

The Warsaw Doctoral School in Natural and Biomedical Sciences and  
the Institute of High Pressure Physics PAS cordially invite you to  
a **SPOTLIGHT TALK**

***Advanced ceramic mixed ionic-electronic conductors  
for hydrogen purification***

*given by*

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at the IHPP PAS New Technologies Building,  
Al. Prymasa Tysiąclecia 98, seminar room, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor

Duration: 60+ min

***and online via Zoom:***

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***All Warsaw-4-Phd students (and others) are very welcome!***

Abstract:

Hydrogen separation and purification technology is a key element in the use of H<sub>2</sub> as an energy carrier and in other important technological applications. Dense ceramic materials based on mixed ionic and electronic conductors (MIEC) are currently attracting growing interest for their potential application in H<sub>2</sub> separation membranes or in catalytic membrane reactors at  $T > 600$  °C. [1] Indeed, these membranes allow a selective non-galvanic separation by incorporating H<sub>2</sub> in their crystal structure as charged protonic defects and electrons/holes that are transported to the opposite side of the membrane under an H<sub>2</sub> partial pressure gradient, i.e. without any external energy. When used as membrane reactors, they also combine separation and reaction in a single unit, increasing efficiency.

In this context, ceramic-ceramic (cer-cer) composites have gained interest in the last 5 years due to their improved hydrogen permeability compared to single phase materials. Among these, dual-phase membranes based on ceria zirconate perovskites and doped ceria oxides have demonstrated remarkable performance as dense H<sub>2</sub>-separation membranes, with H<sub>2</sub> flux values among the highest reported in the literature for this type of system. [2,3]

The seminar will provide a comprehensive overview of the use of proton conducting ceramic membranes for hydrogen separation, with particular emphasis on dual-phase ceramic membranes based on BaCe<sub>0.65</sub>Zr<sub>0.20</sub>Y<sub>0.15</sub>O<sub>3-δ</sub> (BCZ20Y15) perovskite and doped ceria (Ce<sub>0.85</sub>M<sub>0.15</sub>O<sub>2-δ</sub> M = Y or Gd, YDC15 or GDC15) composites. The preparation methods, hydrogen permeability and chemical stability issues are also discussed.

**References:**

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