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Courses taught:

1. Foams, antifoams and cleaning action;
2. Environment and dispersed systems;
3. Surfactants;
4. Exercises in physical chemistry and theory of experiment and statistics;
5. Physical Chemistry.

List of participation in conferences, workshops, forums...

1. Final conference of FineFuture project, 15 November, **2022**, Brussels, Belgium.
2. 20-th international workshop “Nanoscience and Nanotechnology” 8-10 November, **2018**, Sofia, Bulgaria.

3. Eufoam 2014, 7-10 July, **2014**, Thessaloniki, Greece.
4. Workshop “Materials for clean energy and optics”, 4-7 April, **2013**, Pravets, Bulgaria.
5. Workshop “Materials for Environmental Protection”, 22-25 June, **2013**, Varna, Bulgaria.
6. 41st Australasian Chemical Engineering Conference (Chemeca 2013), **2013**, September 29-October 2, Brisbane, Australia.
7. National Conference with International Participation “40 years University of Shoumen”, 12-14 September, **2011**, Shoumen, Bulgaria.
8. 9th International Frumkin Symposium: Electrochemical Technologies and Materials for 21st Century, 24-29 October, **2010** Moscow, Russia.
9. Eufoam 2010, **2010**, July 14-16, Borovets, Bulgaria.
10. SizeMat2, **2010**, September 19-21, Nesebar, Bulgaria.
11. 8^{-th} National Conference in Chemistry, 18-19 June, **2010**, Koprivshitsa, Bulgaria.
12. 23^{-st} Conference of European Colloid and Interface Science (ECIS 2009), **2009**, September 6-11, Antalya, Turkey.
13. 3^{-th} International Conference of Young Scientists, **2009**, June 18-19, Plovdiv, Bulgaria.
14. Discussion Forum on “Roughness Aspects in Wetting and Adhesion”, **2009**, March 30, Dresden, Germany.
15. BASE APEC Symposium on bio-based functional materials, **2008**, August 27-29, Brisbane, Australia.
16. 36th Australasian Chemical Engineering Conference (Chemeca 2008), **2008**, 28 September-1 October, Newcastle, Australia.
17. National Conference with International Participation (Natural Sciences), **2008**, September 26-27, Shumen, Bulgaria.
18. SME Annual Meeting, **2008**, February 24-27, Salt Lake City, Utah, USA.
19. 21^{-st} Conference of European Colloid and Interface Science (ECIS 2007), **2007**, September 10-14 Geneva, Switzerland.
20. 35th Australasian Chemical Engineering Conference (Chemeca 2007), **2007**, September, 23-26, Melbourne, Australia.
21. 20th Conference of the European Colloid and Interface Society, **2006**, September 17-22, Budapest, Hungary.
22. XXIII International Mineral Processing Congress, **2006**, September 03-08, Istanbul, Turkey.
23. 34th Australasian Chemical Engineering Conference (Chemeca 2006), **2006**, September 17-20, Auckland, New Zealand.
24. The 225^{-th} ACS National Meetings, New Orleans, LA, USA, March 23-27, 2003.
25. Jubilee scientific session “30 years University of Shumen”, **2001**, 30 October-1 November, Shumen, Bulgaria.

26. 4th National Conference in Chemistry, **2001**, September 27-29, Sofia, Bulgaria.
27. 10th International Conference on Colloid and Interface Science, **2000**, August 23-29, Bristol, UK.
28. Jubilee scientific session “110 years university education in chemistry”, **1999**, October 23, Sofia, Bulgaria.

Professional and Scientific Awards and Recognitions

1. Top reviewer in Publon’s Global Peer Review awards for 2018.
2. Fulbright award consolidated with the University of Ilionis at Chicago.
3. Outstanding reviewer of Advances in Colloid and Interface Science.
4. DAAD award consolidated with Dresden Institute of Polymer research.
5. Evrika Foundation Award for young scientist.
6. Recipient of an Early Career Researcher bursary from the organizing committee of the International Association of Colloid and Interface Scientists to attend to conference.

Career highlights

1. Reviewer of Tenside Surfactant and Detergents, Journal of Surfactant and Detergents, Colloids and Surfaces A, Journal of Colloid and Interface Science, Soft Matter, RSC Advances, Langmuir, International Journal of Engineering and Technology Innovation, Minerals Engineering, Biotechnology Progress, American Journal of Physical Chemistry, American Journal of Chemical Engineering, and Surface Innovations, and Advances in Colloid and Interface Science
2. Member of the editorial board of “Frontiers of Soft Matter - Foams” of Frontiers and “Coatings” of MDPI

Grants

1. 2022, project No KII – 06 – H 69/4, National Science Fund, Surface-modified nanoparticles as carriers of proapoptotic protein and anticancer chemotherapeutic for selective uptake and intracellular release in cancer cells.
2. 2015, Sofia University Science Fund, Grant No 162, “Adsorption of H⁺ ions on air/water interface and dependence of the surface electrostatic potential of the electrolyte solutions on pH and the ionic strength.
3. 2011, Sofia University Science Fund, Grant No 178, “Nano-fluidics of Thin Liquid Films on Chemically and Morphologically Modified Surfaces”

4. 2010, National Science Fund Grant DDVU 02/54, “Ion-Specific Effects on Surfactants, Proteins, and Foams and Emulsion Stability”.
5. 2010, DAAD grant in consolidation with Leibnitz Institute of Polymer research.
6. 2008, Marie Curie International Reintegration Grant MIRG-CT-2008-230626 “Design of froths and foams with entailed durability”.
7. 2007, Marie Curie International Reintegration Grant MIRG-CT-2007-200688 “Dynamic effects in thin liquid films”.
8. 2006, The University of Newcastle, FEBE Incentive Grant for Discovery Project, Account No.: P510-0047.
9. 2006, The University of Newcastle, IIP Grant for the project “Influence of surfactant adsorption on foam stability”.

Participation in other projects

1. 2019, ERC grant 821265 — FineFuture „Innovative technologies and concepts for fine particle flotation: unlocking future fine-grained deposits and Critical Raw Materials resources for the EU”.
2. 2010, National Science Fund Grant DDVU 02/12, “Electrical and Electro-chemical properties of liquid surfaces”.
3. 2010, National Science Fund DRG 02/3, “Nano-Fluidic Dynamics of Quantum-Dot Suspensions in Chemically-Modified Channels”.

Present and Ex-membership in Scientific and/or Professional Institutions, Bodies, and Organizations:

1. American Chemical Society;
2. American Nano-Society;
3. European Colloid and Interface Society;
4. Royal Society of Chemistry.