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EDUCATION

2000: PhD in Materials Science, Engineering Science Department, University of Patras

1993: BSc. in Chemistry, Department of Chemistry, University of Patras

PREVIOUS EMPLOYMENT/OCCUPATION

2020-today: Associate Professor, Department of Agriculture, University of Patras

2013- 2020: Assistant Professor, Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture Technology, Technological Educational Institute of Western Greece

2008-2013: Lecturer, Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture Technology, Technological Educational Institute of Western Greece

2003-2008: Post-doctoral researcher, Engineering Science Department, University of Patras

2001- 2003: Adjunct Lecturer, Department of Materials Science, University of Patras

TEACHING ACTIVITIES

Graduate and undergraduate courses in a) *General and Inorganic Chemistry*, b) *Analytical and Organic Chemistry* c) *Environmental Chemistry*

RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Study of nanostructured materials and their use in water characterization and treatment
- Characterization of organic and inorganic pollutants in aqueous systems (UV-Vis spectrophotometry, fluorescence techniques, gas and ion chromatography)
- Preparation and characterization of new materials for environmental applications
- Determination of Total Carbon (TC) and Total Nitrogen (TN) in aqueous systems
- Determination of nutrients, Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) and Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) in aqueous systems

PARTICIPATION IN RESEARCH PROJECTS

- Coordinator and Principal Investigator in 10 National Competitive Projects

REVIEWER

- About 200 reviews for ~20 scientific journals
- Reviewer of Greek research project for GSRT (GREECE)

REPRESENTATIVE PUBLICATIONS IN INTERNATIONAL PEER-REVIEWED JOURNALS

1. **V. Bekiari** and P.Lianos, ‘Strongly Luminescent Poly(ethyleneglycol)-2,2'-bipyridine Lanthanide Ion Complexes’, *Advanced Materials*, **1998**, 10, 1455.
2. **V. Bekiari**, G. Pistolis and P. Lianos, ‘Intensely Luminescent Materials Obtained by Combining Lanthanide Ions, 2,2'- Bipyridine and Poly(ethyleneglycol) in Various Fluid or Solid Environments’, *Chemistry of Materials*, **1999**, 11, 3189.
3. **V. Bekiari** and P. Lianos, ‘High-yield Luminescence from Cadmium Sulfide Nanoclusters Supported In a Poly(ethyleneglycol) Oligomer’, *Langmuir*, **2000**, 16, 3561.

