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Professional Profile

Dr. Scott Davis is the President at Gexcon US and specializes in the engineering analysis and testing of combustion, thermal, and fluid processes. Dr. Davis is responsible for fire and explosion related activities, which include post-incident investigative work, worldwide training and experimentation, as well as performing risk assessments and safety studies for offshore and floating oil & gas installations, petrochemical facilities, and various other industries. These studies include explosion risk assessment, blast and venting analyses, assessment of combustible dust explosions, toxic/flammable gas releases and dispersion, hydrogen safety, ventilation, detector placement, and carbon monoxide dispersion with the assistance of the world-leading FLACS software developed by Gexcon. Dr. Davis is a member of Gexcon's docents group, which develops and delivers worldwide industrial seminars to owners, operators, safety engineers, and regulatory agencies, on the hazards associated with gas explosions, dust explosions and LNG.

Dr. Davis applies his expertise to the investigation and prevention of fires, explosions, and dispersion hazards such as flammable vapors and carbon monoxide exposures. He has expertise in evaluating the cause, origin, and dynamics associated with fires and explosions, principally as it relates to ignition, flame propagation, chemical kinetics, fluid dynamic processes associated with combustion and explosion events, including detonations. Dr. Davis was the lead investigator on hundreds of fire and explosion incidents, including chemical and industrial facilities and equipment, dust explosions, natural gas and propane explosions, unintentional ignition including thermal runaway, water hammer, BLEVE, and residential and commercial fires. Dr. Davis has conducted testing and design evaluation of industrial and residential gas-fired systems and equipment (boilers, furnaces, thermal fluid heaters), dust handling facilities, electrical appliances, and the associated controls and safety devices. Dr. Davis has also investigated numerous equipment and system failures associated with the formation, migration, and detection of carbon monoxide. He also works with companies addressing the technical aspects of product recalls as well as interacting with the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC). He serves on the committees responsible for NFPA 720 *Standard for the Installation of Carbon Monoxide (CO) Detection and Warning Equipment*, Combustible Dusts and Metal Dusts, and has served on that for NFPA 921 *Guide for Fire and Explosion Investigations*.

Prior to joining Gexcon, Dr. Davis's research focused on heat and flow processes in fires, chemically reacting flows, flame dynamics, and combustion phenomena in high-pressure burners and reactors. He has developed a comprehensive detailed kinetic model to understand and predict the high temperature formation and destruction of carbon monoxide and hydrogen in practical combustion systems. Dr. Davis also performed extensive tests and analyses on the ignition and combustion characteristics of liquid hydrocarbon based fuels (i.e., gasoline, diesel, biodiesel, ethanol blended fuels), flammability and ignitability of thermally degraded materials, self-heating of materials and failures of electrical connectors. Dr. Davis's prior research also involved designing and building a high-pressure fuel delivery system for analyzing the combustion of various gaseous and liquid hydrocarbons.

Dr. Davis is currently on the review committee for the Combustion Institute and continues to perform independent peer reviews of publications in *Combustion and Flame*, *Combustion Theory and Modelling*, and *Combustion Science and Technology*.

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Academic Credentials and Professional Honors

Ph.D., Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, Princeton University, 1998
M.S., Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, Princeton University, 1994
B.S., Aerospace Engineering, Pennsylvania State University, 1992
B.A., French, Pennsylvania State University, 1992

Adjunct Professor: Texas A&M University's Artie McFerrin Department of Chemical Engineering and the Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center.

Member of the U.S. Technical Advisory Committees (TAG) to ISO/TC 86 - Refrigeration and air-conditioning - Panel 8 - Refrigerants and refrigeration lubricants administered by ASHRAE.

US Expert - ISO/Technical Committee (TC) 86: Standardization in the fields of refrigeration and air-conditioning, including terminology, mechanical safety, methods of testing and rating equipment, measurement of sound levels, refrigerant and refrigeration lubricant chemistry, with consideration given to environmental protection - SC 8/WG8 - Burning Velocity Test Methods

Steering Committee Member and Technical Advisory Committee Member for the Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center.

Ocean Energy Safety Institute (OESI) Advisory Committee.

Principal Member: Technical Committee on Carbon Monoxide Detection, NFPA 720 *Standard for the Installation of Carbon Monoxide (CO) Detection and Warning Equipment*, National Fire Protection Association.

Principal Member: Technical Committee on Combustible Metals, NFPA 484 *Standard for Combustible Metals and Metal Dusts*, National Fire Protection Association.

