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Education

Ph.D. Metallurgical Engineering University of Utah	2014 Salt Lake City, UT
M.S. Chemical Engineering University of Nevada, Reno	2011 Reno, NV
B.S. Chemical Engineering, Process Control University of Nevada, Reno	2010 Reno, NV

Professional Experience- Academic

Assistant Professor Materials Science and Engineering Department University of Utah Salt Lake City, UT	July 2016-present
U.S. DOE EERE SunShot Postdoctoral Research Associate Metallurgical Engineering Department University of Utah Salt Lake City, UT	Sept 2015-June 2016
Postdoctoral Research Associate Metallurgical Engineering Department University of Utah Salt Lake City, UT	May 2014-Sept 2015
Graduate Research Fellow University of Utah Salt Lake City, UT	Aug 2013-May 2014
Graduate Research Assistant University of Utah Salt Lake City, UT	Aug 2012-July 2013
Research Associate Director, Nanomaterials Characterization Facility Metallurgical Engineering Department University of Utah Salt Lake City, UT	July 2011-July 2012

Research Assistant
Chemical & Materials Engineering Department
University of Nevada, Reno
Reno, NV

Jan 2010-May 2011

Project Associate
National Centre for Catalysis Research
Indian Institute of Technology, Madras
Chennai, Tamilnadu, India

July 2009-Dec 2009

Professional Experience- Non-Academic

Chief Process Engineer
pCO Technologies, LLC
Salt Lake City, UT

Jan 2016-Oct 2017

R&D Engineer
Nanosynth Sensors & Materials
Salt Lake City, UT

Oct 2013-Sept 2015

Alpine Ski Coach
Diamond Peak Ski Education Foundation
Incline Village, NV

Dec 2007-Apr 2011

Engineer Intern
Paiute Pipeline Company
Carson City, NV

May 2006-Aug 2006

Foreman
C.H. Smith Company, Inc.
Charlevoix, MI

June 1998-Aug 2005

Funding, Grants & Contracts

As Principal Investigator

1. Geothermal Energy DLE Prize
 - Amount: \$40,000
 - Status: Prize money, 2021
 - Title: Engineered Lithium-Ion Sieve Technology (E-LIST) for Direct Lithium Extraction and Lithium Hydroxide Production
 - Co-PIs: Michael McKibben, UC Riverside; Greeshma Gadikota, Cornell University; John McLennan, University of Utah
2. U.S. Department of Energy, The REMADE Institute
 - Amount: \$985,106
 - Status: Funded, 2021-2023

- Title: Efficient Purification and Reuse of Carbon Black Recovered from End-of-Life Tires
 - Industry Collaborator: Green Carbon
 - Co-PI: Jeffery Bates, University of Utah
 - Key Personnel: Robert Fox, Idaho National Laboratory
3. University of Utah, CMES-VPR Seed Grant
 - Amount: \$27,500
 - Status: Funded, 2021-2022
 - Title: A Green Process for Recycling Lithium-Ion Batteries
 - Co-PI: H. Y. Sohn, University of Utah
 4. U.S. Department of Energy, The REMADE Institute
 - Amount: \$199,017
 - Status: *Completed*, 2019-2020
 - Title: Demineralization of Carbon Black Derived from of End-of-Life Tires
 - Industry Collaborator: OTR Wheel Engineering & Green Carbon
 - Co-PI: Robert Fox, Idaho National Laboratory
 5. U.S. Department of Energy, Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy, SunShot Initiative
 - Amount: \$105,104
 - Status: *Completed*, 2017-2019
 - Title: Electrodynamic Eddy Current Separation of End-of-Life Solar Panels

As Co-Principal Investigator/Key Personnel

1. U.S. Department of Energy, CORE-CM, PI: Michael Free, University of Utah
 - Project Amount: \$1,500,000
 - i. Co-PI
 - ii. My contribution: \$45,000
 - Title: Transforming Uinta Basin Earth Materials for Advanced Products
 - Status: Funded, 2021-2023
2. U.S. Department of Energy, Basic Energy Science, Energy Frontier Research Center, PI and Director: Darryl Butt, University of Utah
 - Project amount: \$10,750,000
 - i. Key Personnel
 - ii. \$50,000 provided by Darryl Butt
 - Title: Center for Multi-Scale Fluid-Solid Interaction in Architected and Natural Materials (MUSE)
 - Status: Funded, 2018-2022

Peer-Reviewed Journal Publications

2,088 citations, *h-index* = 23, as of 29-Dec. 2021, [Google Scholar Link](#)

**As corresponding author*

1. Pinegar, H; Marthi, R.; Yang, P; **Smith, Y.R.***, Reductive Thermal Treatment of LiCoO₂ from the End-of-Life Lithium-Ion Batteries with Hydrogen, *ACS Sustainable Chemistry & Engineering*, **2021**, 9(22), 7447-7453.

