

# **Curriculum Vitae**

## **Research and Scientific Activity**

**Dr George Avgouropoulos**

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## BRIEF CURRICULUM VITAE

### PERSONAL

**Name/Surname:** George Avgouropoulos

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## EDUCATION

- 1992-1997**     **University of Patras, Patras, Greece,**  
Diploma in Chemical Engineering, October 1997, *Grade: 7.03/10.00*  
*Diploma Thesis: "In vitro calcification of bioprosthetic heart valves"*  
*Advisor: Prof. P.G. Koutsoukos*
- 1997-2000**     **Department of Chemical Engineering, University of Patras & FORTH/ICE-HT,**  
Patras, Greece  
M.Sc. in Energy and Environment, University of Patras  
*Thesis: "CuO-CeO<sub>2</sub> catalysts for application in fuel processors"*  
*Advisor: Prof. X.E. Verykios*
- 1997-2003**     **Department of Chemical Engineering, University of Patras & FORTH/ICE-HT,**  
Patras, Greece  
Ph. D in Chemical Engineering, University of Patras (Date of Ph. D defense:  
July 2003)  
*Thesis: "Development of a catalytic process for the selective catalytic oxidation  
of CO in the presence of excess hydrogen"*  
*Advisor: Prof. X.E. Verykios*

## FELLOWSHIPS/AWARDS/DISTINCTIONS/RANKING

- Feb. 1998 – Jul. 2003**     **Postgraduate Fellow of FORTH/ICE-HT, Patras, Greece**
- Feb. 2006 - Feb. 2007**     **Postdoctoral Fellowship (State Scholarship Foundation,**  
Greece)
- Jun. 2006**     The paper No. 3 (G. Avgouropoulos et al. *Catal. Today* 75  
(2002) 157-167", has been recognised in the "Top-50 most cited  
articles" as published in Elsevier's Catalysis journals 2001  
2005 (as cited by Scopus)
- Jun. 2007**     The paper No. 3 (G. Avgouropoulos et al. *Catal. Today* 75  
(2002) 157-167", has been recognised in the "Top-50 most cited  
articles" as published in Elsevier's Catalysis journals 2002

	2006 (as cited by Scopus)
<b>Jun. 2008</b>	The paper No. 4 ( <b>G. Avgouropoulos et al. <i>Appl. Catal. A: Gen.</i> 244 (2003) 155-167</b> ”), has been recognised in the " <b>Top-50 most cited articles</b> " as published in Elsevier's Catalysis journals 2003-2007 (as cited by Scopus)
<b>Sep. 2014</b>	Best poster award for the work: “Pt/TiO <sub>2</sub> and Pt/CeO <sub>2</sub> nanostructured materials for fuel cell applications” presented by A. Paxinou ( <b><i>post-graduate student under my supervision</i></b> ) at the 30 <sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Conference on Solid-State Physics and Materials Science, Heraklion, Crete, Greece, 21-24 September, 2014.
<b>Jul. 2016</b>	Young Researcher Award given to P. Angelopoulou ( <b><i>Ph.D. student under my supervision</i></b> ) for best oral presentation of the work: “Combustion-synthesized LiMn-based spinel nanostructures as cathode materials for lithium-ion batteries nanostructured materials for fuel cell applications” during the 13th International Conference on Nanosciences & Nanotechnologies (NN16)
<b>Jul. 2017</b>	PhD fellowship granted to P. Angelopoulou ( <b><i>Ph.D. student under my supervision</i></b> ) by the Hellenic Foundation for Research and Innovation (HFRI-ELIDEK)
<b>Oct. 2021</b>	PhD fellowship granted to K. Kappis ( <b><i>Ph.D. student under my supervision</i></b> ) by the Hellenic Foundation for Research and Innovation (HFRI-ELIDEK)
<b>Oct. 2023, Sept. 2024</b>	Named in the World’s Most Cited Scientists by Stanford University <a href="https://elsevier.digitalcommonsdata.com/datasets/btchxktzyw">https://elsevier.digitalcommonsdata.com/datasets/btchxktzyw</a> (Table_1_Authors_career_2022_pubs_since_1788_wopp_extracted_202310.xlsx)

