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EDUCATION

PhD Chemical Engineering

December 2019
Advisor: Prof. Yong Wang

Washington State University
Pullman, Washington

BS Chemical Engineering, Nuclear Engineering Minor, University Honors Program, Cum Laude
May 2014

Iowa State University
Ames, Iowa

ACADEMIC AND RESEARCH APPOINTMENTS

University of New Mexico; Albuquerque, NM
January 2025 – Present

Assistant Professor

University of California, Berkeley; Berkeley, CA

July 2020 – January 2025

Postdoctoral Scholar – Supervisor: Prof. Enrique Iglesia

- *Assessed selective oxidation, dehydrogenation, hydrogenation, and dimerization pathways for metal oxides using kinetic, spectroscopic, computational, and transient approaches*
- *Collaboratively worked and communicated with industry sponsors at ExxonMobil and BASF*
- *Maintained and improved group computing, IT, and safety systems*

Pacific Northwest National Laboratory; Richland, Washington

February 2020 – June 2020

Post Doctorate Research Associate C – Supervisor: Dr. Jian Zhi Hu

July 2016 – January 2020

PhD Intern – Catalysis – Supervisor: Dr. Jian Zhi Hu

September 2015 – July 2016

Alternate Sponsored Fellow – Mentor: Dr. Jian Zhi Hu

- *Developed and exploited new in-situ HTHP MAS NMR spectroscopy methods*
- *Identified active catalytic structures of transition metal oxides using a DFT-aided NMR approach*
- *Synthesized, characterized, and tested of metals and oxide materials with well-defined structures*
- *Deciphered solvation structures of next-generation electrolyte solutions for energy storage applications*
- *Identified toxic by-products of low-temperature ENDS via MAS NMR*
- *Collaboratively worked in a multi-disciplinary environment with many institutions around the globe*

Washington State University; Pullman, Washington

January 2015 – July 2016

Research Assistant – Advisor: Prof. Yong Wang

- *Probed catalytic systems for heterogeneously catalyzed methanol carbonylation using in-situ IR spectroscopy*

Center for Sustainable Environmental Technologies, Biorenewables Research Laboratory; Ames, Iowa

January – May 2013

Research Assistant – Supervisor: Patrick Johnston

- *Prepared samples and ran experimental procedures for thermochemical conversion of biomass via micropyrolysis*

Iowa State University; Ames, Iowa

August – December 2012

Honors Research Project – Mentor: Dr. Robert Brown

January – May 2010

Honors Mentor Program – Mentor: Dr. Young-Jin Lee

- *Investigated impact of corn stover phenotypes on bio-oil components using micro-pyrolysis for grant claim*
- *Investigated mass spectrometry techniques for evaluation of algae-based biofuel*

COURSE INSTRUCTION

Thermodynamics

CBE 302: S25, S26

Department Seminar

CBE 501; BME 567, NSME 595: S25, F25

Catalysis Seminar

CBE 403/503: S26

Process Controls

CHE 411: F14 (Teaching Assistant, WSU)

INDUSTRIAL EXPERIENCE

Nanode Battery Technologies, Ltd.

June 2021 – January 2022

Consultant – Berkeley Science Fellows Program

- *Provided recommendations and scientific advice on electrolyte-electrode interactions for next-generation batteries*
- *Conducted computational simulations of electrode surfaces*

Alliant Energy Co.; Madison, Wisconsin

May – August 2014

Performance & Planning Intern – Supervisor: Andrew Szafarz

- *Assessed SCR technologies and assisted emissions system installation efforts for coal-fired generating stations*
- *Conducted heat survey in coal-fired generating station*

International Paper: Cedar River Mill; Cedar Rapids, Iowa

June 2013 – January 2014

Process Engineer Intern – Supervisor: Tim Berg

- *Developed real-time operational metrics tool dashboard for plant function*
- *Conducted ongoing safety-related experiments and communicated data and recommendations*
- *Analyzed and monitored process metrics for quality, reliability, and consistency*
- *Conducted process improvement testing on alternative chemicals and operating parameters*

