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#### • CURRENT POSITION

**Sep. 2014** Assistant professor, Institute of Chemistry, The Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel

#### • EDUCATION

**2004-2011** Ph.D. Physical Chemistry, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel (direct Ph.D. track)

**2000-2003** B.Sc. Chemistry (*with excellence*), The Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel

#### • PREVIOUS POSITIONS

**2012-2014** Postdoctoral fellow, Department of Chemistry, UC Berkeley and Chemical Science Division, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory, Berkeley, CA

**2008** Short time scholar – Texas A&M University, College station, TX

#### • FELLOWSHIPS AND AWARDS

**2015** Gerhard Ertl young investigator award finalist.

**2015** Golda Meir fellowship.

**2012** Gordon Research Conference scholarship.

**2008-2010** Israel science administration scholarship ("Eshkol") for excellence.

**2010** Yortner-Levine award, given by the Israel Chemical Society.

**2009** Best Poster award in the Israel Nano-science conference.

**2009** Hebrew University Nano-science award for graduate students.

**2009** Best poster award in chemistry in the Hebrew University's faculty day.

**2009** Chosen by the American Vacuum Society as one of top three works in surface science

**2009** American Vacuum Society Dorothy M. and Earl S. Hoffman Travel grant.

**2008** Travel scholarship from the Hebrew University.

**2006-2008** CAMBR scholarship for alternative energy research.

**2004-2005** Scholarship for M.Sc. students given based on excellence in B.Sc. studies.

**• MENTORING**

**2015-** Mentoring two undergraduate students, two master students and one postdoctoral fellow as a PI in the Institute of Chemistry of the Hebrew University

**2013-2014** Mentored two graduate students in Somorjai group, UC Berkeley

**• CONFERENCES ORGANIZATION**

**2015** Initiation and organization of an open day for undergraduate students in the institute of chemistry

**• TEACHING ACTIVITIES**

**2004-2009** Teaching assistance – Physical chemistry for undergraduate students, Department of Chemistry, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem, Israel

**2004-2008** Laboratory instructor – Physical chemistry for undergraduate students, Department of Chemistry, The Hebrew University, Jerusalem Israel

**• PEER REVIEWER OF THE JOURNALS:**

- Journal of Catalysis
- Catalysis letters
- Nano Letters
- Nature Communications

**• MAJOR COLLABORATIONS:**

1. Heterogeneous catalysis, *in-situ* spectroscopy: Gabor A. Somorjai, UC Berkeley
2. Homogenous catalysis, organic synthesis: F. Dean Toste, UC Berkeley
3. Synchrotron measurements (IR spectroscopy): Michael. C. Martin, Hans, A. Bechtel – Advanced Light Source, Lawrence Berkeley national laboratory
4. Synchrotron measurements (X-ray spectroscopy): Dilworth Parkinson  
Advanced Light Source, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory
5. Materials Science and colloidal synthesis: Qiao Zhang, Soochow University, China

**• PROPOSAL WRITING:**

- Co-writer of proposals for DOE and Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory funding:
  - *Development and Utilization of Instruments for Molecular Level Studies of Catalyst Surfaces under Reaction Conditions* (with G.A. Somorjai and H. Frei)
  - *New Catalytic Environments* (with D.F. Toste)
  - *Catalysis at the mesoscale* (with G.A. Somorjai)
- Wrote 8 granted proposals for beam-time allocation at different synchrotron light sources.



- Highlighted by LBNL news
- Highlighted by Nature Chemistry
- Highlighted by USA today

**13. E. Gross, J. M. Krier, L. Heinke and G. A. Somorjai** "Building Bridges in Catalysis Science. Monodispersed Metallic Nanoparticles for Homogeneous Catalysis and Atomic Scale Characterization of Catalysts under Reaction Conditions". Topics in Catalysis 55, (2012), 13 (review paper).

**14.E. Gross, J. H. C. Liu, F. D. Toste and Gabor A. Somorjai** "Selectivity control in heterogeneous catalysis by tuning nanoparticles properties and flow-reactor's residence time" Nature Chemistry 4, (2012), 947.

- Highlighted by LBNL news
- Highlighted by Materials 360
- Highlighted by Tech beat.