## EMPLOYMENT/OCCUPATION

<b>Feb. 1998 – Jul. 2003</b>	<b>Postgraduate researcher of FORTH/ICE-HT</b> , Patras, Greece
<b>Jul. 2003 – Dec. 2016</b>	<b>Collaborating researcher of FORTH/ICE-HT</b> , Patras, Greece
<b>Sept. 2005 – Jul. 2010</b>	<b>Assistant Professor</b> (fixed term), Department of Agricultural Products Technology, School of Agricultural Technology,

	Technological Educational Institution of Kalamata, Greece
<b>Oct. 2008 – Aug. 2013</b>	<b>Lecturer</b> (fixed term), Department of Materials Science University of Patras, Greece
<b>Sept. 2009 – Dec. 2009</b>	<b>Consultant</b> of ADVENT TECHNOLOGIES S.A. (development of innovative materials for fuel cells)
<b>Jan. 2014 – Sep. 2016</b>	<b>Lecturer</b> in the field of: “Materials engineering in microphase-nanophase or/and molecular or/and biomolecular materials or/and devices – experimental direction” Department of Materials Science, University of Patras, Greece
<b>Oct. 2016 – Oct. 2020</b>	<b>Assistant Professor</b> in the field of: “Materials engineering in microphase-nanophase materials or/and devices – experimental direction”, Dep. Of Materials Science, Univ. of Patras, Greece
<b>Oct. 2020 – June 2024</b>	<b>Associate Professor</b> in the field of: “Materials engineering in microphase--nanophase materials and devices for energy chemical technologies”, Dep. of Materials Science, Univ. of Patras, Greece
<b>June 2024 – today</b>	<b><u>Professor</u></b> in the field of: “Materials engineering in microphase -nanophase materials and devices for energy chemical technologies”, Dep. of Materials Science, Univ. of Patras, Greece
<b>Feb. 2024 – today</b>	<b><u>Collaborating Academic Faculty</u></b> , Industrial Systems Institute (ISI), ATHENA research center

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

### Undergraduate Programs

- “**Electronic Materials Production Processes**” (teaching assistant), core course of 3<sup>rd</sup> year, Chemical Engineering Department, University of Patras (1997-1998).
- “**Organic Chemistry Laboratory**”, (teaching assistant), core course of 2<sup>nd</sup> year, Chemical Engineering Department, University of Patras (1998-2000).
- “**Polymers Laboratory**” (teaching assistant), core course of 3<sup>rd</sup> year, Chemical Engineering Department, University of Patras (1998-2000).
- “**Physicochemical & Instrumental Analysis of Vegetative Products**” core course of 2<sup>nd</sup> year, Department of Agricultural Products Technology, School of Agricultural Technology,

Technological Educational Institution of Kalamata (2005-2010).

- **“Topics in Industrial and Technological Applications of Materials I”**, optional course of 4<sup>th</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (winter semesters 2008/2009, 2009/2010, 2010/2011, 2011/2012, 2012/2013, 2013/2014).
- **“Topics in Industrial and Technological Applications of Materials II”**, optional course of 4<sup>th</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (spring semesters 2008-2013, 2018/2019).
- **“Materials Science Laboratory III”**, core course of 2<sup>nd</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (spring semesters 2008-2018).
- **“Materials Science Laboratory III”**, core course of 2<sup>nd</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (spring semesters 2008-2018).
- **“Physical Chemistry Laboratory”**, core course of 3<sup>rd</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (winter semesters 2009-2024).
- **“Materials Science Laboratory I”**, core course of 1<sup>st</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (spring semesters 2010/2011, 2012/2013, 2017-2024).
- **“Materials and Environment”**, optional course of 3<sup>rd</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (spring semesters 2010-2017, winter semesters 2019-2024).
- **“Chemistry III”**, core course of 3<sup>rd</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (winter semesters 2010-2013).
- **“Physics Laboratory II”**, core course of 1<sup>st</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (spring semester 2011/2012).
- **“Chemistry Laboratory I”**, core course of 1<sup>st</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (winter semesters 2012-2017).
- **“Chemistry Laboratory”**, core course of 1<sup>st</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (spring semesters 2017-2023).
- **“Chemistry I”**, core course of 1<sup>st</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (winter semester 2016-2020).
- **“Materials for Renewable Energy”**, optional course of 4<sup>th</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (spring semesters 2013-2018).
- **“Physical Chemistry”**, core course of 2<sup>nd</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (winter semesters 2014-2024).
- **“Materials for Catalytic Processes”**, optional course of 4<sup>th</sup> year, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (spring semesters 2019-2024).