Iowa DNR on assignment with Green Plains Renewable Energy; Lakota, Iowa

May – August 2012

Pollution Prevention Intern – Supervisor: Matt Millage

- *Monitored ongoing water usage and allocation at 112 MMGY ethanol plant*
- *Proposed operational changes to realize a 79 MMGY (~30%) reduction in water usage (51 MMGY instituted)*
- *Drafted proposal for decreased chemical usage and power savings to decrease emissions by 330 tons CO₂/year*

AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

2024: ACCESS Research Allocation (\$3000)

2023: Pines' Academic Laboratory Management and Leadership Symposium (sponsored), Global NMR Twitter Conference (second prize)

2021: XSEDE Research Allocation (\$8,000), ACS Postdoc to Faculty Workshop

2020: PNNL Outstanding Performance Award, PNNL Outstanding Performance Award – Significant Service, International Congress on Catalysis Travel Award, International Congress on Catalysis Young Scientist Presenter Award, NERSC Exploratory Allocation, XSEDE Startup Allocation

2019: North American Catalysis Society Kokes Award, PI for PNNL FY19 Quickstarter Proposal "Formulating Cooler Butenes," PNNL Outstanding Performance Award

2018: PI for PNNL FY18 Quickstarter Proposal "Pathway to Cooler Chemicals," Alaska Airlines Imagine Tomorrow Travel Award

2017: AIChE Catalysis and Reaction Engineering Division Travel Award

2014 – 2017: Achievement Rewards for College Scientists Fellowship

2013: Black & Veatch Building a World of Difference Renewable Energy Scholarship, Nicholas L. Reding/Monsanto Scholarship in Engineering, Omaha Public Power District Nuclear Engineering Scholarship

2012: Fahrney Education Foundation Scholarship, Academic Recognition Award, Roderick Seward, Flossie Scholarship, Ratcliffe & Helen M. Galloway Scholarship

2011: Fahrney Education Foundation Scholarship, Academic Recognition Award, Frederick Martinson Scholarship

2010: Fahrney Education Foundation Scholarship, Academic Recognition Award, Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship, Don Delahunt Award, Kenneth & Mary Heilman Award, Iowa Grocers Education Foundation Scholarship

2009: Fahrney Education Foundation Scholarship, Academic Recognition Award, Robert C. Byrd Honors Scholarship, Elks National Foundation Scholarship, Grand Masonic Lodge of Iowa Scholarship, National FFA Organization Iowa Scholarship, Cargill Community Scholarship

SERVICE AND AFFILIATIONS

Rocky Mountain Catalysis Society (Treasurer, 2025 – Present)

Conference Organizer: Global NMR Online Conference 2024

Conference Session Chair: NAM28: "Structure-Activity Relations", ACS 2022: "Materials for Energy & Catalytic

Applications", LSAC Symposium, NAM29: "C₂-C₃ Hydrocarbons C-C coupling, Isomerization and Cracking Reactions"

American Institute of Chemical Engineers (Columbia Valley Section Secretary, 2016 – 2020)

Meeting Reviewer: 18th International Congress on Catalysis, 17th International Congress on Catalysis, 4th International Electronic Conference on Applied Sciences

Grant Reviewer: ACS Petroleum Research Fund, Stanford Synchrotron Radiation Lightsource

Journal Reviewer: *Applied Catalysis B*, *Journal of Catalysis*, *ACS Catalysis*, *ACS Omega*, *Catalysis Today*, *scientific reports*, *Reaction Chemistry and Engineering*, *International Journal of Environmental Research and Public Health*, *Journal of Environmental Chemical Engineering*, *batteries*, *ChemEngineering*, *chemosensors*, *Molecules*, *nanomaterials*, *nanomanufacturing*, *recycling*, *sustainability*, *Water*, *Symmetry*

Editorial Duties: Special Issue *Inorganics*, *Molecules* Early Career Editorial Board

