

Dr. Florence EPRON

CNRS Research director

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## Diploma and positions

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- ✓ Since 2015: CNRS research director at the Institute of Chemistry of Poitiers (France)
- ✓ 2001: Habilitation to supervise PhD students, University of Poitiers
- ✓ 1994: CNRS researcher at the Laboratory of Catalysis in Organic Chemistry, Poitiers (France)
- ✓ 1993-1994: Temporary assistant professor in chemistry, University of Poitiers (France).
- ✓ 1992-1993: Postdoctoral position at the Laboratory of Catalysis in Organic Chemistry, Poitiers (France)
- ✓ 1991: PhD in chemistry at the University Pierre et Marie Curie (Paris 6, France)

## Management of research

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- Head of the research group "From the active site to the catalytic material" (2013-2019) (37 permanent staff, 30 PhD students and post-docs)
- Head of the research group "Catalysis by metals" (2009-2012) (11 permanent staff, 15 PhD students)
- Member of National Committee for Scientific Research (<http://www.cnrs.fr/en/national-committee-scientific-research>) from 2016, section 14

## Areas of Expertise

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Heterogeneous catalysis, preparation and characterization of supported mono and multimetallic catalysts, environmental catalysis (removal of pollutants in aqueous), catalysis for energy (hydrogen production, purification and storage, catalytic reforming).

## Scientific activities

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- ✓ **92 peer-reviewed publications** in international journals, **7** book chapters and **7** patents
- ✓  $H_{index} = 32$  (Web of Science) or 34 (Google scholar), citations : 3088 (2900 without self-citations) 20/01/2020
- ✓ 6 keynotes/ invited conferences in international events
- ✓ Responsible or partner in National (ANR, ADEME), European and International programs (China, Argentina, Brazil, India)
- ✓ Expertise of national and international programs

## Awards

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- ✓ **2018** : Award from French Chemical Society (Distinguished member)

## List of 6 representative publications

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1. A. Le Valant, F. Drault, C. Maleix, C. Comminges, R. Beauchet, Y. Batonneau, L. Pirault-Roy, C. Especel, **F. Epron**, J. Catal. 367C (2018) 234-243, «Effect of the metallic particle size of supported Pt catalysts on methylcyclopentane hydrogenolysis: understanding of the ring opening products distribution by a geometric approach ».
2. B.K. Ly, B. Tapin, M. Aouine, P. Delichere, **F. Epron**, C. Pinel, Especel, M. Besson, , ChemCatChem 7(14) (2015), 2161-2178, "Insights into the state and location of Re in Re-Pd/TiO<sub>2</sub> catalysts for aqueous-phase selective hydrogenation of succinic acid to 1,4-butanediol as a function of support and methods of Pd and Re deposition".
3. X. Di, G.Lafaye, C. Especel, **F. Epron**, J. Qi, C. Li, C. Liang, ChemSusChem, 12(4) (2019), 807-823, "Supported Co-Re bimetallic catalysts with different structures as efficient catalysts for hydrogenation of citral". (Front Cover)
4. C. Especel, D. Duprez, **F. Epron**, C.R. Chimie, 17 (2014) 790-800, "Bimetallic catalysts for hydrogenation in liquid phase".
5. N. Bion, D. Duprez, **F. Epron**, ChemSusChem,5 (2012) 76-84, Design of nanocatalysts for Green hydrogen production from bioethanol".
6. N. Herault, L. Olivet, L. Pirault-Roy, C. Especel, M. Vicerich, C. Pieck, **F. Epron**, Appl. Catal. A, 517 (2016) 81-90. "Controlled preparation and characterization of Pt-Rh/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> bimetallic catalysts for reactions in reducing conditions".