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# **CURRENT AND PAST POSITIONS**

09/2021-Present	<b>Professor</b> , Gustaf Carlson School of Chemistry, Clark University
09/2021-08/2022	Carl J. and Anna Carlson Endowed Professor, Gustaf Carlson School of
	Chemistry, Clark University
07/01/18-present	Affiliate Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry,
•	Worcester Polytechnic Institute
02//2016-07/2021	Research Associate, School of Engineering and Applied Sciences,
	Harvard University
09/2014 -08/2021	Associate Professor, Gustaf Carlson School of Chemistry, Clark University
07/2008 -08/2014	Assistant Professor, Gustaf Carlson School of Chemistry, Clark University
01/2008-06/2008	Research Professor, Gustaf Carlson School of Chemistry, Clark University
10/2005-06/2008	Postdoctoral Research Associate, Polym. Sci. & Eng. UMass Amherst

#### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., 2006	Macromolecular Science and	Case Western Reserve University,
	Engineering	Cleveland, OH, U.S.A.
M.S., 2002	Materials Science and	National Autonomous University of Mexico
	Engineering	(UNAM), Mexico city, Mexico
B.S., 2001	Chemistry	National Autonomous University of Mexico
		(UNAM), Mexico city, Mexico

#### **AWARDS**

- **Distinguished Service as Chair**, Division of Polymeric Science and Engineering, American Chemical Society. August 2016.
- Fellow of the American Chemical Society. August 2017.
- Carl J. and Anna Carlson Chair of Chemistry. Clark University. June 2021

# **RESEARCH FUNDING (summary)**

Over \$1M USD in external funding from federal and private sources, amounts listed correspond only to the amounts awarded specifically to Clark University in multi-institutional collaborative projects.

# **RESEARCH PRODUCTIVITY (summary)**

4 Peer-reviewed book chapters, 34 Peer-reviewed journal articles, 2 U.S. Patents, 30 invited talks, 73 contributed presentations.

#### **ACADEMIC SERVICE/RESPONSIBILITIES (selected)**

- Outside Clark University: Chair of the PMSE Division of the American Chemical Society, Reviewer (both ad-hoc and panel) for the NSF (20+ proposals), Reviewer ACS-PRF (6 proposals), Manuscript peer reviewer (12 journals, 90+ submissions).
- Within Clark University: Elected member of graduate board, Secretary of the Faculty, Chemistry graduate program coordinator, Clark U. admissions committee, Tenure/promotion case preparer (3 cases), Salary increase task force, Reducing bias in teaching evaluations subcommittee.

## **TEACHING EXPERIENCE (summary)**

- Research Mentor: 11 Ph.D. students, 5 Masters students and 35 undergraduate students, 9 honors theses.
- Lecturer: 15 years of experience, typical teaching load 4 courses/ year. Courses taught (9 different courses developed independently): Polymer science, Introductory Chemistry, Organic Chemistry, Advanced organic chemistry, Analytical chemistry, Biomaterials, Thermal analysis, The science of fermentation.

#### RESEARCH FUNDING

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#### **RESEARCH GRANTS FUNDED**

#### 2021

- 1. Clark University, Grant Incentive award (Fall 2021) Funds awarded. One teaching release.
- 2. Clark University, Faculty Development Grant (Summer 2021) Funds awarded. \$5,000

#### 2020

3. **U.S. Department of Defense**, STTR: ThermoPylon: Thermal battery systems for garments. (05/18/20-05/18/21) **Funds awarded. \$48,999 (SGF, subcontractor)** 

#### 2019

- 4. <u>REU-Supplement</u>, **National Science Foundation**, CBET-Energy for Sustainability: An integrated study of ion dynamics and population distributions to understand the molecular underpinnings of charge transport through self-assembled solid polymer electrolytes. **\$10,400**, **SGF**, **P.I.**
- 5. <u>REU-Supplement</u>, National Science Foundation, CMMI. Collaborative Research: Adaptive Building Enclosure Systems Using Cellular Solid-Solid Phase Change Materials with Variable Transparency. Funds requested, \$16,000, SGF, PI.

#### 2018

6. **National Science Foundation**, CBET-Energy for Sustainability: An integrated study of ion dynamics and population distributions to understand the molecular underpinnings of charge transport through self-assembled solid polymer electrolytes. **\$418,594, SGF, PI.** 

#### 2017

- 7. **National Science Foundation**, CMMI. Collaborative Research: Adaptive Building Enclosure Systems Using Cellular Solid-Solid Phase Change Materials with Variable Transparency. **\$198,936**, **SGF. PI.**
- 8. Faculty development grant, Clark University. Ion selective sensors. \$2,000.
- 9. Research agreement, **Abbvie Labs**. Development of Ion Selective Sensors for health care. **\$8,926**, **SGF**, **PI**.

#### 2014

10. OneSun Solar, Development of Cuprous oxide for photovoltaic applications \$25,000, SGF, Pl.

#### 2012

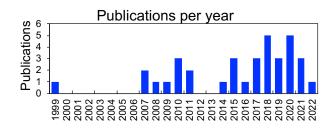
- 11. Marie Curie IRSES. Network for Sensor Knowledge Transfer, funded by the **European commission**. Granted, Travel funds at Stipend for 12 months of visiting graduate student **\$70,000**, **SGF**, **co-PI**.
- 12. Center for Functional Nanomaterials, **Brookhaven National Laboratory**. Request for Instrument time. Granted. **SGF, PI**.
- 13. Faculty development grant, Clark University. PEI Mediated Gene Delivery Systems. \$1000.

