



Wood and paper science

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Department Overview

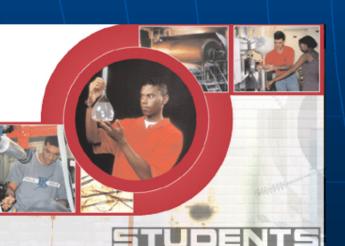
Department of Wood and Paper Science

Paper Science and Engineering

Wood Products

Paper Science and Engineering

- 125 undergraduate students
 - Dual chemical engineering degree is unique in US
 - Options in chemistry, textiles, environmental science, business
- 40 graduate students
- 115 endowed scholarships







Paper Science and Engineering

- 14 faculty
- 11 research associates
- \$2 million in research expenditures





Wood Products

- 35 undergraduate students
- 10 graduate students
- 4 teaching/research faculty
- 3 extension faculty
- 2 research faculty



PS&E Faculty

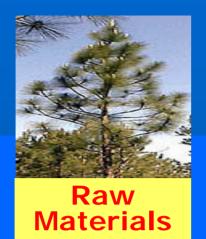
Faculty	Title	Education	Research Interests
Dimitri Argyropoulos	Professor	Organic Chemistry	Wood Chemistry & Biopolymers
David Ashcraft	Instructor	Chemical Engineering	Business Management
Hou-min Chang	Distinguished Professor	Wood Chemistry	Wood Chemistry & Biopolymers
Vincent Chiang	Professor	Biochemistry	Forest Biotechnology
Med Byrd	Assistant Professor	Paper Science & Engineering	Fiber Processing
Richard Gilbert	Professor Emeritus	Organic Chemistry	Cellulose & Surface Science
John Heitmann	Professor	Paper Science & Engineering	Bio-Processing & Papermaking
Martin Hubbe	Associate Professor	Chemistry	Colloid & Surface Science
Hasan Jameel	Professor	Chemical Engineering	Process Engineering & Fiber Process
Adrianna Kirkman	Professor	Paper Science & Engineering	Simulation & Modeling
Michael J. Kocurek	Professor	Paper Science & Engineering	Workforce Education & P&P Techno
Lucian Lucia	Associate Professor	Organic Chemistry	Wood Chemistry & Biopolymer
Joel Pawlak	Assistant Professor	Paper Science & Engineering	Paper Physics & Material Science
Orlando Rojas	Assistant Professor	Chemical Engineering	Engineering & Materials Science
Richard Venditti	Associate Professor	Chemical Engineering	Recycling & Material Science
M.K. Ramasubramanian	Associate	Mechanical Engineering	Tissue, Packaging, Mechatronics

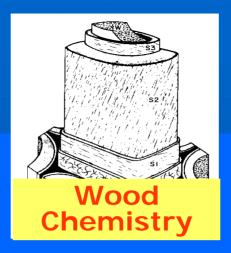
Research Program

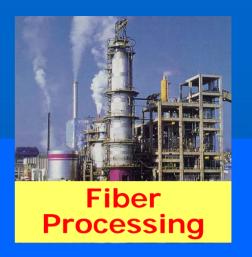




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Raw Materials

- Relationships between fiber and product characteristics
- Impact of natural variations in raw material and effect on end use properties
- Genetic modifications to improve process and product performance

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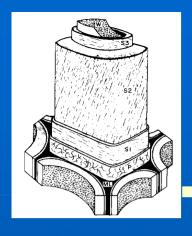


Raw Materials

Performance and Value of CAD-Deficient Pine Genetic Variation of Fiber Components and Morphology in Juvenile Loblolly Pine

- Improved Wood Properties through Genetic Manipulation: Engineering of Syringyl Lignin in Softwood Species
- Wood and Fiber Quality of Juvenile Pine: Characterization and Utilization
- Genetic Variation and Structural Characterization of Cellulose, Hemicellulose and Lignin in Elite Pine
- Impact of Transgenic Trees on Fiber Properties and Paper Mill Economics
- Pulping and Papermaking Properties of Arundo Donax

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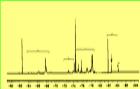


