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#### **EDUCATION**

**2012-Progress** Philosophy of Doctorate (PhD) İzmir Institute of

Technology, Department of Chemical Engineering

Thesis: "Production of Value Added Chemicals under Sub-critical

Water Conditions" (Supervisor: Assist. Prof. Aslı Yüksel Özşen)

2009-2012 Master of Science (MSc) İzmir Institute of Technology, Department

of Engineering

**Thesis:** Effect of Organo-Modified Clay Addition on Properties of Polyhydroxy Butyrate Homo and Copolymers Nanocomposite Films

(Supervisor: Prof. Funda Tıhmınlıoğlu)

### **Research Assistant in the projects:**

"Preparation and Characterization of Poly (3-Hydroxybutyrate) Homo and Copolymer with Valerite's Nanocomposite Films", with Prof. Funda Tıhmınlıoğlu, Onur Gökbulut and Burcu Kaya (students), IZTECH, 2010 Spring

"Measurement of Barrier Properties of Epoxy/Polyester and Polyester Films For Powder Coating Applications" with Prof. Funda Tıhmınlıoğlu, Sinem Bostancı, Esengül İlhan 2010 spring, AKZO NOBEL, IZTECH,

"Investigation of Effect of Inorganic and Organic Reinforced PCL Composite Films on Crystallization Kinetics" with Prof. Dr. Devrim Balköse, Assoc. Prof. Serap Cesur, 2012 spring. IZTECH

2004-2009 Bachelor of Science (BS) İzmir Institute of Technology, Faculty of

Engineering, Department of Chemical Engineering

(Instructional language is English)

**Graduation Project:** Lipase Enzyme Immobilization by Different Techniques and Their Activity in Olive Oil Hydrolysis (*Advisor:* 

Prof. Dr .Selahattin Yılmaz)

2001-2004 İzmir Buca Anatolian High School (Instructional language is English)

1997-2001 Bilecik Anatolian High School (Instructional language is English)

#### **EXPERINCE**

**12.2010- present** Research Assistant, Chemical Engineering Department, İzmir Institute

of Technology

## **Teaching Assistant in the courses:**

**Engineering Design** 

Process Dynamics and Control

Chemical Engineering Laboratory I

Chemical Engineering Laboratory III

Thermodynamics I

Chemical Design and Reactor Design

Mathematical Modeling in Engineering

**01.2012-09.2012** Scholarship Graduate Student 110M157 Project-Investigation of Effect

of Inorganic and Organic Reinforced PCL Composite Films on

**Crystallization Kinetics** 

**02.2010- 12.2011** Scholarship Graduate Student-108M335 Project-Protection of marble

surfaces by using biodegradable polymers nanocomposites- The

Scientific and Technological Research Council of Turkey

**07.2008- 10.2008** Erasmus Internship Program, University of Alicante – Chemical

Engineering Department, Spain

**08.2007- 09.2007** Internship, Petkim Petrochemical Holding Corp., İzmir

**09.2006-09.2006** Researcher, European Researchers' Nights, İzmir

#### **PUBLICATIONS**

H. Oguzlu, O. Ozcalik, O. Akin, F. Tihminlioglu, "Biodegradable Polymer Layered Silicate Nanocomposites and Developments in their Food Packaging Applicatons (Biyobozunur Polimer Tabakalı Silikat Nanokompozitler ve Gıda Ambalajı Uygulamaları Konusundaki Gelismeler), Turkish Plastics Association (PAGEV) Journal of Plastics (Sector Journal), December 2010O.Akin, I.Kocabas, E.Gil, J.C. Garcia Queseda "Study of The Procesability of PVC Plastisols Containing a Poly (Hydroxybutyrate-Valerate) Copolymer), Journal of Vinyl and Additive Technology March 2012

