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The Fiber Society's Spring 2024 Conference

***Fostering Convergence in Fibers and Materials
Research Toward a Sustainable Future***

May 22–24, 2024

Conference Chair

Dr. Lifeng Zhang

Venue

***Joint School of Nanoscience and Nanoengineering
North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University
University of North Carolina at Greensboro
Greensboro, North Carolina, USA***

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Preliminary Program

Tuesday, May 21

1:00 PM–5:00 PM

5:00 PM–6:00 PM

Governing Council Meeting, JSNN Board Room

Early-bird Registration and Reception, JSNN Atrium

Wednesday, May 22

- 7:00 Registration, JSNN Atrium
 7:00 Continental Breakfast, JSNN Atrium
- 8:30 Welcoming Remarks and Announcements (JSNN Auditorium) *Lifeng Zhang, Conference Chair*
Caroline Schauer, President, The Fiber Society
Eric Muth, Vice Chancellor for Research, North Carolina A&T State University
Mitchell P. Croatt, Interim Dean of the Joint School of Nanoscience and Nanoengineering
- 8:55 Introduction of Plenary Speaker: Lifeng Zhang
 9:00 **Plenary Lecture:** Meifang Zhu, Donghua University
Development of Functional Biobased Fiber Materials for a Sustainable Future
- 9:50 **10 Minute Break, JSNN Atrium**

Morning Sessions

| | JSNN Auditorium | Gateway Conference Room |
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| | Session: Fiber Manufacturing and Characterization <i>Chair: Xiangwu Zhang, North Carolina State University</i> | Session: Sustainable Fibers and Textiles <i>Chair: Katarina Goodge, National Institute of Standards and Technology</i> |
| 10:00 | <i>Advances in Meltblown Nonwovens: Nanofibers to Sustainable Materials for Demanding Applications</i> Gajanan Bhat, University of Georgia (Keynote) | <i>Developing a Spectroscopic Dataset for Automated Textile Sorting</i> Katarina Goodge, National Institute of Standards and Technology |
| 10:30 | <i>Characterizing Multifunctional Structure-Property Relationships by Mapping Inside Polymer Fibers</i> Michael Roenbeck, U.S. Merchant Marine Academy | <i>Innovative Technique to Convert Sisal Fiber into a Textile Fiber for Clothing</i> Sheraz Ahmad, National Textile University |
| 10:50 | <i>A Protein-like Nanogel for Spinning Hierarchically Structured Artificial Spider Silk</i> Xiang Zhou, China Pharmaceutical University | <i>Microencapsulation of Grapefruit Essential Oil Using Complex Coacervation for the Development of Mosquito Repellent and UV Protection Properties on Cotton</i> Rupali Kakaria, National Institute of Fashion Technology |
| 11:10 15 Minute Break, JSNN Atrium | | |
| 11:25 | <i>A Novel Sweat Simulator for Concurrent and Real-time Measurements of Fabric Liquid Moisture Management Properties</i> Jintu Fan, Hong Kong Polytechnic University | <i>Secondhand Clothing Sortation by Brand and Condition Supports a Circular Economy</i> Lisa Sciannella, Helpsy |
| 11:45 | <i>3D Printing with Flexible Filaments: Optimization and Manufacture of Auxetic Metamaterials for Footwear Comfort</i> Mars Harvey, North Carolina State University | <i>Bio-renewable Anti-plasticizer as Strengthening Agent in Synthetic Polysaccharide Fibers from Seaweed</i> Jingyi Zhou, North Carolina State University |
| 12:05 | <i>PHBHX and PCL Composite Nanoyarns</i> Divya Kamireddi, Drexel University | <i>Achieving Circularity in Textiles and Apparel Using Spinnable Banana Fibers</i> Yasir Nawab, National Textile University |
| 12:25–1:25 Lunch, JSNN Atrium | | |

