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Dr. Yong Sik Ok (2018 Web of Science Highly Cited Researcher) is a Full Professor in the Division of Environmental Science and Ecological Engineering, Korea University, Seoul, Korea. He also served a number of positions worldwide including Honorary Professor at the University of Queensland, Australia, Visiting Professor at the Tsinghua University, China, Adjunct Professor at the University of Wuppertal, Germany and Guest Professor at the Ghent University Global Campus, Ghent University, Belgium. Prof. Ok held Visiting Professorships in the Department of Renewable Resources (University of Alberta), in the Faculty of Bioscience Engineering (Ghent University), in the Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering (Hong Kong Polytechnic University) and in the Department of Chemical and Biomolecular Engineering (National University of Singapore).

Prof. Ok's academic background covers waste management, bioavailability of emerging contaminants, and bioenergy and value-added products such as biochar. Prof. Ok also has experience in fundamental soil science and remediation of various contaminants in soils and sediments. Together with graduate students and colleagues, Prof. Ok has published over 600 research papers, 38 of which were ranked as Web of Science ESI top papers (34 nominated as "Highly Cited Papers" and 4 nominated as "Hot Paper").

Prof. Ok maintains a worldwide professional network through his service as a Co-Editor-in-Chief for Critical Reviews in Environmental Science and Technology, and Associate Editor for Environmental Pollution and Bioresource Technology, and as a Member of the Editorial Boards of Chemosphere, Journal of Analytical and Applied Pyrolysis and several other top journals in the field. Prof. Ok is the founding chair and organizer of many internationally leading conferences, such as The 20<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Heavy Metals in the Environment (ICHMET 2020, Korea) and The 9<sup>th</sup> International Conference on Geochemistry in the Tropics & Sub-Tropics (GEOTROP 2019, Australia).

## **Professional Experience**

01/2018 - Present	Honorary Professor, The University of Queensland, Australia
09/2017 - Present	Full Professor, Division of Environmental Science and Ecological Engineering, Korea University, Seoul, Korea
07/2016 - Present	Guest Professor, Ghent University Global Campus, Belgium
03/2016 - Present	Adjunct Professor, University of Wuppertal, Germany
12/2016 - 02/2017	Academic Visitor, Department of Chemical & Biomolecular Engineering, National University of Singapore, Singapore
06/2015 - 07/2015	Visiting Scholar, Department of Applied Analytical and Physical Chemistry, Ghent University, Belgium
12/2014 - 02/2015	Visiting Professor, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hong Kong
06/2013 - 06/2014	Visiting Professor, Department of Renewable Resources, University of Alberta, Canada
05/2013 - 08/2017	Guest Professor, College of Quality and Safety Engineering, China Jiliang University, China
01/2011 - Present	Director, Korea Biochar Research Center, Republic of Korea
03/2007 - 08/2017	Full Professor, School of Natural Resources and Environmental Science, Kangwon National University, Korea
03/2006 - 02/2007	Research Associate, Department of Renewable Resources, University of Alberta, Canada

## **Editorship**

Co-Editor, *Critical Reviews in Environmental Science and Technology* (Impact Factor: 7.683) (JCR Top 2.5% (Q1), Environmental Sciences: 6/241) (<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/best20/current>)

Associate Editor, *Environmental Pollution* (2016-present) (Impact Factor: 4.358) (JCR Top 20% (Q1), Environmental Sciences: 39/241) (<http://www.journals.elsevier.com/environmental-pollution/>)

Editorial Board Member, *Chemosphere* (2016-present) (Impact Factor: 4.427) (JCR Top 20% (Q1), Environmental Sciences: 14/80) (<http://www.journals.elsevier.com/chemosphere/>)

Editorial Advisory Board Member, *Journal of Analytical and Applied Pyrolysis* (2017-present) (Impact Factor: 3.468) (JCR Top 15% (Q1), Spectroscopy: 5/42) (<https://www.journals.elsevier.com/journal-of-analytical-and-applied-pyrolysis>)

