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Professional Summary  
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**Academic Background**

Ph.D. Petroleum Engineering, The University of Texas at Austin, August 2017  
Supervisor: Dr. Larry Lake; Co-supervisor: Dr. Steven Bryant  
M.S. Petroleum Engineering, China University of Petroleum (East China), June 2012  
B.S. Petroleum Engineering, China University of Petroleum (East China), June 2009, first-class

**Areas of Expertise/Interest**

- A. Hydrogen storage and generation
- B. Geological carbon sequestration
- C. Gas enhanced oil recovery
- D. Reservoir engineering
- E. Reservoir numerical simulation
- F. Reservoir surveillance
- G. Unconventional resources
- H. Data analytics and machine learning

**Skills**

Experience in project management using Gantt  
Skilled with CMG, Eclipse, Intersect, Petrel, and OFM  
Experience in parallel computation  
Experience in reservoir geological modeling  
Experience in Kinder Morgan CO<sub>2</sub> Flood Scoping Model  
Well versed in programming using Python and MATLAB  
Experience in RTA (rate transient analysis)

**Professional Preparation**

Professional Appointments

- A. Research Associate, Improved Oil Recovery Engineer, Bureau of Economic Geology, The University of Texas at Austin (November 2019 – Present)  
  
Working on various oil/gas/hydrogen recovery projects in the State of Texas Advanced Resource Recovery (STARR) program at BEG. The topics include CO<sub>2</sub> enhanced oil recovery and storage, hydrogen, residual oil zones, waterflooding, and reservoir optimization and management. Much of my work is focused on understanding and controlling subsurface multiphase flow and reactive transport. I also develop and use full and reduced-physics models to predict flow. These flow models consider geologic constraints and include both physics- and data-driven processes.
- B. Postdoctoral fellow, Reservoir Engineer, Hildebrand Department of Petroleum and Geosystems Engineering, Bureau of Economic Geology, The University of Texas at Austin (September 2017 – October 2019). Supervisors: Dr. Larry Lake, Dr. Ian Duncan.  
  
Optimizing CO<sub>2</sub> sweep based on geochemical and reservoir characterization of the residual oil zone of the Seminole oilfield; Conducting flow simulations of the residual oil zone (ROZ) generation and evolution using Eclipse/Intersect and Texas Advanced Computing Resources; Examining the effect of injection strategies on CO<sub>2</sub> sweep efficiency in the ROZ; Conducting

economic assessment of various CO<sub>2</sub> injection strategies (e.g., CO<sub>2</sub> foam, water alternating gas).  
Assisting in supervising undergraduate and master research assistants.

- C. Geomodeler Intern, Bureau of Economic Geology, The University of Texas at Austin (May 2017 – August 2017)  
Geostatistical modeling of the largest producing residual oil zone of the Seminole San Andres Unit; Adopted fuzzy logic to generate facies logs for 650 wells in the ROZ, yielding a comprehensive facies model; Generated multiple realizations of porosity and permeability fields using the Petrel tool and rock typing method.
- D. Reservoir Engineering Intern, BP America (May 2014 – August 2014).  
Developed a model to evaluate lifetime energy utilization and carbon emissions arising from petroleum recovery operations; Collaborated with business units to analyze the energy & CO<sub>2</sub> emissions intensities in 3 BP oilfields under different recovery processes; Explored and identified the potential energy efficiency improvements by evaluating reservoir conformance improvement techniques; Assessed energy efficiency improvement by bright-water injection in a BP Alaskan oilfield, indicated the potential \$\$ value of bring-water injection around 1.1 MM/yr/injector.
- E. Graduate Research Assistant, Hildebrand Department of Petroleum and Geosystems Engineering, The University of Texas at Austin (September 2012 – May 2017).  
Reservoir simulation of the effect of heterogeneous capillary pressure on the buoyant flow of CO<sub>2</sub> in saline aquifers; Developed a fast physics-proxy method of estimating local capillary trapping during CO<sub>2</sub> injection; Developed an analytical model to describe CO<sub>2</sub> migration, accumulation, and trapping; Revealed the interaction between permeability retardation and capillary trapping.
- F. Graduate Research Assistant, China University of Petroleum (East China) (January 2010 – May 2012).  
Reservoir monitoring during CO<sub>2</sub> miscible flooding; Analyzed injection & production data, reservoir pressure and core-flooding experimental results to assess CO<sub>2</sub>/oil miscibility in a low-permeability reservoir; Evaluated different geophysical and geochemical techniques used in the field for tracking CO<sub>2</sub> migration in the reservoir; Optimized the reservoir monitoring program for CO<sub>2</sub> miscible flooding.
- G. Reservoir Engineering Intern, Jilin Oilfield, PetroChina (July 2010 – August 2010).  
Investigated and recommended the optimal well fluid sampling frequency and test parameters for monitoring the CO<sub>2</sub> miscible flooding, reducing the cost by more than 1/3; Evaluated the length of hydraulic fractures on CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR performance using CMG-GEM, recommended the optimal length of hydraulic fractures for developing tight oil reservoirs during CO<sub>2</sub> injection.
- H. Undergraduate Assistant, China University of Petroleum (East China) (November 2008 – August 2009).  
Experimental and numerical study on the CO<sub>2</sub> near-miscible flooding in a low-permeability reservoir of Shengli oilfield; Performed slim-tube tests and core-flooding to determine both minimum miscibility pressure and displacement efficiency; Conducted history matching and tuned the EOS model to the results of both CO<sub>2</sub>/oil phase behaviors and coreflooding tests.
- I. Petroleum Engineering Co-op, Shengli Oilfield, Sinopec (July 2008 – August 2008).  
Participated in the routine production operation of the oilfield; Analyzed and evaluated the water flooding performance of several oil reservoirs using the decline curve analysis.