Principal Member: Correlating Committee on Combustible Dusts, NFPA 652 *Standard on the Fundamentals of Combustible Dust*, National Fire Protection Association.

Best Paper and Presentation at the 43rd AIChE Loss Prevention Symposium (LPS) and , Tampa, FL (2009).

Best Paper and Presentation at the 51st AIChE Loss Prevention Symposium (LPS) and 13th Global Congress on Process Safety, San Antonio, TX (2017).

Excellence Award at the SAE 2006 & 2008 World Congress & Exhibition.

National Science Foundation and North Atlantic Treaty Organization International Post-Doctoral Fellowship, CNRS Marseille, France; Air Force Research In Aircraft Propulsion Technology Fellowship, Princeton University 1992–1997; Tau Beta Pi, National Engineering Honor Society.

Licenses and Certifications

Registered Professional Engineer, California, # 34526

Authorized Professional Engineer, Maryland, # 43297

Licensed Professional Engineer, Texas, # 113611

Authorized Professional Engineer, Pennsylvania, # PE080890

Registered Professional Engineer, New York, # 096277-1

Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator (CFEI) in accordance with the National Association of Fire Investigators National Certification Board per NFPA 921 Section 13.6.4.2

Fire Cause and Origin Investigation Training (1A), California Office of State Fire Marshal

Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Training, in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.120

Confined Space Entry Training, in accordance with OSHA 29 CFR 1910.146

PADI Rescue Diver Certification, CMAS (World Underwater Federation) Level III Diver

Languages

English (Native), French (Fluent)

Publications and Conference Proceedings

Davis, SG and Pagliaro, JL (2018). Importance of Properly Designing Dust Explosion Protection Systems: Case Study – 2014 Georgia Pacific Corrigan Facility Fire and Explosion. 14th Global Congress on Process Safety. Orlando, Florida, April 22, 2018.

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Davis, SG and Botwinick, D (2018). Getting It Right for Projects in Early Design Phase: Advanced Techniques to Ensure Accurate Explosion Assessments. 14th Global Congress on Process Safety. Orlando, Florida, April 22, 2018.

Davis, SG, Pagliaro, JL, Debold, TF, van Wingerden, M, van Wingerden, K (2018). Large Scale Flammability and Explosivity Testing of Ammonia: Impact on Ammonia Safety in Refrigeration Applications. 2018 IAR Natural Refrigeration Conference & Expo. Colorado Springs, Colorado, March 18, 2018.

Pagliaro, JL, Davis, SG, and van Wingerden, K (2017). Is my facility at risk? Understanding the risks associated with low burning velocity compounds. 2017 Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center International Symposium, October 2017.

Davis, SG, Engel, D, van Wingerden, K, & Merilo, E (2017). Can gases behave like explosives: Large-scale deflagration to detonation testing. *Journal of Fire Science*. Volume 35, Issue 5, September 5, 2017: pp. 434-454. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0734904117715648>

Davis, SG, DeBold, TF, & Marsegan, C (2017). Investigation Findings and Lessons Learned in the West Fertilizer Explosion. *Journal of Fire Science*. Volume 35, Issue 5, September 5, 2017: pp. 379-395. <https://doi.org/10.1177/0734904117715649>

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Davis, SG, DeBold, T, Marsegan, C, & Hendrickson, B (2017). Overfill to Overpressure – Investigation Findings and Contributing Events to the CAPECO Explosion. 13th Global Congress on Process Safety. San Antonio, Texas, March 29, 2017.

Davis, SG, Pagliaro, JL, Debold, TF, van Wingerden, M, van Wingerden, K (2017). Large scale flammability and explosivity testing of low burning velocity gases: Validity of prediction tools and impact on siting studies and risk assessments. 13th Global Congress on Process Safety. San Antonio, Texas, March 27, 2017.

Davis, SG, Pagliaro, JL, Botwinick, D, Engel, D, van Wingerden, K, Merilo, E, Ziembra, A, Groethe, M (2017). Large scale testing confirms: A deflagration to detonation transition needs to be considered when facility siting. AICHE 13th Global Congress on Process Safety. San Antonio, Texas, March 2017.

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Davis, SG, Merilo, E, Engel, D, and van Wingerden, K (2016). Large Scale Detonation Testing: New Findings in the Prediction of DDTs at Large Scales. 2016 Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center International Symposium, October 2016: 20-39.