- Supervisor of several research diploma thesis (>30)

### **Postgraduate (MSc and PhD) Programs**

- “Environmental Applications & Impacts of Nanotechnology”, optional course of Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Program on “Environmental Sciences”, University of Patras (winter semesters 2015/2016, 2019-2024).
- “Design, Synthesis and Processing of Advanced Materials”, core course of 1<sup>st</sup> year, Postgraduate Program of Materials Science Department, University of Patras (spring semesters 2014-2024).
- “Micro/Nano-Technology of Materials”, core course of 1<sup>st</sup> year, Postgraduate Program of Materials Science Department, University of Patras (winter semesters 2018-2024).
- Supervisor of the Master Diploma Thesis of Pinelopi Angelopoulou, “Development of Li-Mn spinel nanostructures for energy applications”, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras, 2015.
- Supervisor of the Master Diploma Thesis of Alexandra Paxinou, “Development of Pt/CeO<sub>2</sub> and Pt/TiO<sub>2</sub> nanostructured catalysts for the production of hydrogen from methanol”, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras, 2015.
- Supervisor of the Master Diploma Thesis of Konstantinos Kappis (**Caratheodori scholarship; University of Patras program**), “Effect of the synthesis parameters of hydrothermal method on the catalytic properties of nanoceria”, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras, 2018.
- Supervisor of the Master Diploma Thesis of Christos Tapeinos, “Photoelectrocatalytic production of hydrogen”, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras, July 2020.
- Supervisor of the ***PhD Thesis*** of Pinelopi Angelopoulou (**HFRI scholarship**), “Development of anodic and cathodic nanostructured materials for lithium batteries applications”, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras, (Date of defense: March 2020).
- Supervisor of the Master Diploma Thesis of Maria Mpiliou, “Physicochemical properties of natural oxides of iron (Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, Fe<sup>2+</sup>Fe<sup>3+</sup><sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>) for CO oxidation”, Department of Materials Science, Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Program on “Environmental Sciences”, University of Patras, 2023.
- Supervisor of the ***PhD Thesis*** of Christos Papadopoulos (**Caratheodori scholarship; University of Patras program**), “Tuning the physicochemical properties of nanostructured

copper-cerium catalysts via a hydrothermal method”, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras, (Date of defense: May 2023).

- Supervisor of the **PhD Thesis** of Konstantinos Kappis (**HFRI scholarship**), “Development of catalytic methanol processors for application in high temperature fuel cells”, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (Date of defense: September 2023).
- Supervisor of the **PhD Thesis** of Konstantinos Papageorgiou, “Functional CuZn catalysts for low temperature hydrogen production via steam reforming of methanol”, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras, 2020-2023 (ongoing).

### **Other Programs**

- “Modern materials for renewable energy sources” & “XRF, XPS and AES”, Program for Knowledge Updating of University Graduates entitled "Materials Science for Advanced Technologies", Department of Materials Science, University of Patras (02/2015-09/2015)

## **PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES AND ACTIVITIES**

- *Member of National Committee for the development of the Hellenic Hydrogen Strategy*
- *Member of National Committee of Ministry of Energy for the evaluation of Important Projects of Common European Interest in hydrogen technologies*
- *Member of Disciplinary Committee* of the Technical Chamber of Greece / Regional Department of Western Greece
- *Reviewer* in 35 international journals (ISI-Journal Citation Reports 2022):

... of Elsevier...

*Journal of Catalysis, Catalysis Communications, Applied Catalysis A: General, Applied Catalysis B: Environmental, International Journal of Hydrogen Energy, Fuel Processing Technology, The Chemical Engineering Journal, Journal of Colloid and Interface Science, Journal of Physics and Chemistry of Solids, Journal of Alloys and Compounds, Ceramics International, Electrochimica Acta, Materials Science in Semiconductor Processing, Energy Conversion and Management, Applied Surface Science, Catalysis Today, Journal of Power Sources, Journal of Molecular Catalysis A: Chemical, Renewable Energy, Applied Energy*

... of Springer ...

