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### **EDUCATION**

Ph.D., NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, September 1996 M.S., NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY, December 1993 B.S., LANZHOU UNIVERSITY, June 1992

### PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

08/2013-present 08/2008-07/2013 08/2002-07/2008

Professor, Department of Chemistry, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa

- Synthesis of environmentally responsive amphiphilic structures and their use in solubilization and molecular transport
- Preparation of oligomeric structures with tunable, secondary structures and their utilization in sensing, molecular recognition, membrane transport, and catalysis
- Design and synthesis of hydrophobically driven self-assembling systems for catalysis, light-harvesting, nanochemistry, and drug delivery applications
- Design and synthesis of enzyme-mimetic catalysts responsive to environmental signals and substrates
- Organic and inorganic nanostructures for catalysis, molecular recognition, and transport

05/1998-07/2002

Senior Scientist (07/01-07/02), Research Scientist (05/98-07/01), the Procter & Gamble Company, Cincinnati, Ohio

Preparation and process study of microcellular polymeric foams via high-internal-phase-emulsion (HIPE) polymerization; Synthesis and scale-up of emulsifiers used in HIPE polymerization.

10/1996-03/1998

Postdoctoral Research Associate (with Prof. Steven C. Zimmerman), Department of Chemistry, University of Illinois, Urbana, Illinois

Synthesis and crosslinking of dendrimers that are cross-linkable at the periphery and cleavable at the core to create large internal cavities.

09/1992-09/1996

Graduate Research Assistant (with Prof. Joseph B. Lambert), Department of Chemistry, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois

Synthesis of the first free silylium cation in condensed phase, a species pursued by organosilicon chemists for over fifty years; Synthesis of the first  $\beta$ -silyl and  $\beta$ -germyl carbocation that are stable at room temperature in solution; Stabilization of carbocations by electron-withdrawing  $\beta$ -phosphonates, phosphine oxides, and phosphine sulfides; Crystal engineering via hydrogen-bonds in a silicon-cored tetrabenzoic acid.

### **PUBLICATIONS**

## At ISU

1. Linxing Yao, Xueshu Li, Yan Zhao,\* and Tong Wang,\* "Cross-linked Micellar Particles for Microalgae Lipid Extraction," 2015, submitted.