American Chemical Society

National Eagle Scout Association

Order of the Arrow: Lodge Service Award, Jim Gooding Award, Vigil Honor Membership

PUBLICATIONS

2025

1. Mikalai A. Artsiusheuski, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Carlos Lizandara Pueyo, and Enrique Iglesia **Selective ethylbenzene dehydrogenation to styrene at Lewis acid-base pairs on zirconia surfaces** *ACS Catalysis* 2025 DOI: [10.1021/acscatal.5c04904](https://doi.org/10.1021/acscatal.5c04904)
2. Nicholas R. Jaegers, Mirosław A. Derewinski, Eric D. Walter, Iskra Z. Koleva, Daria Boglajenko, Dhruba J. Deka, Garam Lee, Trent R. Graham, Libor Kovarik, Yong Wang, János Szanyi, and Konstantin Khivantsev **Mechanistic insights into adsorptive and catalytic reactions from controllable distributions of metal cations (Pd, Pt, Ni, Cr, Cu) as [M–OH]^{+/1Al} or M²⁺/2Al in zeolites** *Angewandte Chemie International Edition* 2025 64, e202516086 DOI: [10.1002/anie.202516086](https://doi.org/10.1002/anie.202516086)
3. Dinh Nhat Dang Nguyen, Bar Mosevitzky Lis, Mingyu Guo, Wenda Hu, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Qingling Liu, Caixia Liu, Yong Wang, Jian Zhi Hu, and Israel E. Wachs **Effect of promoters (CeO_x, ZrO_x, and SiO_x) on activity and selectivity in the presence of H₂O for selective catalytic reduction (SCR) of NO with NH₃ by supported V₂O₅/TiO₂ catalysts** *Applied Catalysis B* 2026 382, 125942 DOI: [10.1016/j.apcatb.2025.125942](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.apcatb.2025.125942)
4. Nicholas R. Jaegers, Mikalai Artsiusheuski, Vardan Danghyan, Junnan Shangguan, Carlos Lizandara Pueyo, and Enrique Iglesia **Hydrogenation of alkenes, cycloalkenes, and arene side chains at Lewis acid-base pairs: Kinetics, elementary steps, and thermodynamic implications for reverse reactions** *ACS Catalysis* 2025 15, 12610 DOI: [10.1021/acscatal.5c03523](https://doi.org/10.1021/acscatal.5c03523)

2024

5. Nicholas R. Jaegers, Vardan Danghyan, Junnan Shangguan, Carlos Lizandara Pueyo, Prashant Deshlahra, and Enrique Iglesia **Heterolytic C–H activation routes in catalytic dehydrogenation of light alkanes on Lewis acid-base pairs at ZrO₂ surfaces** *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 2024 146, 25710 DOI: [10.1021/jacs.4c07766](https://doi.org/10.1021/jacs.4c07766)
6. Dongmin Yun, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Jian Zhi Hu, José E. Herrera, and Yong Wang; **Surface anchoring requirements for vanadia clusters on titanium oxide surfaces and their impact on activity for oxidative dehydrogenation of ethanol** *Journal of Catalysis* 2024 437, 115642 DOI: [10.1016/j.jcat.2024.115642](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jcat.2024.115642)
7. Ji Yang, Chaochao Dun, Lorenz J. Falling, Qi Zheng, Jeng-Lung Chen, Miao Zhang, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Chirithra Asokan, Jinghua Guo, Miquel Salmeron, David Prendergast, Yanbing Guo, Jeffrey J. Urban, Gabor A. Somorjai, Yanbing Guo, and Ji Su **Unveiling highly sensitive active site in atomically dispersed gold catalysts for enhanced ethanol dehydrogenation** *Angewandte Chemie International Edition* 2024 63, e202408894 DOI: [10.1002/anie.202408894](https://doi.org/10.1002/anie.202408894)