Afternoon Sessions

| | JSNN Auditorium | Gateway Conference Room |
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| | Session: Nanofibers and Nanofibrous Materials Chair: Jianjun Wei, UNC Greensboro | Session: Fiber-reinforced Composite Materials Chair: Dattaji Shinde, North Carolina A&T State University |
| 1:25 | <i>Manipulating Metal Oxide Nanostructures on Aligned Electrospun Carbon Nanofibers: Structures, Properties, and Applications</i> Jianjun Wei, UNC Greensboro | Effect of Electrospun Carbon Nanofiber on Fracture Toughness of Hybrid Laminated Polymeric Composites Dattaji Shinde, North Carolina A&T State University |
| 1:45 | <i>Sustainable Coloration of Cotton Fibers with Nanopolysaccharide Materials</i> Senay Yacob Baraki, Technical and Vocational Training Institute | <i>Synergistic of Modified Flax Fibers and Bio-additives on Flame Resistance of Flax/Vinyl Ester Composites</i> Prabhakar M.N., Changwon National University |
| 2:05 | <i>Carbon Nanofiber-based Electrode Material for Supercapacitors</i> Victor Charles, North Carolina A&T State University | <i>Advancing Cementitious Composites with Multifunctional Polymeric-based Biotic Self-healing Fiber</i> Mohammad Houshmand, Drexel University |
| 2:25 | <i>Hybrid Metal Oxides on Aligned Carbon Nanofiber Composite for Photocatalytic Degradation of Organophosphate Pesticides</i> Jianjun Wei, UNC Greensboro (on behalf of Bukola Adesanmi) | <i>Multilayer Composites for Improved Mechanical Performance of Flexible Rapier Tape</i> Hanzla Zubair, National Textile University |
| 2:45 15 Minute Break, JSNN Atrium | | |
| | Session: Nanofibers and Nanofibrous Materials cont'd Chair: Hemali Rathnayake, UNC Greensboro | Fibers for Healthcare and Medical Applications Session Chair: Caroline Schauer, Drexel University |
| 3:00 | <i>A Novel Bio-based Sorbent Decorated Nanofiber Mat for Lithium</i> Hemali Rathnayake, UNC Greensboro | <i>Porosity-tuned, Electrospun Collagen Nanoyarns for Enhanced Cellular Adhesion and Infiltration</i> Caroline Schauer, Drexel University |
| 3:20 | <i>Morphological and Thermal Properties of Cellulose Nanocrystal-loaded Polylactide/Poly(Butylene Adipate-Co-Terephthalate) Nanocomposite Nanofibers</i> Hadan Palak, Cornell University | <i>Inclusive Design in Advanced Wearable Health Monitoring Systems: A Case Study of a Smart Sports Bra Leveraging Contact Pressure Optimization for Enhanced Biosignal Acquisition</i> Seonyoung Youn, North Carolina State University |
| 3:40 | <i>Electrospun Nanofiber Adsorbents for Rare Earth Element Extraction from Water</i> Israt Jahan, North Carolina A&T State University | <i>Tailoring Ionogel Biocomposites for Next-generation Sustainable Textiles</i> Evan McDowell, North Carolina A&T State University |
| 4:00 | <i>Tunable Bandgap Energy of Benign Eutectic Solvent as a Potential Biological Semiconductor via Tannic Acid/Bacterial Nanocellulose Interaction</i> Maurelio Cabo, UNC Greensboro | <i>Coiling of Cellular Protrusions Around Fibers</i> Christian Hernandez-Padilla, Virginia Tech |
| 4:20–6:00 | Poster Session and Reception JSNN Atrium | |

Thursday, May 23

- 7:30 Continental Breakfast, JSNN Atrium
- 8:25 Introduction of Plenary Speaker: Lifeng Zhang (JSNN Auditorium)
- 8:30 **Plenary Lecture:** Narayan Bhattarai, North Carolina A&T State University
Evaluation of Polymer-Metal Composite Nanofibers for Wound Healing Modulation
- 9:20 **10 Minute Break, JSNN Atrium**

