 **(Poster presentation)**
- **V. G. Deonikar**, S. D Patil, S. S. Patil, D.R. Patil, CNT-PVDF polycomposites for enhanced magnetoelectric applications, National Conference on Materials for Energy Conversion and Storage (NCMECS-2016), Pimpri, Pune, India, Feb 12-13, 2016 **(Poster presentation)**
- **V. G. Deonikar**, S. M. Rathod, S.A. Kitture, Synthesis, magnetic and optical properties of cobalt ferrite ($CoFe_2O_4$) With coconut water by using sol-gel method National Conference on Technical Revolution (NCTR 2017), Pune, India, January 9-10, 2015 **(Oral presentation)**
- S. M. Rathod, **V. G. Deonikar**, P. P. Mirage Synthesis of nano sized cerium doped copper ferrite, their magnetic and optical Studies, International Conference on Nanotechnology (Nanocon-14), Pune, India, October 14-15, 2014 **(Poster presentation)**

AWARDS

- **Best poster award**, *The Korean Society of Industrial and Engineering Chemistry* 2019 (KSIEC 2019), Jeju, South Korea, October 30-November-1, 2019
- **Best poster award**, *International Conference on Advanced Rechargeable Batteries & allied Materials* (ICARBM-2017), Pune, India, March 8-10, 2017

RESEARCH AND TECHNICAL SKILLS

- Research Skills**
- Advanced synthesis of metal oxides, nanomaterials, composites via hydrothermal treatment, metal seeding method, annealing process, wet chemical process, sol-gel method, electrospinning; for hydrogen generation, toxic pollutant decontamination, adsorption, oil-water separation, catalytic reduction, electrochromic and photochromic applications.
 - Excellent material's characterization analysis skills using tests FTIR, UV-Vis, XRD, FE-SEM, HR-TEM, EDX, BET, XPS, H₂-TPR, PL, TGA, Raman spectroscopy, HPLC.
 - Exceptional knowledge in photocatalysis, hydrolysis, electrochromic properties and measurements.
 - Proficient in software programs such as PANalytical's X'Pert High Score Plus, OriginPro 2016, XPS peak 41, ImageJ, Zman.
- Technical Skills**
- Excellent chemical, physical, materials laboratory skills and experiences
 - Proficient in Microsoft Office 97-2016 such as Microsoft Word, Excel, Visio, PowerPoint, and Publisher.
 - Remarkable researcher with good presentation skills; resourceful, innovative, initiative and confident
 - Has good training in laboratory management, financial work.
- Personal Strengths**
- Excellent team player and team leader with pleasing personality
 - Strong and independent worker
 - Fast learner and work effectively under pressure
 - Responsible
 - Has excellent communication skills in English Hindi, Marathi and language. (Korean- learning)
 - Time and goal-oriented individual

REVIEWER

- Reviewed 3 research articles of ASTESJ journal.
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CHARACTER REFERENCE

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