Editorial Board Member, *Environmental Geochemistry and Health* (2013-present) (IF 2.994) (JCR Top 15% (Q1), Water Resources: 14/90) (<http://link.springer.com/journal/10653>)

Subject Editor, *Journal of Soils and Sediments* (2013-present) (Impact Factor: 2.627) (JCR top (Q2), Soil Science: 11/34) (<http://link.springer.com/journal/11368>)

Editorial Board Member, *Chemical Speciation and Bioavailability* (2015-present) (Impact Factor: 1.362) (JCR (Q4), Environmental Sciences: 167/241) (<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/tcsb20/current>)

## **Editorship (Past)**

Associate Editor and Editorial Board Member, *Critical Reviews in Environmental Science and Technology* (2016-2018) (Impact Factor: 7.683) (JCR Top 2.5% (Q1), Environmental Sciences: 6/241) (<http://www.tandfonline.com/toc/best20/current>)

Editorial Board Member, *Applied Biological Chemistry* (2016-2017) (Impact Factor: 1.362) (JCR (Q3), Food Science and technology: 80/133) (<http://link.springer.com/journal/13765>)

Associate Editor, *Canadian Journal of Soil Science* (2013-2017) (Impact Factor: 2.861) (JCR (Q3), Soil Science: 26/34) (<http://www.nrcresearchpress.com/journal/cjss>)

## **Guest Editor**

Guest Editor, *Journal of Cleaner Production* (Biowaste Valorization for Biofuel, Chemical, and Biochar Production) (IF 5.651) (JCR Top 10% (Q1), Environmental Sciences: 21/241)

Guest Editor, *Bioresource Technology* (Advance Biological Treatment Technologies for Sustainable Waste Management) (Volume 168) (Impact Factor: 5.807) (JCR Top 10% (Q1), Agricultural Engineering: 1/14) (<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/09608524/168>)

Guest Editor, *Journal of Hazardous Materials* (Nanomaterials in the Environment: Recent Advances in Metrology, Applications, and Fate & Transport Assessment) (Volume 322, Part A) (Impact Factor: 6.434) (JCR Top 5% (Q1), Engineering, Civil: 1/125)  
(<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/03043894/322/part/PA>)

Guest Editor, *Science of the Total Environment* (Biowaste to Biochar: Emerging Applications in Energy and Environmental Research) (Impact Factor: 4.610) (JCR Top 15% (Q1), Environmental Sciences: 27/241)

Guest Editor, *Chemosphere* (Biochars Multifunctional Role as a Novel Technology in the Agricultural, Environmental, and Industrial Sectors) (Volume 142) (Impact Factor: 4.427) (JCR Top 15% (Q1), Environmental Sciences: 34/241)  
(<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/00456535/142>)

Guest Editor, *Chemosphere* (Thermodynamics and Kinetics of Emerging Contaminants in the Environment) (Volume 150) (Impact Factor: 4.427) (JCR Top 15% (Q1), Environmental Sciences: 34/241)  
(<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/00456535/vsi/10Q6MBTPWM6>)

Guest Editor, *Plant and Soil* (Biochar and the Plant-Soil Interface) (Volume 395, Issue 1-2) (Impact Factor: 3.306) (JCR Top 15% (Q1), Soil Science: 6/34)  
(<http://link.springer.com/journal/11104/395/1/page/1>)

Guest Editor, *Geoderma* (Integrated Management Strategies for Arsenic and Cadmium in Rice Paddy Environments) (Volume 270) (Impact Factor: 3.740) (JCR Top 15% (Q1), Soil Science: 5/34) (<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/00167061/270>)

Lead Guest Editor, *Environmental Geochemistry and Health* (Special Issue: Contaminated Land, Ecological Assessment and Remediation-CLEAR 2014) (Volume 37, Issue 6) (IF 2.994) (JCR Top 15% (Q1), Water Resources: 14/90)  
<http://link.springer.com/journal/10653/37/6/page/1>