Morning Sessions

| | JSNN Auditorium | Gateway Conference Room |
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| | Session: Advanced Fibers and Textiles in Convergence Research Chair: Narayan Bhattarai, North Carolina A&T State University | Fiber-Apparel Interfaces Chair: Ian Hardin, University of Georgia |
| 9:30 | <i>All-fiber Integrated Self-powered Wearable Electronics</i> Dong Wang, Wuhan Textile University | <i>Innovative Photocatalytic Solutions for Sustainable Dye Removal</i> Yahya Absalan, University of Georgia |
| 9:50 | <i>Novel Triboelectric Yarn and Embroidery for Human-Machine Interaction</i> Rong Yin, North Carolina State University | <i>Enabling a Textile Circular Economy Through Standardization</i> Amanda Forester, National Institute of Standards and Technology |
| 10:10 | <i>Power of Fiber Twist</i> Zunfeng Liu, Nankai University | <i>Consumer-perceived Value of Circular Fashion Products</i> Md. Hasan Sheikh, UNC Greensboro |
| 10:30 | <i>Smart Fiber Materials and Devices for Fabric Computation</i> Wei Yan, Donghua University | <i>Using System Dynamics Modeling for Apparel Production</i> Gurinder Kaur, Thomas Jefferson University |
| 10:50 15 Minute Break, JSNN Atrium | | |
| | Session: Advanced Fibers and Textiles in Convergence Research cont'd Chair: Wei Gao, North Carolina State University | Session: Sustainable Fibers and Textiles Chair: Xin Fei, U.S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing |
| 11:05 | <i>Fabrication and Modeling of Battery Yarns for e-Textiles</i> Wei Gao, North Carolina State University | <i>Adhesion</i> Xin Fei, U.S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing |
| 11:25 | <i>Scalable Wet-spinning Multilevel Anisotropic Structured PVDF Fibers Enhanced with Cellulose Nanocrystal-Exfoliated MoS₂ for High-performance Piezoelectric Textiles</i> Liang Pan, Donghua University | <i>Facilitating a Circular Economy of Textiles</i> Charlotte Wentz, National Institute of Standards and Technology |
| 11:45 | <i>Hierarchical Cellular Structured Ultrathin Aerogel Micro/Nanofiber Membranes for High-efficiency Wind-resistant Warmth Retention</i> Yucheng Tian, Donghua University | <i>Food Packaging Based on Jute Fabric-Aluminum Foil Laminate</i> Debasish Das, University of Calcutta |
| 12:05 | <i>Oligomers are a Major Fraction of the Submicron Particles Released During Washing of Polyester Textiles</i> Tong Yang, McGill University | <i>Removal of Stiffness from Banana Fibers for Better Spinnability</i> Umaima Saleem, Mehran University of Engineering and Technology |
| 12:25–1:25 Lunch, JSNN Atrium | | |

