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## Short Bio:

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involving in bio/electro/chemical reactions, flow and heat transfer related to energy saving and emission reduction

## **Five Representative Publications:**

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 Xun Zhu\*, Biao Zhang, Ding-Ding Ye, Jun Li, Qiang Liao, Air-breathing direct formic acid microfluidic fuel cell with an array of cylinderanodes, Journal of Power Sources, Vol.247, pp. 346-353, 2014.

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5. Xun Zhu\*, Cheng-Long Guo, Yong-ZhongWang, Giang Liao, Rong Chen, A feasibility study on unsaturated flow bioreactor using optical fiber illumination for photo-hydrogen production, International Journal of Hydrogen Energy, Vol. 37, Issue 20, pp. 15666-15671, 2012.

## FEWSTERN Symposium 2017 Presentation Title and Abstract:

Process intensification of Microalgae energy conversion

Microalgae, as a kind of unicellular organism, can use CO2 in flue gas as substrate, nitrogen and phosphorus in wastewater as nutrients and use light as energy source to synthesize bio-oil through photosynthesis. It can realize carbon mitigation, wastewater treatment, and bioenergy production at the same time. However, up to now, a poor economic efficiency of biofuel production from microalgae throughout the whole process hinders its practical applications. Therefore, efforts have been devoted to explore the transport and conversion mechanisms in the microalgae cultivation and refining. Based on the understanding of the transfer of carbon, light and nutrients, high-efficient photobioreactors, easy and low-cost harvesting method as well as a novel technical route by direct conversion of wet microalgae sludge with high moisture content have been proposed.