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POST-DOCTORAL EXPERIENCE

- 1st Post-doc 17th July 2017 to 16th July 2018
Title of the work: **Solid Electrolyte Interphase Formation on Anode Electrodes by Radiolysis**
Supervisor: **Dr. Sophie LE CAER**
NIMBE/LIONS, CNRS-CEA-Saclay, France.
- 2st Post-doc 1st September 2018 to 30th November 2019
Title of the work: **Biredox Ionic liquids for Supercapacitor applications**
Supervisor: **Dr. Olivier Fontaine**
ICGM-AIME, University of Montpellier, France.
- 3rd Post-doc 25th January 2021 to 9th December 2021
Title of the work: **Scientific Understanding and Technical Development of Metal-CO₂ Battery with CO₂ as an Energy Carrier for India's Mars Mission**
Supervisor: **Dr. Chandra Sekhar Sharma**
Carbon Lab, IIT Hyderabad, India.
- 4th Post-doc 10th December 2021 to Till date
Title of the work: **Lithium Sulfur Battery for High Temperature Applications.**
Supervisor: **Dr. Edreese Alsharaeh**
College of Science and General Studies, Alfaisal University,
Saudi Arabia.

ACADEMIC RECORD

- Ph.D.** (Chemical Science) Dec'11- June' 17
Title of the Thesis: **Alternative Electrodes and Electrolytes for Lithium Battery**
Supervisor: Dr. N. Kalaiselvi,
Director General of CSIR, India
- M. Sc.** (Chemistry) 2006- 2008
Andhra University, Andhra Pradesh, India
- B. Sc.** (Chemistry) 2003-2006
Andhra University, Andhra Pradesh, India
- B. Ed.** 2010- 2011
Acharya Nagarjuna University, Andhra Pradesh.
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AWARDS

1. Awarded **Junior Research Fellow (JRF) (0467/1067 rank)** from the University Grants Commission in the year of December-2010.
 2. Subsequently assessed by an expert committee in 2013 and recommended for **UGC-SRF**.
 3. Qualified B.ed examination state level rank **1004 in 2009**
 4. **Second Prize in oral presentation** in the National Science Day celebrations at CSIR- Central Electrochemical Research Institute, Karaikudi on February 28th, 2015.
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Supervising and Mentoring

I also trained and supervised research of master (3 members) and Ph.D co-workers (7 members).

Experimental /Analytical Skills

Electrochemical techniques

1. Experience in handling with electrochemical workstation - Autolab, Arbin, Biologic VMP3 and VSP.
2. Cyclic Voltammetry, Chronopotentiometry, Linear sweep voltammetry, etc.
3. Galvanostatic and Potentiostatic electrolysis.

Analytical techniques

1. X-ray Diffraction (XRD).
2. Scanning Electron Microscopy (SEM).
3. Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM).
4. Atomic Force Microscopy (AFM).
5. Glove box.

Spectroscopic techniques

1. FT-IR, UV-Visible, XPS.
 2. Laser Raman Microscope.
 3. Interpretation of spectroscopic results.
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Work Style /Strength

1. Hard working, Passion for R&D, Team spirit, Self-motivated, Designing of newer flowcharts related to work, Dedication with Tireless attempts.
2. Tendency to learn new knowledge and adapt to new working environments quickly.

Research Interests

1. Optimization of synthesis procedures to prepare nano/porous materials and composites for energy storage and conversion (Li-ion batteries).
2. The synthesis - structure –morphology- property relationship of electrode materials.
3. Transition metal oxides based materials for different energy storage application.
4. By using radiolysis as a tool to find a suitable anode material for lithium-ion batteries.
5. Different types of electrodes (carbon and transition metal oxides) and electrolytes (Ionic liquids and redox ionic liquids) for supercapacitor applications.

PUBLICATIONS

1. Nanoflake driven Mn₂O₃ microcubes modified with cooked rice derived carbon for improved electrochemical behaviour. **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, Ganguli Babu and N. Kalaiselvi, *RSC Advances*, 2015, 5, 4568. (IF: 4.03)
2. Pristine Hollow Microspheres of Mn₂O₃ as Potential Anode for Lithium-Ion Batteries. **Bongu Chandra Sekhar** and N. Kalaiselvi, *Crys.Eng.Comm.*, 2015, 17, 5038. (IF: 3.75)
3. Validation of Green Composite Containing Nanocrystalline Mn₂O₃ and Biocarbon Derived from Human Hair as a Potential Anode for Lithium-ion Batteries, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, KR. Saravanan and N. Kalaiselvi, *J. Mater. Chem. A*, 2015, 3, 23981. (IF: 12.73)
4. Exploration of MnFeO₃/Multiwalled Carbon Nanotubes Composite as Potential Anode for Lithium-Ion Batteries, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, R. Jeevani and N. Kalaiselvi (*ACS Inorganic Chemistry*, 2016, 55, 11644) (IF: 5.43)
5. Synergistic Effect of Flakes Containing Interconnected Nanoparticles and Conducting Graphene Additive to Qualify ZnMn₂O₄ as Potential Lithium Battery Anode, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, P. Packiyalakshmi and N. Kalaiselvi (*ChemElectroChem*, 2017, 4, 1154) (IF: 4.78)
6. Green Solid Ionic liquid crystalline electrolyte membranes with anisotropic channels for efficient Li-ion batteries, Renjith Sasi, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, Nallathamby Kalaiselvi and Sudha J Devaki (*Adv. Sustainable Syst.* 2017, 1600031) (IF: 6.73)
7. Easy synthesis of microporous/mesoporous cobalt organic framework as binder less lithium-ion battery electrode, MP Prakash Sengodu, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, Muthuraja Perumal, (*J. Alloys and Compd.*, 2017, 714, 603) (IF: 6.37)