2023

8. Konstantin Khivantsev, Mirosław A. Derewinski, Libor Kovarik, Mark Bowden, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Daria Boglajenko, Xavier Isidro Pereira Hernandez, Carolyn Pearce, Yong Wang, and János Szanyi **Increasing Al-pair abundance in SSZ-13 zeolite via zeolite synthesis in the presence of alkaline earth metal hydroxide produces hydrothermally stable Co-, Cu- and Pd-SSZ-13 materials** *Catalysts* 2024 14, 56 DOI: [10.3390/catal14010056](https://doi.org/10.3390/catal14010056)
9. Sungmin Kim, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Wenda Hu, Jian Zhi Hu, Feng Chen, Qiang Liu, Donald Camaioni, Mirosław Derewinski, Oliver Gutiérrez, Yue Liu, and Johannes Lercher **Impact of the environment of BEA-type zeolites for sorption of water and cyclohexanol** *The Journal of Physical Chemistry C* 2023 127, 23390–23399 DOI: [10.1021/acs.jpcc.3c05405](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpcc.3c05405)

10. Nicholas R. Jaegers and Enrique Iglesia **Theoretical assessment of the mechanism and active sites for alkene dimerization on Ni monomers grafted onto mesoporous aluminosilicates: (Ni-OH)⁺ centers and C-C coupling mediated by Lewis acid-base pairs** *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 2023 145, 6349–6361 DOI: [10.1021/jacs.2c13487](https://doi.org/10.1021/jacs.2c13487)
11. Konstantin Khivantsev, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Hristiyan Aleksandrov, Inhak Song, Xavier Pereira-Hernandez, Mark Engelhard, Jinshu Tian, Linxiao Chen, Debora Motta Meira, Libor Kovarik, Georgi Vayssilov, Yong Wang, and János Szanyi **Single Ru(II) ions on ceria as highly active catalyst for abatement of NO** *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 2023 145, 5029–5040 DOI: [10.1021/jacs.2c09873](https://doi.org/10.1021/jacs.2c09873)
12. Nicholas R. Jaegers, Nancy M. Washton, Yong Wang, and Jian Zhi Hu; **High-field NMR spectroscopy** In: I. Wachs, M. Bañares (eds) *Springer Handbook of Advanced Catalyst Characterization*, Springer, Cham 2023 DOI: [10.1007/978-3-031-07125-6_34](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-3-031-07125-6_34)

2022

13. Fan Lin, Wenda Hu, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Feng Gao, Jian Zhi Hu, Huamin Wang, and Yong Wang **Elucidation of the roles of water on the reactivity of surface intermediates in carboxylic acid ketonization on TiO₂** *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 2022 145, 99–109 DOI: [10.1021/jacs.2c08511](https://doi.org/10.1021/jacs.2c08511)
14. Trent R. Graham, Jian Zhi Hu, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Xin Zhang, Carolyn I. Pearce, and Kevin M. Rosso **NMR and Raman spectroscopy identifies an amorphous sodium aluminate hydrate phase mediating aluminum coordination change in highly alkaline sodium hydroxide solutions** *Inorganic Chemistry Frontiers* 2022 9, 6344–6357 DOI: [10.1039/d2qi01642g](https://doi.org/10.1039/d2qi01642g)
15. Konstantin Khivantsev, Ja-Hun Kwak, Nicholas R. Jaegers,* Mirosław A. Derewinski, and János Szanyi **Identification of the mechanism of NO reduction with ammonia (SCR) on zeolite catalysts** *Chemical Science* 2022 13, 10383–10394 DOI: [10.1039/d2sc00350c](https://doi.org/10.1039/d2sc00350c)
16. Wenda Hu, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Austin Winkelman, Shiva S. Murali, Karl T. Mueller, Yong Wang, and Jian Zhi Hu **Modelling complex molecular interactions in catalytic materials for energy storage and conversion in nuclear magnetic resonance** *Frontiers in Catalysis* 2022 2 935174 DOI: [10.3389/ftls.2022.935174](https://doi.org/10.3389/ftls.2022.935174) [Topical]
17. Konstantin Khivantsev, Nicholas R. Jaegers,* Libor Kovarik, Ja-Hun Kwak, Mirosław Derewinski, and János Szanyi **On the nature of extra-framework aluminum species in steamed zeolites** *Molecules* 2022 27, 2352 DOI: [10.3390/molecules27072352](https://doi.org/10.3390/molecules27072352)
18. Jian Zhi Hu, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Nathan T. Hahn, Wenda Hu, Kee Sung Han, Ying Chen, Jesse A. Sears, Vijay Murugesan, Kevin R. Zavadil, and Karl T. Mueller **Understanding the solvation-dependent properties of cyclic ether multivalent electrolytes using High Field NMR and Quantum Chemistry** *JACS Au* 2022 2, 917–932 DOI: [10.1021/jacsau.2c00046](https://doi.org/10.1021/jacsau.2c00046) [Supplementary Cover]