**15. Y. Li, J. H. C. Liu, C. A. Witham, W. Y. Huang, M. A. Marcus, S. C. Fakra, P. Alayoglu, Z. W. Zhu, C. M. Thompson, A. Arjun, K. Lee, E. Gross, F. D. Toste and G. A. Somorjai** "A Pt-Cluster-Based Heterogeneous Catalyst for Homogeneous Catalytic Reactions: X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy and Reaction Kinetic Studies of Their Activity and Stability against Leaching" J. Am. Chem. Soc. 133, (2011), 13527.

**16. E. Gross and M. Asscher** "Structure-Reactivity Correlations in Pd-Au Bimetallic Nanoclusters ", Langmuir, 26, (2009), 16226.

**17. E. Gross and M. Asscher** "Metallic clusters size to density coupling", Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys. 4, (2009), 710.

**18. E. Gross, I. Popov and M. Asscher** "Morphology and catalytic reactivity of buffer layer assisted grown bi-metallic Pd-Au nano-clusters", J. Phys. Chem. C. 113 (2009) 18341.

**19. E. Gross, O. Stein and M. Asscher** "Metallic nano-clusters growth and film Laser patterning via weakly bound buffer layer", Applied Surface Science, 253, (2007), 6545.

**20. E. Gross, M. Lundwall, D. W. Goodman and M. Asscher**, "Gold nano-clusters deposited on SiO<sub>2</sub> via water buffer layer, CO-IRAS and CO-TPD measurements", J. Phys. Chem. C. 111, (2007), 16199.

**21. E. Gross, Y. Horowitz and M. Asscher**, "Water as buffer material for gold nano-clusters growth", Langmuir 21, (2005), 8892.

#### **ORAL PRESENTATIONS AND SEMINARS:**

- International conference of homogenous and heterogamous catalysis "Analysis of catalytic reactions with microspectroscopy measurements", Utrecht **2015**
- German Physics Society Conference "Analysis of catalytic reactions with high spatial resolution FTIR microscopy", Berlin **2015**
- Israel Chemical Engineer Society conference "Catalysis At the Mesoscale: going beyond the metallic Site", Israel **2015**
- Materials Research Society conference "Catalytic reactions in confined spaces", San Francisco, CA **2014**

- Chemistry department seminar, The Hebrew University, Israel “Catalysis at the mesoscale” **2013**
- Organic Chemistry and Materials science department seminar, Weizmann institute, Israel “Catalysis at the mesoscale” **2013**
- Chemistry department seminar, Tel Aviv University, Israel “Catalysis at the mesoscale” **2013**
- Chemistry department seminar, Technion, Haifa, Israel “Catalysis at the mesoscale” **2013**
- Chemistry department seminar, Ben-Gurion University “Catalysis at the mesoscale” Israel **2013**
- Chemistry department seminar, Bar Ilan University “Catalysis at the mesoscale” Israel **2013**
- Chevron R&D seminar “Catalysis at the mesoscale” **2013**
- Chemical Science Division Seminar, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory “Catalysis at the mesoscale” **2013**
- Materials Research Society conference: “Asymmetric catalysis at the mesoscale” **2013**.
- American Chemical Society conference: “Selectivity control in heterogeneous catalysis by tuning nanoparticles properties and residence time” **2012**.
- The International Symposium of Correlations between Homogeneous and Heterogeneous Catalysis: “Dendrimer encapsulated metal nanoparticles as catalysts for organic reactions” **2011**.
- Nano-science conference of the Hebrew University: "Characterization and catalytic reactivity of Au-Pd bimetallic particles" **2009**.
- American Vacuum Society conference: "The Reactivity of Au-Pd nanoclusters on oxide substrate" **2009**.
- Department of organic chemistry, Weizmann institute: "Metallic clusters on oxide substrate as model catalyst" **2009**.
- American Vacuum Society conference: "Morphology and reactivity of metallic nanoclusters deposited on SiO<sub>2</sub> via water buffer layer" **2008**.
- Nano-science conference in the Hebrew University: "Water as buffer layer for gold nano-clusters growth" **2007**.

**Patents:**

- Flow cell apparatus for *in-situ* imaging of catalytic reaction with synchrotron-sourced IR beam (filed).