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**Experience**

Assistant Professor in Chemistry  
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Oct. 2017 – till date  
Assam, India

National Postdoctoral Fellow  
Postdoctoral Research with Prof. Swapan K Pati  
Theoretical Sciences Unit  
Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research

Feb. 2017 – Oct. 2017  
Bengaluru, Karnataka

CTS Research Visitor  
Department of Chemistry & Center for Theoretical Studies  
Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur

Nov. 2016  
Kharagpur, India

Postdoctoral Research with Prof. Gabriel Merino  
Departamento de Fisica Aplicada, CINVESTAV Merida

Sept. 2015 – Aug. 2016  
Merida, Mexico

Research Assistant  
Department of Chemistry & Center for Theoretical Studies  
Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur

Jun. – Jul. 2015  
Kharagpur, India

**Education**

Ph.D., Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur  
Department of Chemistry  
Supervisor: Prof. P. K. Chattaraj  
Thesis: All-metal and nonmetal clusters and their gas storage potential

2009 – 2015  
Kharagpur, India

M.Sc., University of Pune  
Centre for Advanced Studies in Chemistry  
Department of Chemistry  
Supervisor: Prof. A. S. Kumbhar  
Project: Synthesis and characterization of different Cu(I) and Cu(II) Polypyridyl complexes

2009

Pune, India

B.Sc., University of Burdwan  
Department of Chemistry, Raghunathpur College, Purulia

2006

WB, India

## Journal Publications

### During Assistant Professorship:

1. G. G. Nnabuike, Sukanta Mondal, S. Salunke-Gawali, A. S. Patil, R. J. Butcher, J. A. Obaleyeye, "Structural features of nickel (II) mixed ligand complexes with mefenamic acid and nitrogen donor ligands" **J. Mol. Struct.**., 2020. [Impact factor: 2.011]  
DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.molstruc.2020.129632>
2. R. Parida, G. N. Reddy, E. Osorio, A. Muñoz-Castro, Sukanta Mondal\*, S. Giri\*, "Unique magnetic shielding and bonding in Pnicogen nortricyclane Zintl clusters", **Chem. Phys. Lett.** (2020) 749, 137414. [Impact factor: 2.029]
3. J. C. Gonzalez, Sukanta Mondal, F. Ocayo, R. Guajardo-Maturana, A. Muñoz-Castro\*, "Nature of C<sub>60</sub> and C<sub>70</sub> fullerene encapsulation in a porphyrin- and metalloporphyrin-based cage: Insights from dispersion-corrected density functional theory calculations", **Int. J. Quantum Chem.** (2020) 120, 3, e26080. [Impact factor: 2.263]
4. G. Jana, R. Pal, Sukanta Mondal\*, P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Do the Ni binding modes on C<sub>12</sub>N<sub>12</sub> cluster influence its H<sub>2</sub> trapping capability?", **Adv. Mater. Lett.** (2020) 11, 4, 20041500. [Impact factor: 1.150]
5. M. Homray, Sukanta Mondal, A. Misra\*, P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Bond Stretch Isomerism in Be<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup> driven by Renner-Teller Effect", **Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.** (2019) 21, 7996. [Impact factor: 3.567]
6. Sukanta Mondal\*, P. Sarkar, A Muñoz-Castro\*, "Planar ten-membered 10- $\pi$ -electron aromatic (CH)<sub>5</sub>(XH)<sub>5</sub> {X = Ge, Sn} systems" **J. Mol. Model.** (2018) 24, 264. [Impact factor: 1.346]