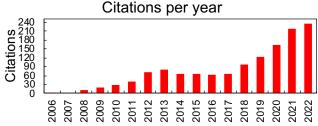
#### 2009

14. Faculty development grant, Clark University. Block Copolymer synthesis, \$1,261.

#### PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

4 Peer reviewed book chapters, 33 Peer-reviewed journal articles, 2 Patents





	All	Since 2018
Citations	1413	882
h-index	17	14
i10-index	27	20

# Work done at Clark University

#### PEER-REVIEWED BOOK CHAPTERS

Accepted for publication prior to promotion to associate professor.

1. <u>Litt, M.</u>; Granados-Focil, S.; Kang, J., **Rigid Rod Polyelectrolytes with Frozen-In Free Volume: High Conductivity at Low RH**. In *Fuel Cell Chemistry and Operation*, American Chemical Society: **2010**; Vol. 1040, pp 49-63. *(10 citations)* 

Accepted for publication after promotion to associate professor.

- 2. Granados-Focil, S. Stimuli-responsive polymers as active layers for sensors, in Functional Polymer Coatings: Principles, Methods, and Applications, First Edition. Edited by Limin Wu and Jamil Baghdachi. John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 2015.
- 3. Nguyen, C-T., Deshmukh, P., Chen X. \*, Granados-Focil, S., Kasi, R., **Thermoreversible Ion gels from side-chain liquid crystalline brush diblock copolymers**, in Functional Polymers, Design, Synthesis and Applications, edited by Raja Shunmugam, CRC press, Taylor and Francis, **2017**, 241-263.
- 4. Van Dessel, S., Tao, M., Granados-Focil, S., **Bio-inspired building envelopes**, *Bio-inspired design*. Eds. Soboyejo, W., & Daniel, L., Cambridge University Press, **2020**.

<sup>\*</sup> undergraduate student author, #graduate student author, <u>underlined</u> names indicate the <u>corresponding</u> <u>author(s)</u>. In my discipline, researchers who conceived the work and in charge of coordinating the research efforts are listed at the end. SGF's specific contributions to each article are listed below the full reference.

#### PEER-REVIEWED JOURNAL ARTICLES AND PATENT APPLICATIONS

Submitted or in revision.

40. Fell, E., De Porcellinis, D., Jing Y., Gutierrez-Venegas, V., Gordon, R., Granados-Focil, S., Aziz, M., Long-term stability of ferri/ferrocyanide as an electroactive component for redox flow battey applications: On the origin of apparent capacity face. Chemrxiv, 2022. (6 citations)

Contribution to the work: Guided all experimental data acquisition and interpretation necessary to inform and validate the numerical models, helped secure funding for the project, helped write the manuscript.

39. Chen X.\*, Datta A.\*, Smith, L.J., <u>Granados-Focil S.</u>, **Challenging the block copolymer design** conventions for ion transport: Diblock copolymers using ionic interactions as a mechanically reinforcing mechanism. *Solid State Ionics*, In revision.

Contribution to the work: Corresponding author, conceived the overall system, designed all polymer synthesis protocols, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, secured funding for the project, and wrote the manuscript.

38. Doyle, R.P. \*, Yang Y. \*, and <u>Granados-Focil, S.</u> Carbonate-mediated alkyl functionalization of poly(ethylene imine), an efficient, mild, route towards fully functionalized PEI backbones. In revision.

Contribution to the work: Corresponding author, conceived the overall system, designed all polymer synthesis protocols, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, secured funding for the project, and helped write the manuscript.

37. Mishra, P.K. \*, Chen, A. \*, Lee, T.-M. \*, Tao, M., Van Dessel, S., <u>Granados-Focil, S.</u>, **Polyacrylate-based solid-solid phase change materials as passive thermo-regulators for smart building enclosures**. In revision

Contribution to the work: Corresponding author, conceived the overall system, designed all polymer synthesis protocols, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, secured funding for the project, and helped write the manuscript.

Accepted for publication after promotion to associate professor.

36. El-Ouaragli J., Xiao Z., Nejad A.M., Tao, M., Granados-Focil, S., Van Dessel, S., **Design of a novel smart polymer-sorbent based thermal battery system and its application: A numerical Feasibility study.** *Journal of Energy Storage*, **2022**, 56, 105971.

Contribution to the work: Guided all experimental data acquisition and interpretation necessary to inform and validate the numerical models, helped secure funding for the project, helped write the manuscript.

35. Xiao Z., Mishra P.M., Nejad A., M., Tao, M., Granados-Focil, S., Van Dessel, S., **Thermal optimization of a novel thermo-optically responsive SS-PCM coating for building enclosures**. Energy and Buildings, **2021**, 247, 111129. **(8 Citations)** 

Contribution to the work: Guided all experimental data acquisition and interpretation necessary to inform and validate the numerical models, helped secure funding for the project, helped write the manuscript.

34. Zhang Z. \*, Tompsett, G.A., Lambert, C., Granados-Focil, S., <u>Timko, M.T.</u>, **Rational Design of Solid-Acid Catalysts for Cellulose Hydrolysis Using Colloidal Theory.** *Phys. Chem. Chem Phys.*, **2021**, 23, 10236-10243. (3 Citations)

Contribution to the work: Helped guide data interpretation, helped write the manuscript.

33. Cheng F. \*, Tompsett, G.A., Fraga-Alvarez, D.V. \*, Romo C. I., McKenna, A.M., Niles, S., Nelson, R.K., Reddy, C.M., Granados-Focil, S., Paulsen A.D., Zhang, R., <u>Timko, M.T.</u>, **Metal oxide supported Niimpregnated bifunctional catalysts for controlling char formation and maximizing energy recovery during catalytic hydrothermal liquefaction of food waste.

Sustainable Energy & Fuels. 2021. 5(4), 941-955. (17 Citations)** 

Contribution to the work: Guided all NMR materials characterization, helped guide data interpretation, helped write the manuscript.

