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B.S. in Chemical Engineering  
National Cheng Kung University, 2013

M.S. in Chemical Engineering  
National Taiwan University, 2015

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### Research and Professional Interests

2D Polymeric Porous Materials and Thin Films;  
Aqueous Ion Channels and Sensing Devices;  
Energy-Environment-Water Nexus;  
Sustainable Bioinspired Separation Membrane Technologies

### Projects ( started from 2024 )

### Journal Papers

1. **Tu, Y.M.**<sup>†</sup>, Kuehne, M.<sup>†</sup>, Misra, R.H., Ritt, C.L., Faucher, S., Oliaei, H., Li, H., Xu, X., Yang, J., Penn, A., Cumings, J., Majumdar, A., Aluru, N.R., Blankschtein, D. and Strano, M.S. “Environmental Damping and Vibrational Coupling of Confined Fluids within Isolated Carbon Nanotubes.” **Nature Communications** 15, no. 1 (2024): 5605. (8/134, MULTIDISCIPLINARY SCIENCES; IF: **14.7**) (Published Online: 03 July 2024)
2. Oh, H.<sup>†</sup>, **Tu, Y. M.**<sup>†</sup>, Samineni, L., De Respino, S., Mehrafrooz, B., Joshi, H., Massenburg, L., Lopez, H., Eleessawy, N., Song, W., Behera, H., Boorla, V.S., Lin, Y.C., Maranas, C., Aksimentiev, A., Freeman, B.D. and Kumar, M., “Dehydrated Biomimetic Membranes with Skinlike Structure and Function.” **ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces** 16, no. 16 (2024): 20865-20877. (69/438, MATERIALS SCIENCE, MULTIDISCIPLINARY; IF: **8.3**) (Published Online: 10 April 2024, Issue Date: 24 April 2024)
3. Samineni, L., De Respino, S., Depaolis, M., Mohanty, R.P., **Tu, Y.M.**, Velegol, S. and Kumar, M. “Highly effective nanoparticle removal in plant-based water filters.” **Environmental Science: Advances** 2, no. 8 (2023): 1130-1138. (Published Online: 10 July 2023)
4. Samineni, L., De Respino, S., **Tu, Y.M.**, Chowdhury, R., Mohanty, R.P., Oh, H., Geitner, M., Alberg, C.H., White, A.H., McKenzie, S., Lemus, C., Massey, J., Ghosh, D., Velegol, S. and Kumar, M. “Effective pathogen removal in sustainable natural fiber Moringa filters.” **npj Clean Water** 5, no. 1 (2022): 1-12. (2/100, WATER RESOURCES; IF: **12.19**) (Published Online: 6 July 2022)
5. Shen, J., Roy, A., Joshi, H., Samineni, L., Ye, R., **Tu, Y.M.**, Song, W., Skiles, M., Kumar, M., Aksimentiev, A., and Zeng, H., “Fluorofoldamer-Based Salt- and Proton-Rejecting Artificial Water Channels for Ultrafast Water Transport.” **Nano Letters** 22, no. 12 (2022): 4831-4838. (32/345, MATERIALS SCIENCE, MULTIDISCIPLINARY; IF: **12.26**) (Published Online: 8 June 2022)
6. Koner, S., Tawfik, J., Mashali, F., Kennison, K. B., Heberle, F. A., **Tu, Y.M.**, Kumar, M., Sarles, S. A., “Homogeneous hybrid droplet interface bilayers assembled from binary mixtures of DPhPC phospholipids and PB-b-PEO diblock copolymers.” **Biochimica et Biophysica Acta (BBA)-Biomembranes** 1864, no. 10 (2022): 183997. (26/72, BIOPHYSICS; IF: **4.02**) (Published Online: 16 June 2022, Issue Date: October 2022)