2. Marthi, R.; Asgar, H.; Gadikota, G.; **Smith, Y.R.***, On the Structure and Lithium Adsorption Mechanism of Layered H_2TiO_3 , *ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces*, **2021**, 13(7), 8361-8369.
3. Marthi, R.; **Smith, Y.R.***, Application and limitations of a H_2TiO_3 -Diatomaceous earth composite synthesized from titania slag as a selective lithium adsorbent, *Separation and Purification Technology*, **2021**, 254, 1175800.
4. Bogust, P.; **Smith, Y.R.***, Physical separation and beneficiation of end-of-life photovoltaic panel materials: utilizing temperature swings and particle shape, *JOM*, **2020**, 72(2), 2615-2623.
5. Pinegar, H.; **Smith, Y.R.***, Recycling of End-of-Life Lithium Ion Batteries, Part II: Laboratory Scale Research Developments in Mechanical, Thermal, and Leaching Treatments, *Journal of Sustainable Metallurgy*, **2020**, 6, 142-160.
6. Pinegar, H.; **Smith, Y.R.***, End-of-Life Lithium-Ion Battery Component Mechanical Liberation and Separation, *JOM*, **2019**, 71(12), 4447-4456.
7. Pinegar, H.; **Smith, Y.R.***, Recycling of End-of-Life lithium ion batteries, Part I: Commercial Processes, *Journal of Sustainable Metallurgy*, **2019**, 4, 1-15.
8. Srivastav, A.; Verma, Anuradha; Khan, Saif; **Smith, Y.R.**; Satsangi, Vibha Rani; Shrivastav, Rohit; and Dass, S., Photoelectrochemical water splitting with 600 keV N_2^+ ion irradiated BiVO_4 and BiVO_4/Au photoanodes, *Int. J. Hydrogen Energy*, **2019**, 44(26), 13061-13070.
9. Marthi, R.; **Smith, Y.R.***, Selective recovery of lithium from the Great Salt Lake using lithium manganese oxide-diatomaceous earth composite, *Hydrometallurgy*, **2019**, 186, 115-125.
10. **Smith, Y.R.***; Nagel, J.R.; Rajamani, R.K. Eddy current separation for recovery of non-ferrous metallic particles: A comprehensive review, *Minerals Engineering*, **2019**, 133, 149-159.
11. Srivastav, A.; Kumar, P.; Verma, A.; **Smith, Y.R.**; Satsangi, V.R.; Shrivastav, R.; Waghmare, U.V.; and Dass, S., Experimental and first-principles studies of $\text{BiVO}_4/\text{BiV}_{1-x}\text{Mn}_x\text{O}_{4-y}$ n-n+ homojunction for efficient charge carrier separation in sunlight induced water splitting. *Int. J. Hydrogen Energy*, **2018**, 43(33), 15815-15822.
12. Bhattacharyya, D., Kumar, P., **Smith, Y.R.***, Mohanty, S.K. and Misra, M., Plasmonic-enhanced electrochemical detection of volatile biomarkers with gold functionalized TiO_2 nanotube arrays. *Journal of Materials Science & Technology*, **2018** 34(6), 905-913.
13. **Smith, Y.R.***; Kumar, P.; McLennan, J.D., On the Extraction of Rare Earth Elements from Geothermal Brines, *Resources*, **2017**, 6(3), 39-55. (Invited Article)