32. Mendes, J.L. \*, Gao, W., Martin, J.L. #, Carl, A. D. #, Deskins, N. A., Granados-Focil, S., <u>Grimm, R.L.</u> Interfacial states, energetics, and atmospheric stability of large-grain antifluorite Cs₂TiBr<sub>6</sub>.

Journal of Physical Chemistry C., **2020** 124, 44, 24289. (12 Citations)

Contribution to the work: Guided all SEM and EDS materials characterization, helped guide data interpretation, helped write the manuscript.

31. Martin J.L. \*, Soflet, R. \*, Carl, A.D. \*, Himmelberger, K. M. \*, Granados-Focil, S. <u>Grimm, R.L.</u>. Quantification of surface reactivity and step-selective etching chemistry on single-crystal BiOl (001). *Langmuir*, 2020, 36, 9343. (*4 Citations*).

Contribution to the work: Guided all SEM and EDS materials characterization, helped guide data interpretation, helped write the manuscript.

30. Mishra, P.,K. \*, Stockmal, K.A. \*, Ardito, G. \*, Tao, M., Van Dessel, S., <u>Granados-Focil, S., Thermooptically responsive phase change materials for passive temperature regulation</u>, *Solar Energy*, *2020*, 197, 222. (*13 Citations*).

Contribution to the work: Corresponding author, conceived the overall system, designed all polymer synthesis protocols, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, secured funding for the project, and helped write the manuscript.

29. Dillingham, P.W., Alsedi, B.S.O. \*, Granados-Focil S., Radu, A., McGraw, C., Establishing meaningful limits of detection for ion-selective electrodes and other non-linear Sensors, ACS Sensors, 2020, 5, 250. (14 Citations).

Contribution to the work: Designed all polymer synthesis and sensor testing protocols, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, and helped write the manuscript.

28. Mendecki, L.\*, <u>Granados-Focil, S., Radu, A.,</u> Self-Plasticized lumogallion-based fluorescent optical sensor for the determination of aluminum (III) with ultra-low detection limits., *Analytica Chimica Acta*, 2020, 1101, 141. (*10 Citations*).

Contribution to the work: Corresponding author, designed all polymer synthesis and sensor testing protocols, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, helped secure funding for the project, and helped write the manuscript.

27. <u>Crespilho, F.N.</u>, Sedenho, G.C.\*, De Porcellinis, D., Kerr, E.\*, Granados-Focil, S., Gordon, R.G., <u>Aziz, M.J.</u>, Non-corrosive, Low toxicity, Gel-based Microbattery from Organic an <u>Organometallic Molecules</u>, *Journal of Materials Chemistry A*, **2019**, 7, 24784. *(12 Citations)*.

Contribution to the work: Conceived the overall system, designed all polymer matrix compositions, quantified redox molecules diffusion coefficients and helped write the manuscript.

26. Yu, X.\*; Burnham, N., Granados-Focil, S.; <u>Tao, M.</u>; **Bitumen's microstructures are correlated with its bulk thermal and rheological properties.** *Fuel***, <b>2019**, 254, 115509. *(24 Citations)*.

Contribution to the work: Guided all thermal and rheological experiments, guided all data interpretation for thermal and rheological analyses, helped write the manuscript.

25. Van Dessel, S., Tao, M., Granados-Focil, S., Thermal storage system. U.S. Pat app. 2019 16/197,698.

Contribution to the work: All three inventors share credit equally in the conception of the overall system.

24. Granados-Focil, A.A. \*, Granados-Focil, S., Conde-Sotelo, V.M., Grimm, R.L., Gonzalez, F., Rojas-Santiago, E., Santolalla-Vargas, C.E., Vera, M.A., <u>De los Reyes, J.A.</u>, **Development of bifunctional hydrodeoxygenation catalyst Rh-HY for the generation of biomass-derived high energy density fuels.** *Energy Technology*, **2019**,1801112. **(8 Citations).** 

Contribution to the work: Guided all thermal analysis, electron microscopy and X-ray diffraction experiments, helped guide all data interpretation for catalyst structure-activity relationships, helped write the manuscript.

23. Zhang, M. \*, Zhao, M. \*, Zhang, G., Sietnis, J. M., Granados-Focil, S., Pepi, M. S., Xu, Y., <u>Tao, M.</u>, Reaction kinetics of red mud-fly ash based geopolymers: Effects of curing temperature on chemical bonding, porosity, and mechanical strength. *Cement and Concrete Composites*, **2018**, 93, 175-185. *(60 Citations)*.

Contribution to the work: Guided all surface area, spectroscopy and X-ray diffraction experiments, helped guide all data interpretation, helped write the manuscript.

22. De Porcellinis, D., Mecheri, B., D'Epifanio, A., Licoccia, S., <u>Granados-Focil, S., Aziz, M.J.</u> **Sulfonated Poly (ether ether ketone) as cation exchange membrane for alkaline redox flow batteries**, *Journal of the Electrochemical Society*, **2018**, 165 (5), A1137-A1139. *(23 Citations)*.

Contribution to the work: Corresponding author, designed all polymer characterization protocols, carried out all structural polymer characterization, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, and helped write the manuscript.

21. Guldentops, G.#, Ardito, G.#, Tao, M., Granados-Focil, S., <u>Van Dessel, S.,</u> A numerical study of adaptive building enclosure systems using solid-solid phase change materials with variable transparency. *Energy and Buildings*, **2018**, 167, 240-252. *(17 Citations)*.

Contribution to the work: Guided all experimental data acquisition and interpretation necessary to inform and validate the numerical models, helped secure funding for the project, helped write the manuscript.

20. Tyufekchiev, M.\*; Duan, P.\*; Schmidt-Rohr, K.; Granados-Focil, S.; Timko, M.T.; Emmert, M., Cellulase-Mimetic Solid Acids for Cellulose Hydrolysis: Structural Explanations for High Catalytic Activity, *ACS Catalysis*, 2018, 8, 1464-1468. *(36 Citations)*.

