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## TITLE OF INVENTION

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***NOTE:*** *The term “Invention” herein includes any ideas and material that may qualify for patent or copyright*.

## CONTRIBUTOR(S)

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***NOTE:*** *If only one contributor is listed at 2.a., the same individual shall be the Principal Contact for the invention*

1. **Please describe how each individual listed in section 2.a. intellectually contributed to the conception of the invention:**

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***NOTE:*** *following are samples of contributions that are vague for the purpose and* ***SHOULD NOT*** *be used here: coordinated the work, guided or supervised the research work, was thesis supervisor, was principal investigator, idea development, owner of idea, proposed main idea, improved the idea, was project manager, participated in research or experiments or development work, participated in discussions, conceptualized, planned*

***NOTE:*** *Contribution of each individual contribution should be different e.g. Dr. X proposed novel adsorbent of MgO and amine, Ms. Y proposed a novel method of synthesis, Mr. Z proposed the idea of heating at 120°c for synthesis*

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Were there any prior public disclosure(s) or are there any anticipated disclosure(s), either written or oral, of the claimed invention? **YES** [ ]  **NO** [ ]

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***NOTE:*** *For this section, please do not compare with scientific literature*

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## What commercial product(s) or commercial service(s) may be sold using the invention:

***NOTE:*** *Please be clear and specific e.g. portable device for on-field measurement of mud properties such as…, corrosion inhibitor for offshore oil and gas production facilities, water treatment service for produced water to remove…, online portal (or app) to identify nearest charging station for EVs considering distance and cost*

***NOTE:*** *Please do not to refer future sponsored research as potential commercial service*

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[ ]  I hereby assign all rights, title and interest to this invention to King Fahd University of Petroleum & Minerals (KFUPM), and agree to execute all documents that are requested, assigning to KFUPM my rights in any patent application filed from this invention, and to cooperate with KFUPM’s Deanship of Research Office in protection and commercialization of this invention. I agree and aware that KFUPM shall share with the inventor(s) any license revenue derived from the invention as per its Intellectual Property policy.

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# APPENDIX A

**WAIVER FORM**

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# APPENDIX B

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Subject: No claim of rights in Intellectual Property

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Our university/organization is aware that our employee has executed a document titled “Waiver Form” stating that KFUPM is the owner of the Intellectual Property, and that our employee has waived any claim of such rights and assigned all associated rights in the Intellectual Property to KFUPM.

Our university/organization does not object to the waiver and assignment of Intellectual Property rights, and our university/organization does not claim any rights in the Intellectual Property. Further, our university/organization acknowledges that it has no share in any licensing or other revenues that may be accrued by KFUPM from the Intellectual Property.

KFUPM may, in its sole discretion, file and prosecute any patent application(s) for the Intellectual Property by including our employee as a co-inventor, and to have any such patents issued solely to KFUPM as owner.

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