4. **V. Bekiari** and P. Lianos, ‘New High Yield Luminescent Materials Obtained by Combining Terpyridine, Metal Cations (Including Lanthanides) and Poly(EthyleneGlycol)’, *Advanced Materials*, **2000**, 12, 1603.
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7. **V. Bekiari** and P. Lianos ‘Use of Ureasil gels to extract small ions from aqueous solutions’, *Journal of Hazardous Materials*, **2007**, 147, 184 .
8. **V. Bekiari**, M. Sotiropoulou, G. Bokias and P. Lianos ‘Use of poly(N,N-dimethylacrylamide-co-sodium acrylate) hydrogel to extract cationic dyes and metals from water’ *Colloids and Surfaces A: Physicochemical and Engineering Aspects*, **2008**, 312, 214.
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10. **V. Bekiari** and P. Lianos, ‘Poly(sodium acrylate) hydrogels as potential pH-sensitive sorbents for the removal of model organic and inorganic pollutants from water’, *Global Nest Journal*, **2010**, 12, 262.
11. **V. Bekiari** and P. Avramidis, ‘Data quality in water analysis: validation of combustion-infrared and combustion-chemiluminescence methods for the simultaneous determination of Total Organic Carbon (TOC) Total Nitrogen (TN)’, *International Journal of Environmental Analytical Chemistry*, **2014**, 94, 65.
12. G. Panagopoulos, **V. Bekiari**, N. Lambrakis, P. Avramidis, C. Nikolaou, D. Koroniotis and C. Poulios, ‘Hydrogeological and hydrochemical research of the vocha alluvial aquifer, korinthia prefecture, greece’ *SGEM*, **2014**, 2, 481
13. M. Zamparas, G. Linardatos, G. Bokias and **V. Bekiari**, ‘Ionic hydrogels as potential sorbent materials of organic and inorganic pollutants’, *Journal of Surfaces and Interfaces of Materials*, **2014**, 2, 299.
14. P. Avramidis, **V. Bekiari**, D. Christodoulou, and G. Papatheodorou, ‘Sedimentology and water column stratification in a permanent anoxic Mediterranean lagoon environment, Aetoliko Lagoon, western Greece’ *Environmental Earth Sciences*, **2015**, 73, 5687.
15. **V. Bekiari**, K. Nikolaou, N. Koromilas, G. Lainioti, P. Avramidis, G. Hotos, J. K. Kallitsis and G. Bokias, ‘Release of Polymeric Biocides from Synthetic Matrices for Marine Biofouling Applications’, *Agriculture and Agricultural Science Procedia*, **2015**, 4, 445-450.
16. P. Avramidis, K. Nikolaou and V. Bekiari, ‘Total Organic Carbon and Total Nitrogen in Sediments and Soils: A Comparison of the Wet Oxidation – Titration Method with the Combustion-infrared Method’, *Agriculture and Agricultural Science Procedia*, **2015**, 4, 425-430.
17. Y. Cladas, G. Papantoniou, **V. Bekiari**, and N. Fragopoulou, ‘Dystrophic event in Papas lagoon, Araxos Cape, western Greece in the summer 2012’, *Mediterranean Marine Science*, **2016**, 17, 32.
18. P. Avramidis, K. Nikolaou, K. Poulos, **V. Bekiari** and A. Vantarakis, ‘Environmental characterization of a Mediterranean protected shallow brackish coastal aquatic system, Klisova Lagoon, Western Greece: a case study’, *Journal of Coastal Conservation*, **2017**, 21, 115.
19. **V. Bekiari**, G. Panagopoulos, D. Papoulis and D. Panagiotaras, ‘Use of halloysite nanotubes to reduce ammonium concentration in water and wastewaters’, *Materials Research Innovations*, **2017**, 21, 313.
20. D. Druvari, N.D. Koromilas, **V. Bekiari**, G. Bokias and J.K. Kallitsis, ‘Polymeric Antimicrobial Coatings Based on Quaternary Ammonium Compounds’, *Coatings*, **2018**, 8, 8.
21. I. Mylonas-Margaritis, D. Maniaki , J. Mayans, L. Ciammaruchi, V.Bekiari , C. P. Raptopoulou , V. Psycharis , S. Christodoulou , A. Escuer and S. P. Perlepes, ‘Mononuclear Lanthanide(III)-Salicylideneaniline Complexes: Synthetic, Structural, Spectroscopic, and Magnetic Studies’, *Magnetochemistry*, **2018**, 4, 45.
22. S. T. Tsantis, A. Lagou-Rekka, K.F. Konidaris, C.P. Raptopoulou, V. Bekiari, V. Psycharis and S.P.Perlepes, ‘Tetranuclear oxido-bridged thorium(iv) clusters obtained using tridentate Schiff bases, Dalton Transactions, **2019**, 48, 15668.
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25. A. Tsagdi , D. Druvari, D. Panagiotaras, P. Avramidis, V. Bekiari and J. K. Kallitsis, ‘Polymeric Coatings Based on Water-Soluble Trimethylammonium Copolymers for Antifouling Applications’, *Molecules*, 2020, 25, Article Number 1678.
26. P. S. Perlepe, K.N. Pantelis, L. Cunha-Silva, V. Bekiari, A. Escuer and T. C. Stamatatos, ‘Rare Nuclearities in Ni(II) Cluster Chemistry: An Unprecedented {Ni12} Nanosized Cage from the Use of N-Naphthalidene-2-Amino-5-Chlorobenzoic Acid’, *Inorganics*, 2020, 8, 32.
27. S.T. Tsantis, V. Bekiari, D.I. Tzimopoulos, C.P. Raptopoulou, V. Pscharis, A. Tsipis and S.P. Perlepes, ‘Reactivity of coordinated 2-pyridyl oximes: Synthesis, structure, spectroscopic characterization and theoretical studies of dichlorodi[(2-pyridyl)furoxan]zinc(II) obtained from the reaction between zinc(II) nitrate and pyridine-2-chloroxime’, *Inorganics*, 2020, 8, 47.
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CONFERENCES

Participation in about 100 national or international conferences

CITATIONS

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