Contribution to the work: Designed all polymer characterization protocols, guided all solid acid structural characterization, helped design catalyst testing experiments, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, and helped write the manuscript.

19. Yu, X.\*; Granados-Focil, S.; Tao, M.; <u>Burnham, N.</u>, <u>Time- and composition- dependent evolution of distinctive microstructures in bitumen</u>. *Energy and Fuels*, **2018**, 32, 67-80. (*25 Citations*).

Contribution to the work: Guided all thermal and rheological experiments, guided all data interpretation for thermal and rheological analyses, helped write the manuscript.

18. Fallahi, A., Guldentops, G.#, Tao, M., Granados-Focil, S., <u>Van Dessel, S.,</u> **Review on solid-solid phase change materials for thermal energy storage: Molecular structure and thermal properties.** *Applied Thermal Engineering*, **2017**, 127, 1427-1441. *(276 Citations)*.

Contribution to the work: Wrote the section on polymeric phase change materials, gathered all relevant references, synthesized relevant content, made necessary figures and tables.

17. Wei, J.,\* Trout, W.,\* Simon, Y.C., <u>Granados-Focil S.</u>, Ring opening metathesis polymerization of triazole-bearing cyclobutenes: Diblock copolymer synthesis and evaluation of the effect of side group size on polymerization kinetics. Journal of Polymer Science, Part A, Polymer Chemistry, **2017**, 55 (11), 1929-1939. *(7 Citations)*.

Contribution to the work: Corresponding author, conceived the overall system, designed all polymer synthesis protocols, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, secured funding for the project, and wrote the manuscript.

16. Mendecki, L.M., Chen, X., Callan, N., Thompson, D.F., Schazman, B., <u>Granados-Focil, S., Radu, A., Simple, Robust, and Plasticizer-Free Iodide-Selective Sensor Based on Copolymerized Triazole-Based Ionic Liquid</u>. *Analytical Chemistry*, **2016**, *88* (8), 4311. (28 Citations).

Contribution to the work: Corresponding author, helped conceive the overall system, designed all polymer synthesis protocols, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, and helped write the manuscript.

15. Mendecki, L.M., Fayose, T., Stockmal, K.A.\*, Wei, J.#, <u>Granados-Focil, S., McGraw, C.M., Radu, A.,</u> **Robust and ultrasensitive polymer membrane-based carbonate selective electrodes**. *Analytical Chemistry.*, **2015**, 87 (15) 7515. *(30 Citations)*.

Contribution to the work: Corresponding author, helped conceive the overall system, designed all polymer synthesis protocols, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, and helped write the manuscript.

14. Nguyen, C.T., Zhu, Y., Chen X., Sotzing, G.A., Granados-Focil, S., Kasi, R. M., Nanostructured ion gels from liquid crystalline block copolymers and gold nanoparticles in ionic liquids: manifestation of mechanical and electrochemical properties., J. Mater. Chem. C., 2015, 3, 399-408. (18 Citations).

Contribution to the work: Designed all acrylate-based polymer synthesis, helped guide the interpretation of the characterization data, and helped write the manuscript.

Accepted for publication prior to promotion to associate professor.

13. Doyle, R., P. \*, Chen, X. \*, Macrae, M.\*, Srungavarapu, A.\*, and <u>Granados-Focil, S.,</u> **Poly(ethyleneimine)-based polymer blends as lithium single-ion conductors**. *Macromolecules*, **2014**,47, 3401. *(76 citations)*.

Contribution to the work: Corresponding author, conceived the overall system, designed all polymer synthesis protocols, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, secured funding for the project, and wrote the manuscript.

12. Kokil, A., Renna, A.\*, Kumar, J., Granados-Focil, S. Synthesis and Characterization of Triazolium lodide lonic Liquid Electrolyte for Dye Sensitized Solar Cells. *Journal of Macromolecular Science, part A, polymer chemistry,* **2011**, 48, 1022. *(8 Citations)*.

Contribution to the work: Corresponding author, conceived the overall system, designed all polymer synthesis protocols, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, secured funding for the project, and wrote the manuscript.

11. Sokolov, A., Atahan-Evrenk, S., Mondal, R., Akkerman, H.B., Sanchéz-Carrera, R.S., Granados-Focil, S., Schrier, J., Mannsfeld, S.C.B., Zoombelt, A.P., Bao, Z., and <u>Aspuru-Guzik, A.,</u> From *in silico* to carbon to device: Computational discovery and experimental characterization of a high hole mobility organic crystal. *Nature Communications*, 2011, 2, 437. (364 citations).

Contribution to the work: Designed all molecule synthesis protocols, carried out 80% of the synthetic work, guided the interpretation of the molecular structure characterization data, and helped write the manuscript.

10. <u>Granados-Focil, S.,</u> Conway, J.R.\*, Meng, Y.\*, Smith, L., **Triazole functionalized sol-gel membranes**, effect of crosslink density and heterocycle content on water free proton conduction and membrane mechanical properties, *Journal of Macromolecular Science*, part A, polymer chemistry, **2010**, 47, 1197. *(3 citations)*.

Contribution to the work: Corresponding author, conceived the overall system, designed all polymer synthesis protocols, guided the interpretation of the characterization data, secured funding for the project, and wrote the manuscript.

Work done before moving to Clark University

- 9. Litt, M.; Granados-Focil, S.; Kang, J., Si, K., <u>Wycisk, R.,</u> Rigid Rod Poly(p-Phenylene sulfonic acid) PEMs: High Conductivity at Low Relative Humidity Due to "Frozen-in-Free Volume", ECS Trans., **2010**, 33, 695-710. *(15 Citations)*
- 8. Litt, M., Granados-Focil, S., Kang, J., Rigid Rod Poly(p-Phenylene sulfonic acid) PEMs: High Conductivity at Low RH, ACS, Symp. Ser., Fuel Cell Chemistry and Operation, 2010, 1040, ,49-63.