### During Postdoctoral Research:

7. S. Das, Sukanta Mondal, S. K. Pati\*, "Mechanistic Insights into Hydrogen Activation by Frustrated N/Sn Lewis Pairs" **Chem. Eur. J.** (2018) 24, 2575. [Impact factor: 4.857]
8. Sukanta Mondal, T. Goswami, G. Jana, A. Misra\*, P. K. Chattaraj\*, "A Possible Reason Behind the Initial Formation of Pentagonal Dodecahedron Cavities in sI-Methane Hydrate Nucleation: A DFT Study" **Chem. Phys. Lett.** (2018) 691, 415. [Impact factor: 2.029]
9. J. Barroso, Sukanta Mondal, J. L. Cabellos, E. Osorio, S. Pan, and G. Merino\*, "Structure and Bonding of Alkali-Metal Pentalenides" **Organometallics** (2017) 36, 310. [Impact factor: 4.060]
10. Sukanta Mondal, J. L. Cabellos, S. Pan, E. Osorio, J. J. Torres-Vega, W. Tiznado, A. Restrepo and G. Merino\*, "10- $\pi$ -Electron Arenes a la Carte: Structure and Bonding of the [E-(C<sub>n</sub>H<sub>n</sub>)-E]<sup>n-6</sup> (E = Ca, Sr, Ba; n = 6–8) Complexes" **Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.** (2016) 18, 11909. [Impact factor: 3.567]

11. S. Pan, R. Saha, S. Mandal, Sukanta Mondal, A. Gupta, M. A. Fernández-Herrera, G. Merino\*, P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Selectivity in Gas Adsorption by Molecular Cucurbit[6]uril" **J. Phys. Chem. C** 120, 13911, 2016. [Impact factor: 4.270]
12. Sukanta Mondal, E. Osorio, S. Pan, J. L. Cabellos, S. Martinez, E. Florez, and G. Merino\*, "Why CpAl–Cr(CO)<sub>5</sub> is Linear while CpIn–Cr(CO)<sub>5</sub> is Not? Understanding the Structure and Bonding of the CpE–Cr(CO)<sub>5</sub> (E = Group 13 element) Complexes" **Theor. Chem. Acc.** (2016) 135, 240. [Impact factor: 2.233]
13. S. Jalife, Sukanta Mondal, J. L. Cabellos, G. Martínez-Guajardo, S. Pan, M. A. Mendez-Rojas, I. Fernandez, G. Frenking\*, and G. Merino\*, "Breaking the Isolated Pentagon Rule by Encapsulating Xe<sub>2</sub> in C<sub>60</sub>: The Guest Defines the Shape of the Host" **Chem. Select** (Communications) (2016) 1, 2405. [Impact factor: 1.811]
14. S. Jalife, Sukanta Mondal, E. Osorio, J. L. Cabellos, G. Martínez-Guajardo, M. A. Fernandez-Herrera, and G. Merino\*, "Nonclassical 21-Homododecahedryl Cation Rearrangement Revisited" **Org. Lett.** (2016) 18, 1140. [Impact factor: 6.555]
15. S. Jalife, Sukanta Mondal, J. L. Cabellos, G. Martinez-Guajardo, M. A. Fernandez-Herrera, and G. Merino\*, "The Cubyl Cation Rearrangements" **Chem. Commun.** (2016) 52, 3403. [Impact factor: 5.996]
16. E. Florez, N. Acelas, C. Ibarguen, Sukanta Mondal, J. L. Cabellos, G. Merino, and A. Restrepo\*, "Microsolvation of NO<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>: structural exploration and bonding analysis" **RSC Adv.** (2016) 6, 71913. [Impact factor: 3.070]
17. Y. Jin, Y. Tian, X. Kuang, C. Lu, J. L. Cabellos, Sukanta Mondal, and G. Merino\*, "Structural and Electronic Properties of Ruthenium-Doped Germanium Clusters" **J. Phys. Chem. C** (2016) 120, 8399. [Impact factor: 4.270]

