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#### Presidential Theme – Growth, Collaboration and Advocacy



- **Chemistry is a central science.** A strong and growing global chemistry enterprise is good for the profession and its members
- Some possible actions:
  - Innovation, new frontiers, new applications
    - Entrepreneurship, industrial engagement
  - Sustainability and green chemistry
  - International partnership and mutual assistance
  - Collaboration

#### Need continued public and government support

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#### New Frontiers and Opportunities for Chemistry



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- Chemistry continues to be a productive field, with new or expanded areas where future chemists and chemical engineers can find exciting opportunities
- Chemistry is also becoming multidisciplinary, and many innovations are found at the interfaces of two or more disciplines
- The goal of the Presidential Committee on Science Webinar Series and Symposium is to highlight some of the major growth and emerging areas of chemistry, to provide the opportunity to meet the foremost leaders in these areas, and to inform our members and students as to the future directions of chemistry
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#### ACS New Frontiers Symposium at ACS National Meeting on August 22-24



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ACS "Frontier Friday" Webinars in May and June

5/28/2021: **Dr. Zhenan Bao**, Stanford University, "Skin-Inspired Organic Electronics"



6/11/2021: **Dr. Amy Prieto**, Colorado State University, "Lithium-ion Batteries: The Road to Sustainable Energy Storage"



6/25/2021: **Sir Fraser Stoddart**, Northwestern University, "Artificial Molecular Machines: Going from Solution to Surfaces"

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- Ph.D. degree in Chemistry (University of Chicago, 1995); Materials Research Department of Bell Labs, Lucent Technologies (1995-2004)
- Stanford University, Department Chair, and K.K. Lee Professor in Chemical Engineering
- More than 600 refereed publications and more than 65 US patents
- Member of National Academy of Engineering, American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and National Academy of Inventors
- Founder and Faculty Director of Stanford Wearable Electronics Initiative (eWEAR); Affiliated faculty
  member of Precourt Institute, Woods Institute, ChEM-H and Bio-X. Founder and current member of
  the Board of Directors of C3 Nano Co. and PyrAmes
- Executive Committee Member for PMSE. Exec Board Member the Materials Research Society; Associate Editor for Chemical Science, Polymer Reviews, and Synthetic Metals
- Recipients of many awards and recognition, including ACS Gibbs Medal (2020), ACS Applied Polymer Science Award (2017), ACS Creative Polymer Chemistry Award (2013), ACS Cope Scholar Award (2011), and ACS Team Innovation Award (2001)

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**Skin-Inspired Organic Electronics** 

#### Zhenan Bao

Stanford University K.K. Lee Professor of Chemical Engineering Professor of Chemistry (by courtesy) Professor of Material Science and Engineering (by courtesy) Director, Founder, Stanford Wearable Electronics Initiative (eWEAR) Senior Fellow, Precourt Institute Member, ChEM-H, Wu Tsai Neuroscience Institute



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### Outline

- Motivation
- Skin-inspired electronic material design and devices
- Skin-inspired electronics applications
- Summary and future outlooks



### Today's Electronics



### Today's Diagnosis and Monitoring Devices



https://www.popularmechanics.com

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### Today's Implantable









### Skin as an inspiration for electronic devices

### Skin as an inspiration for electronic materials



#### **Sensing Functions**

- Touch
- Temperature
- Humidity

#### **Material Properties**

- Flexible
- Stretchable
- Biodegradable
- Self healing

A. Chortos and J. Liu, Z. Bao, **Nature Materials**, 15, 937-950, 2016, V. R. Feig, H. Tran, Z. Bao, **ACS Cent. Sci.** , 4, 3,337–348, 2018 J. C. Yang, J. Mun, S. Y. Kwon, S. Park, Z. Bao, S. Park, **Adv. Mater.**, 1904765, 2019

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### Audience Survey Question