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- 7. Akbey, U., Granados-Focil, S., Coughlin E.B., Graf, R., <u>Spiess, H.W.</u>, <sup>1</sup>H Solid-State NMR Investigation of Structure and Dynamics of Anhydrous Proton Conducting Triazole-Functionalized Siloxane Polymers. *J.Phys. Chem. B.*, 2009, 113, 9151-9160. (54 Citations).
- 6. Litt, Morton H., Granados-Focil, Sergio, Liquid Crystal (polyphenylene sulfonic acids), *U.S. Pat # 7375,176*, **2008**, 45 pp. *(11 Citations)*
- 5. Granados-Focil, S., Woudenberg, R.C., Yavuzcetin, O., <u>Tuominen, M.T.</u>, <u>Coughlin, E.B.</u>, <u>Water-free proton conducting polysiloxanes: A study on the effect of heterocycle structure</u>, *Macromolecules*, **2007**, 40, 8708-8713. *(73 Citations)*.
- 4. Marwiset, S., Woudenberg, R.C., Granados-Focil, S., Yavuzcetin, O., <u>Tuominen, M.T., Coughlin, E.B.,</u> Intrinsically conducting polymers and copolymers containing triazole moieties, *Solid State Ionics*, **2007**, *178*, *23-24*, 1398-1403. *(78 Citations)*.
- 3. Likhatchev D., <u>Granados-Focil S.</u>, Barrientos-Gutierrez S. Novel procedure for the synthesis of fluorescent fused heterocyclic dyes and its application to vinylic polymers. MEX patent, pending.
- 2. Likhatchev D., Granados-Focil S., Gaviño R., Canseco M., <u>Alexandrova L.</u>, **Low-temperature route to 1,2-benzoylenebenzimidazole ladder structure**, *High Perfomance Polymers*, **1999**, *11 (4)*, 1-11. (6 Citations).
- 1. Barrios, F; Granados, S; <u>Talanquer, Vincente</u>. **How do crystals form?**, *Educacion Quimica (Chemical Education)*, 1998, *9*(3), 129-135.

## CONFERENCE PREPRINTS, ABSTRACTS AND PRESENTATIONS

Work done at Clark University

- \* undergraduate student author, #graduate student author
  - 1. Granados-Focil, S. Gutierrez-Venegas, V., Yang, Y., Araujo-Martinez, A., Smith, L.J., Solid Electrolytes for Lithium-ion batteries from sulfonated mesoporous silica/polymer blends, effects of nanoconfinement and matrix polarity on ion transport. International Materials Research Congress, Cancun, Mex. August, 2022.
  - 2. Xiao, Z., Mishra, P., Tao, M., Van Dessel, S., Granados-Focil, S., Thermochromic phase changing materials coatings for building temperature regulation: Experimental and numerical study. International Materials Research Congress, Cancun, Mex. August, 2022.
  - 3. Xiao, Z., Mishra, P., Tao, M., Van Dessel, S., Granados-Focil, S., **Thermochromic phase changing materials coatings for building temperature regulation: Experimental and numerical study.** Milan Polymer Days 2022, Milan, Italy. June, 2022.
  - 4. Granados-Focil, S., De Porcellinis, D., Aziz, M.J., **Transitioning past perfluorinated polymers:** Sulfonated poly(biphenyl alkylene)s as membranes separators for alkaline redox flow batteries. Applied Energy Symposium MIT A+B 2020. August 2020.
  - 5. Granados-Focil, S., Thermo-optically responsive solid-solid phase change materials as passive temperature-controlling building enclosures. Milan Polymer Days 2020. July 2020.
  - 6. Granados-Focil, S., De Porcellinis, D., Aziz, M.J., Moving beyond perfluorinated polymers: sulfonated polybiphenyl alkylene as ion exchange membranes for alkaline redox flow batteries. Milan Polymer Days 2020. July 2020.
  - 7. Mishra, P. \*, Ardito, G. \*, Tao, M., Van Dessel, S., Granados-Focil, S., **Thermo-optically responsive solid-solid phase change materials as passive temperature-controlling building enclosures**. 24<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Advanced Materials and Nanotechnology. Rome Italy, October 2019.
  - 8. Yang, Y. \*, Gutierrez-Venegas, V. \*, Nason, W. \*, Smith, L.J., Granados-Focil, S., **Hybrid Mesoporous** silica-polymer composites as solid electrolytes for lithium-ion batteries. 24<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Advanced Materials and Nanotechnology. Rome Italy, October 2019.
  - 9. Yang, Y. #, Gutierrez-Venegas, V. #, Castro-Narro, E., Smith, L.J., Granados-Focil, S., Solid electrolytes for lithium-ion batteries from blends of hybrid mesoporous sulfonated silica particles functionalized polyethyleneimine. 12th Meeting of the Mexican Section of the Electrochemical Society. Queretaro, Mexico, June 2019.
  - 10. Mishra, P. #, Tao, M., Van Dessel, S., Granados-Focil, S., **Stimuli-responsive foams for energy-efficient building enclosure systems.** Abstracts of Papers, 257th ACS National Meeting & Exposition, Orlando, FL, United States, April 2019, PMSE 452.