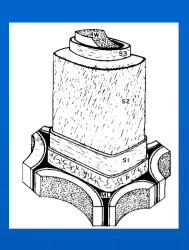
Wood Chemistry

- Understand the biosynthetic pathways of wood components
- Chemical properties of the raw material
- Reaction mechanism for pulping, bleaching and papermaking
- Modification of fiber components for new end uses

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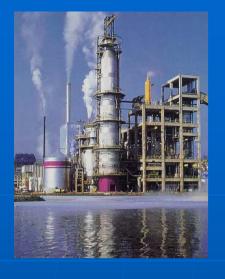


Wood Chemistry

- Polysulfide Chemistry in Pulping
- Development of Novel Oxidation Catalysts
- Development of Analytical Methods for the Rapid Measurement of Wood Components
- Characterization of Residual Lignin after Pulping and Bleaching
- Supercritical Oxidations and Extractions of Pulping Streams
- Value Added Pathways to Lignin
- Selective Removal of Value-added Compounds from Ligno-cellulosic Feedstocks

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Fiber Processing

- Understand the underlying principles of various unit operations:
 - Pulping
 - Bleaching
 - Recycling
- Develop new improved technologies for economic and environmental benefits
- Use of process simulation and modeling for
 - Economic evaluation
 - Process optimization

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Fiber Processing

- Mill Integration-Pulping, Steam Reforming and Direct Causticization for Black Liquor Recovery
- Impact of Lignin Characteristics on Reject Formation in Hardwoods
- Increasing Yield and Quality of Low-Temperature, Low-Alkali Kraft Cooks with Microwave Pretreatment
- High Selectivity Oxygen Delignification
- Green Liquor Pretreatment for Yield Increase
- Fiber Fractionation in Hydrocyclones and Screens
- Removal of Pressure Sensitive Adhesive Contaminants in Screening Operations
- Automatic Sorting of Wastepaper
- Dry Strength Additives and Strength Properties of Recycled Paper
- Fundamental Behavior of Surfactants in Paper Recycling

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Papermaking

- Understanding and implementing the principles of papermaking
 - Wet End Operations
 - Drying
 - Coating
 - Tissue Making and Creping

John Heitmann Marty Hubbe Joel Pawlak Orlando Rojas Richard Venditti Ramasubramanian





Papermaking

- Modification of Fiber Flexibility to Improve Tissue Softness
- Reversibility of Fiber Flocculation
- Dry Strength Treatment Strategies using Novel Coating Technologies
- Effect of Hydrodynamic Shear on Efficiency of Retention Aid
- Absorption Behavior of Surfactants and Polymers on Solid/Liquid Interfaces
- Impact of Fiber Fines on Drainage
- Development of Charge Titration Methods
- Adhesion Forces between Inorganic and Cellulose Surfaces
- Impact of Fiber Properties on Water Retention and Drying
- Polyampholytes as a Dry-strength Agents

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Materials

- Improvements in the end use properties of paper
- Modification of surfaces to impart unique properties
- Development of novel uses of cellulose, lignin, hemicellulose and extractives
- Chemicals, monomers and solvents from biomass
- Forest biomaterials initiative



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Materials

- Improved Dimensional Stability of Fibers Through Selective Enzymatic Degradation
- Compounding of Wood Fibers and Synthetic Polymers for Packaging
- Micro and Nano-Cellular Foaming of Wood and Wood Fibers
- Microcellular Starch Fillers
- Effect of Cellulose Mesophase Structure on Regenerated Cellulose Fiber Properties: A Role of Shear Induced Stresses
- Low Cost Process for Value Added Regenerated Cellulose Products from Biomass Residues
- Antimicrobial Paper
- Derivatization and Use of Lignin as Polymeric Surfactant
- Conversion of Ligno-cellulosic Feedstocks to Ethanol

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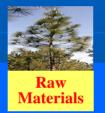
Chemical Engineering

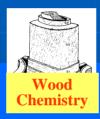
Kenan Center for the Utilization of CO2 in Manufacturing

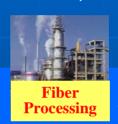














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