

HORACIO LOPEZ MARQUES

1 INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE:

Undergraduate internship February-June 2016
Zoltek de Mexico (Toray group)

-Project: statistical studies for the reduction of variability in a carbon fiber product

2 RESEARCH EXPERIENCE:

Graduate Research Assistant

University of Texas at Austin September 2019-Present

- Carbon Molecular Sieve (CMS) membrane preparation for gas separations
- Direct carbon capture using ion exchange materials through moisture swing processes
- Pure gas solubility, permeability and diffusivity in polymeric and CMS membranes
- Mix gas permeability in polymeric and CMS membranes
- Mix gas solubility in polymeric and CMS membranes
- Water vapor solubility, permeability and solubility in polymeric and carbon membranes
- Gas Chromatography
- X-Ray Diffraction for membrane characterization

Internship November 2017-February 2018
Institute of Science and Technology of Polymers (ICTP) of the Superior Council of Scientific Research (CSIC). Madrid, Spain.

- Synthesis of a macro RAFT agent for controlled polymerization.
- Characterization of the macro RAFT agent by Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (NMR) and Gel Permeation Chromatography (GPC).
- Characterization of gradient copolymers by NMR, GPC, Differential Scanning Calorimetry (DSC), Thermogravimetric Analysis (TGA), Universal testing machine (UTM).

Internship May-July 2015
University of Texas at Dallas Summer Research Program

- Characterization of 3D printing polymers by capillary rheology and tensile test.

Undergraduate Research Assistant

University of Guadalajara, Mexico January 2015-July 2016

- Synthesis of polyurethane composites.
- Red 40 dye removal from aqueous solutions by column percolation.
- Aqueous solution characterization by UV-Vis Spectroscopy.

3 PRESENTATIONS & PUBLICATIONS:

Horacio Lopez Marques, Kristofer Gleason, Rita Sulub Sulub, Manuel Aguilar Vera, Benny Freeman, Manish Kumar. Water vapor transport in carbon molecular sieve membranes fabricated from polyimide precursors. *Journal of Membrane Science*, 2023, in preparation.

Hyeonji Oh, Yu-Ming Tu, Laximicharan Samineni, Sophie De Respino, Behzad Mehrafrooz, Joshi Himanshu, Lynnicia Massenburg, Horacio Lopez Marques, Nada Elessawy, Woochul Song, Harekrushna Behera, Veda Sheersh Boorla, Yi-Chih Lin, Costas Maranas, Aleksei Aksimentiev, Benny Freeman, Manish Kumar. Dehydrated biomimetic membranes for Breathable protective fabrics with skin-like structure and function. *Journal of Membrane Science*, 2023, in preparation.

Hoda Shokrollahzadeh Behbahani, Husain Mithaiwala, Horacio Marques Lopez, Winston Wang, Benny D. Freeman, Matthew D. Green. Quaternary Ammonium Functionalized Poly(Arylene Ether Sulfone) Random Copolymers For Direct Air Capture. *ACS Environmental Science and Tech*, 2023, in preparation.

Jennifer Wade, Horacio Lopez Marques, Winston Wang, Benny Freeman. Moisture-Driven CO₂ Pump for Direct Air Capture, *Journal of Membrane Science*, 2023, in preparation.

Poster presentation: “Remoción de colorante Rojo 40 mediante percolación en columna utilizando compositos de espuma de poliuretano-quitosana”. (Removal of Red 40 dye by column percolation using polyurethane-chitosan foam composites). IV Congreso de ciencia, innovación y tecnología para el desarrollo de Jalisco (IV Congress of science, innovation and technology for the development of Jalisco), 2016.

Conference article: XXVII Congreso Nacional de la Sociedad Polimérica de México (XXVII National Congress of the Polymeric Society of Mexico): “Adsorción del colorante rojo 40 utilizando compositos de poliuretano-quitosana y poliuretano-sulfato de quitosana”. (Adsorption of Red 40 dye using polyurethane-chitosan and polyurethane-chitosan sulfate composites). San Miguel Allende Guanajuato, 2015, pages 107-112.

4 SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS:

Eastman Chemical Company Fellowship, 2021.

Fulbright-García Robles Scholarship recipient, 2019-2022.

Conacyt Graduate National Scholarship, 2016-2018.

Graduated with honors with the best GPA in the Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering, Universidad de Guadalajara. 2016.

5 SKILLS:

Languages: Spanish (Native), English.

Effective written and oral communication

Effective use of basic (Microsoft Office) and specialized software (Image J, Kaleida graph, Wolfram Mathematica).

6 EDUCATION:

University of Texas at Austin, USA. August 2019-December 2023 (Expected)

PhD in Chemical Engineering

Thesis: “Effect of humidity on the gas separation performance of Carbon Molecular Sieve membranes”.

Universidad de Guadalajara, Mexico. August 2016-December 2018.

Master of Science in Chemical Engineering, GPA: 90/100

Thesis: “Síntesis y comparación de propiedades termomecánicas de copolímeros con gradiente de alimentación sintetizados vía radicálica por desactivación reversible y radicales libres” (Synthesis and comparison of thermomechanical properties of copolymers with feed gradient synthesized by free radical and reversible deactivation radical polymerization).

Universidad de Guadalajara, Mexico. August 2011-July 2016.

Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering, GPA: 97/100

Thesis: “Eliminación del colorante Rojo 40 de soluciones acuosas utilizando sulfato de quitosana y compositos de poliuretano-quitosana” (Elimination of red 40 dye from aqueous solutions using chitosan sulfate and polyurethane-chitosan composites).