2021

19. Konstantin Khivantsev, Xinyi Wei, Libor Kovarik, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Eric D. Walter, Pascaline Tran, Yong Wang, and János Szanyi **Palladium/Ferrierite vs Palladium/SSZ-13 Passive NO_x Adsorbers: Adsorbate-controlled Location of Atomically Dispersed Palladium (II) in Ferrierite Determines High Activity and Stability** *Angewandte Chemie International Edition* 2022 61, e202107554 DOI: [10.1002/anie.202107554](https://doi.org/10.1002/anie.202107554)
20. Konstantin Khivantsev, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Hristiyan A. Aleksandrov, Libor Kovarik, Mirosław A. Derewinski, Yong Wang, Georgi N. Vayssilov, and János Szanyi **Biomimetic CO oxidation below -100 °C by a nitrate-containing metal-free microporous system** *Nature Communications* 2021 12, 6033 DOI: [10.1038/s41467-021-26157-3](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-021-26157-3)
21. Jun-Kun Lai, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Bar Mosevitzky Lis, Mingyu Guo, Michael E. Ford, Eric Walter, Yong Wang, Jian Zhi Hu, and Israel E. Wachs; **Structure-Activity Relationships of Hydrothermally Aged Titania-Supported Vanadium-Tungsten Oxide Catalysts for SCR of NO_x with NH₃** *ACS Catalysis* 2021 11, 12096–12111 DOI: [10.1021/acscatal.1c02130](https://doi.org/10.1021/acscatal.1c02130)
22. Nicholas R. Jaegers, Yong Wang, Jian Zhi Hu, and Israel Wachs **Impact of Hydration on Supported V₂O₅/TiO₂ Catalysts as Explored by Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy** *The Journal of Physical Chemistry C* 2021 125, 16766–16775 DOI: [10.1021/acs.jpcc.1c04150](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpcc.1c04150)

