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Professional Expertise

My professional expertise is high-temperature solar chemistry for converting solar heat to chemical fuels: solar thermochemical water splitting cycles, solar reforming of natural gas and solar gasification of coal. Especially, his interests are in developments of highly-active solar working material/catalyst and solar reactor/receiver/absorber/reformer.

Research Fields of Interest

Solar thermochemical two-step water-splitting for producing hydrogen from water

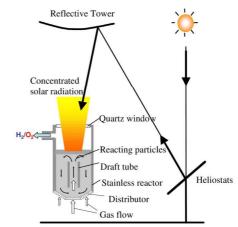
- Reactivity of highly active reacting particles
- · Reaction mechanism of reactive material for thermochemical two-step water splitting
- · Development of ceramic foam device as a solar receiver/absorber
- Solar demonstration of the foam device in a solar facility
- · Solar reactor design using Internally-circulating fluidized bed
- Kinetics of hydrogen production

Solar methane reforming for solar-hybrid synthetic gas production

- · Reactor tube design
- Development of high-temperature thermal storage medium of molten-salt/MgO composite
- Solar facility test of the reactor

Solar coal gasification for solar-hybrid synthetic gas production

- Solar reactor design
- · Kinetics of synthetic gas production
- Solar radiation tests of the reactor in solar facility



Solar Reactor Concept for an Internally Circulating Fluidized Bed

Education

- 1994: Ph.D. in Science, Graduate School of Science and Engineering, Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan
- 1992: Guest Researcher, Lawrence Berkeley Laboratory, University of California at Berkeley, USA
- 1992: M.S. in Chemistry, Graduate School of Science and Engineering, Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan
- 1990: B.S. in Chemistry, Department of Chemistry, Tokyo Institute of Technology, Japan

Professional Societies and Activities

- 1. Associate Editor, ASME Journal of Solar Energy Engineering.
- 2. Associate Editor, member of Editorial Committee, Journal of the Japan Institute of Energy.
- 3. Guest Researcher, Materials Research Laboratory, The Pennsylvania State University, USA

Awards

- 1. Best Paper Award, ASME Solar Energy Division, 2005.
- 2. Technology and Engineering Prize of Tejima Foundation Awards, 2002
- 3. Young Researcher Award, The chemical society of Japan, 1996.

Major Publications

Papers

- [1] "Ni/MgO-Al₂O₃ and Ni-Mg-O catalyzed SiC foam absorbers for high temperature solar reforming of methane", *International Journal of Hydrogen Energy*, vol. 35, no. 14, 7441-7453, 2010.
- [2] "Coal Coke gasification in a windowed solar chemical reactor for beam-down optics", *ASME Journal of Solar Energy Engineering*, vol. 132, no. 4, 041004-1-6, 2010.
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- [9] "Internally circulating fluidized bed reactor for water-splitting thermochemical cycle with *m*-ZrO₂ supported NiFe₂O₄ particles", *ASME Journal of Solar Energy Engineering*, vol. 132, no. 2, 021102-1-10, 2010.
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- [14] "New solar water-splitting reactor with ferrite particles in an internally circulating fluidized bed", ASME Journal of Solar Energy Engineering, vol. 131, 011007-1-011007-9, 2009
- [15] "Molten-Salt Tubular Absorber/Reformer (MoSTAR) Project: the thermal storage media of Na₂CO₃-MgO composite materials" *ASME Journal of Solar Energy Engineering*, vol. 131, no. 4, 041013-1-8, 2009.
- [16] "Reactive Fe-YSZ coated foam devices for solar two-step water splitting", *ASME Journal of Solar Energy Engineering*, vol. 131, no. 2, 021008-1-7, 2009.
- [17] "A new solar chemical reactor with an internally circulating fluidized bed for direct irradiation of reacting particles" *ASME Journal of Solar Energy Engineering*, vol. 130, no. 1, 014504-1-4, 2008.
- [18] "Thermochemical two-step water splitting by ZrO₂-supported Ni_xFe_{3-x}O₄ for solar hydrogen production", *Solar Energy*, vol. 82, no. 1, 73-79, 2008.
- [19] "Iron-containing YSZ (Yttrium-Stabilized Zirconia) system for a two-step thermochemical water splitting", *ASME Journal of Solar Energy Engineering*, vol. 130, no. 1, 011018-1-011018-6, 2008.
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