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RESEARCH INTERESTS

In-situ/operando Reaction Mechanism Studies of Energy/Electronic Materials at Nano- to Atomic-scale

My work seeks to elucidate reaction mechanisms of energy/electronic materials at nano to atomic scales with the state-of-the-art *in-situ/operando* transmission electron microscopy (TEM). This study involves inventing new types of *in-situ/operando* TEM techniques to develop an unprecedented level of robust microscopic temporal analysis systems for energy/electronic devices under their operating environment.

PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

2021.03 – **Assistant Professor**
Division of Materials Science and Engineering, Department of Chemical Engineering (Join Appointment), **Hanyang University**

EDUCATION & RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

- 2018 – 2020 **Postdoctoral Scholar**
Materials Science Division, **Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, U.S.A.**
Advisor: Haimei Zheng, Senior Staff Scientist (LBNL) & Adjunct Professor (UC Berkeley)
- 2017 – 2018 **Postdoctoral Scholar**
(Technical Research Personnel as Alternative Military Service of Korea; 전문연구요원)
Research Institute of Advanced Materials, **Seoul National University**
Advisor: Miyoung Kim, Professor of Materials Science and Engineering
- 2016 **Visiting Scholar**
Condensed Matter Physics & Materials Science, Brookhaven National Laboratory, U.S.A.
Advisor: Yimei Zhu, Senior Scientist (BNL) & Adjunct Professor (Columbia Univ. / Stony Brook Univ.)
- 2012 – 2017 **Ph.D. in Materials Science and Engineering, Seoul National University**
Advisor: Miyoung Kim, Professor of Materials Science and Engineering
Dissertation: Investigation on electrochemical reaction mechanisms of lithium-ion battery electrode materials by transmission electron microscopy
- 2007 – 2012 **Bachelor of Science in Materials Science and Engineering,**
Bachelor of Business Administration (Joint Honors), Seoul National University
Graduated with Honors: *Summa cum laude*
Fellowships: National Scholarship for Natural Sciences and Engineering

PUBLICATIONS

- 1 H. –G. Liao† and S. –Y. Lee† (Co-First), Y. A. Wu, Y. Dai, Y. Ye, X. Zhang, Z. Zeng, K. Bustillo, J. Guo, J. Warner, V. Srinivasan, and H. Zheng*, Lithium polysulfide phase transition of Li-S batteries investigated by liquid phase electron microscopy and x-ray absorption spectroscopy, *in preparation*.
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Electrochemical Properties of N-doped α -MoO₃ Nanobelts, *Under Peer Review*.