- 2. Joseph K. Awino and Yan Zhao,\* "Polymeric Nanoparticle Receptors as Mimics of Monoclonal Antibodies for Nonsteroidal Anti-Inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs)," **2015**, submitted.
- 3. Gina M. Roberts, Shiyong Zhang, Yan Zhao,\* L. Keith Woo,\* "Improving Reactivity and Selectivity of Aqueous-Based Heck Reactions by the Local Hydrophobicity of Phosphine Ligands," **2015**, submitted.
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- 6. Roshan W. Gunasekara and Yan Zhao,\* "Rationally Designed Cooperatively Enhanced Receptors to Magnify Host–Guest Binding in Water," *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **2015**, *137*, 843–849.
- 7. Joseph K. Awino and Yan Zhao,\* "Water-Soluble Molecularly Imprinted Nanoparticles (MINPs) with Tailored, Functionalized, Modifiable Binding Pockets," *Chem. –Eur. J.*, **2015**, *21*, 655–661.
- 8. Premkumar Rathinam Arivalagan and Yan Zhao,\* "Interfacial Catalysis of Aldol Reactions by Prolinamide Surfactants in Reverse Micelles," *Org. Biomol. Chem.*, **2015**, *13*, 770–775.
- 9. Joseph K. Awino and Yan Zhao,\* "Molecularly Imprinted Nanoparticles as Tailor-Made Sensors for Small Fluorescent Molecules," Invited article by *Chem. Commun.*, **2014**, *50*, 5752–5755.
- 10. Li-Chen Lee and Yan Zhao,\* "Metalloenzyme-Mimicking Supramolecular Catalyst for Highly Active and Selective Intramolecular Alkyne Carboxylation," *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2014**, *136*, 5579–5582.
- 11. Li-Chen Lee and Yan Zhao,\* "Room-Temperature Hydroamination of Alkynes Catalyzed by Gold Clusters in Interfacially Cross-Linked Reverse Micelles," *ACS Catal.*, **2014**, *4*, 688–691.
- 12. Geetika Chadha and Yan Zhao,\* "Environmental Control of Nucleophilic Catalysis in Aqueous Solution," *Chem. Commun.*, **2014**, *50*, 2718–2720.
- 13. Joseph K. Awino and Yan Zhao,\* "Rigidity versus Amphiphilicity in Transmembrane Nanopore Formation by Cholate-Based Macrocycles," *Supramol. Chem*, **2014**, 26, 302–311.
- 14. Yan Zhao,\* Hongkwan Cho, Lakmini Widanapathirana, and Shiyong Zhang, "Conformationally Controlled Oligocholate Membrane Transporters: Learning through Water Play," Invited article, *Acc. Chem. Res.* **2013**, *46*, 2763–2772.
- 15. Yan Zhao,\* "Cooperatively Enhanced Receptors for Biomimetic Molecular Recognition," invited concept paper, *ChemPhysChem*, **2013**, *14*, 3878–3885.
- 16. Geetika Chadha and Yan Zhao,\* "Histidine-Functionalized Water-Soluble Nanoparticles for Biomimetic Nucleophilic/General-Base Catalysis under Acidic Conditions," *Org. Biomol. Chem.* **2013**, *11*, 6849–6855.
- 17. Joseph K. Awino and Yan Zhao,\* "Protein-Mimetic, Molecularly Imprinted Nanoparticles for Selective Binding of Bile Salt Derivatives in Water," *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2013**, *135*, 12552–12555.
- 18. Yu-Zhe Chen, Peng-Zhong Chen, Hui-Qing Peng, Yan Zhao,\* Hui-Ying Ding, Li-Zhu Wu, Chen-Ho Tung, Qing-Zheng Yang\* "Water-Soluble, Membrane-Permeable Organic Fluorescent Nanoparticles with Large Tunability in Emission Wavelengths and Stokes Shifts," *Chem. Commun.* **2013**, *49*, 5877–5879.
- 19. Xueshu Li and Yan Zhao,\* "Oligocholate Foldamer with 'Prefolded' Macrocycles for Enhanced Folding in Solution and Surfactant Micelles," *Tetrahedron* **2013**, *69*, 6051–6059.
- 20. Lakmini Widanapathirana and Yan Zhao,\* "Tuning Nanopore Formation of Oligocholate Macrocycles by Carboxylic Acid Dimerization in Lipid Membranes," *J. Org. Chem.* **2013**, 78, 4610–4614.
- 21. Yan Zhao,\* invited book chapter, "Applications of Metallofoldamers," In *Metallofoldamers: Supramolecular Architectures from Helicates to Biomimetics*; Galia Maayan, Markus Albrecht, Eds.; Wiley-VCH: Weinheim, **2013**; Chapter 12.
- 22. Geetika Chadha and Yan Zhao,\* "Properties of Surface-Crosslinked Micelles Probed by Fluorescence Spectroscopy and Their Catalysis of Phosphate Ester Hydrolysis," *J. Colloid Interface Sci.* **2013**, *390*, 151–157.
- 23. Tuo Wang, Lakmini Widanapathirana, Yan Zhao,\* and Mei Hong,\* "Aggregation and Dynamics of Oligocholate Transporters in Phospholipid Bilayers Revealed by Solid-State NMR Spectroscopy," *Langmuir* **2012**, 28, 17071–17078.
- 24. Shiyong Zhang and Yan Zhao,\* "Artificial Metalloenzymes via Encapsulation of Hydrophobic Transition-Metal Catalysts in Surface Cross-Linked Micelles," *Chem. Commun.* **2012**, *48*, 9998–10000.
- 25. Xueshu Li and Yan Zhao,\* "Tunable Fusion and Aggregation of Liposomes Triggered by Multifunctional Surface Cross-Linked Micelles," *Bioconjugate Chem.* **2012**, *23*, 1721–1725.

