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Educational background:

	Ph.D. studies in Earth Sciences, discipline: Earth and related Environmental
2020- ongoing	Sciences
	AGH University of Science and Technology in Kraków,
	Faculty of Geology, Geophysics and Environmental Protection.
	Ph.D. thesis: The application of functional mineral adsorbents to remove
	uranium from water
	Supervisor: Tomasz Bajda, Full Professor
	M.Sc. title
2019	AGH University of Science and Technology in Kraków,
	Faculty of Geology, Geophysics and Environmental Protection.
	Field of study: Environmental Protection, specialization: Assessment of the
	environmental conditions
	M.Sc. thesis: Synthesis and characterization of aerogels
	Supervisor: Tomasz Bajda, Full Professor

Research interests:

- Synthesis and functionalization of natural and synthetic mineral adsorbents
- Determination of sorption properties of natural and modified minerals
- Application of natural and synthetic mineral sorbents for sorption of heavy metals, radionuclides and VOCs (water & air)
- Modification of minerals to obtain functional mineral materials applying bio-based compounds
- Application of laboratory (XPS, μ-XRF), and synchrotron spectroscopies (XANES, EXAFS, HERFD-XANES) to elucidate electronic structure of actinides
- Assessment of radionuclides concentrations (^{226,228}Ra, ^{234,238}U in environmental water matrixes (Upper Silesia Coal Basin, Pribram Deposit, spa waters in Kłodzko Valley)
- Radiochemical analyses using LSC, α-spectrometry, and tandem mass spectrometry (ICP-MS/MS)
- Radiochemical enrichment and ion-exchange chromatography
- Industrial applications of zeolites, and their organo-functional derivatives

Research grants

2025-2023	Grant IDUB AGH UST - Application of functional zeolitic materials to
	separate selected Rare Earth Elements (REEs) from water solutions
	International co-operation with prof. Rosella Arletti and MSc.
	Francesco Colombo from the University Reggio-Emilia
	(UNIMORE), Modena (Italy)
2023-2020	Grant FNP TEAM-NET - Fly ash as the precursors of functionalized
	materials for applications in environmental engineering, civil
	engineering and agriculture (PhD student)
	Principal Investigator of Consortium: Prof. Wojciech Franus

Scientific experience:

Conferences

	9 th Meeting of the Mineralogical Society of Poland, 28 th Meeting of the
2023.10.19-22	Petrology group of the Mineralogical Society of Poland
	Author of poster presentation:
	To modify or not to modify? Eco-designed bio-functional Na-P1 zeolite
	as an efficient U scavenger
	25th IUPAC CHAINS 2023: Connecting Chemical Worlds, The Hague
2022 00 20 25	(Netherlands)
2023.08.20-25	Co-author of poster presentation:
	Aqueous BTEX removal onto the fly-ash based zeolites
	WCCE11: 11th World Congress of Chemical Engineering, Buenos Aires
	(Argentina)
2023.06.04-08	Author of 1 oral presentation:
	Na-P1 zeolite/alginate composite and its uranium removal performance -
	batch, and spectroscopic investigations
	HERCULES 2023 Poster Session, Grenoble (France)
	Co-author of 1 poster:
2023.03.09	Investigation on U sorption by synthetic zeolites using XPS, and
	HERFD-XANES spectroscopies
	Award of the HERCULES 2023 scientific panel for the best poster
	ROBL Workshop 2023 - Rossendorf Beamline Workshop in Helmholtz
	Center Dresden-Rossendorf (HZDR), Dresden (Germany)
2023.01.25	Author of 1 oral presentation:
	Application of synthetic zeolites for uranium removal from waters -
	insights from batch, XPS and HERFD-XANES spectroscopies
	4 th interdisciplinary FNP conference, Warsaw (Poland)
2022 10 07 07	Co-author of poster:
2022.10.06-07	The use of functionalized silica materials from fly ash to remove
	inorganic and organic contaminants from waters
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2022.07.20-22	6 th conference on Waste, Water and energy Management (WWEM), Rome (Italy)
	Author of 1 oral presentation:
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	Sorption of uranium isotopes onto various zeolites as the fly-ashes
	derivatives
2021.08.29 –	emc2020: 3rd European Mineralogical Conference, Cracow (Poland)
2021.09.02	Co-author of 1 oral presentation:
	Bio-modified fly-ash based synthetic zeolites for VOCs removal
	RadChem 2022, Mariańskie Łaźne (Czech Republic)
2021.05.15-	Author of 1 oral presentation:
2021.05.20	Self-prepared standardized natural uranium isotopes solution and its use
	for the sorption experiments - practical approach
	AERoGELS COST Action 2021: Advanced technologies for the
	processing and characterization of nanostructured materials, Kraków
	(Poland)
2021.07.05-07	Author of 1 oral presentation:
	Removal of inorganic pollutants by alginate-based aerogel
	Conference award for the best PhD student presentation
	Industrial Water 2020 – DACHEMA (on-line)
	Co-author of 1 poster presentation:
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	Gliwice (Poland)
2018.12.07	Co-author of 1 oral presentations:
	Technical and economical assessment of small-scale renewable hydrogen
	production within Europe
	AGH ISC (International Student Conference) : knowledge, technology
2018.06.11-14	and society, Kraków (Poland)
	Co-author of 1 poster presentation:
	Determination of chloride ion concentration accumulated in snow around
	AGH UST campus in Cracow

