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### **Professional Experience**

## Integrative Multi-scale Engineering Materials and Systems (iMEMS) Lab

Department of Aerospace Engineering, Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore, KA, India

Project Scientist – III

Apr 2024 – till date

**Project Scientist – II**June 2022 – Mar 2024

Project Scientist – I Apr 2022 – May 2022

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**Project Associate** *May 2015 – Nov 2019* 

Research Associate – II Dec 2019 – Sep 2020 Research Associate – III Oct 2020 – Mar 2022 Experienced professional with about a decade of proven expertise in Project coordination, Grant writing, and Experimental design. Skilled in Testing, Quality optimization, Stakeholder management, Technical documentation, Lab development and Asset maintenance with a strong focus on adopting lean methodologies, Six Sigma principles, and agile project management for projects funded by Boeing, Shell, ISRO, SERB, ADA, DRDO, and others.

#### Cognizant Technical Solutions India Pvt Ltd., Chennai, TN, India

Programmer Analyst

Jan 2015 – Mar 2015

Software quality assurance: Designing, Planning, and Executing test cases, Collaborating with developers and product managers

#### **Educational Credentials**

Integrated Dual Degree MTech and BTech (Hons.) IIT (BHU), Varanasi, 2014 **Materials Science and Technology** 

*Thesis:* 'Synthesis, Characterization and Microwave Absorption Properties of Nanocrystalline Perovskites'

## **Skills and Competencies**

Technical		
→ Process Design and Data Analysis	<ul> <li>Root Cause Analysis</li> <li>FMEA, Measurement System Analysis (MSA)</li> <li>Hypothesis testing, ANOVA</li> <li>Design of Experiments (DoE)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>SWOT analysis</li> <li>Graphical Tools</li> <li>Statistical Process Control (SPC)</li> <li>Value Stream Mapping (VSM)</li> </ul>
→ Functional Testing	<ul> <li>Material Property Characterization – Physical, Microstructure, Phase, Mechanical, Thermal, Electro- magnetic, Non-destructive (NDT) as per ASTM, ISO, IEEE, ASME, MIL, FAA standards</li> </ul>	
→ Advanced Manufacturing	<ul> <li>Advanced Polymer Composites (CFRP, GFRP, Sandwich, Hybrid, Natural)</li> <li>Additive Manufacturing (FDM, LIM, LPBF)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Nanomaterial Synthesis etc. (Sol-gel, GNP)</li> <li>Sensor Manufacturing (PZT, PVDF, CNT)</li> </ul>
→ Grant Writing	<ul> <li>Comprehensive literature reviews</li> <li>Identification of technology gaps</li> <li>Formulation of objectives and methodologies</li> <li>Drafting detailed project proposals</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Collaboration with interdisciplinary teams</li> <li>Preparation of budget estimates</li> <li>Compliance with submission guidelines</li> </ul>
→ Software	<ul> <li>Technical documentation (MS O365)</li> <li>Project Management (SharePoint, Planner, Trello, Jira)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Data Analysis (MATLAB, Excel, Minitab, SQL)</li> <li>Data Visualization (MATLAB, ORIGIN, Excel, Power BI)</li> </ul>
Management	<ul> <li>Waterfall, Agile (Scrum, Kanban)</li> <li>Critical Thinking</li> <li>Problem Solving</li> <li>Planning and Execution</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Effective Communication</li> <li>Cross-functional Team Management</li> <li>Continuous Process Improvement</li> <li>Cost Benefit Analysis</li> </ul>
Professional Certifications	<ul> <li>Lean Six Sigma Black Belt (The Council for Six Sigma Certification, USA)</li> <li>Chat-GPT for Six Sigma: Al Visualization Proficient (AIGPE)</li> <li>Mastering ISO 9001:2015 (QG)</li> </ul>	<u> </u>

#### **Awards and Achievements**

- → Published 4 Peer Reviewed Research Papers and 10+ Conference Proceedings and Presentations.
- → Best paper award in 'SAE Aerocon-2024' conference for 'Assessing the Structural Feasibility and Recyclability of Flax/PLA Bio-Composites for Enhanced Sustainability'
- Presented Research work on 3D printed Functionally graded composites at Siemens Conference Center, Berlin, Germany in ASME AMRGT-2019.
- → Trained more than 100 junior researchers in Research Planning, Execution, Delivery, Asset maintenance, Safety and Technical documentation.
- → AIR 36 and AIR 42 in GATE 2017 and GATE 2014 respectively and IIT-JEE 2009 rank holder.

