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EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL TRAINING

- Feb 2020- Present KAIST | Daejeon, Republic of Korea,
Assistant Professor in Materials Science and Engineering
- Nov 2017 – Dec 2019 Stanford University | Stanford, CA, USA
Postdoctoral Fellow in Chemical Engineering | Advisor: Prof. Zhenan Bao
- Aug 2012 – Sep 2017 The University of Tokyo | Tokyo, Japan
PhD in Chemistry and Biotechnology | Advisor: Daigo Miyajima and Prof. Takuzo Aida
[Japan Society for the Promotion of Science \(JSPS\) Fellow \(2014–2017\)](#)
Dissertation Title: Precisely controlled supramolecular system based on hydrogen bonds
- Feb 2007 – Aug 2011 Seoul National University | Seoul, Republic of Korea
BS in Chemistry |

HONORS AND AWARDS

- 2014 – 2017 Japan Society For the Promotion of Science (JSPS) Fellow (2014–2017)
- 2016 Reaxys PhD Prize, selected as one of three winners for doctoral research achievements,
- 2015 Poster presentation Award, First Prize, 4th International Supramolecular System Symposium (ISSS); Chang Chun (China)
- 2014 BASF Rising Star PhD award, selected as one of three winners for doctoral research achievements, School of Engineering, The university of Tokyo (Japan)
- 2012 Best presentation award, selected as one of three best presenters for undergraduate research achievements, Dep. of Chemistry, Seoul national university (Korea)
- 2012 The most popular presentation award, selected as the most popular presenter for undergraduate research achievements, Dep. of Chemistry, Seoul national university (Korea)

PUBLICATIONS

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Postdoctoral Research

- (12) Kim, S. H.†; Seo, H.†; Kang, J.†; Hong, J.; Seong, D.; Kim, H.-J.; Kim, J.; Mun, J.; Youn, I.; Kim, J.; Kim, Y.-C.; Seok, H.-K.; Lee, C.; Tok, J.B.; Bao, Z.; Son, D. "An Ultrastretchable and Self-Healable Nanocomposite Conductor Enabled by Autonomously Percolative Electrical Pathways" *ACS Nano* 2019, 13 (6), 6531
- (11) Kang, J.: Tok, J.B.; Bao, Z. "Self-healing Soft Electronics" *Nature Electronics* 2019, In Press
- (10) Kang, J.†: Son, D.†; Vardoulis, O.†; Mun, J.; Matsuhisa, N.; Kim, Y.; Kim, J.; Tok, J.B.; Bao, Z. "Modular and Reconfigurable Stretchable Electronic Systems," *Advanced Materials Technologies* 2019, 4 (3), 1800417
- (9) Son, D.†; Kang, J.†; Vardoulis, O.†; Kim, Y.; Matsuhisa, N.; Oh, J.-Y.; To, J. W. F.; Mun, J.; Katsumata, T.; Liu, Y.; McGuire, A.; Krason, K.; Ham, J.; Kraft, U.; Lee, Y.; Lee, Y.; Tok, J.B.; Bao, Z. "An Integrated Self-healable Electronic Skin System Fabricated Via Dynamic Reconstruction of a Nanostructured Conducting Network," *Nature Nanotechnologies* 2018, 13 (11), 1057 ([Highlighted in Nano today](#))
- (8) Kang, J.†: Son, D.†; Wang, G.J.N; Liu, Y.; Lopez, J.; Kim, Y.; Oh, J.H.; Kasumata, T.; Mun, J.; Lee, Y.; Jin, L.; Tok, J.B.; Bao, Z. "Tough and Water-Insensitive Self-Healing Elastomer for Robust Electronic Skin," *Advanced Materials* 2018, 30 (13), 1706846 ([Highlighted in Advanced Science News](#))
- (7) Lee, Y.; Oh, J.H.; Xu, W.; Kim, O.; Kim, T.R.; Kang, J.; Y. Kim.; Son, D.; Tok, J.B.; Park, M.J.; Bao, Z. Lee, T.W. "Stretchable Organic Optoelectronic Sensorimotor Synapse" *Science Advances*, 2018, 4 (11), eaat7387,