Afternoon Sessions

| | JSNN Auditorium | Gateway Conference Room |
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| | Session: Fibers for Healthcare and Medical Applications Chair: Gang Sun, University of California Davis | Session: Advanced Fibers and Textiles in Convergence Research Chair: Lifeng Zhang, North Carolina A&T State University |
| 1:25 | <i>Preparation of Photo-induced Antibacterial Polymers and Fibers by Using Vitamins</i> Gang Sun, University of California Davis | <i>Remediation of Short-chain PFAS from Water by Using Sustainable Electrospun Nanofibrous Filter Material</i> Lifeng Zhang, North Carolina A&T State University |
| 1:45 | <i>Smart Enhanced Silk Fibers with Double-Network Structures</i> Bin Fei, Hong Kong Polytechnic University | <i>An Investigation into Microplastics Released from Face Masks</i> Asis Patnaik, Cape Peninsula University of Technology |
| 2:05 | <i>Poly (lactic acid) Meltblown Microfiber Nonwoven for High-efficiency Filtration Applications</i> Avik Kumar Dhar, University of Georgia | <i>Enhancing Phosphorus Filtration Efficiency with Nano-enhanced Electrospun Fibers and Metallic Coating</i> Sharika Cochran, North Carolina A&T State University |
| 2:25 | <i>Nanonet Force Microscopy to Measure Forces Across Length Scales: Single Cells to Organisms</i> Atharva Agashe, Virginia Tech | <i>Metal-Organic Frameworks-based Multifunctional Cotton Fabrics</i> Hardeep Singh Jhinjer, Indian Institute of Technology Delhi |
| 2:45 15 Minute Break, JSNN Atrium | | |
| | Session: Fibers for Healthcare and Medical Applications, cont'd Chair: Fangwen Zha, Huizhou Foryou Medical Devices Co. | Advanced Fibers and Textiles in Convergence Research cont'd Chair: Ming Dong, UNC Wilmington |
| 3:00 | <i>Applications of Electrospun Nanofiber Materials in Wound Dressing</i> Fangwen Zha, Huizhou Foryou Medical Devices Co. | <i>Computational Analysis of the Binding Mechanism of GenX and HSA</i> Ming Dong, UNC Wilmington |
| 3:20 | <i>Soft Robotic Tongue Utilizing Fiber-shaped Pneumatic Actuators as a Learning Aid for Tongue Shape During Speech Production</i> Robert Seevers, North Carolina State University | <i>Assessment of Adhesion in Fabric Reinforced Laminates (FRLs) Using Novel Yarn Pullout in Laminate Test</i> Feyi Adekunle, North Carolina State University |
| 3:40 | <i>3D Printed Electrospun Polycaprolactone (PCL)-Zinc (Zn) Composite Structured Platform for Biomedical Applications</i> Felix Tettey, North Carolina A&T State University | <i>Performance of NIP GaAs_{1-x}Sb_x Single Nanowire-based Photodetector Grown by MBE on Graphene Substrate</i> Yugwini Deshmukh, North Carolina A&T State University |
| 4:00 | <i>The Effect of esPAN (a 3D Nanomaterial) on Antifungal Drug Sensitivity in Candida albicans</i> Nooshin KianvashRad, UNC Greensboro | <i>Flexural and Impact Properties of Epoxy Composites with Surface Modified Electrospun Glass Nanofibers as Reinforcing Agent</i> Abhijeet Mali, North Carolina A&T State University |
| 4:20–5:00 | Special Topic <i>100 Years of Statistical Methods in Textile Research and a Vision with Data Science and AI: In Memoriam of Sir David R. Cox (1924–2012)</i> Moon Won Suh, Charles A. Cannon Professor Emeritus, North Carolina State University | |

5:30–6:00 Reception, Guilford Convention Center, 3113 Cedar Park Rd., Greensboro, NC 27504
6:00 Banquet, Guilford Convention Center
Keynote Speaker: Sherine Obare, Vice Chancellor for Research, UNC Greensboro
The Power of Partnerships in Advancing Fiber Science

Friday, May 24

- 7:30 Continental Breakfast
- 8:25 Introduction of Plenary Speaker: Lifeng Zhang (JSNN Auditorium)
- 8:30 **Plenary Lecture:** Donald Sturgeon, Multifibers, LLC
Sustaining Textile Competencies and Repurposing Legacy Capabilities
- 9:20 **10 Minute Break, JSNN Atrium**