#### During PhD:

18. Sukanta Mondal, M. Ghara, and P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Hydrogen Trapping Potential of (HF)<sub>m</sub> (m = 1–8) and (H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>n</sub> (n = 1–10) Clusters" **Comp. Theo. Chem.** (2015) 1071, 18. [Impact factor: 1.403]
19. S. Chattaraj, K. Srinivasu, Sukanta Mondal, and S. K. Ghosh\*, "Hydrogen Trapping Ability of the Pyridine–Lithium<sup>+</sup> (1:1) Complex" **J. Phys. Chem. A** (2015) 119, 3056. [Impact factor: 2.600]
20. Sukanta Mondal, and P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Stability and Structural Dynamics of Be<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup> Clusters" **Chem. Phys. Lett.** (2014) 593, 128. [Impact factor: 2.029]
21. Sukanta Mondal, and P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Noble Gas Encapsulation: Clathrate Hydrates and their HF Doped Analogues" **Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.** (2014) 16, 17943. [Impact factor: 3.567]
22. Sukanta Mondal, S. Giri, and P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Possibility of Having HF Doped Hydrogen Hydrates" **J. Phys. Chem. C** (2013) 117, 11625. [Impact factor: 4.270]

23. Sukanta Mondal, S. Giri, and P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Methane Hydrates and their HF Doped Analogues" **Chem. Phys. Lett.** (2013) 578, 110. [Impact factor: 2.029]
24. Sukanta Mondal, S. Ghosh, and P. K. Chattaraj\*, "A Molecular Dynamics Study on SI Hydrogen Hydrate" **J. Mol. Model.** (2013) 19, 2785. [Impact factor: 1.346]
25. Sukanta Mondal, K. Srinivasu, S. Ghosh\*, and P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Isomers of C<sub>12</sub>N<sub>12</sub> as Potential Hydrogen Storage Materials and the Effect of the Electric Field Therein" **RSC Advances** (2013) 3, 6991. [Impact factor: 3.070]
26. S. Pan, Sukanta Mondal, and P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Cucurbiturils as Promising Hydrogen Storage Materials: A Case Study of Cucurbit[7]uril" **New J. Chem.** (2013) 37, 2492. [Impact factor: 3.288]
27. S. Kumar, G. Mani\*, Sukanta Mondal, and P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Pyrrole-Based New Diphosphines: Pd and Ni Complexes Bearing the PNP Pincer Ligand" **Inorg. Chem.**, (2012), 51, 12527. [Impact factor: 4.850]
28. A. Chakraborty, S. Bandaru, R. Das, S. Duley, S. Giri, K. Goswami, Sukanta Mondal, S. Pan, S. Sen and P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Some Novel Molecular Frameworks Involving Representative Elements" **Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.** (2012) 14, 14784. (Published as a cover article). [Impact factor: 3.567]
29. P. K. Chattaraj, S. Bandaru and Sukanta Mondal, "Hydrogen Storage in Clathrate Hydrates", **J. Phys. Chem. A** (2011) 115, 187. [Impact factor: 2.600]

### Book Chapters

1. Sukanta Mondal, A. Chakraborty, S. Pan, and P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Designing of Some Novel Molecular Templates Suitable for Hydrogen Storage Application: A Theoretical Approach", **Nanoscience and Computational Chemistry: Research Progress** (2013), by A. G. Mercader, E. A. Castro, and A. K. Hagi, Apple Academic Press: CRC Press, a Taylor & Francis Group.
2. A. Chakraborty, Sukanta Mondal, and P. K. Chattaraj\*, "Conceptual DFT and Chemical Reactivity" in "**Theoretical and Computational Advances: From Atoms to Molecules to Materials**" ed. D. Kumar, (2017), ISBN: 978-93-5196-507-7, Self Publishing, Lucknow (U. P.) India.