- (6) Mun, J.; Wang, G.J.N.; Oh, J.H.; Katsumata, T.; Lee, F.; **Kang, J.**; Wu, H.; Lissel, F.; Simon, R.G.; Tok, J.B.; Bao, Z. "Effect of Nonconjugated Spacers on Mechanical Properties of Semiconducting Polymers for Stretchable Transistors," *Advanced Functional Materials* **2018**, 28 (43), 180422
- (5) Kim, Y[†]; Chortos, A[†]; Xu, W[†]; Liu, Yan, X.; Oh, J.H.; Son, D.; **Kang, J.**; Foudeh, A.M.; Zhu, C.; Lee, Y.; Niu, S.; Liu, J.; Pfattner, R.; Bao, Z.; Lee, T.W.; "A Bioinspired Flexible Organic Artificial Afferent Nerve," *Science* **2018**, 360 (6392), 998
- (4) Wang, G.J.N.; Zheng, Y.; Zhang, S.; **Kang, J.**; Wu, H.C.; Gasperini, A.; Zhang, H.; Gu, X.; Bao, Z. "Tuning the Cross-Linker Crystallinity of a Stretchable Polymer Semiconductor," *Chemistry of Materials* **2018**, In press

Doctoral Research

- (3) **Kang, J.**; Miyajima, D.; Mori, T.; Inoue, Y.; Itoh, Y.; Aida, T. "A rational strategy for the realization of chain-growth supramolecular polymerization," *Science* **2015**, 347 (6222), 646 ([Highlighted in Nature chemistry News and view, Science Perspective, and Angewandte chemie Highlight](#))
- (2) **Kang, J.**; Miyajima, D.; Itoh, Y.; Mori, T.; Tanaka, H.; Yamauchi, M.; Inoue, Y.; Harada, S.; Aida, T. "C5-Symmetric Chiral Corannulenes: Desymmetrization of Bowl Inversion Equilibrium via "Intramolecular" Hydrogen-Bonding Network" *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **2014**, 136 (30), 10640.

Undergraduate Research

- (1) Kim, Y.; **Kang, J.**; Shen, B.; Wang, Y.; He, Y.; M, Lee. "Open-Closed Switching Tubular Pores," *Nature Communications* **2015**, 6, 8650

PATENT

- 2019 Bao, Z., **Kang, J.**, Son, D. "Stretchable, Tough, and Self-healing Elastomer and Applications". US Patent Application 16/155,536,
- 2019 Bao, Z., **Kang, J.**, Son, D. Vardoulis, O. "Flexible and self-healing elastomer-based modular electronics and applications thereof". US Patent Application 16/155,592,

SELECTED PRESENTATIONS

- (20) **Kang, J.** "Managing stress in soft electronics" *KAIST*, Jun, **2019**, Daejeon, Korea (*Invited Talk*)
- (19) **Kang, J.** "Managing stress in soft electronics" *Korea Institute of Science and Technology*, Jun, **2019**, Seoul, Korea (*Invited Talk*)
- (18) **Kang, J.** "Managing stress in soft electronics" *UNIST*, Jun, **2019**, Ulsan, Korea (*Invited Talk*)
- (17) **Kang, J.** and Bao, Z. "Tough and Water-Insensitive Self-Healing Elastomer for Soft Electronics" *MRS Spring meeting*, Apr, **2019**, Phoenix, US (*Oral*)
- (16) **Kang, J.** "Precise covalent and non-covalent synthesis for material science," *Yonsei University*, Feb, **2019**, Seoul, Korea (*Invited Talk*)
- (15) **Kang, J.** and Bao, Z. "Integrated Electronic Skins with Stretchability, Self-healability, and Modularity" *MRS Fall meeting*, Nov, **2018**, Boston, US (*Oral*)
- (14) **Kang, J.** "Dynamic and non-dynamic chemical system," *Seoul National University*, Nov, **2018**, Seoul, Korea (*Invited Talk*)
- (13) **Kang, J.** "From precise chemical design to system," *Seoul National University*, Aug, **2018**, Seoul, Korea (*Invited Talk*)
- (12) **Kang, J.** "Soft self-healing electronics," *Korea Institute of Science and Technology*, Sep, **2017**, Seoul, Korea (*Invited Talk*)
- (11) **Kang, J.** "Adding self-healing function to electronics," *RIKEN CEMS*, Jun, **2017**, Tokyo, Japan (*Invited Talk*)
- (10) **Kang, J.** "A rational strategy for the realization of chain-growth supramolecular polymerization," *Reaxys PhD Symposium*, Sep, **2016**, London, UK (*Invited Talk*)