- 11. Granados-Focil, S., Mishra, P. \*, Stockmal, K.A., Ardito, G., Tao, M., Van Dessel, S., **Phase-Change Coatings with Thermoresponsive Transparency for Building Temperature Regulation**. Waterborne Symposium, New Orleans, LA, February 2019.
- 12. Tyufekchiev, M. \*, Finzel, J., Pu, D. \*, Schimdt-Rohr, K., Granados-Focil, S., Emmert, M., Timko, M., Implications of homogeneous acids on interpretation of solid acid activity for cellulose hydrolysis. Abstracts of Papers, 256th ACS National Meeting & Exposition, Boston, MA, United States, August, 2018 ENVR-25.
- 13. Conway, J.R.\*, Doyle R.P. \*, Meng, Y. \*, Smith, L., Granados-Focil S., **Teaching old polymers new tricks, pathways towards multifunctional separations for lithium-ion and redox flow batteries and stimuli responsive change materials.** Gordon Research Conference on Membranes: Materials and Processes, July 2018.
- 14. Smith, L., Granados-Focil, S., **Ion dynamics in solid polymer blend electrolytes via inversion of the Laplace transform**. Abstracts of Papers, 255th ACS National Meeting & Exposition, New Orleans, LA, United States, March 20, 2018 POLY-323.
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#### **Invited talks**

- 1. Granados-Focil, S., Our alumni around the world, symposium series: Transport through polymeric matrices: Materials for batteries and sustainable, energy-efficient, buildings. **School of Chemistry, Universidad Nacional Autonoma de Mexico, UNAM. October 2021.**
- 2. Granados-Focil, S., Harnessing transport through structured polymeric matrices: New materials for batteries and sustainable, energy-efficient, buildings. Fordham University, Chemistry seminar. October 2021.
- 3. Granados-Focil, S., Harnessing transport through structured polymeric matrices: New materials for batteries and sustainable, energy-efficient, buildings. **Tufts University, Chemical Engineering seminar. April 2021.**
- 4. Granados-Focil, S., Harnessing transport through structured polymeric matrices: New materials for batteries and sustainable, energy-efficient, buildings. Northern New Mexico College, Chemistry seminar. April 2021.
- 5. Granados-Focil, S., Mishra, P., Stockmal, K., Ardito, G., Tao, M., Van Dessel, S., Stimuli Responsive Solid-Solid Phase Change Materials as Passive Temperature-Controlling Building Enclosures. **Smart Coatings 2020. Orlando, Florida, February 2020.**
- Granados-Focil, S., Stockmal, K.A., Mishra, P., Ardito, G., Tao, M., Van Dessel, S., Thermo-optically responsive solid-solid phase change materials as passive temperature-controlling building enclosures. Workshop on Next Generation Smart Materials, Polymer Chemistry Division, Savannah, GA, December 2019.

- 7. Yang, Y., Gutierrez-Venegas, Nason, W., Smith, L.J., Granados-Focil, S., Sulfonated hybrid mesoporous silica-polymer particles solid electrolytes for lithium-ion batteries. Forum of Revolutions in Renewable Energy in 21st Century. Rome, Italy, October 2019.
- 8. De Porcellinis, D., Aziz, M.A., Granados-Focil, S., Sulfonated poly(biphenyl alkylene)s as ion exchange membranes of alkaline redox flow batteries, moving beyond perfluorinated polymers. Forum of Revolutions in Renewable Energy in 21st Century. Rome, Italy, October 2019.
- 9. Selective polymer-assisted transport: diblock copolymer as solid polymer electrolytes and nanoparticle templates. Rhode Island College, September 28th, 2018.
- 10. Selective polymer-assisted transport: diblock copolymer as solid polymer electrolytes and injectable tissue scaffolds. **Universitá Campus Biomedico di Roma, June 28**th, **2017.**
- 11. Harnessing ion transport through polymer matrices: New materials for batteries, sensors and sustainable, energy efficient, buildings. Polymer Science and Engineering Department, University of Massachusetts, Amherst, May 17th, 2017.
- 12. Harnessing ion transport through polymer matrices: New materials for batteries, sensors and sustainable, energy efficient, buildings. Chemistry and Biochemistry Department, WPI, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2017.
- 13. Harnessing ion transport through polymer matrices: New materials for batteries and sensors. **IBM Thomas J. Watson Research Center, April 26th, 2016.**
- 14. Polymer mediated selective transport: New materials for gene delivery and alternative energy applications. **Chemistry Department, Merrimack College, November 19th, 2015.**
- 15. Transport through polymer matrices: New Materials for alternative energy and thermal regulation. Suzhou University, October 2015.
- 16. Transport through polymer matrices: New Materials for alternative energy and thermal regulation. **Zhejiang University, October 2015.**
- 17. Polymer mediated selective transport: New materials for gene delivery and alternative energy applications. Chemistry Department, Bridgewater State University, February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2014.
- Ion Transport Through Polymer Matrices: New insights into the design of polymer films as ion conducting membranes for renewable energy applications. Chemistry Department, University of Connecticut, November 13th, 2013
- Ion Transport Through Polymer Matrices: New insights into the design of polymer films as ion conducting membranes for renewable energy applications. Adolphe Merkle Institute. Fribourg, Switzerland, May 23rd, 2013.
- 20. Moving Charges Through Polymeric Materials: A Pathway Toward More Efficient Renewable Energy Alternatives. Chemistry Department, Keene State University, November 14th, 2012.
- 21. Ion Transport Through Polymer Matrices: New insights into the design of polymer films as ion conducting membranes for renewable energy applications. **Chemistry Department, Southern Connecticut State University, November 2**<sup>nd</sup>, 2012.
- 22. Ion Transport Through Polymer Matrices: New insights into the design of polymer films as ion conducting membranes for renewable energy applications. Institute of Materials Science, University of Connecticut, October 26th, 2012.
- 23. Ion Transport Through Polymer Matrices: New insights into the design of polymer films as ion conducting membranes for renewable energy applications. **Chemistry Department, Harverford College, September 28th, 2012.**
- 24. Ion Transport Through Polymer Matrices: New insights into the design of polymer films as ion conducting membranes for renewable energy applications. School of Engineering and Applied Sciences, Harvard University, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2012.
- 25. Ion Transport Through Polymer Matrices: Triazole bearing sol-gel and polymer membranes as ion transporting membranes for renewable energy applications. Polymer Science colloquium, Chemistry Department, University of Massachusetts Lowell. March 3<sup>rd</sup> 2011.
- 26. Ion Transport Through Polymer Matrices. First Annual Nanoworcester symposium, Massachusetts, College of Pharmacy, February 12<sup>th</sup>, 2011
- 27. Ion Transport Through Polymer Matrices: A Systematic Study to Disentangle the Influence of Polymer Backbone Structure, Morphology and Nanoconfinement On Ionic Conductivity. **General Electric Global Research Center. Niskayuna, NY. December 10**th **2010.**
- 28. Design of triazole bearing sol-gel and polymer membranes as ion transporting membranes for renewable energy applications. Polymer Physics seminar series, Materials Science Department, Penn State University, November 9<sup>th</sup> 2010.