Guest Editor, *Environmental Geochemistry and Health* (Persistent Toxic Substances (PTSS) in Agroecosystems) (IF 2.994) (JCR Top 15% (Q1), Water Resources: 14/90)

- Guest Editor, *Journal of Environmental Management* (Biogeochemistry of Trace Elements in the Environment) (Volume 186, Part 2) (Impact Factor: 4.005) (JCR (Q2), Environmental Sciences: 47/241) (<http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/journal/03014797/186/part/P2>)
- Guest Editor, *Environmental Science and Pollution Research* (Selected Papers from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Contaminated Land, Ecological Assessment and Remediation (CLEAR 2014) Conference: Environmental Pollution and Remediation) (Volume 23, Issue 2) (Impact Factor: 2.800) (JCR (Q2), Environmental Sciences: 82/241) (<http://link.springer.com/journal/11356/23/2/page/1>)
- Guest Editor, *Environmental Science and Pollution Research* (Biological Waste as Resource, with a Focus on Food Waste) (Volume 23, Issue 8) (Impact Factor: 2.800) (JCR (Q2), Environmental Sciences: 82/241) (<http://link.springer.com/journal/11356/23/8/page/1>)
- Guest Editor, *Journal of Soils and Sediments* (Biochar for a Sustainable Environment) (Impact Factor: 2.627) (JCR (Q2), Soil Science: 11/34) (<http://link.springer.com/journal/11356/23/8/page/1>)
- Guest Editor, *Process Safety and Environmental Protection* (Special Issue: Biowaste for Energy Recovery and Environmental Remediation) (Impact Factor: 3.441) (JCR (Q1), Engineering, Chemical: 27/137) (<https://www.journals.elsevier.com/process-safety-and-environmental-protection/call-for-papers/special-issue-biowaste-for-energy-recovery-and-environmental>)
- Guest Editor, *Journal of Chemistry* (Occurrence and Remediation of Pollutants in the Environment) (Volume 2015) (Impact Factor: 1.726) (JCR (Q3), Chemistry, Multidisciplinary: 97/171) (<http://www.hindawi.com/journals/jchem/si/912871/>)
- Guest Editor, *Journal of Mountain Science* (2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Contaminant Land, Ecological Assessment and Remediation) (Impact Factor: 1.135) (JCR (Q4), Environmental Sciences: 188/241) (<http://www.clear2014.org/>)
- Guest Editor, *Biodegradation* (Special issue: bioremediation of contaminated soil and water: GeoTrop 2017) (Volume 29) (Impact Factor: 2.410) (JCR (Q2), Biotechnology and Applied Microbiology: 68/168) (<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1007/s10532-018-9842-0>)

## International Conference Organization

10/2020	Chair, 20 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Heavy Metals in the Environment (ICHMET 2020), Seoul, South Korea
07/2019	Co-chair, The 9 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Geochemistry in the Tropics & Sub-Tropics (GEOTROP 2019), Queensland, Australia
12/2018	Co-Chair, 3 <sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Biological Waste as Resource (BWR2018), Hong Kong
11/2018	Director, Asia resilience Center Conference (ARC 2018), Korea University, Seoul, South Korea
11/2018	Co-Chair, 4 <sup>th</sup> Asia Pacific Biochar Conference (APBC 2018), Foshan, China
08/2018	Co-Chair, 4 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Contaminated Land, Ecological Assessment and Remediation (CLEAR 2018), Hung Hom, Hong Kong
07/2018	Session Chairs, 19 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Heavy Metals in the Environment (ICHMET 2018), Athens, USA