#### Continuing Education Courses Taken

INTERSECT 2018 reservoir simulation fundamentals, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas, October 16-18, 2019.

Interdisciplinary carbon capture, utilization, and storage (CCUS) workshop, University of Houston, Houston, Texas, September 23-24, 2019.

The mechanics and nuance of public speaking, The University of Texas at Austin, Austin, Texas, March 28, 2019.

Whole value chain carbon capture, utilization and storage (CCUS) student week, Norwegian Research Council Research School and Colorado School of Mines, Golden, Colorado, October 15-19, 2018.

### **Committee Responsibilities and Professional Activities**

#### Society of Petroleum Engineers (SPE)

Team Captain, Data Science and Engineering Analytics PetroBowl Question Writing, SPE North America Regional PetroBowl, 2021

Program Committee Member, SPE Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition, 2021-2023

Program Committee Member, SPE Unconventional Resource Technology Conference, 2021

Judge, SPE North America Regional PetroBowl, 2021

Associate Editor, SPE Reservoir Evaluation & Engineering, Gas EOR Discipline, 2019 – present,

Volunteer, PetroWiki Translation, 2019

Volunteer, PetroBowl Question Writer, SPE International PetroBowl, 2018

Committee Member, SPE Student Section Award Judging, 2018

Technical Editor, SPE Reservoir Evaluation & Engineering, 2017 - present

Technical Editor, SPE Journal, 2018 - present

Secretary, China University of Petroleum (East China) SPE Student Chapter, 2012

#### Reviewer

*Peer reviewed journals (number of reviews):* SPE Journal (15), SPE Reservoir Evaluation & Engineering (6), Journal of Petroleum Science and Engineering (26), International Journal of Greenhouse Gas Control (6), Fuel (4), Journal of Natural Gas Science and Engineering (6), Applied Energy (3), Energy and Fuel (2), International Journal of Oil, Gas, and Coal Technology (3), Journal of Porous Media (2), Petroleum (1), Journal of Hydrodynamics (1), Interpretation (2), Stochastic Environmental Research and Risk Assessment (4), International Journal of Heat and Mass Transfer (2), Journal of CO<sub>2</sub> Utilization (3), Journal of Unconventional Oil and Gas Resources (2), Energy Science & Engineering (1), Simulation-SAGE Journal (1), Journal of Cleaner Production (2), International Journal of Environmental Science and Technology (1). International Journal of Hydrogen Energy (1).

#### The University of Texas at Austin

Judge, 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Jackson School Student Research Symposium, 2021

Judge, Cockrell School Undergraduate Poster Exhibition on Engineering Research, 2017

Member, UT-Austin Intramural Council, 2015-2016

Volunteer, Explore UT- Cockrell School of Engineering, UT-Austin, 2015, 2017

Group Organizer, Speaker, UT Sciences Toastmasters Club, UT-Austin, 2015-2016

#### External Committees Participation

Associate Editor, Journal of Petroleum Science and Engineering, August 2020 – present

