



Muk Fung Yuen, Ph.D.

Engineer | Polymer Science and Materials Chemistry
Hong Kong
+852 3998 5406 tel | myuen@exponent.com

Professional Profile

Dr. Yuen's research is based on carbon-related materials synthesis and materials analysis using microscopic techniques. He is experienced in thin-film deposition and engineering of nanostructures via Reactive Ion Etching (RIE), leading to mechanical, electronics, biological, and energy storage applications.

Dr. Yuen's research and professional interests include the fabrication of diamond nanostructure array and its applications as well as the design, fabrication, and characterization of optical and optoelectronic applications.

Dr. Yuen specializes in material characterization techniques, including Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM) and Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM). He is also well-versed in different nanomaterial deposition methods such as Microwave Plasma Chemical Vapor Deposition (MPCVD), Hot Filament Chemical Vapor Deposition (HFCVD) and Physical Vapor Deposition (PVD). In addition, he also has extensive experience in designing, modifying, operating and maintaining ultra-high vacuum (UHV) components.

Prior to joining Exponent, he worked in a start-up company focusing on nanomaterials applications in the healthcare industry for water purification and PM2.5 particles elimination. The primary roles involve engineering polymer-based nanofibers with desired properties that meet international certification standards (e.g. ASTM, ISO, NSF, NOISH and GB) and functionalizing the fibers with organic or inorganic additives to exterminate bacteria and deactivate viruses, including SARS-CoV-2.

Dr. Yuen is also experienced in performing feasibility studies and risk assessments associated with scaling up and commercializing research efforts. He successfully commercialized two projects: Diamond Hard Coating for Drill and Electrospinning of Nanofiber for Filtration.

Academic Credentials & Professional Honors

Ph.D., Physics and Materials Science, City University of Hong Kong, 2017

M.S., Materials Engineering and Nanotechnology, City University of Hong Kong, 2012

B.S., Materials Engineering, City University of Hong Kong, 2011

Languages

Mandarin Chinese

Cantonese Chinese

Publications

A. Banerjee, D. Bernoulli, H.T. Zhang, M.F. Yuen, J.B. Liu, J.C. Dong, F. Ding, J. Lu, M. Dao, W.J. Zhang, Y. Lu, S. Suresh, "Ultralarge elastic deformation of nanoscale diamond", *Science*, 2018, 360, 6386

B. Liu, Y.F. Zhao, H.Q. Peng, Z.Y. Zhang, C.K. Sit, M.F. Yuen, T.R. Zhang, C.S. Lee, W.J. Zhang, "Nickel-Cobalt Diselenide 3D Mesoporous Nanosheet Networks Supported on Ni Foam: An All-pH Highly Efficient Integrated Electrocatalyst for Hydrogen Evolution", *Advanced Materials*, 2017, 29, 19

H.D. Bian, R.R. Dong, Q.G. Shao, S. Wang, M.F. Yuen, Z.Y. Zhang, Denis Y. W. Yu, W.J. Zhang, J. Lu and Y. Y. Li, "Water-enabled crystallization of mesoporous SnO₂ as a binder-free electrode for enhanced sodium storage", *Journal of Materials Chemistry A*, 2017, 5, 23967

H.D. Bian; Y.Y. Tian; C. Lee; M.F. Yuen; W.J. Zhang; Y.Y. Li, "Mesoporous SnO₂ Nanostructures of Ultrahigh Surface Areas by Novel Anodization", *ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces*, 2016, 8, 42

R.J. Zou; Q. Liu; G.J. He; M.F. Yuen; K.B. Xu; J.Q. Hu; Ivan P. Parkin; C.S. Lee; W.J. Zhang, "Nanoparticles Encapsulated in Porous Carbon Matrix Coated on Carbon Fibers: An Ultrastable Cathode for Li Ion Batteries", *Advanced Energy Materials*, 2016, 1601363

R.J. Zou; M.F. Yuen; L.Yu; J.Q. Hu; C.S. Lee; W.J. Zhang, "Electrochemical energy storage application and degradation analysis of carbon-coated hierarchical NiCo₂S₄ core-shell nanowire arrays grown directly on graphene/nickel foam", *Scientific Reports*, 2016, 6, 20624.

