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Education

2002-2006	B.Sc. (Industrial Chemistry) Chiang Mai University
2007-2012	Ph.D. (Chemistry) Chiang Mai University

Work

2012-present	Lecturer in Physical Chemistry, School of Science and Demonstration School University of Phayao, University of Phayao
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Research Interest

- Polymerization characterization and kinetics
- Computational studies on organometallic and enzyme catalysis

Publications

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8. Jitnonom J., **Meelua W.** Effect of ligand structure in the trimethylene carbonate polymerization by cationic zirconocene catalysts: A “naked model” DFT study. *J. Organometal. Chem.*, **2017**, 841, 48-56. (Indexed in WoS IF = 2.066)
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10. Jitnonom J., Molloy R., Punyodom W., **Meelua W.** Theoretical studies on aluminumtrialkoxide-initiated lactone ring-opening polymerizations: Roles of alkoxide substituent and monomer ring structure. *Comput. Theor. Chem.* **2016**, 1097, 25-32. (Indexed in WoS IF = 1.344)
11. **Meelua W.**, Jitnonom J. Effects of Silicon-Bridge and pi-Ligands on the Electronic Structures and Related Properties of Dimethyl Zirconocene Polymerization Catalysts: A Comparative Theoretical Study, *Chiang Mai J. Sci.*, **2014**, 41: 1220–1229. (Indexed in WoS IF = 0.342)
12. **Meelua W.**, Molloy R., Meepowpan P., Punyodom W. Isoconversional kinetic analysis of ring-opening polymerization of ϵ -caprolactone: Steric influence of titanium(IV) alkoxides as initiators, *J. Polym. Res.*, **2012**, 19: 1-11. (Indexed in WoS IF = 1.53)

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