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Professional Expertise

1996: Assistant Professor, Faculty of Education, Niigata University

1997: Associate Professor, Faculty of Education, Niigata University

1999-2001: Postdoctoral Fellowship for Research Abroad. (Visiting fellow, Department of Chemistry, Princeton University)

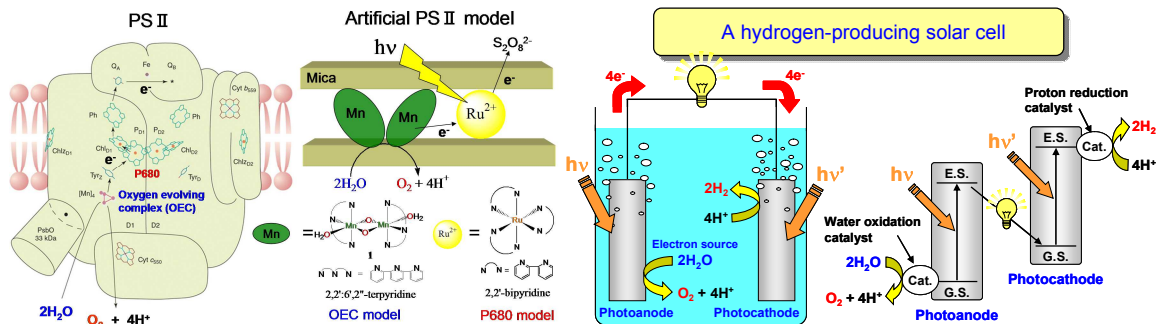
2009 to present: Professor, Department of Materials Science and Technology, Faculty of Engineering, Niigata University

2009 to present: PRESTO fellow, Japan Science and Technology Agency (JST) (PRESTO: Precursory Research for Embryonic Science and Technology)

Research Fields of Interest

Research Fields: Inorganic nano-materials, Coordination chemistry, Electrochemistry, Photochemistry, Catalyst chemistry, Surface and colloid chemistry.

Research Interests: Chemical conversion of solar energy, Artificial photosynthesis, Synthetic catalysts for water oxidation, Water splitting by visible light, Electrocatalysis, Charge transport in heterogeneous matrixes



Education

1996: Ph.D. in Engineering (Majored in Materials Science), Graduate School of Science and Technology, Saitama University, Japan

1993: M.S. in Science (Majored in Chemistry), Graduate School of Science, Ibaraki University, Japan

1991: B.S. in Science (Majored in Chemistry), Ibaraki University, Japan

Professional Societies and Activities

1. The Chemical Society of Japan
2. Japanese Society of Coordination Chemistry
3. The Electrochemical Society of Japan
4. The Japanese Photochemistry Association
5. The Society of Polymer Science, Japan

Awards

1. Award for Encouragement of Research in Polymer Science; The Society of Polymer Science, Japan (2002)
2. JSCC Research Encouragement Awards (JSCC: Japan Society of Coordination Chemistry)

Major Publications

Papers

- [1] M. Yagi, S. Umeyama, Novel preparation and photoelectrochemical properties of a tungsten oxide / tris(2,2'-bipyridine)ruthenium (II) complex composite film, *J. Phys. Chem. B*, **2002**, 106, 6355-6357.
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- [11] M. Yagi, K. Narita, S. Maruyama, K. Sone, T. Kuwabara, K. Shimizu, Artificial model of photosynthetic oxygen evolving complex: catalytic O₂ production from water by di-μ-oxo manganese dimers supported by clay compounds, *Biochim. Biophys. Acta – Bioenergetics*, **2007**, 1767(6), 660-665.
- [12] K. Sone, M. Teraguchi, T. Kaneko, T. Aoki, M. Yagi, Efficient charge transport through a metal oxide semiconductor in the nanocomposite film with tris(2,2'-bipyridine)ruthenium(II), *J. Phys. Chem. C*, **2007**, 111(31), 11636-11641.
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Book Chapters

- [1] M. Yagi, M. Kaneko, Advances in Polymer Science 199: Emisive Materials · Nanomaterials, "Charge transport and catalysis by molecules confined in polymeric materials and application to future nano-devices for energy conversion", *Adv. Polym. Sci.* Springer, **2006**, 199, 143-188.
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