### **Awards and Honorary Societies**

Regional Giovanni Paccaloni Young Professional Service Award, SPE, 2021

Career Development Publication Award, UT-Austin BEG, 2020-2021

Outstanding Technical Reviewer, SPE Journal, 2020

Outstanding Reviewer, International Journal of Greenhouse Gas Control, 2018

Outstanding Reviewer, Journal of Petroleum Science and Engineering, 2017

Shell Research Award, UT-Austin GAIN (Graduate and Industrial Network), 2015

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize for Research Excellence in Energy & Environment, UT-Austin Energy Week, 2015

Co-author of the highlighted paper included in the DOE-NETL Carbon Storage News Letter (June 2015). Paper title: "CO<sub>2</sub> Foam Flooding for Improved Oil Recovery: Reservoir Simulation Model and Influencing Factors", 2015

Co-author of the highlighted paper included in the DOE-NETL Carbon Storage News Letter (February 2015). Paper title: "CO<sub>2</sub> EOR and Storage in Jilin Oilfield China: Monitoring Program and Preliminary Results", 2015

Captain, Volleyball Team of UT Austin-CSSA (Chinese Students & Scholars Association), 2014-2015

Recipient, ConocoPhillips Fellowship, UT-Austin, 2012-2013

Recipient, Roberto Rocca Scholarship, China University of Petroleum (East China), 2010 - 2011

Recipient, Outstanding Postgraduate Award, China University of Petroleum (East China), 2009 - 2011

Recipient, National Scholarship, China University of Petroleum (East China), 2007-2008

### **Professional Societies**

Society of Petroleum Engineers

American Geophysical Union

### **Publications**

#### Patents

None

#### Articles (Peer reviewed)

Ren, B., Jensen, J., Duncan, I., Lake, Larry. Analysis and Importance of Vertical Permeability in a Carbonate Reservoir Undergoing CO<sub>2</sub> EOR. In preparation to be submitted to *SPE Journal*. 2021

Ren, B., Duncan, I.J., Male, F. Analysis of the Economics of Alternative Strategies for CO<sub>2</sub> EOR and Storage in Brownfield Residual Oil Zones. Submitted to *Interpretation*. 2021

Shuster, M., Bhattacharya, S., Duncan, I.J., Eichhubl, P., Hosseini, S., Javadpour, F., Kipper, J.P., Lin, N., Nicot, J.P., Ren, B. Hydrogen Infrastructure Expansion Requires Realistic Framework. *Oil & Gas Journal*, 2021

Duncan, I., Shuster, M., Lake, L.W., Ren, B. In-Situ Generation of Hydrogen (and Simultaneous CO<sub>2</sub> Sequestration) from Oxidation of Hydrocarbon Reservoirs: Developing Key Research Questions. Ready to be submitted to *International Journal of Greenhouse Gas Control*, 2021

Wang, J.P., Zeng, L.B., Zhang, J., Zhang, R.H., Wang, K., Ren, B., Wang, Q.Q., Chen, X.G., Liu, T.T. Subsurface Fracture Characterization in a Folded Ultra-Deep Tight Sandstone Reservoir: A Case Study of KeShen Gas Field, Tarim Basin, China. Submitted to *Journal of Natural Gas Science and Engineering*, 2021

Ren, G.W., Ren, B., Li, S.Y., Zhang, C. Unlock the Potentials to Further Improve CO<sub>2</sub> Storage and Utilization with Supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> Emulsions When Applying CO<sub>2</sub>-Philic Surfactants. *Sustainable Chemistry*. 2021:2, 127-148. <https://doi.org/10.3390/suschem2010009>

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Feng, D., Bakhshian S., Wu, K.L., Song, Z.J., Ren, B., Li, J., Hosseini, S.A., Li, X.F Effects of wettability on phase behavior and interfacial tensions in nanopores. *Fuel*. 2020:290, 119983. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.fuel.2020.119983>

Ren, B., Jeong, H. Buoyant and Countercurrent Flow of CO<sub>2</sub> with Capillary Dispersion. *Journal of Petroleum Science and Engineering*. 2020:195, 107922. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.petrol.2020.107922>

Zhong, Z., Sun, A.Y., Wang, Y., Ren, B. Predicting Field Production Rates for Waterflooding Using a Machine Learning-Based Proxy Model. *Journal of Petroleum Science and Engineering*. 2020:194, 107574. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.petrol.2020.107574>

Ren, B., Trevisan L. Characterization of Local Capillary Trap Clusters in Storage Aquifers. *Energy*. 2020:193, 116795. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.energy.2019.116795>