### Reviewer

1. Journal of Molecular Modeling, Springer Link.
2. International Journal of Hydrogen Energy, Elsevier.

### Selected Grants, Awards, & Achievements

1. Fellow of the Indian Chemical Society, Fellowship Number is F/8188 (Life Member), 2019.

2. Recipient of UGC BSR Research Start-Up Grant from University Grants Commission, MHRD, Govt. of India, 2019.
3. Selected in CTS Visitor's Programme (Second time), IIT Kharagpur, India, for a short research stay, 2018.
4. Recipient of SERB National Postdoctoral Fellowship (2017), Department of Science and Technology, Government of India.
5. Selected in CTS Visitor's Programme, IIT Kharagpur, India, for a short research stay, 2016.
6. Recipient of SNI (Sistema Nacional de Investigadores) Level – 1, 2016, CONACYT, Mexico.
7. Senior Research Fellow, 2011, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur, India.
8. Junior Research Fellow, 2009, Indian Institute of Technology Kharagpur, India.
9. Qualified the joint CSIR-UGC Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) and eligibility for Lectureship- National Eligibility Test (NET), December, 2008.
10. Qualified the Graduate Aptitude Test in Engineering, GATE-2008, India.
11. Recipient of merit based scholarship, NCL Scholarship during the master's study (2007-2009) from National Chemical Laboratory, Pune, India.
12. Cleared all India based postgraduate entrance test conducted by Department of Chemistry, University of Pune and National Chemical Laboratory in 2007.

### **Selected Conferences, Posters, and Talks**

1. **Invited talk** (Title: Selective host-guest organization in the initial stage of sI methane hydrate nucleation) in the international conference ‘16<sup>th</sup> Theoretical Chemistry Symposium (**TCS 2019**)’ organized by the Birla Institute of Technology & Science, Pilani, Pilani Campus, Pilani, Rajasthan 333031, India.
2. **Special lecture** (Title: Hydrogen and methane gas encapsulation in clathrate hydrates) in the “Chemistry Colloquium” of Department of Chemistry, University of North Bengal, Siliguri, West Bengal 734013, India (January 2019).
3. **Oral presentation** (Title: Clathrate Hydrates) in the National Conference on Emerging Materials, March 2018, organized by the Department of Chemistry, Assam University (A Central University), Silchar 788 011, India.
4. Presented a poster in the International Conference on Systems and Processes in Physics, Chemistry and Biology (ICSPPCB-2018) organised by the Department of Physics, Assam University (A Central University), Silchar 788 011, India.

5. **Oral Presentation** (Title: Hydrogen and methane storage in clathrate hydrates and HF doped clathrate hydrates) in 51st Annual Convention of Chemists 2014, Indian Chemical Society' December 9-12, 2014 at the Department of Chemistry, Kurukshetra University, Kurukshetra, India.
6. **Invited talk** on the topic "Hydrogen storage in clathrate hydrates and HF doped clathrate hydrates" in '2nd International Symposium on Energy Challenges and Mechanics (ECM2)' 19-21 August 2014, Aberdeen, **Scotland, United Kingdom**.
7. Presented a poster in **DAE BRNS** Symposium on Current Trends in Theoretical Chemistry (CTTC-2013), September 26-28, 2013, Bhabha Atomic Research Centre, Mumbai, India.
8. Presented a poster in Theoretical Chemistry Symposium (**TCS-2012**), December 19 – 22, 2012, IIT Guwahati, India.
9. Participated and contributed in a poster presented from the Theoretical Chemistry Lab. (Prof. P. K. Chattaraj) in the 'Diamond Jubilee Symposium on Recent Trends in Chemistry (DJSRTC-2011)' at IIT Kharagpur, October 21-23, 2011, India.
10. **Oral presentation** regarding the advancement of project **HYPOMAP** (New materials for hydrogen powered mobile applications), at National Chemical Laboratory, May 7-8, 2011, Pune, India.
11. Participated in the School on Understanding Molecular Simulations: Theory and Applications (UMS-2010), which was organized at IIT Kanpur from November 3-13, 2010, India.
12. Attended the International Conference "Of Molecules and Materials" on 28-29 December -2009 at IISER-Kolkata, India.

#### **Service to the Assam University, Silchar**

Sports Board Member Dec. 2018 - Dec. 2021  
Assam University (A Central University), Silchar Assam, India

#### **Miscellaneous**

1. Research Visitor Dec. 2018  
Department of Chemistry, University of North Bengal Darjeeling, India
2. CTS Research Visitor Jun. 2018  
Department of Chemistry & Center for Theoretical Studies  
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