Curriculum Vitae for Professor Dr. Narongrit Sombatsompop

Professor Dr. Narongrit Sombatsompop obtained his PhD degree in Polymer Science & Technology, majoring in Polymer Rheology, from the University of Manchester Institute of Science & Technology (UMIST, UK) in 1997 before beginning his academic career as lecturer at King Mongkut's University of Technology Thonburi (KMUTT) Bangkok Thailand, and is now Professor in School of Energy, Environment and Materials at KMUTT. His present positions are (i) Head of Polymer Processing and Flow (P-PROF) Group, KMUTT (ii) Head of Thai-Journal Citation Index (TCI) Centre by Thailand Research Fund (TRF) and Commission on Higher Education (CHE), and (iii) Vicechairman in Junior Science Talented Project (JSTP) by NSTDA & TRF. Professor Sombatsompop is the head of Polymer Processing and Flow (P-PROF) Research Group and has great interests in researches of two main areas; Polymer composites and rheology, and Bibliometrics. The research works on the polymers are mostly financially supported by the Thailand Research Fund (TRF) together with other five Thai industries. Professor Sombatsompop and his team are the first group in conducting research works in a systematic manner. This had led to recognition and adoption of his research outputs though the setting up of the Thai Journal Citation Index (TCI) Center, also being the first time in Thailand. The TCI center is serving as the database of academic papers published in Thai journals. The information is extremely beneficial to uplifting a quality standard of the Thai journals and a performance of published research findings of Thai scholars. He is also the Chairman of the ASEAN Citation Index (ACI) database.

During the past 15 years of working as academic in KMUTT, Professor Sombatsompop, together with full-time researchers, has supervised over 100 master and 12 doctoral students. He has published over 150 research papers in refereed international journals, nearly 150 papers in national journals and in international conferences, and 5 patents. Examples of his research awards include (i) 2000 Outstanding Alumni By KMUT-NB, (ii) 2000 Thailand Young Scientist Award, and (iii) 2002 Thailand Young Technologist Award from Foundation of the Promotion of Science and Technology under the Patronage of H.M. the King, (iv) 2007 Research Award (Information Technology Category) By National Research Council of Thailand (NRCT), (vi) 2008 ASAIHL-Scopus Outstanding Young Scientist Award By Elsevier and ASAIHL, and (vii) 2009 and 2012 TRF Senior Scholar Award by the Thailand Research Fund (TRF), and (viii) most recently 2010 Outstanding Researcher Award by National Research Council of Thailand. For professional services, Professor Sombatsompop is an Associate Editor of Journal of Reinforced Plastics and Composites, and also Editorial Members of 5 international journals and 25 national journals. He is also members of Polymer Society (Thailand) and Thai Academy of Science & Technology (TAST).

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