- 26. Lakmini Widanapathirana, Xueshu Li, and Yan Zhao,\* "Hydrogen Bond-Assisted Macrocylic Oligocholate Transporters in Lipid Membranes," *Org. Biomol. Chem.* **2012**, *10*, 5077–5083.
- 27. Li-Chen Lee and Yan Zhao,\* "Interfacially Cross-Linked Reverse Micelles as Soluble Support for Palladium Nanoparticle Catalysts," *Helvetica Chimica Acta* **2012**, *95*, 863–871.
- 28. Lakmini Widanapathirana and Yan Zhao,\* "Effects of Amphiphile Topology on the Aggregation of Oligocholates in Lipid Membranes: Macrocyclic versus Linear Amphiphiles," *Langmuir* **2012**, 28, 8165–8173.
- 29. Lakmini Widanapathirana and Yan Zhao,\* "Aromatically Functionalized Cyclic Tricholate Macrocycles: Aggregation, Transmembrane Pore Formation, Flexibility, and Cooperativity," *J. Org. Chem.* **2012**, *77*, 4679–4687.
- 30. Xueshu Li and Yan Zhao,\* "Protection/Deprotection of Surface Activity and Its Applications in the Controlled Release of Liposomal Contents," *Langmuir* **2012**, 28, 4152–4159.
- 31. Hui-Qing Peng, Yu-Zhe Chen, Yan Zhao, Qing-Zheng Yang,\* Li-Zhu Wu, Chen-Ho Tung, Li-Ping Zhang, Qing-Xiao Tong,\* "Artificial Light-Harvesting System Based on Multifunctional Surface Cross-Linked Micelles," *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2012**, *51*, 2088–2092.
- 32. Shiyong Zhang and Yan Zhao,\* "Template Synthesis of Subnanometer Gold Clusters in Interfacially Cross-Linked Reverse Micelles Mediated by Confined Counterions," *Langmuir* **2012**, 28, 3606–3613.
- 33. Li-Chen Lee and Yan Zhao,\* "Size-Selective Phase-Transfer Catalysis with Interfacially Cross-Linked Reverse Micelles," *Org. Lett.* **2012**, *14*, 784–787.
- 34. Shiyong Zhang and Yan Zhao,\* "Effects of Micelle Properties on the Conformation of Oligocholates and Importance of Rigidity of Foldamers," *J. Org. Chem.* **2012**, *77*, 556–562.
- 35. Shiyong Zhang and Yan Zhao,\* "Flexible Oligocholate Foldamers as Membrane Transporters and Their Guest-Dependent Transport Mechanism," *Org. Biomol. Chem.* **2012**, *10*, 260–266.
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- 38. Hongkwan Cho and Yan Zhao,\* "Cholate-Derived Amphiphilic Molecular Baskets as Glucose Transporters across Lipid Membranes," *Chem. Commun.*, **2011**, *47*, 8970–8972.
- 39. Hongkwan Cho and Yan Zhao,\* "Translocation of Hydrophilic Molecules across Lipid Bilayers by Salt-Bridged Oligocholates," *Langmuir* **2011**, *27*, 4936–4944.
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- 44. Shiyong Zhang and Yan Zhao,\* "Rapid Release of Entrapped Contents from Multi-Functionalizable, Surface Crosslinked Micelles upon Different Stimulation," *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2010**, *132*, 10642–10644.
- 45. Hongkwan Cho and Yan Zhao,\* "Environmental Effects Dominate the Folding of Oligocholates in Solution, Surfactant Micelles, and Lipid Membranes," *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2010**, *132*, 9890–9899.
- 46. Shiyong Zhang and Yan Zhao,\* "Facile Synthesis of Multivalent Water-Soluble Organic Nanoparticles via 'Surface-Clicking' of Alkynylated Surfactant Micelles," *Macromolecules* **2010**, *43*, 4020–4022.
- 47. Yan Zhao,\* "Spacer-Dependant Folding and Aggregation of Oligocholates in SDS Micelles," *J. Org. Chem.* **2009**, *74*, 7470–7480.
- 48. Hongkwan Cho, Zhenqi Zhong, and Yan Zhao,\* "A DMAP-Functionalized Oligocholate Foldamer for Solvent-Responsive Catalysis," *Tetrahedron* **2009**, *65*, 7311–7316.
- 49. Yan Zhao,\* "Conformation of Oligocholate Foldamers with 4-Aminobutyroyl Spacers," *J. Org. Chem.* **2009**, *74*, 834–843.
- 50. Xingang Pan and Yan Zhao,\* "Efficient Construction of Oligocholate Foldamers via Click Chemistry and Their Toleration of Structural Heterogeneity," *Org. Lett.* **2009**, *11*, 69–72.
- 51. Zhenqi Zhong and Yan Zhao,\* "Controlling the Conformation of Oligocholate Foldamers by Surfactant Micelles," *J. Org. Chem.* **2008**, *73*, 5498–5505.

