

## **Personal information**

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Web-pages ResearchGate; Publons, Academia; Ad Astra; Google Scholar; Brainmap

WEB OF SCIENCE ResearcherID: G-2585-2011; ORCID: 0000-0002-4148-0106; Scopus ID: 15133304000; BRAINMAP: U-1700-030B-5661.

Nationality Romanian
Birth date 31.12.1976

Professional experience

Period From November 2020 onwards
Function C.S.II Scientific Researcher

Name of the employer Faculty of Chemical Engineering and Environmental Protection, Gheorghe Asachi Technical University of lasi

Period From October 2017 to October 2018
Function Le Studium Research Fellow

Activities Independent research activity; experimental planning; data processing and interpretation, communication of scientific results.

Convener of The International Conference "Water Micropollutants: from detection to removal", Orleans, 26-28th November 2018

Name of the employer Le Studium Loire Valley Institute for Advanced Studies, ICMN-CNRS, Orleans

Period From October 2015 to September 2017

Function Project Manager

Research project Development and optimization of an innovative photo-Fenton-peroxone system for degrading organic micropollutants in water

PNII-RU-TE-2014-4-0405 Grant

Activities and responsibilities Research team leadership (2 postdocs and 2 Ph.D. students); experimental planning and laboratory development; data processing,

publication and communication of scientific results.

Name of the employer Faculty of Chemical Engineering and Environmental Protection, Gheorghe Asachi Technical University of lasi

Period From August 2010 to July 2012

Function Project Manager

Research project Optimization of a hybrid electrocoagulation-sorption-electrooxidation system for wastewater treatment

PNII-RU-PD Grant, No 52/2010, COD 44

Activities and responsibilities Independent research activity; experimental planning and acquisition of necessary laboratory equipment and analytical reagents;

experimental data processing and interpretation, mathematical modeling, simulation and optimization of investigated processes,

publication and communication of scientific results.

Name of the employer Faculty of Chemical Engineering and Environmental Protection, Gheorghe Asachi Technical University of lasi

Research grants From June 2022 to present, Bio-based porous materials for hydrogen storage and environmental applications, PN-III-P4-PCE-2021-1455

From November 2020 to October 2022, Novel materials with optical properties for anti-counterfeiting paper, PN-III-P2-2.1-PED-2019-4825

From November 2018 to September 2021, Antitumoral theranostic platforms based on carbon dots and polymer matrices, PN-III-P1-1.2-PCCDI-

2017-0083

From August 2012 to December 2015, Innovative electroluminescent nanocomposites for a new approach in polymer based light emitting devices,

PN-II-ID-PCE-2011-3-0708

From May 2009 to December 2011, Complex combinations and nanostructured compounds destined for obtaining some new types of nanocomposite materials with applications in electronic and instrumental chemical analysis, PNII-IDEI Grant, No. 357/2008, COD 721

From November 2007 to July 2010, Researches concerning gas drying by adsorption on composite materials with porous matrix, PNII-IDEI Grant,

No. 63/2007, COD 608

Activities and responsibilities Laboratory research activity; experimental planning and data interpretation; publication of scientific results

Function Scientific Researcher

Name of the employer Faculty of Chemical Engineering and Environmental Protection, Gheorghe Asachi Technical University, Iasi, Romania

Period From July 2002 to October 2003

Function Chemical Engineer

Name of the employer S.C. Compania Conex S.A. (National Paints), Str. Silvestru Nr. 152, 7000012, Iasi, Romania

Sector of the activity Resin, Paint and Glue Company

Education

Period From November 2003 to October 2007

Doctoral thesis "Study of Mass Transfer in Anodic Dissolution Processes"

Name of institution Gheorghe Asachi Technical University of lasi, Faculty of Chemical Engineering and Environmental Protection, Chemical

Engineering Department, 73 Prof. dr. docent D. Mangeron, 700050, Iasi, Romania, website: www.tuiasi.ro.

Fully funded research scholarship

Period From October 2001 to June 2002

Qualification/diploma Master of Science

Disciplines Specialization: Environmental Engineering and Management; Dissertation: "Treatment of Wastewater Containing

approach/competence Sulfides"

water management; pollution minimization at source; environmental impact assessment; risk assessment; process monitoring and control.

