Chemical Engineering



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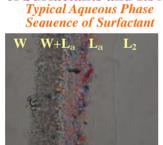


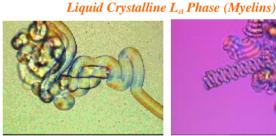
Research Interests:

Our research interests are mainly focused on various applications and properties of surfactants, colloid science, enhanced drug delivery using emulsion formulations and environmental engineering.

Phase Behavior of Surfactants and Its Associated Applications

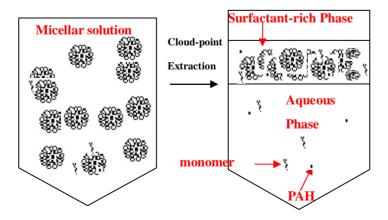




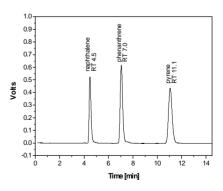




ü Application in Microanalysis and Preconcentration

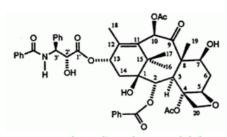


Cloud-point Extraction (CPE)



Chromatograms of PAH mixtures obtained by the injection of surfactant-rich phases of) 3 wt% Tergitol 15-S-7

ü Applications in Enhanced Drug Delivery using Emulsion Formulations

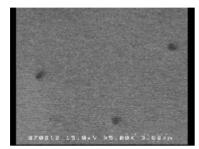


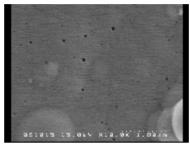
Taxol (paclitaxel) as model drug



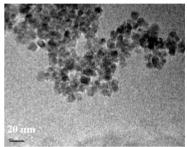
Good shelf stability, over 10 months, containing Taxol of 1000 ppm in O/W emulsions was obtained using food-grade surfactants and lipids.

ü Applications in Electroless Deposition of Thin Metal Films and Nanoparticle Formation



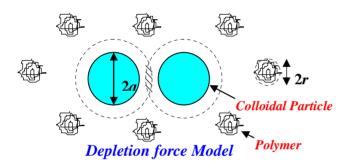


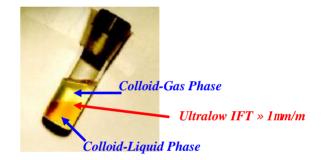
Surfactant can reduce void (pit) formation on Ni-P thin films.



Synthesis of SnO₂

I Critical Phenomena in Colloidal System





34.40 wt% C_{18} -g-SiO2 (20nm)+ 1.1wt% PDMS (MW=96000) in Cyclohexane

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