23. Houqian Li, Dezhou Guo, Nisa Ulumuddin, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Junming Sun, Bo Peng, Jean-Sabin McEwen, Jian Zhi Hu, and Yong Wang **Elucidating the cooperative roles of water and Lewis acid-base pairs in cascade C-C coupling and self-deoxygenation reactions** *JACS Au* 2021 1, 1471–1487 DOI: [10.1021/jacsau.1c00218](https://doi.org/10.1021/jacsau.1c00218)
 24. Konstantin Khivantsev, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Ja-Hun Kwak, János Szanyi, and Libor Kovarik; **Precise identification of catalytically active sites on the surface of γ -alumina** *Angewandte Chemie International Edition* 2021 133, 17663–17671 DOI: [10.1002/anie.202102106](https://doi.org/10.1002/anie.202102106)
 25. Kee Sung Han, Nathan T. Hahn, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Ying Chen, Jian Zhi Hu, Kevin R. Zavadil, M. Vijayakumar, and Karl T. Mueller **Factors Influencing Preferential Anion Interactions during Solvation of Multivalent Cations in Ethereal Solvents** *The Journal of Physical Chemistry C* 2021 125, 6005–6012 DOI: [10.1021/acs.jpcc.0c09830](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpcc.0c09830)
 26. Nicholas R. Jaegers, Thomas J. Weber, and Jian Zhi Hu **Low-temperature (< 200 °C) degradation of electronic nicotine delivery system liquids generates toxic aldehydes** *Scientific Reports* 2021 11, 7800 DOI: [10.1038/s41598-021-87044-x](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-021-87044-x) [Top 100 of 2021]
 27. Suochang Xu, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Wenda Hu, Ja Hun Kwak, Xinhe Bao, Junming Sun, Yong Wang, and Jian Zhi Hu **High Field One-Dimensional and Two-Dimensional ^{27}Al Magic-Angle Spinning Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Study of θ -, δ -, or γ - Al_2O_3 Dominated Aluminum Oxides: Toward Understanding the Al Sites in γ - Al_2O_3** *ACS Omega* 2021 6, 4090–4099 DOI: [10.1021/acsomega.0c06163](https://doi.org/10.1021/acsomega.0c06163) [Supplementary Cover]
 28. Konstantin Khivantsev, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Libor Kovarik, Meng Wang, Jian Zhi Hu, Yong Wang, Mirosław A. Derewinski, and János Szanyi; **The Superior Hydrothermal Stability of Pd/SSZ-39 in Low Temperature Passive NO_x Adsorption (PNA) and Methane Combustion** *Applied Catalysis B* 2021 280 119449 DOI: [10.1016/j.apcatb.2020.119449](https://doi.org/10.1016/j.apcatb.2020.119449)
- 2020
29. Fan Lin, Huamin Wang, Yuntao Zhao, Jia Fu, Donghai Mei, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Feng Gao, and Yong Wang **Elucidation of Active Sites in Aldol Condensation of Acetone over Single-Facet Dominant Anatase TiO_2 (101) and (001) Catalysts** *JACS Au* 2021 1, 41–52 DOI: [10.1021/jacsau.0c00028](https://doi.org/10.1021/jacsau.0c00028)
 30. Manish Shetty, Huamin Wang, Feng Chen, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Yue Liu, Donald M. Camaioni, Oliver Y. Gutierrez, and Johannes A. Lercher; **Directing the rate-enhancement for hydronium ion catalyzed dehydration via organization of alkanols in nanoscopic confinements** *Angewandte Chemie International Edition* 2021 60, 2304–2311 DOI: [10.1002/anie.202009835](https://doi.org/10.1002/anie.202009835)
 31. Nicholas R. Jaegers, Wenda Hu, Yong Wang, Jian Zhi Hu **High Temperature and High Pressure In Situ Magic Angle Spinning Nuclear Magnetic Resonance Spectroscopy** *Journal of Visualized Experiments* 2020 DOI: [10.3791/61794](https://doi.org/10.3791/61794)
 32. Konstantin Khivantsev, Carlos Vargas, Jinshu Tian, Libor Kovarik, Nicholas R. Jaegers, János Szanyi, and Yong Wang; **Economizing on Precious Metals in Three-Way Catalysts: Thermally Stable and Highly Active Single-Atom Rhodium on Ceria for NO Abatement under Dry and Industrially Relevant Conditions** *Angewandte Chemie International Edition* 2021 60, 391–398 DOI: [10.1002/anie.202010815](https://doi.org/10.1002/anie.202010815)
 33. Ying Chen, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Hui Wang, Kee Sung Han, Jian Zhi Hu, Karl T. Mueller, and Vijayakumar Murugesan **Role of Solvent Rearrangement on Mg^{2+} Solvation Structures in Dimethoxyethane Solutions Using Multimodal NMR Analysis** *The Journal of Physical Chemistry Letters* 2020 11, 6443–6449 DOI: [10.1021/acs.jpcllett.0c01447](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpcllett.0c01447)
 34. Libor Kovarik, Mark Bowden, Amity Anderson, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Nancy Washton, Dachuan Shi, János Szanyi, and Chuck Peden **Quantification of High Temperature Transition Al_2O_3 and Their Phase Transformations** *Angewandte Chemie International Edition* 2020 132, 21903–21911 DOI: [10.1002/anie.202009520](https://doi.org/10.1002/anie.202009520)
 35. Vanessa Lebarbier Dagle, Austin Winkelman, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Johnny Saavedra-Lopez, Jian Zhi Hu, Mark H. Engelhard, Susan E. Habas, Sneha Akhade, Vassiliki-Alexandra Glezakou, Roger Rousseau, Yong Wang, and Robert A. Dagle; **Single-step conversion of ethanol to n-butenes over $\text{Ag-ZrO}_2/\text{SiO}_2$ catalysts** *ACS Catalysis* 2020 10, 10602–10613 DOI: [10.1021/acscatal.0c02235](https://doi.org/10.1021/acscatal.0c02235) [Back Cover]