7. De Respino, S., Samineni, L., **Tu, Y.M.**, Oh, H. and Kumar, M., “Simultaneous Removal of Oil and Bacteria in a Natural Fiber Filter.” **Environmental Science & Technology Letters** 9, no. 1 (2021): 77-83. (20/279, ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES; IF: **11.56**) (Published Online: 15 November 2021, Issue Date: January 2022)
8. Roy, A., Shen, J., Joshi, H., Song, W., **Tu, Y.M.**, Ruijuan, Y., Li, N., Ren, C., Kumar, M., Aksimentiev, A. and Zeng, H., “Foldamer-based ultrapermeable and highly selective artificial water channels that exclude protons.” **Nature Nanotechnology** 16, no. 8 (2021): 911-917. (3/414, MATERIALS SCIENCE, MULTIDISCIPLINARY; 1/38, NANOSCIENCE & NANOTECHNOLOGY; IF: **40.52**) (Published Online: 20 May 2021, Issue Date: August 2021)
9. **Tu, Y.M.**, Samineni, L., Ren, T., Schantz, A.B., Song, W., Sharma, S. and Kumar, M., “Prospective applications of nanometer-scale pore size biomimetic and bioinspired membranes.” **Journal of Membrane Science** 620 (2021): 118968. (7/160, ENGINEERING, CHEMICAL; 3/95, POLYMER SCIENCE; IF: **10.53**) (Published Online: 18 December 2020, Issue Date: 15 February 2021)
10. **Tu, Y.M.**<sup>†</sup>, Song, W.<sup>†</sup>, Ren, T.<sup>†</sup>, Shen, Y.X., Chowdhury, R., Rajapaksha, P., Culp, T.E., Samineni, L., Lang, C., Thokkadam, A., ... and Kumar, M., “Rapid fabrication of precise high-throughput filters from membrane protein nanosheets.” **Nature Materials** 19, no. 3 (2020): 347-354. (1/165, CHEMISTRY, PHYSICAL; 4/345, MATERIALS SCIENCE, MULTIDISCIPLINARY; IF: **47.66**) (Published: 27 January 2020, Issue Date: March 2020)
11. Song, W., Joshi, H., Chowdhury, R., Najem, J.S., Shen, Y.X., Lang, C., Henderson, C.B., **Tu, Y.M.**, Farrell, M., Pitz, M.E., ... and Kumar, M., “Artificial water channels enable fast and selective water permeation through water-wire networks.” **Nature Nanotechnology** 15, no. 1 (2020): 73-79. (3/414, MATERIALS SCIENCE, MULTIDISCIPLINARY; 1/138, NANOSCIENCE & NANOTECHNOLOGY; IF: **40.52**) (Published Online: 16 December 2019, Issue Date: 02 January 2020)
12. Lang, C., Ye, D., Song, W., Yao, C., **Tu, Y.M.**, Capparelli, C., LaNasa, J.A., Hickner, M.A., ... and Kumar, M., “Biomimetic Separation of Transport and Matrix Functions in Lamellar Block Copolymer Channel-Based Membranes.” **ACS Nano** 13, no. 7 (2019): 8292-8302. (20/345, MATERIALS SCIENCE, MULTIDISCIPLINARY; IF: **18.03**) (Published Online: 28 June 2019, Issue Date: 23 July 2019)
13. Shih, Y.L., Huang, L.T.<sup>†</sup>, **Tu, Y.M.**<sup>†</sup>, Lee, B.F., Bau, Y.C., Hong, C.Y., Lee, H.L., ... and Chao, L., “Active Transport of Membrane Components by Self-organization of the Min Proteins.” **Biophysical Journal** 116, no. 8 (2019): 1469-1482. (*Featured as the cover page of Volume 116, Issue 8, 2019*) (30/72, BIOPHYSICS; IF: **3.69**) (Published Online: 23 March 2019, Issue Date: 23 April 2019)
14. Song, W., **Tu, Y.M.**, Oh, H., Samineni, L. and Kumar, M., “Hierarchical Optimization of High-Performance Biomimetic and Bioinspired Membranes.” **Langmuir** 35, no. 3 (2018): 589-607. (*Featured as ACS Editor's Choice*) (72/179, CHEMISTRY, MULTIDISCIPLINARY; IF: **4.33**) (Published Online: 21 December 2018, Issue Date: 22 January 2019)

## Conference

1. **Tu, Y.M.**, Kuehne, M., Misra, R.H., Ritt, C.L., Blankschtein, D., and Strano, M.S.  
Title: Environmental Damping and Vibrational Coupling of Confined Fluids within Isolated Carbon Nanotubes  
NT24, 24<sup>th</sup> conference of the NT series, Cambridge, MA, USA (*Contributed Plenary Speaker*), June 2024
2. **Tu, Y.M.** and Strano, M.S.  
Title: Fluid Confinement and Transport in 1D and 2D Nanofluidic Systems  
2024 CENT Symposium, Cambridge, MA, USA (*Oral and Poster*), June 2024