- (9) [Kang, J.](#), Miyajima, D., Aida, T. "Selective synthesis of supramolecular helices from single molecule," *4th International Supramolecular System Symposium (ISSS)*, Jun, **2015**, Changchun, China (Poster)
- (8) [Kang, J.](#), Miyajima, D., Aida, T. "Selective synthesis of supramolecular helices from single molecule," *KCS meeting*, May, **2015**, Seoul, Korea (Oral)
- (7) [Kang, J.](#), Miyajima, D., Aida, T. "A rational strategy for the realization of chain-growth supramolecular polymerization," *CSJ annual meeting*, Mar, **2015**, Tokyo, Japan (Oral)
- (6) [Kang, J.](#), Miyajima, D., Aida, T. "Selective synthesis of supramolecular helices from single molecule," *Gordon Research Conference in Artificial molecular switches and motors*, Jun, **2015**, Tokyo, Japan (Poster)
- (5) [Kang, J.](#) "A rational strategy for the realization of chain-growth supramolecular polymerization," *BASF Rising Star symposium*, Dec, **2014**, Tokyo, Japan (Invited Talk)
- (4) [Kang, J.](#), Miyajima, D., Aida, T. "Selective synthesis of supramolecular helices from single molecule," *ACS meeting*, Jun, **2014**, San Francisco, US (Poster)
- (3) [Kang, J.](#), Miyajima, D., Aida, T. "Enantioselection of C5-sym Corannulene Derivatives via 1D Supramolecular Assemblies," *Gordon Research Conference in Self-assembly and Supramolecular Chemistry*, May, **2014**, Les Diablerets, Switzerland (Poster)
- (2) [Kang, J.](#), Lee, M. "Smart Nanofibers with Switchable Chirality from Self-assembly of Amphiphilic Macrocycles," *CSJ annual meeting*, Mar, **2013**, Tokyo, Japan (Oral)
- (1) [Kang, J.](#), Sohn, B. "Controlled self-assembly of gold nanorods enabled by surface modifications," *SNU Undergraduate Research Symposium*, Dec, **2011**, Seoul, Korea (Poster)

RESEARCH EXPERIENCES

- Nov 2017 – present
Bao Research Group | Stanford University, Stanford, CA, USA
 Postdoctoral researcher (Advisor: Prof. Zhenan Bao)
[Design and Synthesis of Self-Healing Materials and their Soft Electronics Applications](#)
- Jun 2016 – Oct 2017
Bao Research Group | Stanford University, Stanford, CA, USA
 Visiting student researcher (Advisor: Prof. Zhenan Bao)
[Design and Synthesis of Self-Healing Materials and their Soft Electronics Applications](#)
- Feb 2012 – Aug 2017
Aida Laboratory | The University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
 Graduate research assistant (Advisor: Prof. Takuzo Aida)
[Development of controlled supramolecular polymerization](#)
- Feb 2012 – Aug 2017
CEMS | RIKEN, Wako, Japan
 Visiting student researcher (Advisor: Dr. Daigo Miyajima)
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- Jan 2012 – Aug 2012
Center for molecular self-assembly | Seoul National University, Seoul, Korea
 Undergraduate Research Assistant (Advisor: Prof. Myongsoo Lee)
[Synthesis of macromolecules and their dynamic self-assembly in water](#)

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES AND OUTREACH

- Independent Peer Reviewer: Advanced Materials, Small, Organic Electronics
- American Chemical Society (2012 – present), Member
- Materials Science Research (2017 – present), Member