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EDUCATION

PhD, Physics and Mathematics, Kazan State University (KSU), Russia 1988

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Dr. Konstantin Kornev graduated from the Department of Mechanics and Mathematics at Kazan State University (KSU) in Russia in 1988. From 1988 until 1990, he worked at the Institute of Mechanics and Mathematics at KSU. In 1990 he has been invited to join the Institute for Problems in Mechanics, RAS, the leading institution of the Russian Academy of Sciences in the field of mechanics. While at RAS, he worked as an Associate Professor of Physics at the University of Aircraft Technology in Moscow. In 2000, he joined the Textile Research Institute in Princeton, NJ. Since August of 2006 he is the Associate Professor in the School of Materials Science and Engineering in Clemson University, SC.

EXPERIENCE

Dr. Kornev is an expert in Hele-Shaw flows, flows through porous media, phase transitions in forced flows, flow and rheology of complex fluids, and micro and nanofluidics. He has written a monograph on the subject of foams in porous media and has authored more than 60 technical papers

Dr. Kornev has a Postdoctoral position open in his applied physics/nanofluidics group.

Description of Research Opportunities

Micro and Nanofluidics Lab, School of Materials Science & Engineering
Clemson University, SC

Field-controlled manipulation of minute amount of liquids in fiber-based nanofluidics

One research associate/post-doctoral position is available immediately to work on a 4-year program on field-controlled manipulation of microdroplets. The program is focused on development of fundamental principles of liquid/solid interactions at micro and nanoscales in the presence of electro-magnetic fields. The candidates are expected to be familiar with flow imaging, optical diagnostics, and basic techniques of physico-chemical fluid mechanics. BS or MS students with background in physics, mechanics, chemical engineering, materials science & engineering, or applied mathematics are encouraged to apply for PhD student positions. We are looking for dynamic and active researchers interested in working with a strong team of graduate students in the state-of-the-art Micro and Nanofluidics Lab. Currently, the group consists of 7 PhD students and two post doctoral fellows with background in physics, mechanical engineering, and materials science. The environment of the School of Materials Science & Engineering at Clemson University is friendly and welcoming for researchers looking for broadening their knowledge, expertise, and growth potential.

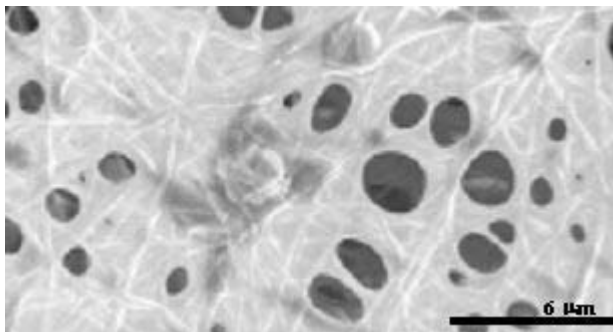
To apply:

Any questions and applications should be directed to Dr. Konstantin Kornev kkornev@clemson.edu and should include your CV and goal statement.

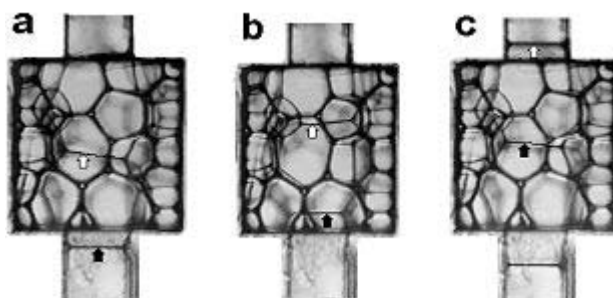
RESEARCH

His current research activities focus on engineering new micro- and nano-fluidic systems with conduits made of micro and nanofibers. Development of fiber-based micro-and nano-fluidics cannot be done without a strong basic research addressing the problems of fiber manufacturing, the problems of controlled manipulation and transport of micro-quantities of fluids through fibrous structures. Driven by the idea to speed up the liquid transport in fluidic devices, the research explores a new method of droplet manipulation by using conduits formed by fiber rails. In these conduits, the droplet dispersion and coalescence is controlled by changing the inter-fiber spacing. Compared to conventional microchannel designs, the fiber-based conduits significantly reduce the viscous drag and can be constructed from available microfibers of different cross-sectional shapes. Currently, the approach is extended on “shaped microfibers”, electrospun nanofibers, and available nanotubes. The proposed concepts are also studied in applications to fiber-based micro-and nanofluidics for drug nanoencapsulation and delivery, for biosensors and for nanorheological devices to probe liquids from secretory glands and from microorganisms.

Nanowebs as templates to produce new materials:



Nanofoam



Mechanism of lamella motion through micro- and nano-channels

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