

# Curriculum vitae

## Personal data

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## Education

**1981 – 1986 B.Sc in Chemistry, Faculty of Science, Garyounis Univeristy. Benghazi-libya**

**1989 – 1993 M.Sc Inorganic Chemistry, Faculty of Science, Garyounis Univeristy. Benghazi-libya**

**2000 – 2005 Ph.D in inorganic Chemistry, Faculty of Science, Humboldt University, Berlin- Germany**

## Experience

**1994 – 2000 Assitant lecturer in Chemistry Department, Faculty of Science, Garyounis University**

**2006 – 2015 Assitant Professor in Chemistry Department, Faculty of Science, Garyounis University.**

**2009 – 2012 Head of the Chemical Engineering Department, Bright star University, Elberga-Benghazi.**

**2016 – Associated Professor in Chemistry Department, Faculty of Science, Benghazi University.**

**2017- Present Editor in Libyan Journal of Science & Technology.**

## Scientific and technical expertise

### Heterogeneous Catalytic reactions / Selective oxidations

- Partial oxidation of aromatics (e.g. toluene).
- Fine chemical syntheses via gas phase catalytic oxidations.
- Acetoxylation of alkyl aromatics.
- Natural gas utilization (oxidative coupling of methane to light olefins)
- Dehydrogenation and hydrogenation reactions.

## Catalyst synthesis and Characterization

- Synthesis of transition metal oxide and noble metal based catalysts using various preparative methods (e.g. impregnation, co-precipitation).
- Supported bi-metallic and multi-component catalysts.
- Synthesis of active and selective Pd-containing acetoxylation catalysts
- Preparation and application of oxide supports (TiO<sub>2</sub>, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, SiO<sub>2</sub>, ZrO<sub>2</sub>).
- Catalyst characterization by various techniques (e.g. BET-SA, TGA, DTA, XRD, FTIR, XPS, TEM, and TPR).

## Research Interest

- Oxidative coupling of toluene with methane to styrene.
- Conversion of methane and CO<sub>2</sub> to useful chemicals.
- Coupling of dehydrogenation and hydrogenation reactions.
- Oxidative dehydrogenation of light alkanes.
- Development of catalysts for vapor phase acetoxylation of toluene.

## List of Publications

### Articles and Patents in Scientific journals

#### Patents

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5. Synthesis procedure and Physico-chemical characterization of supported Molybdenum oxide catalysts, Abdelhadi S. Benhmid a., Khaled M. Edbey , Ali F. Bukhzam , Hend M. Alhowari , Gamal. A. Mekhemer , Mohamed. I. Zaki, Libyan Journal of Science & Technology 8:1 (2018) 5 -□ 11.
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7. Decomposition of 2-propanol over alumina supported thoria and potassium ion modified catalysts, A. Bukhzam, A. Benhmid, K. Edbey, S. Elsahli, G.A.H. Mekhemer and M. I. Zakib, *Libyan Journal of Science & Technology* 7:1 (2018) 1 - 4
8. Synthesis procedure and Physico- Chemical characterization of Alumina supported Thoria and potassium –ion Modified Catalysts, A. Bukhzam, A. Benhmid, K. Edbey, S. Elsahli, G.A.H. Mekhemer and M. I. Zakib, *Journal of Applied Chemical Science International*, 8(2): 80-88 (2017)
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11. Electrolytic deposition of nickel from ionic liquid type (II) using ethylenediamine as brighteners, K.elttaib, A. Benhmid and G. Mekhemer, *Rasayan, J. Chem.*, 3, 8 (2015) 266.
12. Procedures involving reduction with thiourea. Rapid potentiometric method for determination of vanadium alone or in binary mixtures, alloys, ores and glass, Kh.Elghendy, A. Bukhzam, A.Benhmid, *J. Chem. Pharm. Res.*, 6, 7 ( 2014) 1780.
13. Influence of Pd-precursor on the Acetoxylatioin Activity of Pd-Sb/TiO<sub>2</sub> Catalysts A. Benhomeid, V.N. Kalevaru, J. Radnik, B. Lücke, A. Martin "New Technologies and Alternative Feedstocks in Petrochemistry and Refining" October 9 -11, 2013, Dreseden, Germany.
14. Palladium catalysed vapour phase aerobic acetoxylation of toluene to benzyl acetate, V.N. Kalevaru, A. Benhmid, J. Radnik, M.-M. Pohl, B. Lücke, A. Martin, *Catal. Today*, 141 (2009) 317
15. Gas phase acetoxylation of toluene to benzyl acetate over Sb-Pd/TiO<sub>2</sub> catalysts: Effect of Sb loading, V.N. Kalevaru, A. Benhmid, J. Radnik, B. Lücke, Full paper published in *DGMK Tangugsbericht (Future feedstocks as fuels and chemicals)*, 3 (2008) 233, ISBN 978-3-936418-81-1.
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19. Novel Pd catalysts with improved performance for vapour phase acetoxylation of toluene, A. Benhmid, B. Lücke, K.V. Narayana, A. Martin, U. Dingerdissen, *DGMK Tagungsbericht-2 on "Oxidation and Functionalisation: Classical and alternative routes and sources"* Milan, Italy, (2005) p.151.
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2. Influence of promoter on the gas phase acetoxylation of toluene to benzyl acetate over supported Pd based catalysts, A. Benhmid, K. V. Narayana, A. Martin, B. Lücke, Presented at "3<sup>rd</sup> School on Catalysis" held in Ustron, Poland, during 21-26.09.2004.
3. Direct synthesis of benzyl acetate from toluene by vapour phase acetoxylation, A. Benhmid, K. V. Narayana, A. Martin, B. Lücke, M.-M. Pohl, Presented at First conference of CONCORDE held at Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium during Jan 26-28, 2005.
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8. New insights on the improvement of the stability of Pd based catalysts for the acetoxylation of toluene by Bi., J. Radnik, M.-M. Pohl, M. Schneider, A. Benhmid, K. V. Narayana, A. Martin, U. Dingerdissen, Presented at "11<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Applications of Surface and Interface Analysis (ECASIA)" held at Vienna, Austria, during September 25-30 2005.
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- Dingerdissen, Presented at "10<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Catalyst Deactivation, February 5-8 2006, Berlin, Germany.
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  13. Der Einfluss von Promotoren auf die Eigenschaften von TiO<sub>2</sub>-geträgerten Pd-Katalysatoren zur Gasphasenacetoxylierung von Toluol, J. Radnik, A. Benhmid, V.N. Kalevaru, M. Schneider, M.-M. Pohl, A. Martin, B. Lücke, Presented at 105. Bunsentagung (Heterogene Katalyse: Brücke zwischen Ideal- und Realsystemen), held at Erlangen (Germany) during 25-27 May 2006.
  14. Activity enhancement effects of Pd and Sb loadings in the gas phase acetoxlyation of toluene; V. Narayana Kalevaru, A. Benhmid, J. Radnik, M.-M. Pohl, B. Lücke, A. Martin; Presented at the 40<sup>th</sup> Jahrestreffen Deutscher Katalytiker, held at Weimar, Germany, during 14<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> March 2007.
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  19. Influence of Pd-precursor on the Acetoxlation Activity of Pd-Sb/TiO<sub>2</sub> Catalysts A. Benhomeid, V.N. Kalevaru, J. Radnik, B. Lücke, A. Martin "New Technologies and Alternative Feedstocks in Petrochemistry and Refining" October 9 -11, 2013, Dreseden, Germany.

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