3. **Tu, Y.M.**, Misra, R.H., Blankschtein, D., and Strano, M.S.  
Title: Nanofluidic Platforms towards Nanoconfined fluids at the Water-Energy Nexus  
2024 Nanofluidics Conference, Lenzerheide, Switzerland (*Oral*), January 2024
4. **Tu, Y.M.**, Gong, X., and Strano, M.S.  
Title: Morphological TEM Characterization of 2D Polymers and Impermeable Barriers  
2023 Material Research Society (MRS) Fall Meeting, Boston, MA, USA (*Oral*), December 2023
5. **Tu, Y.M.**, Gong, X., and Strano, M.S.  
Title: Morphological Characterization of 2D Polymers and Materials: TEM Imaging Processing and Analysis  
2023 American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, USA (*Oral*), November 2023
6. **Tu, Y.M.** and Strano, M.S.  
Title: Nanofluidic Platforms for Knowledge Gaps at the Water-Energy Nexus  
2023 CENT Symposium, Maryland, MD, USA (*Oral and Poster*) – **Poster award**
7. **Tu, Y.M.**, Kuehne, M., and Strano, M.S.  
Title: Environmental Damping in Vibrationally Coupled Carbon Nanotubes  
2023 Electrochemical Society (ECS) Spring Meeting, Boston, MA, USA, May 2023
8. Lundberg, D., **Tu, Y.M.**, and Strano, M.S.  
Title: Carbon Fixing Material Systems  
2023 American Chemical Society (ACS) Spring Meeting, Indianapolis, IN, USA, March 2023
9. **Tu, Y.M.**, Oh, H., Freeman, B.D., and Kumar, M.  
Title: Biomimetic Membranes from Membrane Protein-Block Copolymer for Aqueous and Vapor Applications  
2022 Material Research Society Spring Meeting: – **Oral award**, May 2022
10. **Tu, Y.M.**, Oh, H., Freeman, B.D., and Kumar, M.  
Title: Membrane Protein-Based Biomimetic Membranes for Water Treatment  
2021 American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, USA (*Oral*), November, 2021
11. Oh, H.<sup>†</sup>, **Tu, Y.M.**<sup>†</sup>, Freeman, B.D., and Kumar, M.  
Title: Beta-Barrel Membrane Protein-Based Biomimetic Nanoporous Membrane for Protective Fabrics  
2021 American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, USA (*Poster*), November 2021
12. **Tu, Y.M.**, Oh, H., Freeman, B.D., and Kumar, M.  
Title: Biomimetic Membranes from Membrane Protein-Block Copolymer Nanosheets for Precise Molecular Separations  
30<sup>th</sup> North American Membrane Society (NAMS) Annual Meeting, Estes Park, CO, USA (*Oral and Poster*), August 2021
13. Oh, H.<sup>†</sup>, **Tu, Y.M.**<sup>†</sup>, Freeman, B.D., and Kumar, M.  
Title: Membrane protein-based nanoporous membranes that transport vapor at high rates while impermeable to water  
30<sup>th</sup> North American Membrane Society (NAMS) Annual Meeting, Estes Park, CO, USA (*Oral and Poster*), August 2021
14. **Tu, Y.M.**, Oh, H., Freeman, B.D., and Kumar, M.  
Title: Membrane Protein Channel-Inserted Biomimetic Membranes  
2020 American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Virtual Annual Meeting (*Oral*), November 2020
15. **Tu, Y.M.**, Oh, H., Freeman, B.D., and Kumar, M.  
Title: High-Density Membrane Protein-Polymer Nanosheets Biomimetic Membranes  
29<sup>th</sup> North American Membrane Society (NAMS) Virtual Annual Meeting (*Oral and Poster*) – **Poster award**, May 2020
16. **Tu, Y.M.**, Song, W., Ren, T., and Kumar, M.  
Title: Membrane Protein Nanosheet-Based Membranes

- 2019 American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting, Orlando, FL, USA (*Oral*), November 2019
17. **Tu, Y.M.**, Song, W., Ren, T., Hickey, R.J., and Kumar, M.  
Title: Self-assembled Block Copolymer: Membrane Protein Nanosheets as High-performance Membrane Materials  
2019 American Chemical Society (ACS) Fall National Meeting, San Diego, CA, USA (*Oral*), August 2019
  18. **Tu, Y.M.**, Song, W., Ren, T., and Kumar, M.  
Title: Scalable High-Performance Membranes with High-Density Channel Protein-Polymer Nanosheets  
28<sup>th</sup> North American Membrane Society (NAMS) Annual Meeting, Pittsburgh, PA, USA (*Oral*), May 2019
  19. **Tu, Y.M.**, Lee, H.L., Shih, Y.L. and Chao, L.  
Title: Study of Min Protein-Induced Membrane Waves *in vitro*  
59<sup>th</sup> Biophysical Society Annual Meeting, Baltimore, Maryland, USA (*Poster*), February 2015
  20. **Tu, Y.M.**, Lee, H.L., Shih, Y.L., and Chao, L.  
Title: Study of Min Protein-Induced Membrane Waves *in vitro*  
Taiwan Institute of Chemical Engineers Annual Meeting, Taoyuan, Taiwan (*Oral*) – **Oral award**, December 2014
  21. **Tu, Y.M.**, Lee, H.L., Shih, Y.L., and Chao, L.  
Title: Study of Min Protein-Induced Membrane Waves *in vitro*  
International Symposium on Chemical-Environmental-Biomedical Technology, Taoyuan, Taiwan (*Oral*) – **Oral award**, September 2014
  22. **Tu, Y.M.**, Lee, H.L., Shih, Y.L., and Chao, L.  
Title: Study of Min Protein-Induced Membrane Waves *in vitro*  
3<sup>rd</sup> International Symposium of Materials on Regenerative Medicine, Taoyuan, Taiwan (*Oral*) – **Oral award**, August 2014