06/2018	Co-Chair, 2 <sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Bioresources, Energy, Environmental, and Materials Technology (BEEM 2018), Technology Nexus for the Resonance of Nature and Humans, Hongcheon, Korea
12/2017	Co-Chair & International Advisory Committee, 8 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Geochemistry in the Topics & Sub-Tropics, Ecotoxicology of Persistent Toxic Substances In Food Production (GeoTrop2017), Shenzhen, China
11/2017	Symposia Organizer, O-jeong Eco-Resilience Institute (OJERI) 3 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary Symposium, Seoul, Republic of Korea
09/2017	Session coordinator, The 7 <sup>th</sup> International Contaminated Site Remediation Conference incorporating the 1 <sup>st</sup> International PFAS Conference (CleanUp 2017), Melbourne, Australia
07/2017	Symposia Organizer, Special Symposium on Interactions between Biochars and Trace Elements (TEs) in the Environment, The International Conference on the Biogeochemistry of Trace Elements (ICOBTE 2017), Zurich, Switzerland
05/2017	Co-Chair, The 2 <sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Biological Waste as Resource (BWR2017), Hung Hom, Hong Kong
04/2017	Co-Organizer, Division of Geochemistry, 253 <sup>rd</sup> American Chemical Society National Meeting & Exposition: Advanced Materials, Technologies, Systems & Processes, San Francisco, United States
11/2016	Key International Organizing Committee Member, 3 <sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Contaminated Land, Ecological Assessment and Remediation (CLEAR 2016), Taipei, Taiwan
10/2016	Chair, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Asia Pacific Biochar Conference (APBC 2016): A Shifting Paradigm towards Advanced Materials and Energy/Environmental Research, Chuncheon, Korea
10/2016	Convener, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Asia Pacific Biochar Conference (APBC 2016): A Shifting Paradigm towards Advanced Materials and Energy/Environmental Research, Chuncheon, Republic of Korea
09/2016	Co-Organizer & International Organizing Committee Member, 5 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Soil Pollution and Remediation (SOILREM 2016), Hangzhou, China
09/2016	Co-Chair, Session (Application of Biochar in Soil Remediation), 5 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Soil Pollution and Remediation (SOILREM 2016), Hangzhou, China
09/2016	Co-Organizer & International Organizing Committee Member, 13 <sup>th</sup> International Phytotechnologies Conference (PHYTOTECH 2016): Plant-Based Solutions for Environmental Problems from Lab to Field, Hangzhou, China
08/2016	Co-Organizer, Joint International Conference on Environment, Health, GIS and Agriculture (ISEH 2016 & Geoinformatics 2016), Galway, Ireland
09/2015	Convener, Session (From Biochar and Black Carbon to Stable SOM), 5 <sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Soil Organic Matter (SOM 2015), Göttingen, Germany
08/2015	Co-Chair, International Symposium on Risk Assessment and Management of Contaminated Site, Daejeon, Republic of Korea
07/2015	Chair, Special Symposia (Biochar as a Sorbent for Contaminant Management in Soil and Water), 13 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on the Biogeochemistry of Trace Elements (ICOBTE 2015), Fukuoka, Japan