Summer Schools

	HERCULES 2023: European School on Neutron & Synchrotron
	radiation for Science
	Session A: Application to physics and chemistry of condensed matter,
	Grenoble (France) & Villigen (Swirtzerland)
	Comprehensive applied research course with over 155h of lectures,
	practices, tutorials, group works, and visits.
2023.02.27-	Practical experience at ID-31, ID-32, BM20, BM05, and BM23
2023.03.31	beamlines of the ESRF, and WASP, IN1-Lagrange neutron
	spectrometers at the ILL
	One-week outside the ESRF in the PSI - Paul Sherrer Institute, Villigen
	(Switzerland)
	Practical experience at PEARL, VUV, super-XAS beamlines of the
	Swiss Light Source (SLS)
	Visit in SINQ (CAMEA) and Swiss-FEL facilities
	MINEWA 2022: "Minerals and waste, an Anthropocene tale"
	Waste and minerals in symbiosis, how to manage wastes,
	thermodynamics and kinetics of HT processes, mineralogy of industrial
2023.08.20-25	high temperature processes, low-temperature geochemistry, the
2023.08.20-25	geological significance of novel anthropogenic materials - deposits of
	industrial waste and by-products, bio-mineral interactions, bottom ash
	from incineration plants - how to manage it, urban metabolism, metals
	recycling, metallurgical slags, construction and demolition waste

	description and recovery, waste recycling in silicate ceramics: feasibility
	and effects, mineral tailings management, waste incineration,
	environment and sanitary issues: are really at odds? a global strategy for
	waste management
	2 nd edition of International School on Project Management (ISPM)
	2021, Catania (Italy)
2021.09.20-	Application of different management methodologies in scientific
2021.09.26	projects, waterfall methodology, Agile methodology, SCRUM, Kanban,
	Scrumban methodology, CPM (Critical Path Method)
	Application of synchrotron radiation in nanoscience (on-line)
	Summer school held by Aarhus University (Denmark), and University of
	Hamburg (Germany).
2021.07.06-	Interactions of hard X-rays with matter, synchrotron facility layout,
2021.10.15	components of the beamline, experimental hutch. Getting acquainted in
	detail with three synchrotron techniques - PXRD, TS and SAXS and
	acquired data analysis using various programs

Certified Trainings

2023.09.20-22	PMBOK® Fundamentals
2023.09.13-15	DTMethod® Foundation
2023.08.08-09	P3O® Foundation
2023.05.24-25	INTARG 2023 - 16 th International Trade Fairs of Inventions and Innovations
2023.04.21-22	Assessment of uncertainty in chemical analyses, methods to estimate uncertainty, impact of various parameters on obtained result's quality
2023.04.13-14	The problems of water pollution in Poland and EU
2023.02.22-23	Carrying out the chemical analyses and production processes in the Clean Room according to the GMP and ISO 14644
2023.02.07-08	Auditing step by step - how to become a competent auditor of internal Quality Assessment in the Laboratory according to the PN-EN ISO/IEC 17025:2018-02. Practical Internal Auditor Training
2022.12.14-15	How to quantify the ²²² Rn in gaseous samples - insights from Liquid Scintillation Counting (LSC) spectrometer by HIDEX®
2022.12.05	The basics and practical aspects of the ICP-MS method