- 52. Eui-Hyun Ryu, HongKwan Cho, and Yan Zhao,\* "Catalyzing Methanolysis of Alkyl Halides in the Interior of an Amphiphilic Molecular Basket," *Org. Lett.* **2007**, *9*, 5147–5150.
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- 54. Yan Zhao,\* "Facial Amphiphiles in Molecular Recognition: From Unusual Aggregates to Solvophobically Driven Foldamers," *Curr. Opin. Colloid Interface Sci.* **2007**, *12*, 92–97.
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- 56. Yibo Zhou, Eui-Hyun Ryu, Yan Zhao,\* and L. Keith Woo,\* "Solvent-Responsive Metalloporphyrins: Binding and Catalysis," *Organometallics*, **2007**, *26*, 358-364.
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- 58. Eui-Hyun Ryu and Yan Zhao,\* "An Amphiphilic Molecular Basket Sensitive to Both Solvent Changes and UV Irradiation," *J. Org. Chem.* **2006**, *71*, 9491–9494.
- 59. Yan Zhao\* and Zhenqi Zhong, "Detection of Hg<sup>2+</sup> in Aqueous Solutions with a Foldamer-Based Fluorescent Sensor Modulated by Surfactant Micelles," *Org. Lett.* **2006**, *8*, 4715–4717.
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- 61. Yan Zhao\* and Zhenqi Zhong, "Tuning the Sensitivity of a Foldamer-Based Mercury Sensor by Its Folding Energy," *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2006**, *128*, 9988–9989.
- 62. Eui-Hyun Ryu, Arkady Ellern, and Yan Zhao,\* "High Guest Inclusion by 3β-Amino-7α,12α-Dihydroxycholan-24-oic Acid Made Possible by Charge-Assisted Hydrogen Bonds," *Tetrahedron* **2006**, *6*2, 6808–6813.
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- 65. Zhenqi Zhong, Jie Yan, and Yan Zhao,\* "Cholic Acid-Derived Facial Amphiphiles with Different Ionic Characteristics," *Langmuir* **2005**, *21*, 6235–6239.
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- 67. Eui-Hyun Ryu and Yan Zhao,\* "Environmentally Responsive Molecular Baskets: Unimolecular Mimics of Both Micelles and Reversed Micelles," *Org. Lett.* **2004**, *6*, 3187–3189.

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- 68. Laura G. Schultz, Yan Zhao, and Steven C. Zimmerman, "Synthesis of Cored Dendrimers with Internal Crosslinks," *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2001**, *40*, 1962–1966.
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- 78. Joseph B. Lambert and Yan Zhao, "β Effect of Phosphorus Functionalities," J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1996, 118, 3156–3167.
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### **PATENTS**

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- 3. Arman Ashraf and Yan Zhao, "Radiation Curable Low Stress Relaxation Elastomeric Materials," WO 2004005398, 2004
- 4. Yan Zhao, "Environmentally Sensitive Foldable Oligomers," U.S. 7,960,439; 2011.
- 5. Yan Zhao, "Nanoparticles and Nanoparticle Compositions," WO 2011130114; 2011.
- 6. Yan Zhao, "Particles Including Cleavable Groups and Compositions," U.S. 61/772,860; 2013.