Name of institution Faculty of Industrial Chemistry, Gheorghe Asachi Technical University, Iasi, Romania

Fully funded study scholarship

Period From October 1996 to June 2001

Qualification/diploma Bachelor of Science

Disciplines Specialization: Technology and Biotechnology of Environmental Protection; Project Diploma: Electrochemical Treatment

approach/competence of Wastewater Containing Refractory Organic Compounds

conventional and advanced water and wastewater treatment methods; air treatment technologies; optimization in chemical engineering; chemical

 $engineering\ technologies; organic\ chemistry; inorganic\ chemistry; mathematics.$ 

Name of institution Faculty of Industrial Chemistry, Gheorghe Asachi Technical University, Iasi, Romania

Fully funded study scholarship

Research stages

Period October 28th -November 30th, 2021

Activity Research stage, Physico-chemical investigations of some photoluminescent materials based on polymeric complexes of

pHEMA with Tb(III) and Eu(III), and Carbon Dots-based polymeric composites, respectively

Name of institution Interfaces, Confinement, Matériaux et Nanostructures, CNRS, Orléans, France

Period April 18, 2016 – July 8, 2016

Activity Research stage, Identification of intermediary compounds of micropollutant degradation by advanced oxidation

processes, within PN-II-RU-TE-2014-4-0405.

Name of institution ICMN, CNRS, Orléans, France

Period April 26, 2011 – July 26, 2011

Activity Research stage, Adsorption of dyes on granular activated carbon, within PNII-RU Grant, No. 52/2010, 44

Name of institution ICOA, Université d'Orléans, France

Period October 4, 2008 - October 19, 2008

Activity Research stage, Characterization of porous adsorption materials, within PNII-IDEI Grant, No. 63/2007, 608

Name of institution Laboratoire de Matériaux Avances pour la Catalyse et la Santé (Institut Charles Gerhardt – Ecole Nationale Supérieure

de Chimie de Montpellier), France.

Period September 22, 2008 –October 3, 2008

Activity Research stage, Experimental data processing in adsorption processes, within PNII-IDEI Grant, No. 63/2007, 608

Name of institution Laboratoire de Génie des Procèdes pour l'Environnement, l'Energie et la Santé, Université d'Orléans, France

Period November 1, 2007 –November 20, 2007

Activity Documentation stage within PNII-IDEI Grant, No. 63/2007, 608

Name of institution Laboratoire de Matériaux Avances pour la Catalyse et la Santé (Institut Charles Gerhardt - Ecole Nationale

Supérieure de Chimie de Montpellier), France.

Period From May 3, 2006 to August 3, 2006

Training Erasmus-Socrates Training Grant: "Wastewater Treatment by Advanced Oxidation Processes"

Disciplines Investigation Methods of Electrochemical Processes (Course);

approach/competence Wastewater Treatment Technology (Course);

Removal of Organic Compounds from Wastewater by Physical-Chemical Methods (Project).

#### RESEARCH INTERESTS

Advanced technologies for water and wastewater treatment

Applied electrochemistry

Synthesis and characterization of adsorbents and catalysts

Transport phenomena and kinetics of chemical and electrochemical processes Simulation, modeling and optimization of chemical engineering processes

#### **INVITED CONFERENCES**

Water Treatment by Electrocoagulation/Granular Activated Carbon Coupling - Université d'Orléans, France, July 12, 2011

New perspectives of Advanced Oxidation Processes in the context of emerging micropollutants, LE STUDIUM Thursday, Orléans. December 07, 2017 and 6éme Colloque Master Energie et Matérieux, March 16th 2018, Orleans.

#### **AUTHOR OF**

129 (50 as main author) papers published and/or presented

48 (20 as main author) papers published in ISI indexed journals (45) and conference volumes (3); Hirsch Index: 13, 641 citations

44 (18 as first author) papers presented at international conferences

4 papers published in BDI indexed conference volumes

18 (6 as main author) papers published in BDI

14 papers presented at national conferences

3 national patents, 2 national patent requests and 1 international patent request

Convener of The International Conference "Water Micropollutants: from detection to removal", Orleans, 26-28th November 2018

### SELECTED PAPERS PUBLISHED IN ISI JOURNALS

M.S. Secula, G.D. Suditu, I. Poulios, C. Cojocaru, I. Cretescu, Response surface optimization of the heterogeneous photocatalytic decolorization of a simulated dyestuff effluent, Chemical Engineering Journal (8.355 IF-2018), 141(1-3), 2008, 18-26 (70 citations). The 7th most downloaded paper published by Elsevier in 2011 on Chemical Engineering subject.

M.S. Secula, I. Cretescu, S. Petrescu, An experimental study of Indigo Carmine removal from aqueous solution by electrocoagulation, Desalination( 6.035 <sub>IF-2018</sub>), 277 (1-3), 2011, 227-235, (107 citations).

M.S. Secula, Y. Barrot, B. Cagnon, F. Versaveau, O. Chedeville, Diethyl phthalate removal by continuous-flow ozonation: Response Surface Modeling and Optimization, Water, Air, & Soil Pollution (1.774 IF-2018), 224, 2013, 1484, 1-14, (4 citations)...

M.S. Secula, B. Cagnon, T.F. de Oliveira, O. Chedeville, H. Fauduet, Removal of acid dye from aqueous solutions by electrocoagulation/GAC adsorption coupling: Kinetics and electrical operating costs, Journal of the Taiwan Institute of Chemical Engineers (3.834 IF-2018), 2012, 43 (5), 767-775, (46 citations).