01/2015	Co-Chair, Session (Eco-friendly Materials for Pollution Control), 2 <sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Sustainable Urbanization (ICSU 2015), Hunghom, Hong Kong
12/2014	Co-Organizer, International Conference on Biological Waste as Resource, with a Focus on Food Waste, Taipo, Hong Kong
11/2014	International Organizing Committee, International Conference on Remediation and Management of Soil and Groundwater Contaminated Sites, Taipei, Taiwan
10/2014	Organizer, 2 <sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Contaminated Land Ecological Assessment and Remediation (CLEAR 2014), Chuncheon, Republic of Korea
06/2014	Organizing Committee, 20 <sup>th</sup> World Congress of Soil Science-Soils Embrace Life and Universe, Jeju, Korea
06/2014	Organizer and Convener, International Symposium on Biochar Soil Amendment for Environmental and Agronomic Benefits, 20 <sup>th</sup> World Congress of Soil Science-Soils Embrace Life and Universe, Jeju, Republic of Korea
06/2014	Convener, International Symposium on Integrated Management Strategies for As and Cd in Rice Paddy Environments, 20 <sup>th</sup> World Congress of Soil Science-Soils Embrace Life and Universe, Jeju, Republic of Korea
06/2014	Convener, International Symposium on Soil Health-Key to Food Security, 20 <sup>th</sup> World Congress of Soil Science-Soils Embrace Life and Universe, Jeju, Republic of Korea
04/2013	Organizer, Biochar Session, International Conference on Solid Waste 2013-Innovation in Technology and Management, Wanchai, Hong Kong
11/2012	Organizer, International Symposium on Heavy Metal Remediation in Agricultural Ecosystems-Bioavailability-Based Soil Management Technology for Safer Food Crop Production, Chuncheon, Republic of Korea
11/2012	International Organizing Committee, 1 <sup>st</sup> International Conference on Contaminated Land, Ecological Assessment and Remediation (CLEAR 2012), Hangzhou, China
12/2011	Organizer, 1 <sup>st</sup> International Symposium on Biochar for Climate Change Mitigation and Soil and Environmental Management, Chuncheon, Republic of Korea

## International Scientific Committee

12/2016	International Scientific Committee, Asia-Pacific Conference on Biotechnology for Waste Conversion 2016 (BioWCHK 2016), Hong Kong, China
09/2016	International Program Committee, International Conference on Heavy Metals in the Environment (ICHMET 2016), Ghent, Belgium
08/2016	Scientific and Organizing Committee Member (ISEH 2016 & ISEG 2016), Joint International Conference on Environment, Health, GIS and Agriculture (ISEH 2016, ISEG 2016 & Geoinformatics 2016), Galway, Ireland
09/2015	Scientific Committee, 5 <sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Soil Organic Matter (SOM 2015), Göttingen, Germany
05/2015	International Scientific Committee, International Conference on Solid Waste-Knowledge Transfer for Sustainable Resource Management, Wanchai, Hong Kong

06/2014	International Scientific Committee, 20 <sup>th</sup> World Congress of Soil Science-Soils Embrace Life and Universe, 2014, Jeju, Republic of Korea
07/2013	Advisory Committee, International Biochar Initiative (IBI)
05/2013	International Scientific Committee, International Conference on Solid Waste 2013-Innovation in Technology and Management, Wanchai, Hong Kong
09/2012	Scientific Committee Member, 4 <sup>th</sup> International Biochar Congress-Road to Richer Food and Safer Environment, Beijing, China
2011-Present	Scientific Committee Member, The Working Group on Remediation for Soil and Groundwater Pollution of Asian Countries

## Keynote and Invited Speech

11/2017	Invited Speech, "SMART Biochar for Resilience-A shifting paradigm towards Environmental Research", Invited Research Seminar, Institute of Environment and Ecology, Korea University, Republic of Korea
01/2017	Invited Speech, "SMART Biochar Technology-A shifting paradigm towards advanced materials", Invited Research Seminar, Department of Building, National University of Singapore, Singapore
01/2017	Invited Speech, "SMART biochar technology: A shifting paradigm towards advanced materials and energy/environment research", 2 <sup>nd</sup> Renewable Energy and Biochar Workshop, National University of Singapore, Singapore
01/2017	Invited Speech, "SMART biochar technology: A shifting paradigm towards advanced materials and energy/environment research", Invited Research Seminar, Nanyang Polytechnic, Singapore
01/2017	Invited Speech, "SMART biochar technology: A shifting paradigm towards advanced materials and energy/environment research", Invited Research Seminar, School of Civil and Environmental Engineering, Nanyang Technological University, Singapore
01/2017	Invited Speech, "SMART biochar technology: A shifting paradigm towards advanced materials and energy/environment research", Invited Research Seminar, Nanyang Environment & Water Research Institute (NEWRI), Singapore
01/2017	Plenary Speech, "Engineered biochar for environmental remediation and sustainable energy production", International Conference on Materials Engineering and Nano Sciences 2017 (ICMENS 2017), Nanyang Executive Centre, Singapore
12/2016	Invited Speech, "Pyrolysis process of agricultural waste using CO <sub>2</sub> for waste management, energy recovery, and biochar fabrication", Asia-Pacific Conference on Biotechnology for Waste Conversion 2016 (BioWC 2016), Hong Kong Baptist University, Hong Kong SAR, China
11/2016	Invited Speech, "Removal of hexavalent chromium in aqueous solutions using biochars: Chemical and spectroscopic investigations", 3 <sup>rd</sup> International Conference on Contaminated Land, Ecological Assessment and Remediation (CLEAR 2016), Taipei, Taiwan
09/2016	Invited Speech, "Impacts of vegetable waste and pine cone biochars on microbial communities and heavy metal immobilization in contaminated soils", 5 <sup>th</sup>