- 29. Design of triazole bearing sol-gel and polymer membranes as ion transporting membranes for renewable energy applications. Physical Chemistry seminar series, Chemistry Department, University of New Hampshire, April 8<sup>th</sup> 2010.
- 30. Triazole functionalized sol-gel membranes, effect of crosslink density and heterocycle content on water free proton conduction and membrane mechanical properties. Sukant Tripathy Memorial symposium, University of Massachusetts, Lowell, December 4<sup>th</sup> 2009.

# **ACADEMIC SERVICE/RESPONSIBILITIES**

# Service outside Clark University.

# After promotion and tenure

- Tenure promotion case reviewer for the Worcester Polytechnic Institute 2016 and 2017
- Grant application reviewer (both panel member and ad-hoc reviewer) for the NSF-DMR polymer division and the NSF-CHE chemistry Division. Three panels, 7 ad-hoc proposals.
   Fall 2009-present.
- Grant application reviewer for the ACS PRF.
   Fall 2010-present.
- Blind reviewer for peer-reviewed journals:
  - Advanced Energy Materials
  - The Journal of Applied Polymer science,
  - The Journal of Membrane Science,
  - The Journal of Physical Chemistry C,
  - The Journal of Macromolecular Science –part A,
  - ACS Macroletters,
  - Reactive functional polymers,
  - Macromolecules,
  - Journal of Polymer Science, Part A, Polymer Chemistry,
  - Industrial & Engineering Chemical Research.
  - Energy and Fuels,
  - Energy Technology
  - Energy and Buildings,
  - Cement and Concrete Composites.

# Spring 2009-present.

- New member on-boarding committee, Polymeric Materials Science and Engineering Division of the American Chemical Society.
  - September 2019-present.
- Team leader, website content committee, Polymeric Materials Science and Engineering Division of the American Chemical Society.
  - August 2018-2019.
- Past Chair for the Polymeric Materials Science and Engineering Division of the American Chemical Society (Technical division of the American Chemical Society with approximately more than 3,500 active members, an operating budget of more than \$250K/yr and a more than \$1.2M in endowed funds).
   January 2016-December 2016.
- Chair for the Polymeric Materials Science and Engineering Division of the American Chemical Society. (Technical division of the American Chemical Society with approximately more than 3,500 active members, an operating budget of more than \$250K/yr and a more than \$1.2M in endowed funds) January 2015-December 2015.
- Chair-elect for the Polymeric Materials Science and Engineering Division of the American Chemical Society. (Technical division of the American Chemical Society with approximately more than 3,500 active members, an operating budget of more than \$250K/yr and a more than \$1.2M in endowed funds) January 2014-December 2014.

# Prior to promotion and tenure

- Co-Organizer of the NanoWorcester symposium. 2013, 2015.
- Vice chair for the Polymeric Materials Science and Engineering Division of the American Chemical Society. (Technical division of the American Chemical Society with approximately more than 3,500 active members, an operating budget of more than \$250K/yr and a more than \$1.2M in endowed funds) January 2013-December 2013.
- Discussion leader, Gordon Research Conference in Polymers.
   June 2011
- Treasurer for the Polymeric Materials Science and Engineering Division of the American Chemical Society. (Technical division of the American Chemical Society with approximately more than 3,500 active members, an operating budget of more than \$250K/yr and a more than \$1.2M in endowed funds) January 2011-December 2012.

# Service within Clark University.

# After promotion and tenure University-wide service

- Secretary of the Faculty 2021-2024
- Elected member of Graduate Board 2020-2023
- Provost search committee 2020
- 2020 Science Visioning committee 2020
- Reducing Bias in Teaching Evaluations committee 2019-2020
- Admissions committee 2019-2022
- Election candidate for PBR. Spring 2019, (Justin Thackeray was elected)
- Member of FRC.

2018-2019

- Volunteer to serve in the admissions committee 2018-2019. Not selected.
- Election candidate for PBR (Patrick Derr was elected)
   Fall 2018, Not Elected.
- Nominee for candidacy, PBR, not selected Spring 2018.
- Election candidate for Faculty Secretary. (Mark Miller was elected)
   Spring 2018.
- Election candidate for COP (Li Han was elected)
   Spring 2017.
- Election candidate for Faculty Vice-Chair (Doug Little was elected) Spring 2015.
- Member of the Working Committee on scheduled salary increases.
   Spring 2015
- Member of College Board. Spring 2015.

#### Departmental service

Interim graduate program coordinator for the Chemistry Department.
 Spring 2023

• *Promotion evaluation case preparer* for Prof. Noel Lazo. Spring 2019.

Graduate program coordinator for the Chemistry Department.

Fall 2017-2021

Tenure evaluation case preparer for Prof. Charles Jakobsche.
 Fall 2017.

Self-study preparer (scholarship and graduate education sections)
 Fall 2016.