	Combined TGA/FT-IR analysis in the chemical laboratory - practical
2022.10.28	perspective from industrially-relevant solid-state samples
2022.09.19	Spectroscopic methods in the infra-red (IR) region: FT-IR, DRIFT,
	ATR-FT-IR techniques
2022.08.26-28	Good Manufacturing Practice - GMP®
2022.07.25-27	PRINCE 6 th edition - Foundation
2022.04.21-22	Assessment of uncertainty in chemical analyses, methods to estimate
	uncertainty, impact of various parameters on obtained result's quality
2022.04.12-22	Scrum Master Certified - SMC®
2022.03.10-11	Analytical symposium on spectroscopic methods and processes to
	disintegrate solid-state samples
	Application of the Inductive Coupled Plasma - Optical Emission
2022.02.17-18	Spectroscopy (ICP-OES) in the analysis of trace elements in water
	samples
2022.02.04	Headspace GC-MS analysis of BTEX after the sorption process to
2022.02.04	measure sorption capacity with large quantities of samples
	Assessment and calculation of the VOCs emissions in industrial
2021.12.14-16	facilities, calculation of the VOCs emissions from various industrial
	streams
2021.11.16	Removal of surface-active agents (surfactants) from water solutions and
2021.11.10	industrial wastewaters
2021.11.05	Quality assurance in chemical laboratory
2021.09.29	Application of the PHREEQC program to model water solutions
2021.07.01-02	Metrological traceability in testing laboratory - requirements of ISO
2021.07.01-02	17025
2021.07.01-02	Use and theoretical aspects of AAS - types of ionization, strengths and
2021.07.01-02	limitations of the method, samples preparation
2021.05.22-23	Agile BA® Foundation
2021 04 16	Implementation of XRF method in a chemical laboratory - principles,
2021.04.16	experimental setup, LOD, LOQ, interferences
2021.03.11-12	ICP-MS as an exact chemical analysis method
2021 02 01 02	Basic functions and elements of Statistica software to process data that
2021.03.01-02	stem from working in a chemical laboratory
2021.02.26-28	Introduction and practical training on using HPLC with different

	detectors in chemical laboratory
2020-02.04	Validation of laboratory procedures
	Gas chromatography - theory and practice in dealing with gas
2020.12.12-13	chromatography with different detectors (FID, TCD, MS, MS/MS) in
	chemical laboratory
2020.09.19-20	Agile PM® Foundation
2022.09.12-15	Good Laboratory Practice - terms and practical approach for general
	requirements for the competence in testing laboratories

Teaching experience

- Basics of Industrial Technologies (Lecture on Technologies in Nuclear Energy)

 In Polish: Podstawy Technologii Przemysłowych Technologie w sektorze Energetyki

 Jądrowej (1st degree, 3rd year, IŚ) (2023-2024)
- Environmental Geochemistry
 In Polish: Geochemia środowiska (1st degree, 3rd year, IŚ) (2023)
- Advanced Mineralogy
 In Polish: Mineralogia Zaawansowana (1st degree, 3rd year, IŚ) 2023)

Achievements / awards

2019	Polish Student's Parliament Award - 3 rd place for the best MSc thesis in
	the field of "Practices applied to the economy"
	AGH Rector Award for the best students - 5 th year of study (Master)
2018	AGH Rector Award for the best students - 4 th year of study (Master)
2017	AGH Rector Award for the best students - 3 rd year of study (Engineering)
2016	AGH Rector Award for the best students - 2 nd year of study
	(Engineering)
2015	AGH Rector Award for the best students - 1 st year of study (Engineering)

Parametric summary of the scientific output

Citations (Web of Science): 49, without auto-citations: 46

Hirsch index (Web of Science): 3

Membership:

• Mineralogical Society of Poland: 2019-ongoing

• Geochemical Society: 2019-2024

Kraków, 4th of February 2024