#### **PRESENTATIONS**

#### **Oral Presentations**

- O. Akin, F. Tihminlioglu, "Temperature Dependency of Water Vapor Permeability of Polyhydroxybutyrate /OMMT Nanocomposite Films", 10<sup>th</sup> National Chemical Engineering Congress, Koç University-İstanbul, 2012
- O. Ozcalik, H. Oguzlu, O. Akin, F. Tihminlioglu, "*Biodegradable polymer nanocomposite coatings for barrier applications*", European Coatings Conference "Biobased Coatings II", Berlin Germany, 10 11 February 2011
- O.Akin, F. Tihminlioglu, "Preparation and Characterization of Polyhydroxybutyrate (PHB) Nanocomposite Films", 2<sup>nd</sup> Polymeric Composites Symposium-Exhibition And Brokerage Event (International Participation), İzmir Turkey, 26-28 October 2010
- O.Akin, I.Kocabas, E.Gil, J.C. Garcia Queseda "Study of The Procesability of PVC Plastisols Containing Poly (Hydroxybutyrate-Valerate) Copolymer), Renewable Resources and Biorefineries 5, ICC Ghent-Belgium, June, 10-12, 2009

#### **Poster Presentations**

- O. Akin, Funda Tihminlioglu, "Temperature Dependency of Water Vapor Permeability of Polyhydroxy Butyrate Nanocomposite Films", Poster Presentation,9<sup>th</sup> European Congress of Chemical Engineering ,Den Haag, Netherland, 2013
- O. Akin, Funda Tihminlioglu, "Effect of Organo-Modified Clay Addition on Crystallization Kinetics of Polyhydroxy Butyrate Nanocomposite Films", Poster Presentation,3<sup>th</sup> Polymeric Composites Symposium-Exhibition And Brokerage Event (International Participation), İzmir Turkey, 2012

- O. Akin, Funda Tihminlioglu, "Eco-Friendly Biodegradable Nanocomposite Films and Coatings", Poster Presentation, 2<sup>nd</sup> R&D Project Market, İstanbul, Turkey, 2012
  - H. Oguzlu, O. Akin, F. Tihminlioglu, "Food Packaging Application of Biodegradable Poly(hydroxybutyrate) and Polylactade Nanocomposites", Poster Presentation ,1 <sup>th</sup> Ege R&D and Technology Days, İzmir Turkey, 1-3 December 2010
  - O.Akin, F. Tihminlioglu, "Preparation and Characterization of Polyhydroxybutyrate (PHB) Nanocomposite Films", 2<sup>nd</sup> Polymeric Composites Symposium-Exhibition And Brokerage Event (International Participation), İzmir Turkey, 26-28 October 2010
  - O.Akin, F. Tihminlioglu, *Preparation and Characterization of Poly (3-Hydroxybutyrate) Homo and Copolymer with Valerite's Nanocomposite Films*, Poster Presentation, 6<sup>th</sup> NanoTR-Nanoscience and Nanotechnology Conference, İzmir Turkey,15-18 June 2010
- O.Akin, K. Za, S. Yılmaz, "Lipase Enzyme Immobilization by Different Techniques and Their Activity in Olive Oil Hydrolysis" NCC-3 Third National Catalysis Conference, Zonguldak Karaelmas University, April 28- May1, 2010

### **INSTRUMENS**

Water Vapor Permeation Instrument, PERMATRAN-W® Model 3/33 Plus, Mocon

Attension Theta Optical Tensiometer, KSV Instruments

Thermofisher Twin Screw Extruder

Haake Rheomixer

Texture analyzer (TA XT Plus)

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

"Eco-Friendly Biodegradable Polymer Nanocomposite Films and Coatings For Food Packing Applications", North Star Innovation, 2<sup>nd</sup> Finalist Project, 2013

'NCC-3 Third National Catalysis Conference Poster Competition - First Degree Award-2010

**Subject:** Lipase Enzyme Immobilization by Different Techniques and Their Activity in Olive Oil Hydrolysis

### **FOREGEIN LANGUAGES**

English: Advanced written/verbal communication and reporting skills

German: B-1 Level

Deutsche Akademie für Sprachen (DAS)

### **MEMBERSHIPS & RESPONSILITIES**

Member of Union of Chambers of Turkish Engineers and Architects - Chamber of Chemical Engineers

### **INTEREST**

Member of a music band in which I am playing electro guitar. Spear hunting in sea.

#### **REFERENCES**

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