	International Conference on Soil Pollution and Remediation (SOILREM 2016), Hangzhou, China
08/2016	Keynote Speech, “SMART Biochar Technology-A shifting paradigm towards advanced materials and healthcare research”, Joint International Conference on Environment, Health, GIS and Agriculture (ISEH 2016 & Geoinformatics 2016), Galway, Ireland
07/2016	Invited Speech, “SMART Biochar Technology-A shifting paradigm towards advanced materials and healthcare research”, 15 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Sustainable Energy Technologies (SET 2016), National University of Singapore, Singapore
10/2015	Invited Speech, “SMART Biochar Technology-A shifting paradigm towards advanced materials and healthcare research”, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China
07/2015	Invited Speech, “SMART Biochar Technology-A shifting paradigm towards advanced materials and energy/environment research”, Ghent University, Ghent, Belgium
07/2015	Invited Speech, “How to write and publish a scientific paper”, Ghent University, Ghent, Belgium
06/2015	Invited Speech, “SMART Biochar Technology-A shifting paradigm towards advanced materials and energy/environment research”, Wuppertal University, Wuppertal, Germany
05/2015	Invited Speech, “SMART biochar for management of veterinary antibiotics in the environment”, International Conference on Solid Waste 2015, Wanchai, Hong Kong
04/2015	Invited Speech, “SMART Biochar Technology-A shifting paradigm towards advanced materials and energy/environment research”, 2 <sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Biochar and Green Agriculture (BioGra 2015), Nanjing, China
03/2015	Invited Speech, “Green remediation by biochar”, Department of Environmental Science, Zhejiang University, Hangzhou, China
01/2015	Invited Speech, “SMART biochar for contaminant management in soil and water, department of engineering, civil”, The University of Hong Kong, Pokfulam, Hong Kong
01/2015	Invited Speech, “SMART biochar for contaminant management in soil and water, school of energy and environment”, City University of Hong Kong, Tatcheeave, Hong Kong
01/2015	Invited Speech, “SMART Biochar Technology-A shifting paradigm towards advanced materials and healthcare research”, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Pokfulam, Hong Kong
01/2015	Invited Speech, “SMART biochar for management of veterinary antibiotics in the environment”, Department of Biology, Hong Kong Baptist University, Kowloon Tong, Hong Kong
01/2015	Invited Speech, “SMART biochar for management of veterinary antibiotics in the environment”, 2 <sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Sustainable Urbanization (ICSU 2015), The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Pokfulam, Hong Kong

- 12/2014 Keynote Speech, “SMART biochar technology for management of soil metals”, International Conference on Biological Waste as Resource, with a Focus on Food Waste, Wanchai, Hong Kong
- 11/2014 Invited Speech, “The role of biochar, natural iron oxides and nanomaterials as soil amendments for immobilizing metals in shooting range soil”, International Conference on Remediation and Management of Soil and Groundwater Contaminated Sites, Taipei, Taiwan
- 09/2014 Invited Speech, “SMART biochar technology for remediation of toxic metals in soils”, MARCO-FFTC Joint International Seminar on Management and Remediation Technologies of Rural Soils Contaminated by Heavy Metals and Radioactive Materials, Taichung, Taiwan