*Catalysis Letters,*

... of Wiley ...

*Energy Science & Engineering, ChemSusChem, ChemCatChem*



... of ACS ...

*Journal of the American Chemical Society, ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces, The Journal of Physical Chemistry, ACS Applied Nanomaterials, Industrial & Engineering Chemistry Research*

... of MDPI ...

*Catalysts, Energies, Processes, Nanomaterials, Materials, Sensors*

- Romanian Research Council reviewer
- Hong-Kong Research Council reviewer
- Polish Research Council Reviewer
- Greek GSRT reviewer
- Greek HFRI reviewer
- Editorial Board Member, *The Open Environmental Engineering Journal* (Bentham Science), 2008-
- Editorial Board Member (*Associate Editor* for Fuel Cells, Electrolyzers and Membrane Reactors), *Frontiers in Energy Research*, 2008-
- Editorial Board Member (*Associate Editor* for Non-Carbon-Based Fuels), *Frontiers in Fuels*, 2008-
- Editorial Board Member (*Section Editor*), *Energies*, (MDPI), 2019-
- *Editor of Book: "Environmental catalysis over gold-based materials"*, RSC, August 2013.
- *Guest Editor of SI: Tuning the Physicochemical Properties of Nanostructured Materials Through Advanced Preparation Methods (Nanomaterials, MDPI, 2020)*
- *Guest Editor of SI: Nanomaterials for Fuel Cell Systems (Catalysts, Energies, Materials, Nanomaterials, Polymers, 2023-)*
- Technical Chamber of Greece
- Association of Greek Chemical Engineers
- Hellenic Catalysis Society
- Session Chair, 4<sup>th</sup> EFCATS School on Catalysis, St. Petersburg, Russia, 2006.
- Session Chair, 9<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Catalysis Symposium, Leykada, Greece, 2006.
- Member of the Organizing Committee, Meeting for Materials Science & Industry, 10 years of operation of the Department of Materials Science, Patras, Greece, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2010.
- Session Chair, XIX International Conference on Chemical Reactors, September 5-9, 2010, Vienna, Austria.
- Session Chair, 12<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Catalysis Symposium, Chania, Greece, 2012.

- Member of the Scientific Committee, 12<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Catalysis Symposium, Chania, Greece, 2012.
- Member of the Scientific Committee, 13<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Catalysis Symposium, Palaios Agios Athanasios Pellas, Greece, 2014.
- Session Chair, 10<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Conference on Chemical Engineering, Patras, Greece, 2015.
- Member of the Scientific Committee, “Innovative Manufacturing Engineering & Energy International Conference, IManEE 2016, Kallithea Chalkidiki, Greece, 2016
- Member of the Scientific Committee, 14<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Catalysis Symposium, Patras, Greece, 2016.
- Member of the Organizing Committee, 14<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Catalysis Symposium, Patras, Greece, 2016.
- Session Chair, EMN Dubai Meeting, Energy Materials Nanotechnology, Dubai, United Arab Emirates, 2016.
- Member of the Scientific Committee, 15<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Catalysis Symposium, Ioannina, Greece, 2018.
- Session Chair, 15<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Catalysis Symposium, Ioannina, Greece, 2018.
- Member of the Scientific Committee, Virtual Conference of Young Scientists: Mineral Resources-Environment-Chemical Engineering, Kozani, West Macedonia, Greece, 2021.
- Member of the Organizing Committee, 8th International Conference on micro and nanosciences and nanotechnologies (Micro&Nano2020), Patras, Greece, 2021.
- Session Chair, European Hydrogen Energy Conference 2022 (EHEC2022), Madrid, Spain, 2022.
- Member of the Scientific Committee, 16<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Catalysis Symposium, Chania, Greece, 2022.
- Member of the Scientific Committee, 17<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Catalysis Symposium, Paphos, Cyprus, 2024.
- Session Chair, 17<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Catalysis Symposium, Paphos, Cyprus, 2024

## ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES

- Member of the General Assembly in the Department of Materials Science (University of Patras, 2014-today)
- Member of several committees in the Department of Materials Science (University of

Patras): Coordination of Research Proposals, Public Relations and Promotion (Seminars coordinator until 2018), Infrastructure and Laboratory Operation (-today), Finance (2018-2020, coordinator), Health & Safety (2019-today, coordinator)

- Member of Interdisciplinary Committee of Interdisciplinary Postgraduate Program on “Environmental Sciences”, University of Patras (2015-today)
- Member of the National Committee for the development of the Hellenic Hydrogen Strategy
- Member of the Disciplinary Committee of the Technical Chamber of Greece / Regional Department of Western Greece

## INVITED TALKS

- Nov. 2007**      **“Copper-based catalysts for methanol processors”**, Invited, Institute of Catalysis, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia Bulgaria, 26 November 2007.
- Sept. 2010**    **“Development of an Internal Reforming Methanol Fuel Cell: Concept, Challenges and Opportunities”**, Keynote presentation, XIX International Conference on Chemical Reactors, September 5-9, 2010, Vienna, Austria.
- Nov. 2014**    **“Catalytic and Technological Aspects of Reforming Methanol to Electricity Inside a Fuel Cell”**, Keynote presentation, 2014 AIChE Annual Meeting, November 16-21, 2014, Atlanta, USA.
- Apr. 2016**    **“Technological aspects of internal reforming methanol fuel cells for portable applications”**, Invited, EMN Dubai Meeting, Energy Materials Nanotechnology, Dubai, United Arab Emirates, April 1-4, 2016.
- May 2018**    **“Development of a Portable Internal Reforming Methanol High Temperature PEM Fuel Cell System”**, Invited, Hydrogen Innovation Festival, Tomar, Portugal, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2018.
- July 2020**    **“Prospects of Electromobility via Hydrogen Technologies”**, Invited, Energy e-Forum 2020, Patras, Greece, July 13-17, 2020.
- Nov. 2021**    **“Electrification of Transportation Sector via Hydrogen Technologies”**, Invited, 1<sup>st</sup> Patras Green Transport Conference, Patras, Greece, November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2021.
- Oct. 2022**    **“The national strategy for hydrogen and the role of catalysis towards**

**climate neutrality”,** Keynote presentation, 16<sup>th</sup> Panhellenic Catalysis Symposium, Chania, Greece, October 20-22, 2022.

**Nov. 2022** “**The Role of Hydrogen Technologies in the Transport Sector on the Way to Climate Neutrality**”, Invited, 2<sup>nd</sup> Patras Green Transport Conference, Patras, Greece, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

**Mar. 2023** “**The national hydrogen strategy and the role of catalysis on the path to climate neutrality**”, Invited, Department of Chemistry, University of Cyprus, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

## RESEARCH ACTIVITY

*(A) Synthesis and characterization of nanomaterials*

*(B) Heterogeneous nanocatalysts*

*(C) Alternative energy sources: Catalytic hydrogen technologies*

*(D) Environmental catalytic chemical processes*

*(E) Fuel Cell systems*

*(F) Batteries*

- ***Nanomaterials: Synthesis and characterization***

Preparation of nanostructured oxides (especially mixed oxides CuCeO<sub>x</sub> and spinel oxides CuMnO<sub>x</sub>), precious metal-based catalysts (i.e. Au/Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Au/CeO<sub>2</sub>, Pt/CeO<sub>2</sub>, Pt/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and ((Pt, Au, PtAu, CuO, CuCeO<sub>x</sub>)/CNTs/Graphene), LiMn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>-based nanostructured spinels and carbon nanonstructures via various chemical methods (impregnation, coprecipitation, sol-gel, and especially hydrothermal and combustion methods). Materials characterization by atomic adsorption spectroscopy (AAS), N<sub>2</sub> adsorption, X-ray powder diffraction (XRD), electron microscopy (TEM, SEM), X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (XPS), Fourier-transform infrared spectroscopy (FTIR), thermogravimetric analysis (TGA), electrochemical impedance spectroscopy (EIS), cyclic voltammetry, polarization measurements, transient-isotopic methods (SSITKA), temperature-programmed methods (TPR, TPD), in-situ and operando techniques. (Published papers 1-71).