Wang, Y., Zhang, L., Ren, S., Ren, B., Chen, B.L., Lu, J. Identification of Potential CO<sub>2</sub> Leakage Pathways and Mechanisms in Oil Reservoirs Using Fall Tree Analysis. *Greenhouse Gases: Science and Technology*. 2020:0, 1-16. <https://doi.org/10.1002/ghg.1959>

Ren, B., Bryant, S.L., Lake, L.W. Estimating Local Capillary Trap Volume Capacities using a Geologic Criterion. *International Journal of Greenhouse Gas Control*. 2019: 85, 46-57. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijggc.2019.03.025>

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Ren, B. Local Capillary Trapping in Carbon Sequestration: Parametric Study and Implications for Leakage Assessment. *International Journal of Greenhouse Gas Control*. 2018:78, 135-147. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ijggc.2018.08.001>

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Ren, B., Male, F., Baques, V., Duncan, I.J., Lake, L. W. Oil Saturation in Residual Oil Zones and Its Effects on CO<sub>2</sub> WAG Injection Strategies. SPE Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition, Calgary, Alberta, Canada, 9 September - 2 October, 2019. <https://doi.org/10.2118/196230-MS>

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### Lectures and Addresses

Local capillary trapping and permeability-retarded accumulation during geologic carbon sequestration: invited talk presented at Bob L. Herd Department of Petroleum Engineering, Texas Tech University, Graduate Seminar Series, Lubbock, Texas, April 19, 2021.

Economic assessment of strategies for CO<sub>2</sub>-EOR and storage in brownfield residual oil zones: A case study from the Seminole San Andres Unit: invited talk virtually presented at SPE Improved Oil Recovery Conference, September 1, 2020.

Toward a sustainable oil & gas industry: CO<sub>2</sub> EOR and storage in residual oil zones utilizing foam injection: invited talk presented at Bureau of Economic Geology Tech Talk, Austin, Texas, September 30, 2019

Teaching old reservoirs new CO<sub>2</sub> science – high resolution geological modeling and reservoir simulation of CO<sub>2</sub> enhanced recovery (EOR) in the Seminole residual oil zone: invited talk presented at Bureau of Economic Geology Friday Seminar Series, Austin, Texas, April 26, 2019.

Maximizing CO<sub>2</sub> accumulation in storage reservoirs: interplay between permeability retardation and capillary trapping of rising CO<sub>2</sub>: invited talk presented at SPE Annual Technical Conference and Exhibition, San Antonio, Texas, Oct 10, 2017.

Injection of nitrogen foam for improved oil recovery in viscous oil reservoirs offshore Bohai Bay China: invited talk presented at SPE Improved Oil Recovery Conference, Tulsa, Oklahoma, April 12, 2016.

Monitoring CO<sub>2</sub> migration in a tight oil reservoir during CCS-EOR in Jilin Oilfield China: invited talk presented at the Carbon Management Technology Conference, Sugar Land, Texas, November 18, 2015.

Field scale modeling of local capillary trapping during CO<sub>2</sub> injection into saline aquifers: invited talk presented at 2<sup>nd</sup> Biennial CO<sub>2</sub> for EOR as CCUS Conference, Houston, Texas, October 5, 2015.

Fast modeling of local capillary trapping based on geologic criteria: presented at Geological CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Research Review Meeting, Austin, Texas, January 20, 2015.

Analysis of Energy Utilization and CO<sub>2</sub> Emissions during Petroleum Production; poster presented at the British Petroleum (BP) TechnoFest Business Impact Session, Houston, Texas, August 6, 2014.

Maximizing local capillary trapping during CO<sub>2</sub> injection; presented at Geological CO<sub>2</sub> Storage Research Review Meeting & UTCCS-2 Conference, Austin, Texas, January 29, 2014.

Local capillary trapping in geologic carbon sequestration: student paper contest presentation at China American Petroleum Association Petroleum and Petrochemical Technical Symposium, Houston, Texas, October 25, 2013.

The effect of gravity number during injection on local capillary trapping – implications for leakage assessment: poster presented the DOE-NETL Carbon Storage R&D Project Review Meeting, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, August 21, 2013.

Monitoring CO<sub>2</sub> EOR performance and migration in a tight oil reservoir: invited talk presented at National Doctoral & Future Petroleum Engineers Forum Paper Contest, Beijing, China, September 27, 2011.

Laboratory assessment and field pilot of near-miscible CO<sub>2</sub> Injection for IOR and Storage in a tight oil reservoir of ShengLi Oilfield China: poster presented at the SPE Enhanced Oil Recovery Conference, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, July 20, 2011.