- 3 J. Oh, S. –Y. Lee, H. Kim, J. Ryu, B. Gil, J. Lee, and M. Kim*, Overcharge-Induced Phase Heterogeneity and Resultant Twin-Like Layer Deformation in Lithium Cobalt Oxide Cathode for Lithium-Ion Batteries, *Advanced Science*, 2203639 (2022)
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- 5 S. –Y. Lee, J. Shangguan, S. Betzler, S. J. Harris, M. M. Doeff, and H. Zheng*, Lithium metal stripping mechanisms revealed through electrochemical liquid cell electron microscopy, *Nano Energy* 102, 107641 (2022)
- 6 S. –Y. Lee, J. Shangguan, J. Alvarado, S. Betzler, S. J. Harris, M. M. Doeff, and H. Zheng*, Unveiling the mechanisms of lithium dendrite suppression by cationic polymer film induced solid-electrolyte interphase modification, *Energy & Environmental Science* 13, 1832 (2020) (*IF: 33.250; JCR2018*)
- 7 B. Qiu, M. Zheng, S. –Y. Lee, H. Liu, T. A. Wynn, L. Wu, Y. Zhu, W. Wen, C. M. Brown, D. Zhou, Z. Liu*, Y. S. Meng*, Metastability and reversibility of anionic redox-based cathode for high-energy rechargeable batteries, *Cell Reports Physical Science* 1, 100028 (2020)
- 8 Z. Zeng, P. Barai, S. –Y. Lee, J. Yang, X. Zhang, W. Zheng, Y. –S. Liu, K. C. Bustillo, P. Ercius, J. Guo, Y. Cui*, V. Srinivasan, H. Zheng*, Electrode roughness dependent electrodeposition of sodium at the nanoscale, *Nano Energy* 72, 104721 (2020)
- 9 J. Kim†, G. Y. Kim†, T. T. T. Nguyen, S. Yoon, Y. –K. Kim, S. –Y. Lee, M. Kim, D. –H. Cho, Y. –D. Chung, J. –H. Lee, M. –J. Seong, and W. Jo*, "Sodium-assisted passivation of grain boundaries and defects in Cu₂ZnSnSe₄ thin films", *Physical Chemistry Chemical Physics* 22, 7597 (2020)
- 10 D. –H. Nam, J. –Y. Kim, S. Kang, W. Joo, S. –Y. Lee, H. Seo, H. G. Kim, I. –K. Ahn, G. –B. Lee, M. Choi, E. Cho, M. Kim, K. T. Nam, S. Han, and Y. –C. Joo*, Anion extraction-induced polymorph control of transition metal dichalcogenides, *Nano Letters* 19, 12, 8644 (2019)
- 11 S. –Y. Lee, L. M. Housel, J. Huang, L. Wu, E. S. Takeuchi, A. C. Marschilok, K. J. Takeuchi*, M. Kim*, and Y. Zhu*, Inhomogeneous structural evolution of silver-containing alpha-MnO₂ nanorods in sodium-ion batteries investigated by comparative transmission electron microscopy approach, *Journal of Power Sources* 435, 226779 (2019)
- 12 S. –M. Lim†, H. –W. Yeon†, G. –B. Lee, M. –G. Jin, S. –Y. Lee, J. Jo, M. Kim, and Y. –C. Joo*, Thermally stable amorphous oxide-based schottky diodes through oxygen vacancy control at metal/oxide interfaces, *Scientific Reports* 9, 7872 (2019)
- 13 J. Choi† and S. –Y. Lee† (Co-First), S. Yoon, K. –H. Kim, M. Kim, and S. –H. Hong*, The role of Zr doping in Li[Ni_{0.6}Co_{0.2}Mn_{0.2}]O₂ as a stable cathode material for lithium ion batteries, *ChemSusChem* 12, 2439 (2019)
- 14 D. –H. Kwon, S. Lee, C. S. Kang, Y. S. Choi, S. J. Kang, H. L. Cho, W. Sohn, J. Jo, S. –Y. Lee, K. H. Oh, T. W. Noh, R. A. De Souza, M. Martin*, and M. Kim*, Unraveling the origin and mechanism of nano-filament formation in polycrystalline SrTiO₃ resistive switching memories, *Advanced Materials* 31, 28, 1901322 (2019)
- 15 S. –Y. Lee, G. –S. Park*, C. Jung, D. –S. Ko, S. –Y. Park, H. G. Kim, S. –H. Hong, Y. Zhu*, and M. Kim*, Revisiting primary particles in layered lithium transition-metal oxides and their impact on structural degradation, *Advanced Science* 6, 6, 1800843 (2019)
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- 18 K. Baek, S. –Y. Lee, S. –G. Doh, M. Kim, and J. K. Hyun*, Axial oxygen vacancy-regulated microwave absorption in micron-sized tetragonal BaTiO₃ particles, *Journal of Materials Chemistry C* 6, 9749 (2018)
- 19 P. Smith, A. Brady, S. –Y. Lee, A. Bruck, E. Dooryhee, L. Wu, Y. Zhu, K. J. Takeuchi, E. S. Takeuchi, A. C. Marschilok, Deliberately designed atomic-level silver containing interface results in improved rate capability and utilization of silver hollandite for lithium-ion storage, *ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces* 10, 1, 400 (2018)
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- 21 S. –Y. Lee, L. Wu, A. S. Poyraz, J. Huang, A. C. Marschilok, K. J. Takeuchi, E. S. Takeuchi*, M. Kim*, and Y. Zhu*, Lithiation mechanism of tunnel-structured MnO₂ electrode investigated by in situ transmission electron microscopy, *Advanced Materials* 29, 43, 1703186 (2017)
- 22 Y. –H. Oh, S. –I. Kim, M. Kim, S. –Y. Lee* (Corresponding), and Y. –W. Kim*, Preferred diffusion paths for copper electromigration by *in situ* transmission electron microscopy, *Ultramicroscopy* 181, 160 (2017)
- 23 H. –W. Yeon, J. Jo, H. Song, Y. Kang, S. Na, H. Yoo, S. –Y. Lee, H. Cho, H. –Y. Kang, J. –K. Jung, S. Han, M. Kim, and Y. –C. Joo*, Cu diffusion-driven dynamic modulation of the electrical properties of amorphous oxide semiconductors, *Advanced Functional Materials* 27, 25, 1700336 (2017)
- 24 B. Zhang, P. F. Smith, S. –Y. Lee, L. Wu, Y. Zhu, E. S. Takeuchi*, A. C. Marschilok*, and K. J. Takeuchi*, Tailoring the Ag⁺ content within the tunnels and on the exposed surfaces of α -MnO₂ nanowires: impact on impedance and electrochemistry, *Journal of The Electrochemical Society* 164, 1, A6163 (2017)
- 25 G. Y. Kim, J. Yang, T. T. T. Nguyen, S. Yoon, J. Nam, D. Lee, D. Kim, M. Kwon, C. –W. Jeon, Y. –K. Kim, S. –Y. Lee, M. Kim, and W. Jo*, High photo-conversion efficiency in double-graded Cu(In,Ga)(S,Se)₂ thin film solar cells with two-step sulfurization post-treatment, *Progress in Photovoltaics* 25, 2, 139 (2017)
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- 27 S. –Y. Lee, K. –Y. Park, W. –S. Kim, S. Yoon, S. –H. Hong, K. Kang, and M. Kim*, Unveiling origin of additional capacity of SnO₂ anode in lithium-ion batteries by realistic *ex situ* TEM analysis, *Nano Energy* 19, 234 (2016)