14. Bhattacharyya D.; Kumar P.; Mohanty S.K.; **Smith Y.R.**; Misra M., Detection of Four Distinct Volatile Indicators of Colorectal Cancer using Functionalized Titania Nanotubular Arrays, *Sensors*, **2017**, *17*(8), 1795-1810.
15. Kumar P.; Mohanty S.K.; Guruswamy S.; **Smith Y.R.**; Misra M., Detection of Food Decay Products using Functionalized One-Dimensional Titania Nanotubular Arrays, *IEEE Sensors Letters*, **2017**, *1*(4), 4500704.
16. **Smith, Y.R.***; Bhattacharyya, D.; Willhard, T.; Misra, M. Adsorption of Aqueous Rare Earth Elements using Carbon Black Derived From Recycled Tires, *Chem. Eng. J.*, **2016**, *269*, 102-111.
17. **Smith, Y.R.**; Bhattacharyya, D.; Mohanty, S.K.; Misra, M. Anodic Functionalization of Titania Nanotube Arrays for the Electrochemical Detection of Tuberculosis Biomarker Vapors, *J. Electrochem. Soc.*, **2016**, *163*, B1-B7.
18. Bhattacharyya, D.; **Smith, Y.R.**; Mohanty, S.K.; Misra, M. Titania Nanotube Array Biosensor for Electrochemical Detection of Four Predominate Tuberculosis Volatile Biomarkers, *J. Electrochem. Soc.* **2016**, *163*, B206-B214.
19. Jayamohan, H; **Smith, Y.R.**; Misra, M.; Mohanty, S.K.; Gale, B.K. Photocatalytic Microfluid Reactors Utilizing Titania Nanotubes on Titanium Mesh for Degradation of Organic and Biological Contaminates, *J. Environ. Chem. Eng.*, **2016**, *4*, 657-663.
20. **Smith, Y.R.***; Heermance, D.; Smith, R.N. Photo-Effects on The Viscosity of Titania Nanoparticle Suspensions in Conducting and Insulating Medium, *Korea-Aust. Rheol. J.*, **2016**, *28*, 51-54.
21. Gakhar, R.; **Smith, Y.R.**; Misra, M.; Chidambaram, D. Photoelectric performance of TiO₂ nanotube array photoelectrodes sensitized with CdS_{0.54}Se_{0.46} quantum dots, *Appl. Sur. Sci.*, **2015**, *355*, 1279-1288.
22. Sarma, B.; Jurovitzki, A.; Ray, R.S.; **Smith, Y.R.**; Mohanty, S.K.; Misra, M. Electrochemical capacitance of iron oxide nanotube (Fe-NT): effect of annealing atmospheres, *Nanotechnology*, **2015**, *26*, 265401.
23. Saraswatt, P.K.; **Smith, Y.R.**; Free, M.L.; Misra, M. Duality in Resistance Switching Behavior of TiO₂-Cu₂ZnSnS₄ Device, *ECS J. Solid State Sci. Technol.*, **2015**, *4*(8), Q1-Q9.
24. Jayamohan, H; **Smith, Y.R.**; Gale, B.K.; Mohanty, S.K.; Misra, M. Titania Nanotube Array Based Microfluidic Device for Photocatalytic Applications: Experiment and Simulation, *Appl. Catal. B: Environ.*, **2015**, *174*, 167-175.
25. Bhattacharyya, D.; **Smith, Y.R.**; Misra, M.; Mohanty, S.K. Electrochemical detection of methyl nicotinate biomarker using functionalized titania nanotube arrays, *Mater. Res. Express*, **2015**, *2*, 025002.