- ***Catalytic processes for the production and purification of hydrogen for fuel cell applications:***

a) Production of hydrogen via steam reforming of methanol,

b) Water-gas shift reaction,

c) Removal of CO from hydrogen-rich mixtures via preferential CO oxidation.

(Published papers 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 9, 11-15, 17-29, 32, 33, 34, 36, 37, 39, 40, 43, 44-46, 48, 49-53, 64, 65, 67, 68).

- ***Environmental catalysis for air pollution control (CO and VOCs abatement):***

Catalytic oxidation of CO and ethanol. (Published papers 1, 10, 16, 31, 32, 47, 53, 70).

- ***Development of a single methanol-fuelled power unit (Internal Reforming Alcohol Fuel Cell) based on a methanol reformer and a high temperature PEM (or molten proton conductor) fuel cell.*** Incorporation of a methanol reforming catalyst into the anodic compartment (bi-functional anode) of a high-temperature, polymer electrolyte (or molten proton conductor electrolyte) fuel cell (HT-PEMFC), so that methanol reforming takes place inside the fuel cell stack (internal reforming).

(Published papers 28, 33, 34, 35, 37, 39, 40, 43, 49, 63, 64, 66-68).

- ***Photoelectrocatalytic processes.***

Degradation of organic pollutants (published paper 47).

Production of hydrogen (published papers 46 and 51).

- ***Nanostructured electrodes for Li-ion and Na-ion batteries.***

LiMn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>-based nanostructured spinels, graphene- and biochar-based electrodes.

(Published papers 41, 54-59, 61, 62, 69).

## **PARTICIPATION/COORDINATION OF RESEARCH PROJECTS (1998-today)**

Participation (preparation, submission, execution, report, management) in several research projects financed either by the Greek Ministry of Development or EC. These include a number of Joint research and technological programmes between Greece and Slovenia (1998-2001, “Preferential oxidation of carbon monoxide”, “Characterization of electrocatalysts”, “Development of metal-doped molecular sieves”) Czech Republic (2001-2003, “Catalytic oxidation of VOCs”), Bulgaria (2005-2007, “Methanol reforming and water-gas shift activity of gold and copper-based catalysts”) and Poland (2006-2008, “Catalytic steam reforming of ethanol”). In addition, the following research projects (lab budget > 1 million euros) were (are) funded:

by EC:

- EPAN E-25 entitled “**Development of a methanol fuelled fuel cell system**”  
(01-07-2004 to 31-10-2005)

- HY2SEPS entitled “**Hybrid hydrogen-carbon dioxide separation systems**”  
(01-02-2006 to 31-05-2008)
- APOLLON-B entitled “**Polymer electrocatalysts and non noble metal electrocatalysts for high temperature PEM fuel cells**”  
(15-09-2008 to 31-07-2009)
- IRAFC (senior researcher; total budget: 2.53 m€) entitled “**Development of an Internal Reforming Alcohol High Temperature PEM Fuel Cell Stack**”  
(01-01-2010 to 30-06-2013)
- IRMFC (scientific coordinator; total budget: 3.26 m€) entitled “**Development of a Portable Internal Reforming Methanol High Temperature PEM Fuel Cell System**”  
(01-05-2013 to 31-10-2016)

by GSRT:

- ISuMaRe4PV (senior researcher; Research-Creat-Innovate, Call A; total budget: 998,280€ (906,624€ funded by GSRT) entitled “**Integrated PV Surveillance, Management and Revitalization System**”  
(10/2018 to 09/2021)
- METHCELL (scientific coordinator; bilateral programme Greece-China; total budget: 442,500 € (400k€ funded by GSRT) entitled “**A reformed methanol fuel cell based on intermediate-temperature molten proton conductor electrolyte**”  
(10/2019 to 4/2023)
- BaNaNa (scientific coordinator; Research-Creat-Innovate, Call B; total budget: 998,280€ (906,624€ funded by GSRT) entitled “**Development of Sodium-ion batteries based on naturally derived anode materials**”  
(7/2020 to 7/2023)

by HFRI:

- Scholarship for PhD studies (Ms Pinelopi Angelopoulou; No2257; 1<sup>st</sup> Call of HFRI), budget: 18,900 € (funded by Hellenic Foundation for Research and Innovation) entitled “**Development of anodic and cathodic nanostructured materials for lithium batteries**” (8/2017 to 11/2018)
- Scholarship for PhD studies (Mr Konstantinos Kappis; No6539; 3<sup>rd</sup> Call of HFRI), budget: 10,000 € (funded by Hellenic Foundation for Research and Innovation) entitled “**Development of Catalytic Methanol Processors for High Temperature Fuel Cells**” (2022-2023)

by University of Patras

- C. Caratheodory 2015: NANOKAT (scientific coordinator; total budget: 30000€ (funded by Research Committee of University of Patras) “**Tuning the physicochemical properties of nanostructured copper-cerium catalysts via a hydrothermal method**” (7/2016 to 9/2019)

## PUBLICATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

<b>A. Publications in peer-reviewed international journals:</b>	71
Citations (Scopus, May 2025):	<a href="#">5288</a>
Citations (Google Scholar, May 2025):	<a href="#">6331</a>
h index (May 2025):	34 (Scopus)
	35 (Google Scholar)
i10-index	62 (Google Scholar)
i100-index	17 (Google Scholar)
<b>B. Presentations-publications in international conferences:</b>	64
<b>C. Presentations-publications in national conferences:</b>	52
<b>D. Patents:</b>	2
<b>E. Books-book chapters-special issues</b>	4
<b>F. Thesis:</b>	3

## A. PUBLICATIONS IN PEER-REVIEWED INTERNATIONAL JOURNALS

1. **G. Avgouropoulos**, T. Ioannides, H. Matralis, J. Batista, S. Hocevar, “CuO – CeO<sub>2</sub> mixed oxide catalysts for the selective oxidation of carbon monoxide in excess hydrogen” *Catal. Lett.* 73 (2001) 33-40.  
**Impact factor: 2.3, Times cited: 266**  
**Second most cited article among the research articles published in Catalysis Letters in 2001.**
2. A. Ristic, **G. Avgouropoulos**, T. Ioannides, V. Kaucic, “Investigation of catalytic activity of framework and extraframework cobalt and manganese in

MeAPO-34 prepared from fluoride medium”

*Stud. Surf. Sci. Catal.* 135 (2001) 314.

**Impact factor: 0.307, Times cited: 1**

3. **G. Avgouropoulos**, T. Ioannides, C. Papadopoulou, J. Batista, S. Hocevar, H. Matralis, “A comparative study of Pt/ $\gamma$ -Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, Au/ $\alpha$ -Fe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> and CuO–CeO<sub>2</sub> catalysts for the selective oxidation of carbon monoxide in excess hydrogen”  
*Catal. Today* 75 (2002) 157-167.

**Impact factor: 5.2, Times cited: 526**

**Most cited article among the research articles published in Catal. Today in 2002.**

**Recognised in the “Top-50 most cited articles” as published in Elsevier's Catalysis Journals 2001-2005 and 2002-2006 (as cited by Scopus).**

4. **G. Avgouropoulos**, T. Ioannides, “Selective CO oxidation over CuO-CeO<sub>2</sub> catalysts prepared via the urea-nitrate combustion method”  
*Appl. Catal. A: Gen.* 244 (2003) 155-167.

**Impact factor: 4.7, Times cited: 595**

**Most cited article among the research articles published in Appl. Catal. A in 2003.**

**Recognised in the “Top-50 most cited articles” as published in Elsevier's Catalysis Journals 2003-2007 (as cited by Scopus).**

5. J. Papavasiliou, **G. Avgouropoulos**, T. Ioannides, “Production of hydrogen via combined steam reforming of methanol over CuO-CeO<sub>2</sub> catalysts”  
*Catal. Commun.* 5 (2004) 231-235.

**Impact factor: 3.7, Times cited: 101**

**Featured on the ScienceDirect TOP25 Hottest Articles (2004) within Catal.**

**Commun.**

**Fourth most cited article among the research articles published in Catal. Commun. in 2004.**

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