## **Education**

- Ph.D. 2003** Division of Environmental Science and Ecological Engineering (formerly, Department of Agricultural Chemistry), Korea University, Seoul, Republic of Korea (Title: *Empirical and mechanistic approach to adsorption and bioavailability of cadmium in soils and plants: implications in phytoremediation*)
- M.S. 2000** Division of Environmental Science and Ecological Engineering, Korea University, Seoul, Republic of Korea (Title: *The evaluation of the hybrid model for the measurement of surface charge characteristics of clay, organic matter, oxides and composites*)
- B.S. 1998** Division of Environmental Science and Ecological Engineering, Korea University, Seoul, Republic of Korea

**Publications (> 550 Journal Articles, Scopus Author ID: 7003403766, ORCID: <http://orcid.org/0000-0003-3401-0912>)**

**Highly Cited Paper** (Data from Essential Science Indicators. As of October 2018, these highly cited papers received enough citations to place them in the top of the academic field of engineering, environment/ ecology, biology and biochemistry, plant and animal science, agricultural science based on a highly cited threshold for the field and publication year)

1. Ahmad, M., Rajapaksha, A.U., Lim, J.E., Zhang, M., Bolan, N., Mohan, D., Vithanage, M., Lee, S.S. and Ok, Y.S.\* (2014) Biochar as a sorbent for contaminant management in soil and water: A review. *Chemosphere*, 99:19-33 (IF 4.427) (JCR Top 15% (Q1), Environmental Sciences: 34/241) (\*Corresponding Author) (3<sup>rd</sup> Hottest Article, January to December 2014 full year; 6<sup>th</sup> Most Downloaded Article, September and October 2014, 3<sup>rd</sup> Hottest Article, January to March 2015; 3<sup>rd</sup> Most Downloaded Article, July to September 2015; 4<sup>th</sup> Most Downloaded Article, January to December 2015 full year to present) (Times cited: 742 from Web of Science Core Collection)
2. Mohan, D., Sarswat, A., Ok, Y.S. and Pittman, C.U. (2014) Organic and inorganic contaminants removal from water with biochar, a renewable, low cost and sustainable adsorbent-A critical review. *Bioresource Technology*, 160:191-202 (IF 5.807) (JCR Top 10% (Q1), Agricultural Engineering: 1/14) (11th Most Downloaded Article, September and October 2014; 14th Most Downloaded Article, January to December 2014 full year; 20th Most Downloaded Article, January to December 2015 full year to present) (Times cited: 501 from Web of Science Core Collection)
3. Ahmad, M., Lee, S.S., Dou, X., Mohan, D., Sung, J.K., Yang, J.E. and Ok, Y.S.\* (2012) Effects of pyrolysis temperature on soybean stover- and peanut shell-derived biochar properties and TCE adsorption in water. *Bioresource Technology*, 118:536-544 (IF 5.807) (JCR Top 10% (Q1), Agricultural Engineering: 1/14) (\*Corresponding Author) (Times cited: 280 from Web of Science Core Collection)
4. Rajapaksha, A.U., Chen, S.S., Tsang, D.C.W., Zhang, M., Vithanage, M., Mandal, S., Gao, B., Bolan, N.S. and Ok, Y.S.\* (2016) Engineered/designer biochar for contaminant removal/immobilization from soil and water: Potential and implication of biochar modification. *Chemosphere*, 148:276-291 (IF 4.427) (JCR Top 15% (Q1), Environmental Sciences: 34/241) (\*Corresponding Author) (Times cited: 131 from Web of Science Core Collection)
5. Inyang, M.I., Gao, B., Yao, Y., Xue, Y., Zimmerman, A., Mosa, A., Pullammanappallil, P., Ok, Y.S. and Cao, X. (2016) A review of biochar as a low-cost adsorbent for aqueous heavy metal removal. *Critical Reviews in Environmental Science and Technology*, 46(4):406-433 (IF 7.683) (JCR Top 2.5% (Q1), Environmental Sciences: 16/229) (Times cited: 126 (from Web of Science Core Collection)
6. Stefaniuk, M., Oleszczuk, P. and Ok, Y.S. (2016) Review on nano zerovalent iron (nZVI): From synthesis to environmental applications. *Chemical Engineering Journal*, 287:618-632 (IF 6.735) (JCR Top 5% (Q1), Engineering, Chemical: 7/137) (Times cited: 104 from Web of Science Core Collection)
7. Ahmad, M., Lee, S.S., Lim, J.E., Lee, S.E., Cho, J.S., Moon, D.H., Hashimoto, Y. and Ok, Y.S.\* (2014) Speciation and phytoavailability of lead and antimony in a small arms range soil amended with mussel shell, cow bone and biochar: EXAFS spectroscopy and chemical