26. Chappanda, K.N.; **Smith, Y.R.**; Mohanty, S.K.; Rieth, L.W.; Tathireddy, P.; Misra, M. Effect of Sputtering Parameters on the Morphology of TiO₂ nanotubes synthesized on Si substrate, *IEEE Trans. Nanotechnology*, **2014**, *14*, 18-25.
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28. **Smith, Y.R.**; Gakhar, R.; Merwin, A.; Mohanty, S.K.; Chidambaram, D.; Misra, M. Anodic Titania Nanotube Arrays Sensitized with Mn- or Co-Doped CdS Nanocrystals, *Electrochim. Acta*, **2014**, *135*, 503-512.
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30. **Smith, Y.R.** and Sohn, H.Y. Application of Additive-Reaction-Times Law to the Mixed-Control Kinetics of Oxygen Leaching of Chalcopyrite, *Hydrometallurgy*, **2014**, *146*, 164-168.
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35. **Smith, Y.R.**; Sarma, B.; Mohanty, S.K.; Misra, M., Single-Step Anodization for Synthesis of Hierarchical TiO₂ Nanotube Arrays on Foil and Wire Substrate for Enhanced Photoelectrochemical Water Splitting, *Int. J. Hydrogen Energ.*, **2013**, *38*, 2062-2069.
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39. Chappanda, K.N.; **Smith, Y.R.**; Mohanty, S.K.; Rieth, L.W.; Tathireddy, P.; Misra, M. Growth and characterization of TiO₂ nanotubes from sputtered Ti film on Si substrate, *Nano. Res. Lett.*, **2012**, 7, 388. (Rated 'Highly Accessed' by SpringerOpen)
40. Sarma, B.; **Smith, Y.R.**; Mohanty, S.K., Misra, M. Electrochemical Deposition of CdO on Anodized TiO₂ Nanotube Arrays for Enhanced Photoelectrochemical Properties, *Mater. Lett.*, **2012**, 85, 33-36.
41. **Smith, Y.R.**; Sarma, B.; Mohanty, S.K., Misra, M. Formation of TiO₂-WO₃ Nanotubular Composite via Single-Step Anodization and its Application in Photoelectrochemical Hydrogen Generation, *Electrochem. Commun.*, **2012**, 19, 131-134.
42. **Smith, Y.R.** and Subramanian, V., A new flexible quantum dot solar cell: heterostructural TiO₂ Mesh- TiO₂ nanoparticles photosensitized with CdS. *J. Phys Chem C*, **2011**, 115, 7889-7886.
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49. **Smith, Y.R.**; Kar, A; Subramanian, V. Investigation of physicochemical parameters that influence photocatalytic degradation of methyl orange over TiO₂ nanotubes. *Ind. Eng. Chem. Res.* **2009**, 48, 10268-10276.
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Conference Proceedings/Publications

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2. Marthi, R. and **Smith, Y.R.**, 2020. Selective Lithium Recovery from Brines Using Hydrothermally Treated Titania Slag. In *Rare Metal Technology 2020* (pp. 47-56). Springer, Cham.
3. Pinegar, H. and **Smith, Y.R.**, 2020. Mechanical Beneficiation of End-of-Life Lithium-Ion Battery Components. In *Energy Technology 2020: Recycling, Carbon Dioxide Management, and Other Technologies* (pp. 259-267). Springer, Cham.
4. Marthi, R. and **Smith, Y.R.**, 2018, Recovery of lithium from Great Salt Lake brine. In *Extraction 2018*, 2695-2705.
5. **Smith, Y.R.** and Bogust, P., 2018, March. Review of Solar Silicon Recycling. In *TMS Annual Meeting & Exhibition* (pp. 463-470). Springer, Cham.
6. Marti, R. and **Smith, Y.R.**, 2018, March. Recovery of Lithium from Brine with MnO₂ Nanowire Ion Sieve Composite. In *TMS Annual Meeting & Exhibition* (pp. 209-214). Springer, Cham.
7. **Smith Y.R.**; Nagel J.R.; Rajamani R.K., Electrodynamic Eddy Current Separation of End-of-Life PV Materials. In, *Energy Technology 2017*, Springer International Publishing, **2017**, 379-386.
8. **Smith, Y.R.**; Chappanda, K.N.; Mohanty, S.K.; Misra, M. TiO₂-WO₃ Nanotubular Composite Synthesized by Anodization of Simultaneous Multi-Target Sputtered Thin Films Characterized by Laser Ablation ICP-MS, *ECS Trans.*, **2014**, *58*, 115-124.
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Book Chapters

1. **Smith, Y.R.**; Subramanian, V.; Viswanathan, B. Photo-electrochemical and Photo-catalytic Conversion of Carbon Dioxide. In *Photo-Electrochemistry & Photo-Biology for the Sustainability*; Kaneco, S., Viswanathan, B., Katsumata, H., Eds.; Union Press: Osaka, Japan, 2012; Volume 1, pp. 155–182.

Academic Publications

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2. **Smith, Y.R.**, Physicochemical and Geometrical Factors that Influences the Photocatalytic Degradation Kinetics of a Model Water Contaminant, M.S. Thesis, University of Nevada, Reno, **2011**.