M.S. Secula, I. Cretescu, B. Cagnon, L.R. Manea, C.S. Stan, I.G. Breaban, Fractional Factorial Design Study on the Performance of GAC-Enhanced Electrocoagulation Process involved in Color Removal from Synthetic Dye Wastewater, Materials (Special issue: Advances in Colorants) (2.972 F. 2018), 6(7), 2013, 2723-2746; (30 citations).

### SELECTED PAPERS PRESENTED AT CONFERENCES

M.S. Secula, B. Cagnon, O. Chedeville, High performance Fe-doped Mn/TiO<sub>2</sub> activated carbon catalyst applied in photo-Fenton-peroxone processes, Carbon, July 2018, Madrid, Spain.

M.S. Secula, L.Zaleschi, B. Cagnon, A. Vajda, I. Mamaliga, Iron(II)-impregnated and magnetic activated carbon used as Fenton like catalysts for photodegrading organic compounds, 1st International Conference on Sustainable Water Processing, September 11-14, 2016, Sitges, Spain.

M.S. Secula, B. Cagnon, O. Chedeville, Etude de la cinétique et de la thermodynamique d'adsorption sur charbons actifs de trois colorants dans différentes conditions opératoires, XIVe Congrès de la Société Française de Génie des Procédés (SFGP 2013), October 2013, Lyon, France.

M.S. Secula, B. Cagnon, O. Chedeville, I. Mamaliga, I. Cretescu, Coupling of GAC adsorption and electrooxidative regeneration for the treatment of dye wastewater, Carbon, June 2012, Krakow, Poland.

M.S. Secula, T.Ferreira de Oliveira, B. Cagnon, O. Chedeville, H.Fauduet, S. Petrescu, Étude de différents charbons actifs granulaires pour l'élimination par électrocoagulation du Carmin Indigo présent dans des eaux usées, XIII-ème Congrès de la Société Française de Génie des Procédés (SFGP 2011), November 29th - December 1st, 2011, Lille, France.

M.S. Secula, R. Diaconescu, C. Petrescu, S. Petrescu, ANN Modeling and Simulation of Gas Drying by Adsorption on Composite Materials, The 23rd European Conference on Modelling and Simulation, June 2009, Madrid, Spain.

#### **PATENTS**

1. S. Petrescu, M. Spiridon, I. Solomon, M.S. Secula, Gas drying equipment, comprises vertical cylindrical body provided inside with low-thickness adsorbent layer located between two concentric perforated cylindrical shell rings and inner space, Patent RO127381-A2, 2012.

2. C.S. Stan, I. Cretescu; D. Sibiescu; M.S. Secula, Process for obtaining a fluorescent composite based on polyethyleneterephthalate and cadmium selenide nanocrystals, Patent RO128622-A2, 2013.

3. C.S. Stan: M.S. Secula, Preparation of polymeric cryogel for purifying water with high organic content, involves photopolymerizing 2-hydroxyethyl methacrylate in presence of N,N'-methylenebisacrylamide and 1-hydroxycyclohexyl phenyl ketone in graphene solution, Patent RO00132703, 2021.

### SCIENTIFIC REFEREE AND REVIEWER

UEFISCDI REVIEWER: PNCDI III. SP 1.1 TE-2019 (D-2100-001M-5918): PNCI III. SP 2.1 PTE-2019 (D-2100-001Z-5912): PNCDI III. SP 1.1 PD-2019 (Certificate No. D-2100-001F-5915)

More than 50 papers reviewed and 80 evaluations performed mainly in the fields of adsorption, electrocoagulation, electrochemical oxidations, photocatalysis, Fenton's reagent, ion exchange, and membranes applied in wastewater treatment, synthesis and characterization of composite materials, as well as on RSM applied in modeling and optimization of chemical processes.

#### Aptitude and professional competence

Mother language Romanian

Foreign languages

Understanding Speaking Writing Listening Reading Conversation Oral discussion Writing proficiency C2 C1 C2 Proficient User C2 Proficient User Proficient User C1 Proficient User Proficient User C1 Proficient User C2 Proficient User B2 Independent User В1 Independent User B2 Independent User

# Self-evaluation **English language**

# French language\*

\* French courses - Institut de français Université d'Orléans - UFR Lettres, Langues et Sciences Humaines, 2017/2018.

**Official Tests** 

14TH MAY 2005, PAPER-BASED TOEFL TEST

21ST NOVEMBER 2005, COMPUTER-BASED GRE TEST

Management abilities

Project manager of PNII-RU-PD Grant, 52/2010, 44, 2010-2012, Budget: 319,909 lei (~75,000 EUR).

Project manager of PNII-RU-TE-2014-4-0405 Grant, Budget 550,000 lei (~125,000 EUR).

Competence and organizing aptitudes Able to plan, organize, and handle a heavy workload. Work well independently or in a team.