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Education:

- 2004** **Ph.D.** Department of Materials Engineering, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer- Sheva, Israel.
Ph.D thesis: "Study of the interaction of Beryllium Surface with Various Gases and Electron Radiation".
- 1996** **M.Sc.** Department of Materials Engineering, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer- Sheva, Israel.
- 1989** **B.Sc.** Department of Materials Engineering, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer- Sheva, Israel.

Employment

1989 - 2006: Researcher, Dept. of materials, Nuclear Research Center-Negev.

2007-present: Researcher, Dept. of physics, Laboratory of surface analysis,
Nuclear Research Center-Negev.

2002-2003: Sabbatical leave at Dept. of chemistry, Ben Gurion Univ., Beer
Sheva, Israel. Research topic: "The interaction of water vapor
with beryllium surface", Host: Prof. Micha Polak.

2007-2008: A Sabbatical year at Rutgers Univ., the department of physics,
laboratory for surface modification, Piscataway NJ.
Research topic: "Thermal and electron induced interaction of
hydrocarbons with TiO₂ surfaces", Host: Prof. Ted Madey.

Scientific Fields of Interest

1. Gas interaction with solid surfaces

The interaction of gases, mainly water vapor, oxygen and hydrogen with metals and oxides. Study of the influence of radiation damage on the reaction of gases with rare earth metals and oxides. The influence of electron radiation on gas reaction and oxidation.

2. Modification of metal surfaces by ion implantation and plasma treatment.

This field of interest involves the study of surface modification and passivation of metals using ion implantation for prevention of gases corrosion. The research involves the characterization of the implanted layers and microscopic and macroscopic investigation of the resultant corrosion behavior.

3. Correlation between mechanical properties and microstructure of materials.

Study of mechanical characterization of materials and correlation with fracture analysis. The influence of micro-structure on the mechanical behavior.

List of publications

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2. **S. Zalkind**, J. Pelleg, L. Zevin and B.M. Ditchek, "In Situ X-ray Diffraction measurements of Silicide Formation in the Co-Si System", *Thin Solid Films* 249 (1994)187.
3. **S. Zalkind**, R. Ashkenazy, S. Harush, D. Halperin, D. Moreno, E. Abramov and A. Venkert, "Stress Corrosion Cracking of U-0.1%Cr in Humid Helium Atmosphere", *J. Nuclear Materials* 209 (1994) 169.
4. **S. Zalkind**, G.D. Lempert and D. Moreno, "The Influence of Preferred Crystallographic Orientation on Blister Size Distribution in Helium Implanted Surfaces", *Scripta Metallurgica et Materialia* 31 (1994) 225.
5. A. Raveh, R. Arkush, **S. Zalkind** and M. Brill, "Passivation of Uranium Metal by RF Plasma Nitriding Against Gas Phase (H₂, H₂O) Corrosion", *Surface and Coating Technology*, 82 (1996) 38.
6. D. Moreno, R. Arkush, **S. Zalkind** and N. Shamir, "Physical Discontinuities in the Surface Microstructure of Uranium Alloys as Preferred Sites for Hydrogen Attack. *J. Nuclear Materials*, 230 (1996) 181.
7. R. Arkush, A. Venkert, M. Aizenshtein, **S. Zalkind**, D. Moreno, M. Brill, M.H. Mintz and N. Shamir, "Site Related Nucleation and Growth of Hydrides on Uranium Surfaces", *J. Alloys and Compounds* 244 (1996) 197.
8. **S. Zalkind**, M. Polak and N. Shamir, "The Adsorption of O₂ vs. H₂O on Polycrystalline Beryllium", *Surface Science* 385 (1997) 318.

9. **S. Zalkind**, M. Polak and N. Shamir, "Adsorption of Hydrogen on Clean and Oxidized Beryllium Studied by Direct Recoils Spectrometry", *Applied Surface Science* 115 (1997) 273.
10. **S. Zalkind** and D. Moreno, "Fracture Characterization of Welded Cu-Be Alloys", *J. Materials Science Lett.* 18 (1999) 849.
11. R. Arkush, M. Brill, **S. Zalkind**, M.H. Mintz, N. Shamir, "The Effect of N_2^+ and C^+ Implantation on Uranium Hydride Nucleation and Growth Kinetics", *J. Alloys and Compounds* 330-332 (2002) 472.
12. **S. Zalkind**, O. Sabag, I. Makover, S. Harush, "The Influence of Carbon on the Tensile Properties of U-0.1%Cr", *J. Materials Science Lett.* 21 (2002) 551.
13. R. Arkush, **S. Zalkind**, M.H. Mintz, N. Shamir, "The Role of the Diffuse Interface of Implanted Surface Layers in Preventing gas Corrosion – Implantation of N_2^+ and C^+ in Uranium", *Colloids and Surfaces A* 208 (2002) 167.
14. **S. Zalkind**, M. Polak, N. Shamir, "Oxidation of Ion Bombarded vs. Annealed Beryllium", *Surface Science* 513 (2002) 501.
15. S. Zalkind, M. Polak, N. Shamir, "Temperature Dependent Interaction of Water Vapor with Beryllium Surface", *Surface Science* 529 (2003) 189.
16. **S. Zalkind**, M. Polak, N. Shamir, "Effects of Preadsorbed Hydrogen on the Adsorption of O_2 , CO, and H_2O on Beryllium", *Surface Science* 539 (2003) 81.
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