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

Lecturer

- Nanomaterials Characterization/나노소재기기분석 (Undergraduate), Hanyang University (2021-1)
- Materials Science 2/재료과학 2 (Undergraduate), Hanyang University (2021-2)
- Career Development II/커리어개발 II (Undergraduate), Hanyang University (2021-2)
- Advanced Electrochemistry/재료전기화학특론 (Graduate), Hanyang University (2021-2)

Teaching Assistant

Responsibilities including giving lectures, grading assignments and exams, and advising students:

- C language programming class (Undergraduate), Fall, Seoul National University (2012)
: lectured to ~60 undergraduate students for 2 hours every other weeks
- Calculus class (Undergraduate), Spring, Seoul National University (2010)
: lectured to 8 undergraduate students for 3 hours every week

Research Assistant

- Transmission Electron Microscope Manager and Instructor, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (2018–)
: trained new facility users to experiment properly
- Scanning Electron Microscope Research Assistant, National Center for Inter-University Research Facilities, Seoul National University (2014)
: assisted an equipment experience program for 28 undergraduate students
- Self-design Experiments in Materials class (Undergraduate), Fall, Seoul National University (2012)
: assisted researches for a designated undergraduate student

Mentoring Activities

- Campus Mentoring Program Mentor for University Freshmen, Seoul National University (2010, 2011)
: helped and coached 4 university freshmen during their first semester

AWARDS & FELLOWSHIPS

Director's Award for Exceptional Safety Achievement, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory (2019)

Samsung HumanTech Paper Award: Silver Prize, Samsung (2017)

Best Presentation Award, The 11th University of Tokyo (UT) – Seoul National University (SNU) – Tsinghua University (TU) Student Workshop (2015)

Best Poster Presentation Award, 2015 Materials Fair, Seoul National University (2015)

Samsung HumanTech Paper Award: Bronze Prize, Samsung (2015)

Academic Excellence Scholarship, Seoul National University (2013)

Graduation Award for Excellent Grade, Engineering Alumni Association of Seoul National University (2012)

Graduation with honors: *summa cum laude*, Seoul National University (2012)

National Scholarship for Natural Sciences and Engineering, Korea Student Aid Foundation (2007–2010)