Featured/Highlights/Media

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Manuscripts In-press/Under Review/Under Preparation

1. Marthi, R.; **Smith, Y.R.***, Role of stacking faults and hydroxyl groups on the lithium adsorption/desorption properties of layered H₂TiO₃ (under review)
2. **Smith, Y.R.***, Lithium: Resources, Recovery, and Recycling (under preparation).

Oral & Poster Presentations

1. **Smith, Y.R.** “Direct Lithium Extraction from Complex Brines” *Invited*, Baker Hughes, (via Teams), 12-Jan-2022
2. **Smith, Y.R.** “Efficient Purification of Carbon Black Recovered from End-of-Life Tires for Reuse” *Invited*, REMADE Institute Webinar Series, (via zoom), 21-Jul-2021.
3. **Smith, Y.R.** "Lithium: Resources, Recovery, and Recycling" *Invited*, 2019-2020 SME Henry Krumb Lecturer, Presented at the SME Twin Cities Section (via zoom). 21-Jan-2021.
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6. Marthi, R.; **Smith, Y.R.** "Carbon Black from Waste Tires: Purification Strategies and Recycle Potential" Presented at TMS Annual Meeting & Exhibition 2020, San Diego, CA 25-Feb-2020.
7. Marthi, R.; **Smith, Y.R.** "Selective Lithium Recovery from Brines using Hydrothermally Treated Titania Slag" Presented at TMS Annual Meeting & Exhibition 2020, San Diego, CA 24-Feb-2020.
8. Pinegar, H.; **Smith, Y.R.** "Mechanical Beneficiation of End-of-Life Lithium-Ion Battery Components" Presented at TMS Annual Meeting & Exhibition 2020, San Diego, CA 26-Feb-2020.
9. Pinegar, H.; **Smith, Y.R.** "An Overview of the Recycling Processes and Technologies for Spent Lithium Ion Batteries" Presented at TMS Annual Meeting & Exhibition 2018, San Antonio, TX. 12-Mar-2019.
10. **Smith, Y.R.** "Lithium: Resources, Recovery, and Recycling" Presented at the Annual SME Meeting 2019, Denver, CO. 26-Feb-2019.
11. Bogust, P.; **Smith, Y.R.**, "Comminution and Separation of Photovoltaic Panel Materials for Recycling" presented at TMS Annual Meeting & Exhibition 2018, Phoenix, AZ. 14-Mar-2018.
12. Marthi, R.; **Smith, Y.R.** "Recovery of Lithium from Brine with MnO₂ nanowire ion sieve composite" presented at TMS Annual Meeting & Exhibition 2018, Symposium on Rare Metal Extraction & Processing. Phoenix, AZ 13-Mar-2018.
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14. **Smith, Y.R.**; Bogust, P.; Rajamani, R.K., *Invited* Poster "Comminution and Electrodynamic Eddy Current Separation Studies of End-of-Life Photovoltaic Materials" Presented at the IEEE Photovoltaic Specialists Conference 2017, Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, Washington D.C., 28-Jun-2017
15. **Smith, Y.R.**; Nagel, J.R.; Rajamani, R.K., "Electrodynamic Eddy Current Separation of End-of-Life PV Materials" Presented at the 2017 TMS Annual Meeting, San Diego Convention Center, San Diego, CA, 02-Mar-2017.
16. **Smith, Y.R.** "Anodic Synthesis, Functionalization, and Applications of Metal Oxide Nanotube Arrays" Presented at the 2017 TMS Annual Meeting, San Diego Convention Center, San Diego, CA, 01-Mar-2017.