#### Honors and Others

1. **2<sup>nd</sup> Place in 2023 CENT Symposium Poster Competition**, August 2023  
Title: Environmental Damping in Vibrationally Coupled Carbon Nanotubes
2. **1<sup>st</sup> Place in 2023 CENT Lightning Talk, the Representative to Attend DOE Annual Meeting**, July 2023  
Title: Nanofluidic Platforms for Knowledge Gaps at the Water-Energy Nexus
3. **Silver Winner in 2022 MRS Spring Meeting Graduate Student Award**, May 2022  
Title: Biomimetic Membranes from Membrane Protein-Block Copolymer 2D Materials for Aqueous and Vapor Applications  
2022 Material Research Society (MRS) Spring Meeting & Exhibit, Honolulu, Hawaii
4. **2021 AIChE Separations Division Graduate Student Research Award of the Membrane Area**, November 2021  
Title: Membrane Protein-Based Biomimetic Membranes for Precise Molecular Separations  
2021 American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, USA
5. **2021 AIChE 8A Excellence in Polymer Graduate Research Symposium Finalist**, November 2021  
Title: Rapid Self-assembly: Biomimetic Membranes from Membrane Protein-Block Copolymer Nanosheets  
2021 American Institute of Chemical Engineers (AIChE) Annual Meeting, Boston, MA, USA
6. **2021 North American Membrane Society (NAMS) Student Fellowship Award**, August 2021

- Title: Biomimetic Membranes from Membrane Protein-Block Copolymer Nanosheets for Precise Molecular Separations  
30<sup>th</sup> North American Membrane Society (NAMS) Annual Meeting, Estes Park, CO, USA
7. **Fall '21 Professional Development Award**, Fall 2021  
Department of Chemical Engineering, Graduate School, The University of Texas at Austin
  8. **George J. Heuer, Jr. Ph.D. Endowed Graduate Fellowship**, Fall 2021  
UT Engineering Scholarship Award, The University of Texas at Austin
  9. **Honorable Mention in "1-Min Quick Pitch" MRSEC Competition**, April 2021  
Title: Creation of Soft Tissues Using Droplet Interfacial Bilayer (DIB)  
The Center for Dynamics and Control of Materials: an NSF Materials Research Science and Engineering Centers (MRSEC) Annual Meeting
  10. **Graduate and Industry Networking (GAIN) 2021 Department Award**, March 2021  
Title: Membrane Protein-Based Nanoporous Membranes for Water Treatment and Vapor Transport
  11. **2<sup>nd</sup> Prize in NAMS Poster Competition**, May 2020  
29<sup>th</sup> North American Membrane Society (NAMS) Virtual Annual Meeting
  12. **Elias Klein Founders' Travel Supplement Program**, May 2019  
North American Membrane Society (NAMS) Pittsburgh, PA, USA
  13. **Pennsylvania State University Graduate Student Fellowship**, Fall 2017 - Spring 2018  
Additional \$5,000 stipend to selected students in Department of Chemical Engineering, Pennsylvania State University
  14. **Honorable Mention in English Oral Presentation Award**, December 2014  
Taiwan Institute of Chemical Engineers Annual Meeting, Taoyuan, Taiwan
  15. **Best in English Oral Presentation Award**, September 2014  
International Symposium on Chemical- Environmental-Biomedical Technology, Taoyuan, Taiwan
  16. **Honorable Mention in English Oral Presentation Award**, August 2014  
International Symposium of Materials on Regenerative Medicine, Taoyuan, Taiwan
  17. **Formosan Union Chemical Corp. Scholarship for Outstanding Student**, 2013  
One of the top scholarships in Taiwan from the chemical engineering industry, and only one is awarded in the department of chemical engineering, National Cheng Kung University (NCKU)
  18. **Outstanding Student Award for Academic Achievement**  
Top 5 % of students in NCKU for 3 times, 2009-2010, 2010-2011, 2011-2012 School year
  19. **NCKU Chemical Engineering Alumni Foundation Scholarship for Outstanding Student**, 2012  
To the student with the best academic performance in each class