

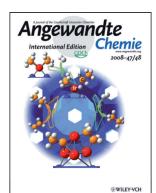




B. C. Gates

The author presented on this page has recently published his 10th article in Angewandte Chemie in the last 10 years:

"Three-Dimensional Structural Analysis of MgO-Supported Osmium Clusters by Electron Microscopy with Single-Atom Sensitivity": C. Aydin, A. Kulkarni, M. Chi, N. D. Browning, B. C. Gates, Angew. Chem. 2013, 125, 5370-5373; Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2013, 52, 5262-5265.



The work of B. C. Gates has been featured on the inside cover of Angewandte Chemie:

"Real-Time Characterization of Formation and Breakup of Iridium Clusters in Highly Dealuminated Zeolite Y": A. Uzun, B. C. Gates, Angew. Chem. 2008, 120, 9385-9388; Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2008, 47, 9245-9248.

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1961 Undergraduate degree, University of California, Berkeley

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Engineers; 2004 Gabor A. Somorjai Award for Creative Research in Catalysis, American Chemical Society; 2006 Malcolm E. Pruitt Award, Council for Chemical Research; 2010 Robert

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Research: Molecular catalysis on surfaces: metal complexes, metal clusters, zeolite supports

Hobbies: Herpetology, photography, camping/hiking

## My favorite saying is ... when the going gets tough, the tough get going (meant ironically).

admire ... Nelson Mandela.

advise my students to ... develop independence and help the team.

My favorite way to spend a holiday is ... doing herpetology in southern Africa.

The secret of being a successful scientist is ... to be a contrarian, avoid the trends (and manage to

If I had one year of paid leave I would ... travel, visit friends, read, and think.

My favorite painter is ... Paul Cézanne.

My favorite composer is ... Johann Sebastian Bach.

The natural talent I would like to be gifted with ... pure athleticism.

The greatest scientific advance of the last decade was ... understanding the molecular foundations of biology.

 $M_y$  favorite drink is ...  $CO_2 + H_2O + Ca^{2+} + Mg^{2+} + ...$ 

f I were a car I would be ... a Porsche 911.

## My 5 top papers:

- 1. "Hydrodesulfurization of methyl-substituted dibenzothiophenes catalyzed by sulfided Co-Mo/γ-Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>": M. Houalla, D. H. Broderick, A. V. Sapre, N. K. Nag, V. H. J. de Beer, B. C. Gates, H. Kwart, J. Catal. 1980, 61, 523-527. (These compounds are the bottlenecks to converting oil to clean fuel.)
- 2. "Size-dependent catalytic activity of supported metal clusters": Z. Xu, F.-S. Xiao, S. K. Purnell, O. Alexeev, S. Kawi, S. E. Deutsch, B. C. Gates, Nature 1994, 372, 346-348. (Helped demonstrate new catalytic properties of sub-nanometer metal clusters stabilized on supports.)
- 3. "Monomolecular and bimolecular mechanisms of paraffin cracking: n-butane cracking catalyzed by HZSM-5": H. Krannila, W. O. Haag, B. C. Gates, J. Catal. 1992,

- 135, 115-124. (The *n*-butane conversion now seems to be prototypical and is still widely investigated.)
- 4. "Evidence from NMR and EXAFS Studies of a Dynamically Uniform Mononuclear Single-Site Zeolite-Supported Rhodium Catalyst": J. O. Ehresmann, P. W. Kletnieks, A. Liang, V. A. Bhirud, O. P. Bagatchenko, E. J. Lee, M. Klaric, B. C. Gates, J. F. Haw, Angew. Chem. 2006, 118, 588-590; Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2006, 45, 574-576. (Provided a conceptual link between solution and surface catalysis.)
- 5. "Imaging Isolated Gold Atom Catalytic Sites on Zeolite NaY": J. Lu, C. Aydin, N. D. Browning, B. C. Gates, Angew. Chem. 2012, 124, 5944-5948; Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2012, 51, 5842-5846. (It took a long time before catalytic sites could be observed on this scale.)

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