17. **Smith, Y.R.** “Anodic Titania Nanotubes Under the Sun: Clean Water, Make Fuels, and Detect Disease” *Invited* Presented at Fort Lewis College, Durango, CO, 14-Nov.-2016
18. **Smith, Y.R.** “Lithium: Recovery, Resources, and Recycling” Presented at the University of Utah, Metallurgical Engineering Department Graduate Seminar, Salt Lake City, UT, 21-Sept-2016.
19. Werner, J. and **Smith, Y.R.** “Alternative Pathways for Engineering Education for the 21st Century” Presented at the University of Utah, Chemical Engineering and Metallurgical Engineering Department Graduate Seminar, Salt Lake City, UT, 10-Feb-2016.
20. **Smith, Y.R.** and Misra, M. “Photocatalytic Microfluidic Reactors Utilizing Titania Nanotubes for Degradation of Organic and Biological Contaminates” *Invited*, Presented at the Energy, Materials, and Nanotechnology Meeting on Photocatalysis, New York New York Casino, Las Vegas, NV, 22-Nov-2015.
21. **Smith, Y.R.**; Bhattacharyya, B.; Misra, M. “Adsorption of Aqueous Rare Earth Elements Onto Pyrolyzed Recycled Tires” Presented at the 2015 AIChE Annual Meeting, Salt Palace Convention Center, Salt Lake City, UT, 12-Nov-2015.
22. **Smith, Y.R.**; Jayamohan, H.; Misra, M. “Photocatalytic Degradation and Microbial Inactivation Utilizing Titania Nanotube Arrays in a Microfluidic Format” Presented at the 2015 AIChE Annual Meeting, Salt Palace Convention Center, Salt Lake City, UT, 09-Nov-2015.
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25. **Smith, Y.R.**; Jayamohan, H.; Hansen, L.; Mohanty, S.K.; Gale, B.K., Misra, M.; “Microfluidic Photocatalytic Device Utilizing Anodized Titania Nanotube Arrays: Application and Simulation Validation” Presented at the 227th Electrochemical Society Meeting, The Hilton Chicago, Chicago, IL, 26-May-2015.
26. Bhattacharyya, B.; **Smith, Y.R.**; Mohanty, S.K.; Misra, M. “Electrochemical Detection of Four Prominent Tuberculosis Biomarkers Using Functionalized Titania Nanotube Array Sensing Platform” Presented at the 227th Electrochemical Society Meeting, The Hilton Chicago, Chicago, IL, 26-May-2015.
27. **Smith, Y.R.** “Functionalized 1D Titania Nanotube Arrays: A Volatile Organic Sensing Platform” *Invited*, Chemical & Materials Engineering Department Seminar, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, NV, 23-Sept-2014

28. **Smith, Y.R.** “What’s in our Breath?” *Invited*, TEDxReno, Lear Theater, Reno, NV, 06-June-2014 (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oIPsn0nJdRE>.)
29. **Smith, Y.R.** and Misra, M. “Self-Ordering Titania Nanotube Arrays formed via Electrochemical Anodization” *Invited*, National Centre for Catalysis Research, Indian Institute of Technology-Madras, Chennai, India, 26-Dec-2013.
30. **Smith, Y.R.** and Misra, M. “Effect of Mn or Co Coping on the Photoelectrochemical Responses of CdS Sensitized Titania anotubular Arrays” Presented at the International Union of Materials Research Societies Meeting- International Conference Asia (IUMRS-ICA), J.N. Tata National Science Complex, Bangalore, India, 20-Dec-2013.
31. **Smith, Y.R.;** Kim, Y.; Mohanty, S.K.; Misra, M. “Point-of-Care Detection of Volatile Organic Compound Biomarkers from *Mycobacterium tuberculosis* by Breath Analysis Using Self-Organizing Titania Nanotube Arrays” Presented at the International Union of Materials Research Societies Meeting- International Conference Asia (IUMRS-ICA), J.N. Tata National Science Complex, Bangalore, India, 16-Dec-2013.
32. **Smith, Y.R.;** Chappanda, K.N.; Mohanty, S.K.; Misra, M. “TiO₂-WO₃ Nanotubular Composite Synthesized by Anodization of Simultaneous Multi-target Sputtered Thin Films Characterized by Laser Ablation ICP-MS” Presented at the 224th Electrochemical Society Meeting, Oxide Films: Symposium in Honor of Clive Clayton on his 65th Birthday, The Hilton San Francisco Hotel, San Francisco, CA, 30-Oct-2013
33. **Smith, Y.R.;** Sarma, B.; Jurovitzki, A.L.; Mohanty, S.K.; Misra, M. “Titania Nanotube Array/Bismuth Oxide Interfacial Capacitance Electrode” Presented at the 224th Electrochemical Society Meeting, The Hilton San Francisco Hotel, San Francisco, CA, 30-Oct-2013
34. **Smith, Y.R.;** Gakhar, R.; Chidambaram, D.; Misra, M. “Doped Quantum Dot Sensitized Photoelectrochemical Cell for Enhanced Solar Fuel Generation” Poster presented at the 8th Annual NanoUtah Conference, University of Utah, Salt Lake City, UT, 19-Oct-2013
35. Chidambaram, D; Misra, M.; **Smith, Y.R.** “Photoelectrochemical Generation of Hydrogen from Water Using Nanotube-Based Semiconductor Systems for Improved Visible Light Activity” Poster Presentation at the U.S. Department of Energy Hydrogen Program Review, Marriott Hotel, Arlington, VA, 16-May 2013
36. **Smith, Y.R.** “Solar Energy Conversion & Storage: Small Materials and Big Ideas” Presented at the Metallurgical Engineering Seminar Series, University of Utah, 30-Jan-2013.
37. Misra, M.; **Smith, Y.R.;** Chidambaram, D. “Photoelectrochemical Generation of Hydrogen from Water Using Nanotube-Based Semiconductor Systems for Improved Visible Light Activity” Poster presented at the U.S. Department of Energy Hydrogen Program Review, Marriott Hotel, Arlington, VA, 15-May 2012.
38. Chappanda, K.N.; **Smith, Y.R.;** Mohanty, S.K.; Reith, L.W.; Tathireddy, P.; Misra, M. “Growth and characterization of TiO₂ nanotubes from sputtered Ti film on Si substrate” Poster