Y. Cai; H.E. Wang; S.Z. Huang; M.F. Yuen; H.H. Cai; C. Wang; Y. Yu; Y. Lia; W.J. Zhang; B.L. Su, "Porous TiO₂ urchins for high performance Li-ion battery electrode: facile synthesis, characterization and structural evolution", *Electrochimica Acta*, 2016, 210, 206

C.D. Wang; M.H. Lan; Y. Zhang; H.D. Bian; M.F. Yuen; K. Ostrikov; J.J. Jiang; W.J. Zhang; Y.Y. Li; J. Lu, "Fe_{1-x}S/C nanocomposites from sugarcane waste-derived microporous carbon for high-performance lithium ion batteries", *Green Chem.*, 2016, 18, 3029

X.Y. Zhu; M.F. Yuen; L. Yan; Z.Y. Zhang; F.J. Ai; Y. Yang; K.N. Yu; G.Y. Zhu; W.J. Zhang; X.F. Chen, "Intracellular Delivery: Diamond-Nanoneedle-Array-Facilitated Intracellular Delivery and the Potential Influence on Cell Physiology", *Advanced Healthcare Materials*, 2016, 5, 10, 1116

H.D. Bian; J. Zhang; M.F. Yuen; W.P. Kang; Y.W. Zhan; Y.W. Yu; Z.T. Xu; Y. Y. Li, "Anodic nanoporous SnO₂ grown on Cu foils as superior binder-free Na-ion battery anodes", *Journal of Power Sources*, 2016, 307, 634

L.E. Fisher; Y. Yang; M.F. Yuen; W.J. Zhang; A. H. Nobbs; B. Su, "Bactericidal activity of biomimetic diamond nanocone surfaces", *Biointerphases*, 2016, 11, 1, 011014

A.W. Wang; L. Fu; T.K. Rao; W. Cai; M.F. Yuen; J.S. Zhong, "Effect of metal ions on the quenching of photoluminescent CdTe QDs and their recovery", *Optical Materials*, 2015, 42, 548

Y. Yang; M.F. Yuen; X.F. Chen; S.S. Xu; Y.B. Tang; W.J. Zhang, "Fabrication of arrays of high-aspect-ratio diamond nanoneedles via maskless ECR-assisted microwave plasma etching", *CrystEngComm*, 2015, 17, 2791

R.J. Zou; M.F. Yuen; Z.Y. Zhang; J.Q. Hu; W.J. Zhang, "Three dimensional networked NiCo₂O₄/MnO₂ branched nanowires heterostructure arrays on nickel foam with enhanced supercapacitor performance", Journal of Materials Chemistry A, 2015, 3, 4, 1717

Q.Z. Wang; F. Zhou; C.D. Wang; M.F. Yuen; M.L. Wang; T. Qian; M. Matsumoto; J.W. Yan, "Comparison of tribological and electrochemical properties of TiN, CrN, TiAlN and a-C:H coatings in simulated body fluid", Materials Chemistry and Physics, 2015, 158, 74

Q.D. Yang; W.D. Dou; C.D. Wang; H.W. Mo; M.F. Lo; M.F. Yuen; T.W. Ng; W.J. Zhang; S.W. Tsang; C.S. Lee, "Effects of graphene defect on electronic structures of its interface with organic Semiconductor", Applied Physics Letters, 2015, 106, 133502

R.J. Zou; Z.Y. Zhang; M.F. Yuen; J.Q. Hu; C.S. Lee; W.J. Zhang, "Dendritic Heterojunction Nanowire Arrays for High-Performance Supercapacitors", Scientific Reports, 2015 5, 7862

Z.Y. Zhang; W.Y. Li; R.J. Zou; W.P. Kang; Y.S. Chui; M.F. Yuen; C.S. Lee; W.J. Zhang, "Layer-stacked cobalt ferrite (CoFe₂O₄) mesoporous platelets for high-performance lithium-ion battery anodes", Journal of Materials Chemistry A, 2015, 3, 6990