8. Custom designed ZnMn₂O₄/nitrogen doped graphene composite anode validated for sodium ion battery application. **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, P. Packiyalakshmi and Nallathamby Kalaiselvi (*RSC Adv.*, 2017, 7, 20057) (IF: 4.03)
9. Ex situ solid electrolyte interphase synthesis via radiolysis of Li-ion battery anode–electrolyte system for improved coulombic efficiency. Fanny Varenne, John P. Alper, Frederic Miserque, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, Adrien Boulineau, Jean-Frederic Martin, Vincent Dauvois, Alexandre Demarque, Mickael Bouhier, Florent Boismain, Sylvain Franger, Nathalie Herlin-Boime and Sophie Le Caer* (*Sustainable Energy & Fuels*, 2018, 2, 2100) (IF : 8.26)
10. Domestic Food Waste Derived Porous Carbon for Energy Storage Applications, P. Packiyalakshmi, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar** and N. Kalaiselvi* (*ChemistrySelect*, 2019, 4, 8007) (IF: 2.30)
11. Artificial Solid Electrolyte Interphase Formation on Si Nanoparticles through Radiolysis: Importance of the Presence of an Additive, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, Suzy Surblé, John P. Alper, Adrien Boulineau, Jean-Frédéric Martin, Alexandre Demarque, Pierre-Eugène Coulon, Michel Rosso, François Ozanam, Sylvain Franger, Nathalie Herlin-Boime and Sophie Le Caër *(*J. Phys. Chem. C*, 2019, 47, 28550) (IF: 4.17)
12. Evaluation of the Properties of an Electrolyte Based on Formamide and LiTFSI for Electrochemical Capacitors, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, Charlotte Bodin, Steven le Vot¹, Frédéric Favier and Olivier Fontaine* (*J. Electrochem. Soc.*, 2020, 167, 110508) (IF: 3.721)
13. Competitive salt precipitation/dissolution during free-water reduction in water-in-salt electrolyte, Roza Bouchal, * Zhuji Li, **Chandra Sekhar Bongu**, Steven Le Vot, Romain Berthelot, Benjamin Rotenberg, Frederic Favier, Stefan A. Freunberger, Mathieu Salanne and Olivier Fontaine *(*Angewandte Chemie*, 2020, 132, 16047) (IF: 16.82)
14. Shuttle effect quantification for redox ionic liquid electrolyte correlated to the coulombic efficiency of supercapacitors, Charlotte Bodin, **Chandra Sekhar Bongu**, Mathieu Deschanel, Sylvain Catrouillet, Steven Le Vot, Frédéric Favier and Olivier Fontaine* (*Batteries & supercaps*, 2020, 3, 1193.) (IF: 6.04)
15. Reduced graphene oxide/hexagonal boron nitride-based composite as a positive electrode in asymmetric supercapacitors, Nada Althubaiti, Yasmin Mussa, **Bongu**

Chandra Sekhar, Zahra Bayhan, Muhammad Arsalan, Abdulrahman Soliman, Edreese Alsharaeh, (**J. Mater. Sci.**, 2022, 57, 14371.) (IF: 4.68)

16. Candle Soot Nanoparticles vs. Multiwalled Carbon Nanotubes as a High-Performance Cathode Catalyst for a Li-CO₂ Mars Battery for Mars Exploration, Chourasia, Ankit Kumar, Shavez Mohd, Naik Keerti, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, Sharma Chandra, (Accepted, ACS Appl. Energy Mater., doi.org/10.1021/acsaem.2c03285) (IF: 6.95)
17. In Situ/Operando Characterization Techniques: The Guiding Tool for the Development of Li-CO₂ Battery, Chourasia, Ankit Kumar, AD Pathak, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, K Manikandan, S Praneeth, Keerti M Naik, Sharma Chandra, (Accepted, Small Methods., doi.org/10.1002/smtd.202200930). (IF: 15.36)
18. Flexible and Freestanding MoS₂/Graphene Composite for High-Performance Supercapacitors, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, Yasmin Mussa, Sara Aleid, Muhammad Arsalan, and Edreese H. Alsharaeh, (ACS Omega 2023, 8, 40, 36789–36800) (IF: 4.1).
19. High Performance and Long-cycling Bi-functional Carbon Electrodes Derived from Amla for Potassium ion Batteries and Supercapacitors, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, Arthi Gopalakrishnan, and Chandra Shekhar Sharma, (New J. Chem., 2024,48, 1130-1140) (IF: 3.3).
20. Ginger-Derived and Hierarchical Porous Carbon as an Anode Material for Potassium-Ion Batteries, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar** and Chandra Shekhar Sharma, (Mater. Adv., 2024,5, 632-641) (IF: 5.0).
21. Blackberry Seeds Derived Carbon as Stable Anode for Lithium-Ion Batteries, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, Abeer Khan, Muhammad Arsalan, and Edreese H. Alsharaeh, (Under Review) (IF: 4.1).
22. 2D Hybrid Nanocomposites Materials (h-BN/G/MoS₂) as a High-Performance Supercapacitor Electrode, **Bongu Chandra Sekhar**, Muhammad Arsalan, and Edreese H. Alsharaeh, (Under Review) (IF: 4.1).

References

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Declaration

I hereby declare that the above-mentioned details are true to the best of my knowledge.

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