presentation at 8th International Conference on Porous Semiconductors- Science and Technology, Malaga, Spain, 27-Mar 2012.

39. **Smith, Y.R.**; Sarma, B.; Mohanty, S.K., Misra, M. “Formation of TiO₂-WO₃ Nanotubular Composite via Single-Step Anodization and its Application in Photoelectrochemical Hydrogen Generation” *Invited* presentation at the 243rd American Chemical Society National Meeting & Exposition, San Diego Conference Center, San Diego, CA, 25-Mar 2012.
40. Misra, M; Mohanty, S.K.; **Smith, Y.R.**, “Functionalized 1D TiO₂ Nanotubes for Chemical and Diagnostic Sensors” Presented at the 7th Annual NanoUtah Conference, Hilton City Center, Salt Lake City, UT, 14-Oct 2011.
41. **Smith, Y.R.** and Subramanian, V., “Photocatalytic Degradation of Methyl Orange Using Hydrothermally Synthesized Bismuth Titanate (Bi₁₂TiO₂₀).” Presented at the 219th Electrochemical Society Meeting, The Palais des Congres de Montreal, Montreal Canada, 03-May 2011.
42. **Smith, Y. R.**; Murugesan, S.; Subramanian, V., “Hydrothermal synthesis of Bi₁₂TiO₂₀ nanostructures using anodized TiO₂ and its applications.” Presented at the 218th Electrochemical Society Meeting, Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas, NV, 13-Oct. 2010.
43. **Smith, Y.R.** “Let the Sun do All the Work” Presented at AIChE UNR student chapter, University of Nevada, Reno, Nevada. Nov 2008.
44. **Smith, Y.R.**; Patel, J; Smith, K. “Investigation on Process Design and Development of Industrial Scale Synthesis of Single-walled Carbon Nanotubes”. Presented at the NASA-Ames National Research Center, Moffett Field, California. 02-May 2008.
45. **Smith, Y.R.** “Electrochemically assisted photocatalytic degradation of methyl orange using anodized titanium dioxide nanotubes” Presented at Nevada Undergraduate Research Symposium, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, Nevada. 17-Apr-2008.
46. **Smith, Y.R.** “Advanced Inorganic Materials: Development of Photovoltaic and Photocatalytic Systems.” Presented at AIChE UNR student chapter, University of Nevada, Reno, Reno, Nevada. 12-Oct 2007.

Teaching Experience

Instructor

MET E 7910: Adv Computational Methods in Met. Eng. (2 credits) Metallurgical Engineering Department University of Utah	Fall 2018
MET E 5760/6760: Process Design & Economics I (4 credits) Metallurgical Engineering Department University of Utah	Spring 2017-2022
MET E 5760/6760: Process Design & Economics II (3 credits)	Spring 2021-2022

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MET E 3610: Metallurgical Engineering Thermodynamics I (3 credits) Spring 2019-2022
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MET E 3500: Fluid Flow (2 credits + 1 credit lab) Spring 2017-2018
Metallurgical Engineering Department
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MET E 3220: Material & Energy Balances (2 credits) Fall 2016-2017
Metallurgical Engineering Department
University of Utah