ANSWER THE QUESTION ON BLUE SCREEN IN ONE MOMENT

## What applications do you think skin-inspired electronics can enable? (Select all that apply)

- Wearables
- Implantable
- Robotic skin
- None of the above



### Ultimate Wearables



### Sensing

#### Adding sensing to robotic hand



C.M. Boutry, Z. Bao et al. Sci. Robotics 2018;3:eaau6914

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High-resolution electrical recording from heart



J. Liu, Z. Bao et al. PNAS 2020

Neurotransmitter sensor



Li, Liu, Chen, Bao, et al. under revision



### The possibility offered by conjugated polymers



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### Charge carrier mobility of organics and polymers



### Mutually exclusive - plastic or electronic?



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### Mechanical Energy Dissipation Mechanisms



- Molecular rotation, chain elongation
- Chain alignment
- Crystal re-orientation
- Crystal breakage likely irreversible
- Bond breakage irreversible
  - Y. Zheng, Z. Bao et al., **Adv. Funct. Mater.**, 2019. J. Mun, Z. Bao et al., **Adv. Mater.**, 2019 Y. Zheng, M. Ashizawa, Z. Bao et al., **Chem. Mater.**, 2020

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### Molecular design for stretchable polymer semiconductor



#### Increase disorder, more amorphous domains: partial break of conjugation

#### Add reversible bonds: H-bonding sites

Oh\*, Rondeau-Gagne\*, Chiu\*, Bao, Nature, 2016.



### Energy dissipation mechanisms under strain

### Maintain good charge transport



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### Can we have a mobility boost?



### Nanoconfinement in polymer blend (CONPHINE)



### Multiscale ordering for enhanced charge carrier mobility



### Multiscale ordering for enhanced charge carrier mobility



#### Charge carrier mobility



#### Stretchable polymer semiconductors have Comparable mobility as best organic semiconductors

### Biodegradable Elastic Semiconductor



H. Tran, V. Feig, Z. Bao et al., ACS Central Science 2019



### Stretchable and Self-Healable Active Layer

### Skin Inspired Electronic Materials



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### Stretchable Transistors and Circuits





### Stretchable Circuit Blocks



### Stretchable Components



### **E-Skin Sensors**



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### Audience Survey Question

ANSWER THE QUESTION ON BLUE SCREEN IN ONE MOMENT

#### Where would you use e-skin on or inside body?

(Select all that apply)

- On skin
- On beating heart
- Wrap around nerve
- None of the above



### Skin-inspired electronic materials: tissue-electronics interface



### Electrode-Tissue Contact

#### Conducting polymer: dual electronic and ionic conductor Bare (Metal only) With PEDOT (conducting polymer) Bare (n = 28) P(EDOT-NH\_) (n = 9) 10 PEDOT (n = 8) PEDOT on P(EDOT-NH\_) (n = 9) 10 [Z] (ohm) Rivnay, J., Inal, S., Collins, B., Malliaras, G. et al. Nat Commun 7, 11287 (2016) 10 Bare Rd PEDOT 10 10 10<sup>2</sup> 10<sup>3</sup> Frequency (Hz) 10 E<sub>k</sub> Ouyang, L., Martin, D. et al. Science Advances 03 Mar 2017: Vol. 3, no. 3, e1600448 Stanford University wear

### Stretchable Conducting PEDOT Polymer



Lower bio-interfacial impedance

### Highly Conductive Hydrogel Preparation



#### Electronics that grows with human: morphing electronics MorphE



### Cellular resolution large area electrophysiological mapping



### Our vision for artificial e-skin system



Kim, Chortos, Xu, Bao, Lee, et al. **Science**, 2018

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### Summary



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Unobtrusive 'elastronic' transistors can behave like skin and stretch without tearing.

Credit: Bao Lab

Bring on the bodyNET

Skin-like sensors, circuits and batteries are about to change our relationships with electronics and each other

Nature, September 21, 2017 Nature Electronics, 2019

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### Skin-like electronics: connecting digital world to physical world



Chu, Chang, Burnette, Bao, Nature, September 21, 2017

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