Morning Sessions

| | JSNN Auditorium | Gateway Conference Room |
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| | Session: Fiber Manufacturing and Characterization Chair: Xiaomeng Fang, NC State University | Session: Advanced Fibers and Textiles in Convergence Research Chair: TBD |
| 9:30 | <i>High-strength and High-toughness Polyester Fibers with a Homogeneous State of Molecular Entanglement</i> Takeshi Kikutani, Tokyo Institute of Technology | <i>A Novel Approach for Identifying the Mechanical Behavior of Textiles</i> Mahmoud Hussein, Université de Haute Alsace |
| 9:50 | <i>A Breathable Fibrous Membrane with Coaxially Hetero-structured Fibers for Personal Thermal Management and Electromagnetic Interface Shielding</i> Jiajia Wu, Donghua University | <i>Enhancing Smart Textile Antennas for Wireless Communication Networks: Integrating Multimaterial Fibers and Machine Learning</i> Yosef Enku, Federal Technical and Vocation Training Institute |
| 10:10 | <i>Charge Distribution and Durability of Meltblown Electret Fabrics</i> Ivan Moldavchuk, University of Georgia | <i>Effect of Fused Deposition Modeling (FDM) Process Parameters on Mechanical Properties of Flexible Polymeric Structures</i> Ashok Sapkota, Auburn University |
| 10:30 | <i>Predictive Analytics for Weaving Quality Through Machine Learning: A Novel Approach in Fiber Manufacturing and Characterization</i> Ravindra Babu Bellam, Federal Technical and Vocation Training Institute | <i>Integrated Dynamic Wet Spinning of Hydrogel Optical Fibers for Photomedicine in Deep Body</i> Guoyin Chen, Donghua University |
| 10:50 15 Minute Break, JSNN Atrium | | |
| | Session: Fiber-Apparel Interfaces Chair: Rong Yin, North Carolina State University | Session: Session: Advanced Fibers and Textiles in Convergence Research cont'd Chair: TBD |
| 11:05 | <i>Bridging Research to Retail: Scaling Fiber Innovations in the Apparel Industry</i> Dhruv Agarwal, Koontoor Brands, Inc. | <i>Processing Structure and Properties of Carbon Fibers from Bitumen-derived Asphaltenes</i> Muzaffer Karaaslan, University of British Columbia |
| 11:25 | <i>Temperature-responsive Skin-like Directional Flow and Water Repellent Fabric for Personal Comfort and Protection</i> Yi Pu, Hong Kong Polytechnic University | <i>Development of Nanofiber-reinforced Injectable Scaffolds with Shape-Memory Properties for Biomedical Applications</i> Mahesh Joshi, North Carolina A&T State University |
| 11:45 | <i>Microalgal Dynamics in Swine Wastewater Remediation: Comparative Insights in Four Species Treatment Efficacy</i> Derrick Kontoh, North Carolina A&T State University | <i>Nano-clay-based Novel 3D Woven Hemp/Green Epoxy Composites</i> Muhammad Umair, National Textile University |

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| 12:05 | <i>PolyDADMAC Grafted Graphene Oxide-based 2D Sorbent Materials for the Treatment of Phosphate and PFAS</i> Nafisa Amin, North Carolina State University | <i>Electrode-Electrolyte Combined Nanofiber-based Supercapacitor</i> Dong Seok Lee, University of Texas Austin |
| 12:25 Conference Closes | | |