MET E 3200: Computational Methods in Met. Eng. (3 credits) Fall 2018-2019
Metallurgical Engineering Department
University of Utah

MET E 1001: Renewable Energy (3 credits) Spring 2015-2016
Metallurgical Engineering Department
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Awards, Fellowships & Certifications

- Henry Krumb Lecturer 2019-2020, Society of Mining, Metallurgy & Exploration
- U.S. DOE EERE SunShot Postdoctoral Research Award, 2015-2016
- Nevada State Board Engineer Intern (FE exam pass, EI#: 0T5730)

Service Activities

- Associate Editor, *Mining, Metallurgy & Exploration*, 2019-present
- Strategic Advisory Committee, The REMADE Institute, 2019- present
- Mineral Processing Division Scholarship Committee, Member (2019-2020), Chair, 2021-2022)
- Accreditation & Curriculum Issues Subcommittee, SME, 2019-2020
- Mineral Industry Education Award Committee, Mineral Processing Division, SME, 2019

University/College/Department Service & Committees

- Assessment Advisory Board, Member, University of Utah (2021-)
- Allocation Committee Member, Sustainable Campus Initiative Fund, University of Utah (2017-2019)
- IT Committee- College of Mines and Earth Sciences (2018-)
- CMES Proposal Review Committee- College of Mines and Earth Sciences (2021-2022)
- Graduate Admission Committee- Metallurgical Engineering Program (2017-2021)
- ABET Program Coordinator- Metallurgical Engineering Program (2016-2021)
- Curriculum Committee- Department of Materials Science & Engineering (2017-)

- Faculty Search Committee- Department of Materials Science & Engineering (2021-2022)
- Contributed and participated in numerous college and department outreach activities (e.g., Science Day and Engineering Day, lab tours and open houses)

Organizing Committee of Conferences/Chairing Sessions

- SME 2019-2020, Industrial Minerals & Aggregates: Energy and Critical Minerals, Co-Chair
- TMS 2017-2019, Solar Silicon Symposium, Co-Chair

Student Advising

Current Students

Padma Krishnakumar (Ph.D. student, Metallurgical Engineering)

Rahul Kumar Singh, co-advising, (Ph.D. student, Metallurgical Engineering)

Peilin Yang (M.S., Metallurgical Engineering)

Benjamin Schroeder, Crus Scholar (undergraduate, Metallurgical Engineering)

Former Graduate Students Advised

Raja Marthi (Ph.D., Metallurgical Engineering, 2021), Queen's University (postdoc)

Haruka Pinegar (Ph.D., Metallurgical Engineering, 2020), Argonne National Laboratory (postdoc)

Raja Marthi (M.S., Metallurgical Engineering, 2018)

Pamela Bogust (M.S., Metallurgical Engineering, 2018), Varex Imaging (R&D Engineer)

Former Undergraduate Students Advised

Ruben Ochoa, Honors Thesis, Crus Scholar (Metallurgical Engineering)

Tanner Livingston, Crus Scholar (Metallurgical Engineering)

John Kaman, NSF-REU (Materials Science & Engineering, Iowa State University)

Vincent He, NSF-REU (Chemical Engineering, UC Santa Barbara)

Former Visiting Scholars and Scientists

Anupam Srivastav, Dayalbagh Educational Institute, India, visiting PhD student supported by the Bhaskara Advanced Solar Energy (BASE) Fellowship Program

Advisory Committees

Amr Abdelghany (Ph.D., Metallurgical Engineering, 2018)

Veeran Babu Atluri (Ph.D., Metallurgical Engineering, 2019)

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Rahul Sarkar (Ph.D., Metallurgical Engineering, 2019)
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Erik Sunberg (M.S., Metallurgical Engineering, 2017)
Manish Wasnik (Ph.D., Metallurgical Engineering, 2020)
Joshua Werner (Ph.D., Metallurgical Engineering, 2017)
Chenguang Yang (Ph.D., Metallurgical Engineering)
Chao Zhang (Ph.D., Metallurgical Engineering, 2019)
Huan Zhang (Ph.D., Metallurgical Engineering, 2020)
Zongliang Zhang (Ph.D., Metallurgical Engineering, 2020)