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**Nationality:** Iranian  
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## Educational Background

**2009 - 2013** Amirkabir University of Technology (AUT), Tehran, Iran  
**Ph.D.** Chemical Engineering  
GPA: 18.32/20  
Dissertation: Molecular simulation of polymer electrolyte membranes for direct methanol fuel cell applications

**2007- 2009** Amirkabir University of Technology (AUT), Tehran, Iran  
**M.Sc.**, Chemical Engineering  
GPA: 17.70/20  
Thesis: Mathematical modeling and simulation of planar solid oxide fuel cells

**2003 - 2007** Amirkabir University of Technology, Mahshahr branch, Khouzestan, Iran  
**B.Sc.**, Chemical Engineering  
Thesis: Investigation of effective parameters on the reverse osmosis membranes in industrial water treatment process

## Research interest

- Molecular simulation (Monte Carlo and molecular dynamics) of polymeric membranes
- Computational studies of drug delivery systems
- Experimental and theoretical studies of corrosion inhibition of metals using inhibitors and conversion coatings
- Theoretical evaluations of graphene and graphene oxide for various applications

## Teaching courses

- Advanced Mathematics and Mass Transfer
- Mathematics in Chemical Engineering
- Process Control
- Numerical Mathematics

## Publications

### Journal Papers

[1] Mohammad Ramezanzadeh, Ghasem Bahlakeh, Zahra Sanaei, Bahram Ramezanzadeh. Corrosion inhibition of mild steel in 1 M HCl solution by ethanolic extract of eco-friendly *Mangifera indica* (mango) leaves: Electrochemical, molecular dynamics, Monte Carlo and ab initio study. *Applied Surface Science*. 2019;463:1058-77.

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- [11] Z. Mahidashti, B. Ramezanzadeh, G. Bahlakeh. Screening the effect of chemical treatment of steel substrate by a composite cerium-lanthanum nanofilm on the adhesion and corrosion protection properties of a polyamide-cured epoxy coating; Experimental and molecular dynamic simulations. *Progress in Organic Coatings*. 2018;114:188-200.
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### Conference Papers

- 1- **Ghasem Bahlakeh** "Effects of molecular structure of bio-membrane on efficiency of fuel cell" 9<sup>th</sup> Iranian Fuel Cell Seminar, February 8, 2017, Shahid Rajaei Teacher Training University, Tehran-Iran
- 2- **Mohammad Salehi-kojidi, Leila Mirzaei, Ghasem Bahlakeh** "Study of organic coating/metal behavior at microscopic level" 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Electrochemistry Seminar of Iran, Tarbiat Modares University 19- 20 Oct, 2016, Tehran-Iran
- 3- **Ghasem Bahlakeh** "Computational evaluation of hydrogen bonding interactions in water-methanol solvated SPPO membranes" 4<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Emerging Trends in Energy Conservation, March 2015
- 4- **Ghasem Bahlakeh** "Computational evaluation of hydrogen bonding interactions in water-methanol solvated SPPO membranes" 4<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Emerging Trends in Energy Conservation, March 2015
- 5- **Ghasem Bahlakeh**, Manouchehr Nikazar, Ashor Mohamad Paya "Characterization of morphological and transport behavior of solvated sulfonated poly(2,6-dimethyl-1,4-phenylene oxide) fuel cell membranes from molecular simulation" 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Emerging Trends in Energy Conservation, March 2013
- 6- **Ghasem Bahlakeh**, Manouchehr Nikazar, Ahmad Lashgar, Hajar Falahati, Seyed Emadodin Shakeri, Mahdi Tohidian "Modeling local structure and dynamics of aromatic sulfonated poly(2,6-dimethyl-1,4-phenylene oxide) fuel cell membranes" 6<sup>th</sup> Iranian Fuel Cell Seminar, March 12 & 13, 2013, Shahid Rajaei Teacher Training University, Tehran-Iran