R.J. Zou; Z.Y. Zhang; M.F. Yuen; M.L. Sun; J.Q. Hu; C.S. Lee; W.J. Zhang, "Three-dimensional networked NiCo₂S₄ nanosheet arrays/carbon cloth anodes for high-performance lithium-ion batteries", NPG Asia Materials, 2015, 7, e195

X.Y. Zhu; S.Y. Kwok; M.F. Yuen; L. Yan; W. Chen; Y. Yang; Z.G. Wang; K. N. Yu; G.Y. Zhu; W.J. Zhang; X.F. Chen, "Dense diamond nanoneedle arrays for enhanced intracellular delivery of drug molecules to cell lines", Journal of Materials Science, 2015, 50, 23, 7800

Z.Y. Zhang; W.Y. Li; M.F. Yuen; T.W. Ng; Y.B. Tang; C.S. Lee; X.F. Chen; W.J. Zhang, "Hierarchical composite structure of few-layers MoS₂ nanosheets supported by vertical graphene on carbon cloth for high-performance hydrogen evolution reaction", Nano Energy, 2015, 18, 196

Z.Q. Yan; M.F. Yuen; L. Hu; P. Sun; C.S. Lee, "Advances for the colorimetric detection of Hg²⁺ in aqueous solution", RSC Advances, 2014, 4 ,48373

B. He; M. Qiu; M.F. Yuen; W.J. Zhang, "Electrical properties and electronic structure of Si-implanted hexagonal boron nitride Films", Applied Physics Letters, 2014, 105, 012104

C.D. Wang; J.L. Xu; R.G. Ma; M.F. Yuen, "Facile synthesis of CuO nanoneedle electrodes for high-performance lithium-ion batteries", Materials Chemistry and Physics, 2014, 148, 411

C.D. Wang; J.L. Xu; M.F. Yuen; J. Zhang; Y.Y. Li; X.F. Chen; W.J. Zhang, "Hierarchical Composite Electrodes of Nickel Oxide Nanoflake 3D Graphene for High-Performance Pseudocapacitors", Advanced Functional Materials, 2014, 24, 6372

F. Xu; M.F. Yuen; B. He; C.D. Wang; X.R. Zhao; X.L. Tang; D.W. Zuo; W.J. Zhang, "Microstructure and tribological properties of cubic boron nitride films on Si₃N₄ inserts via boron-doped diamond buffer layers", Diamond & Related Materials, 2014, 49, 9

F. Xu; J.H. Xu; M.F. Yuen; L. Zheng; W.Z. Lu; D.W. Zuo, "Adhesion improvement of diamond coatings on cemented carbide with high cobalt content using PVD interlayer", Diamond & Related Materials, 2013, 34, 70

B. He; Y. Yang; M.F. Yuen; C. S. Lee; W. J. Zhang, "Vertical nanostructure arrays by plasma etching for applications in biology, energy and electronics", Nanotoday, 2013, 8, 265

C.D. Wang; M.F. Yuen; T.W. Ng; S.K. Jha; Z.Z. Lu; S.Y. Kwok; T.L. Wong; X. Yang; C.S. Lee; S.T. Lee;

W.J. Zhang, "Plasma-assisted growth and nitrogen doping of graphene films", Applied Physics Letters, 2012, 100, 253107

C.D. Wang; S.K. Jha; Z.H. Chen; T.W. Ng; Y.K. Liu; M.F. Yuen; Z.Z. Lu; S.Y. Kwok; J.A. Zapien; I. Bello; C.S. Lee; W.J. Zhang, "Construction and Evaluation of High-Quality n-ZnO Nanorod/p-Diamond Heterojunctions", J. Nanosci. Nanotechnol., 2012, 12, 4560

C.D. Wang; B.H. Teng; S.Y. Kwok; Z.Z. Lu; M.F. Yuen, "Study of Defect-Layers Effect in Ferroelectric Thin Film with Transverse Ising Model", Commun. Theor. Phys., 2011, 56, 1057