Presenter for the Accepted Students open house.

Spring 2015, 2018, 2019

Pre-tenure evaluation case preparer for Prof. Charles Jakobsche.
 Fall 2014.

LEEP mentor.

Summer 2014, 2015.

- Preventive Maintenance, Training and repair coordination of Departmental Analytical Instrumentation
  - a. Differential scanning calorimeters (2 instruments),
  - b. Thermogravimetric Analyzer (1 instrument),
  - c. Fourier Transform Infrared Spectrometers (2 instruments),
  - d. Gel Permeation chromatograph (1 instrument),
  - e. Gas Chromatograph-Mass Spectrometer (1 instrument), became responsible for instrument in 2013.
  - f. Scanning Electron Microscope (1 out of 2 instruments), became responsible for instrument in 2013
  - g. Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectrometer (1 instrument), became responsible for instrument in 2017.

Fall 2008-Present.

# Prior to promotion and tenure

Faculty mentor for the chemistry club.

Fall 2009-2015.

Co-Organizer of the Annual Harry Allen Symposium.

Spring 2009, Spring 2014.

Election candidate for UAB.

Spring 2013.

LEEP mentor.

Summer 2013.

Presenter for the Accepted Students open house.

Spring 2010, 2011, 2013.

• Member of the Chemistry Department Faculty search committee.

Fall 2010, Fall 2011.

Member of the Physics Department Faculty search committee.

Fall 2010.

First-year Academic advisor, Clark University.

Fall 2008-present.

• Speaker for the Science preview day.

Spring 2009.

Host for the Alumni weekend.

Spring 2010.

Member of the Undergraduate Judicial Board.

Fall 2009.

#### OUTREACH TO THE SURROUNDING COMMUNITY.

- Hosted and mentored High school student Neelasha Batchartajee from Shrewsbury High School who developed a cooking lipid thermal stability study to be used as her 9th grade science project in the Worcester regional science fair.
- Designed a hands-on lab experience for high school students where they prepared ice cream using liquid nitrogen. The protocol was designed to have the students quantitatively estimate the effect of the cream/milk ratio on the quality of the resulting ice cream. The experience has been already used 3 times with students from King Phillip's High School and students from High School students from the City of Worcester.
- Served as judge for the science fair at Keene, NH's High School and Middle school.
- Hosted a senior high school student from UPCS (Pablo Larrea). Pablo assisted in the design and optimization of some of the lab protocols used for the polymeric biomaterials lab.
- Hosted Robert Naughton '11 as a research student in my lab. Bobby was interested in pursuing a career as a high school science teacher. During his stay in my lab he designed, adapted and optimized 6 laboratory protocols that could be used at the high school level.

## TEAC

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• Lectur		
0	Fall 2008.	Polymer Science (Chem 281/381)
0	Spring 2009.	Organic Chemistry I (Chem 131)
-	3	Thermal analysis (Chem 289/389)
		Directed study (Chem 299)
0	Fall 2009.	Organic Chemistry II (Chem 132)
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0	Spring 2010.	Organic Chemistry I (Chem 131)
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		Directed study (Chem 299)
0	Fall 2010.	Organic Chemistry II (Chem 132)
0	Spring 2011.	Organic Chemistry I (Chem 131)
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		Directed study (Chem 299)
0	Fall 2011.	Organic Chemistry II (Chem 132)
O	1 dii 2011.	Advanced Organic Chemistry (Chem 231/331)
		Directed study (Chem 299)
0	Spring 2012.	Pre-tenure sabbatical leave
0	Fall 2012.	Organic Chemistry I (Chem 131)
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		Honors (Chem 297)
0	Spring 2013.	Organic Chemistry II (Chem 132)
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0	Fall 2013.	Organic Chemistry I (Chem 131)
O	1 all 2015.	Advanced Organic Chemistry (Chem 231/331)
		Honors (Chem 297)
0	Spring 2014.	Organic Chemistry I (Chem 131) Lab
O	Spring 2014.	Polymeric Biomaterials (Chem 283/383)
		Honors (Chem 297)
	Summer 2014.	The Science of Fermentation (CHEM 012), Leir Luxembourg
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0	Fall 2014	Organic Chemistry II (Chem 132)
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		Directed study (Chem 299/BCMB 299)
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Fall 2017 Directed study (Chem 299/BCMB 299)

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Spring 2018 Directed study (Chem 299/BCMB)

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Fall 2019 Thermal Analysis (Chem 289/389)

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Spring 2020 Polymer Science (CHEM 281/381)

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Fall 2020 Introductory Chemistry (CHEM 101)

Introductory Chemistry (CHEM 101) lab (two sections)

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Organic Chemistry I (CHEM 131)

Fall 2022 Organic Chemistry I (Chem 131) Lab

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  - Sean Chen, Ph.D. August 2015 (Defended July 2015)
  - William Wei, Ph.D. January 2017 (Defended September 2016)
  - Lukasz Mendecki, Ph.D. 2016 (Visiting student, University of Keele)
  - Pramod Mishra (joined group F16)
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  - Valeria Gutierrez (joined group F18)
  - Ahmed Alamoudi (joined group F18)
  - Jihan El-Ouaragli (WPI student, external committee member F18)
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- Abhijit Srungavarapu, M.S. '13
- Rachel Rockwell, M.S. '13
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- Abhijit Srungavarapu BCMB '12 (Highest honors)
- William Trout, B.A. Chemistry '13 (Honors)

- Derek Luong, B.A. Chemistry '13 (High honors)
- Madeleine Debrosse '14 (High honors)
- Laura Migliaccio '14 (Honors)
- Kelli Stockmal '14 (High honors)
- Elizabeth Chan '16 (Honors)
- David Powers '16 (High honors)
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- Robert Naughton, B.A. Chemistry '10
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