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 37. Trent R. Graham, Mateusz Dembowski, Jian Zhi Hu, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Xin Zhang, Sue B. Clark, Carolyn I. Pearce, and Kevin M. Rosso; **Intermediate Species in the Crystallization of Sodium Aluminate Hydroxy Hydrates** *The Journal of Physical Chemistry C* 2020 124, 12337–12345 DOI: [10.1021/acs.jpcc.0c00205](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpcc.0c00205) [Supplementary Cover]
 38. Ying Chen, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Kee Sung Han, Hui Wang, Robert P. Young, Garvit Agarwal, Andrew Lipton, Rajeev S. Assary, Nancy M. Washton, Jian Zhi Hu, Karl T. Mueller, and Vijayakumar Murugesan; **Probing Conformational Evolution and Associated Dynamics of Mg(N(SO₂CF₃)₂)₂·Di-methoxyethane Adduct Using Solid-state ¹⁹F and ¹H NMR** *The Journal of Physical Chemistry C* 2020 124 (9), 4999–5008 DOI: [10.1021/acs.jpcc.9b10212](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpcc.9b10212)
 39. Nicholas R. Jaegers, Yong Wang, and Jian Zhi Hu; **Thermal perturbation of NMR properties in small polar and non-polar molecules** *Scientific Reports* 2020 10 (1), 6097 DOI: [10.1038/s41598-020-63174-6](https://doi.org/10.1038/s41598-020-63174-6)
 40. Nicholas R. Jaegers, Karl T. Mueller, Yong Wang, and Jian Zhi Hu; **Variable Temperature, Pressure Operando MAS NMR for Catalysis Science and Related Materials** *Accounts of Chemical Research* 2020 53, 611–619 DOI: [10.1021/acs.accounts.9b00557](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.accounts.9b00557) [Supplementary Cover]
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 43. Nicholas R. Jaegers,* Konstantin Khivantsev, Libor Kovarik, Daniel W. Klas, Jian Zhi Hu, Yong Wang, and János Szanyi; **Catalytic Activation of Ethylene C-H Bonds on Uniform D⁸ Ir(I) and Ni(II) Cations in Zeolites: Towards Molecular level Understanding of Ethylene Polymerization on Heterogeneous Catalysts** *Catalysis Science & Technology* 2019 9, 6570–6576 DOI: [10.1039/C9CY01442J](https://doi.org/10.1039/C9CY01442J) [2019 HOT Article, Inside Back Cover]
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 45. Jian Zhi Hu, Nicholas R. Jaegers, Ying Chen, Kee Sung Han, Hui Wang, Vijayakumar Murugesan, and Karl T. Mueller; **Adsorption and thermal decomposition of electrolytes on nanometer magnesium oxide: An in situ ¹³C MAS NMR Study** *ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces* 2019 11, 38689–38696 DOI: [10.1021/acsami.9b11888](https://doi.org/10.1021/acsami.9b11888) [Supplementary Cover]
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