Davis, SG, Engel, D, and van Wingerden, K (2016). Can Gases Behave Like Explosives – Large Scale Deflagration to Detonation Testing. Eighth International Symposium on Fire Investigation Science and Technology (ISFI 2016). Scottsdale, Arizona, USA, 22-24 September 2016.

Davis, SG, DeBold, TF, Marsegan, C, & Hendrickson, B (2016). Investigation Findings and Lessons Learned in the West Fertilizer Explosion. Eighth International Symposium on Fire Investigation Science and Technology (ISFI 2016). Scottsdale, Arizona, USA, 22-24 September 2016.

Davis, SG, Engel, D, Groethe, MA, and van Wingerden, K (2016). Large Scale Deflagration to Detonation Testings. 11th International Symposium on Hazards, Prevention, and Mitigation of Industrial Explosions (ISHPMIE). Dalian, China, July 2016.

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Davis, SG, Hendrickson, B, Marsegan, C, and DeBold, T (2016). Investigation Findings and Lessons Learned in the West Fertilizer Explosion. 12th Global Congress on Process Safety. Houston, Texas, April 11-23, 2016.

Davis, SG, Engel, D, and van Wingerden, K (2015). Large Scale Detonation Testing – RPSEA Project Award. 2015 Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center International Symposium, October 2015: 375-388.

Davis, SG, Bratteteig, A, Sharpe, E, and Barua, R (2015). Case Study: Laser-Based Gas Detection Technology and Dispersion Modeling Used to Eliminate False Alarms and Improve Safety Performance on Terra Nova FPSO. 11th Global Congress on Process Safety (GCPS), Austin, TX, 2015.

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Davis, SG, Bratteteig, A, Gavelli, F (2013). CFD-Based Probabilistic Explosion Hazard Analysis as an Early Tool to Improve FLNG Design, 2013 Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center International Symposium, 2013: 848-859.

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Hansen, OR, Gavelli, F, Davis, SG & Middha, P (2011). Equivalent cloud methods used for explosion risk and consequence studies, 2011 Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center International Symposium, 25-27 October 2011:78-106.

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Gavelli, F, Davis, SG, Hinze, P. & Hansen, OR (2011). CFD modeling of hydrogen releases and explosions, 7th Global Congress on Process Safety, American Institute of Chemical Engineers Spring National Meeting, Chicago, IL 2011.

Hansen, OR, Davis, SG, Mannan, MS (2010). Assessing the Credibility of Major Incidents during a Process Hazards Analysis. *Proceedings*, 2010 Mary Kay O'Connor Process Safety Center International Symposium, College Station, TX.

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Selected Presentations and Courses

Davis, SG, Using R-290 (Propane) in Commercial Refrigeration Applications: Hazards and Mitigation Measures. NFPA Conference and Expo. Las Vega, Nevada, June 11, 2018.

Davis, SG, Can vapor clouds more easily transition from deflagration to detonation at large scales?. 2018 Spring Technical Meeting Central States Section of The Combustion Institute. Minneapolis, MN. Orlando, Florida, May 20, 2018.

Davis, SG, Designing Effective Emergency Response Plans : Lessons learnt from years of investigation incidents. Qatar Process Safety Symposium (QPSS). Doha, Qatar, April 8, 2018.

Davis, SG, Large Scale Flammability and Explosivity Testing of Low Burning Velocity Gases & Ammonia: Validity of Prediction Tools and Impact on Siting Studies. Ammonia Safety & Training Institute. Marina, California, September 15, 2017.

Davis, SG, Seminar: Investigation Findings and Lessons Learned in the West Fertilizer Explosion. Presented at 5th Process Safety Technical Exchange Meeting (PSTEM16) held on 4th-5th October in Saudi Arabia, 2016.

Davis, SG, Seminar: Revisiting the 2004 Skikda Explosion 12 Years Later. Presented at the Fire and Blast Information Group (FABIG) Technical Meeting held on 9th March in Aberdeen and 10th March in London, 2016.

Davis, SG, Seminar: Breaking the Mold: Applying Advanced Techniques to Fire and Explosion Analyses. Presented at the 2015 Propane Defense conference, Baltimore, MD. October 1 – 2, 2015.

Davis, SG, Seminar: It's Always Bigger in Texas: The West, Texas AN Explosion. Presented at the 2015 Propane Defense conference, Baltimore, MD. October 1 – 2, 2015.

Davis, SG, Seminar: Challenges of Explosion Risk Management in Arctic Environments. Presented at the 2015 Arctic Offshore Operations Conference, Anchorage, AK. 27 May 2015.

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