Poster Session

Wednesday, May 22, 4:20 p.m., JSNN Atrium

Session Chair: Chartanay Bonner

Presenter

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| Debasish Das | <i>Functional Breathable Waterproof Coating System</i> |
| Farbod Ebrahimi | <i>Novel Paper-based Biosensor for Ultra-sensitive SERS Detection of Small Extracellular Vesicles (sEVs)</i> |
| Xinkang Xu | <i>Research on Preparation of Eight-leaf Square Hollow Profiled Fiber</i> |
| Byeong Jin Yeang | <i>Development of Spun-laid Spinning for Lyocell Meltblown Nonwoven</i> |
| Ming Yang | <i>Direct Assembly of Two-dimensional Nanofibrous Networks for High-efficiency Separation</i> |
| Jin Dai | <i>Multiphase Ceramic Nanofibers with Super-elasticity from -196°C to 1600°C</i> |
| Siyu Qiang | <i>Trio Strategy of Harmonizing Electronic Structure, Interface, and Microenvironment on Amorphous Main Group Oxide Nanofiber for Selective Electrochemical Nitrogen Reduction</i> |
| Xinyi Chang | <i>Multiscale Interpenetrated/Interconnected Network Design Confers All-carbon Aerogels with Unprecedented Thermomechanical Properties for Thermal Insulation Under Extreme Environments</i> |
| Nigar Rashida | <i>Robust Silk Nanofibers: Facile Fabrication and Versatile Applications</i> |
| Nilesh Rajendran | <i>Non-destructive Characterization of Changes in Mechanical Properties Due to Mechanical and UV Degradation in Technical Textiles</i> |
| Derrick Kontoh | <i>SARS-CoV-2 Epidemiology and Wastewater Surveillance at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University, 2022–2023</i> |
| Reedwan Auniq | <i>Synthesis and Characterization of Magnesium Phosphate Bioceramic-Polycaprolactone Composite Electropsun Nanofibrous Scaffold for Tissue Engineering Applications</i> |
| Dekonti Davies | <i>Encapsulation of Zn Particles into Electrospun Fibers to Control Degradation and Release</i> |
| Joshua Tucker | <i>Impact Damage Mitigation Through Innovative Composite Hybridization</i> |

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| Alexis Moody | <i>Decellularized ECM-modified Nanofiber Scaffolds for Advanced Wound Care Applications</i> |
| Alden Contreras | <i>Advancing Frontiers in Materials Science: Innovative Boron Nitrate Filament Fabrication</i> |
| Sita Shrestha | <i>Integrating Zein-coating ZN Bioinstructive Electrospun Scaffolds for Enhancing NIH3T3 Cell Growth and Differentiation</i> |
| Md. Shakirul Islam | <i>Biobased Additives on the Gelatin of Poly (Vinyl Alcohol)</i> |
| Dattaji Shinde | <i>Synthesis and Characterization of PAN/TiO₂-based Electrospun Carbon Nanofibers for Energy Applications</i> |
| Maurelio Cabo | <i>Biotechnical Valorization of Lawn Biomass into Cellulosic Nanofibers</i> |
| Dokun Kim | <i>Changes in Filtration Performance of PLA Meltblown Nonwoven Due to Hydro-charging</i> |
| Hyun Ju Oh | <i>Structure Development of Poly(ethylene terephthalate) Fibers with NIR Fluorescence Inorganic Particle in High-speed Melt Spinning</i> |
| Jong Hyuk Bae | <i>Study on Fiber Structure and Properties of Biodegradable PET Copolymers in High-speed Melt Spinning</i> |
| Hyo Kyoung Kang | <i>Investigation of Polyacrylonitrile Nanofiber/Nanonet Treated with Cationic Surfactants for Particulate Matter Removal</i> |
| Kiran Rana | <i>Electrically Conductive Poly(pyrrole) Nanotubes Doped Nylon 6 Composite Fibers Prepared by Wet-spinning</i> |
| Pranay Ahuja | <i>Up-scalable Synthesis of ZnO Nanostructures for Applications in Functional Textiles</i> |
| Maitry Bhattacharjee | <i>Soil Burial Degradation of Polylactic Acid (PLA)-based Nonwoven Fabrics Under Controlled Conditions</i> |
| Laurence Price-Webb | <i>Concrete Review: Theory for Sustainable Architecture Through Nanoparticle-modified Concrete Composites</i> |
| Rashmita Baruah | <i>Effect of Substrate Temperature on GaAsSb Nanowire-based Photodetectors Grown on Silicon Substrates</i> |
| Samir Kattel | <i>Lithium-doped Biopolymer-based Nanocomposites for Solid State Electrolytes in Energy Storage Device Applications</i> |
| Jia Chen | <i>Host-Guest Supramolecular Assembly of Giant Shape Amphiphiles</i> |
| Thakur Sapkota | <i>Chitin Fibers-enabled Alginate Microcapsules for Cell Culture</i> |
| Atharva Agashe | <i>Suspended Fiber Networks Influence Mitotic Outcomes</i> |