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Research Interests:

1. Electrochemical synthesis of inorganic and organic compounds.
2. Electrochemical removal of toxic compounds from wastewaters
3. Analysis of inorganic and organic compounds by chromatography (GC, GC-MS HPLC)
4. Photocatalytic degradation of organic compounds
5. Oxidation with supercritical water (SCW)

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- 13.** V. Kordali, G. Kyriacou* and Ch. Lambrou, “Electrochemical synthesis of ammonia at atmospheric pressure and at low temperature in a solid polymer electrolyte cell”, **Chem. Commun.**, (2000), 1673-1674

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- 15.** V. Papageorgiou, A. Assimopoulou, **G. Kyriacou** “Determination of naturally occurring hydroxynaphthoquinone polymers by size-exclusion chromatography” **Chromatographia** 55 (2002) 423
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Patents

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