### **INVITED SEMINARS & LECTURES**

- 1. NSF Workshop on Physical Organic Chemistry, October 27 to November 1, 2006, UCLA Conference Center.
- 2. Departmental Seminar, Department of Chemistry, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, February 9, 2007.
- 3. Departmental Seminar, Department of Chemistry, Kansas State University, Manhattan, Kansas, February 22, 2007.
- 4. Departmental Seminar, Department of Chemistry, Rice University, Houston, Texas, March 16, 2007.
- 5. Organic Seminar, Department of Chemistry, Duke University, Durham, North Carolina, March 19, 2007.
- 6. Departmental Seminar, Department of Chemistry, Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, April 18, 2007.
- 7. Departmental Colloquium, Department of Chemistry, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, May 8, 2007.
- 8. Departmental Seminar, Department of Chemistry, University of Illinois, Chicago, Illinois, May 9, 2007.
- 9. Organic Seminar, Department of Chemistry, Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, May 17, 2007.
- 10. Departmental Colloquium, Department of Chemistry, University of Cincinnati, Cincinnati, Ohio, May 18, 2007.
- 11. Departmental Colloquium, Department of Polymer Science and Engineering, Beijing University, Beijing, China, May 29, 2007.
- 12. Colloquium, College of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, Lanzhou University, Lanzhou, China, June 12, 2007.
- 13. Young Investigators Symposium, ACS Meeting, Boston, August 19, 2007.
- 14. Organic Seminar, Department of Chemistry, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, October 5, 2007.
- 15. Symposium on Chemistry of Supramolecular Assemblies, ACS 39<sup>th</sup> Central Regional Meeting, Columbus, Ohio, June 13, 2008
- 16. Department of Chemistry, Hamline University, Saint Paul, Minnesota, September 17, 2008
- 17. Department of Chemistry, St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota, September 18, 2008
- 18. Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, University of Northern Iowa, Cedar Falls, Iowa, October 16, 2008.
- 19. Department of Chemistry, Western Illinois University, Macomb, IL, May 1, 2009.
- 20. Shanghai Institute of Organic Chemistry, Shanghai, China, June 3, 2009.
- 21. Department of Chemistry, Fudan University, Shanghai, China, June 4, 2009.
- 22. Symposium on Supra-Molecular Chemistry I, 2009 Midwest Regional Meeting, Iowa City, IA, October 21, 2009.
- 23. Lambert Symposium, Northwestern University, Evanston, Illinois, May 8, 2010.
- 24. 1st Annual World Congress of Catalytic Asymmetric Synthesis-2010, Beijing, China, May 20, 2010.
- 25. Technical Institute of Physics and Chemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China, May 21, 2010.
- 26. Department of Chemistry, Indiana University, Bloomington, IN, April 12, 2011.
- 27. Departments of Chemistry, Purdue University, West Lafayette, IN, April 13, 2011.

- 28. Department of Chemistry, National Taiwan Normal University, Taipei, Taiwan, June 1, 2011.
- 29. Institute of Chemistry, Academia Sinica, Taipei, Taiwan, June 2, 2011.
- 30. Department of Chemistry, National Taiwan University, Taipei, Taiwan, June 3, 2011.
- 31. Institute of Chemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China, June 21, 2011.
- 32. Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN, August 25, 2011.
- 33. Department of Chemistry, University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa, January 27, 2012.
- 34. Department of Chemistry, National University of Singapore, Singapore, May 7, 2012.
- 35. Department of Chemistry, Chinese University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, May 9, 2012.
- 36. Department of Chemistry, University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong, May 10, 2012.
- 37. School of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, Sun Yat-Sen University, Guangzhou, China, May 14, 2012.
- 38. School of Chemical Engineering and Environmental Engineering, Beijing Institute of Technology, Beijing, China, May 25, 2012.
- 39. Wuxi AppTec (Tianjin) Co., Ltd., Tianjin Economic-Technological Development Area, Tianjin, China, May 28, 2012.
- 40. Technical Institute of Physics and Chemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences, Beijing, China, May 29, 2012.
- 41. Department of Chemistry, Iowa State University, Ames, Iowa, October 12, 2012
- 42. School of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, Lanzhou University, Lanzhou, China, June, May 13, 2013
- 43. School of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, Lanzhou University, Lanzhou, China, June, May 14, 2013
- 44. School of Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, Sichuan University, Chengdu, China, June, May 17, 2013
- 45. The 8<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Macrocyclic and Supramolecular Chemistry, Arlington, VA, July 8, 2013
- 46. Symposium on Supramolecular Nanomaterials, 2013 ACS National Meeting, Indianapolis, IN, September 9, 2013
- 47. Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, University of Maryland, College Park, MA, September 26, 2013
- 48. Symposium on Crystal Engineering & Supramolecular Chemistry, 2013 ACS MWRM, Springfield, MO, October 18, 2013
- 49. Department of Chemistry, University of Connecticut, Storrs, CT, March 26, 2014
- 50. Symposium on Frontiers in Molecular Recognition and Function, Beijing, China June 6, 2014
- 51. The 9<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Macrocyclic and Supramolecular Chemistry, Shanghai, China, June 8, 2014
- 52. Department of Chemistry, University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, November 24, 2014