- extractions. *Chemosphere*, 95:433-441 (IF 4.427) (JCR Top 15% (Q1), Environmental Sciences: 34/241) (\*Corresponding Author) (Times cited: 94 from Web of Science Core Collection)
8. Park, J.H., Ok, Y.S., Kim, S.H., Cho, J.S., Heo, J.S., Delaune, R.D. and Seo, D.C. (2016) Competitive adsorption of heavy metals onto sesame straw biochar in aqueous solutions. *Chemosphere*, 142:77-83 (IF 4.427) (JCR Top 15% (Q1), Environmental Sciences: 34/241) (Times cited: 90 from Web of Science Core Collection)
  9. Awad, Y.M., Blagodatskaya, E., Ok, Y.S.\* and Kuzyakov, Y. (2012) Effects of polyacrylamide, biopolymer, and biochar on decomposition of soil organic matter and plant residues as determined by  $^{14}\text{C}$  and enzyme activities. *European Journal of Soil Biology*, 48:1-10 (IF 2.068) (JCR (Q2), Soil Science: 19/34) (\*Corresponding Author) (Times cited: 87 from Web of Science Core Collection)
  10. Choppala, G., Saifullah, Bolan, N., Bibi, S., Iqbal, M., Rengel, Z., Kunhikrishnan, A., Ashwath, N. and Ok, Y.S. (2014) Cellular mechanisms in higher plants governing tolerance to cadmium toxicity. *Critical Reviews in Plant Sciences*, 33:374-391 (IF 6.162) (JCR Top 5% (Q1), Plant Science: 10/222) (Times cited: 67 from Web of Science Core Collection)
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## **Teaching Experience**

### **Undergraduate**

Environmental Remediation, Soil Conservation, Environmental and Ecological Engineering, Environmental Contamination and Remediation, Environmental Ecology, Risk Assessment, Environment and Bioenergy Experiment, Plant and Environmental Sciences, Environmental Stress and Plant Responses, Agriculture and Information, Instrumental Analysis, Intellectual Property Right in Agroindustry, Introduction to Biological Environment, Capstone Design, Career Development Skills, Internship, Advice on Goal Setting and Career Planning, etc.

### **Graduate**

Environmental Remediation, Ecological Engineering, Bioremediation, Soil Pollution, Cycles of Chemicals in Soil, Biogeochemistry, Phytoremediation, Environmental Pollution Assessment Methodology, Environmental Pollution and Plant Response, Risk Assessment, Current Topics in Environmental Remediation, Thesis Advising, Seminar, etc.

### **Supervision of Personnel**

Current Postdoctoral Fellows, Visiting Scientists and Graduate Students: >10 persons

Postdoctoral Fellows and Visiting Scientists Supervised: >10 persons

Graduate Students Supervised: >15 persons

Graduate Supervisory Committee Served: >30 persons

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