### **Projects – Roles, Responsibilities and Outcomes**

#### → Sponsored Projects (Industry/Government) Roles Responsibilities **Outcomes** Selective Laser Melting Process Modelling, Diagnostics, and Tool Enhancement Boeing Research and Technology Centre, The Boeing Company, USA, (2023 – 2025, Completed) Project coordinator & Design of Experiments, Development of Developed a novel method of closed loop Process diagnostic methodology and monitoring of powder bed fusion process Technical contributor based on multiple diagnostic techniques Hardware set-up Remaining Life Assessment of Non-Metallic GRP Pipeline in the Oil and Gas Industry Shell India Pvt. Ltd., India, (2024 – ongoing) Technical contributor Design of Experiments, Development of testing Developed accelerated fatigue methodology methodology of GRE pipes for remaining to estimate remaining useful life of oil and gas **GRP** pipelines Multi-scale Design of Advanced Composites and Development of New Manufacturing Technologies SERB (currently ANRF), DST, Govt. of India, (2020-2023, Completed) Proiect coordinator & Multi-scale design, Selection of materials, Developed an advanced multi-scale composite Technical contributor Development of advanced manufacturing by optimization of fillers at different length scales with enhanced thermo-mechanical processes, Thermo-mechanical testing performance Thermo – mechanical Fatigue Analysis of Solar Panels UR Rao Satellite Centre (URSC), ISRO, Govt. of India, (2019 - ongoing) Technical contributor Developed a new accelerated methodology of Design of Experiments, Fatigue analysis of space deployable solar panels in the extreme thermo-mechanical fatigue testing & analysis temperature conditions ranging from -150°C to estimate RUL of solar panels to 100°C Determined material-wise thermo-mechanical fatigue life of solar panel components ADA-IISc Joint Design and Development of Carbonaceous Radar Absorbing Structures Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA), Ministry of Defence, Govt. of India, (2019-2022, Completed) Project coordinator & Design and development of Multi-scale EM Optimized RAM composition and performance Technical contributor FGM and Sandwich composite, Theoretical in the desired frequency band of 2-18 GHz optimization of material composition, Developed sandwich composite with 3D Advanced manufacturing process, printed PEEK honeycomb core EM/Mechanical Testing and analysis, NDT Developed functionally graded composites manufacturing inspection with graded RAM and fabric architecture ADA-IISc Joint Design and Development of Scaled Model of UAV for Radar Scattering Studies and Related **Technologies,** Aeronautical Development Agency (ADA), Ministry of Defence, Govt. of India, (2018-2021, Completed) Project coordinator & Design and Development of Multi-scale EM Developed scaled model of next generation Technical contributor fabric and sandwich composite, Optimization UCAV with stealth capabilities in collaboration of manufacturing process, EM/Mechanical with ADA Testing and analysis, Development of NDE Developed full-proof manufacturing manufacturing inspection inspection for RAM composites for varying

- compositions
- Established Microwave co-axial waveguide testing facility at Aerospace department, IISc

### Development of Nano-Composite Structures with Enhanced Thermo-Mechanical Properties, Damping, and Self-Sensing Capabilities, ACECOST Phase-III, AR&DB, DRDO, Govt. of India, (2014-2018, Completed)

Technical contributor

- Nano-material synthesis and characterization, Development of new manufacturing methods for nanocomposites by optimizing processing parameters, Thermo-mechanical characterization
- Developed an optimized nano-additive dispersed composite for thermo-mechanical applications
- Embedded piezo based sensors in composites for structural health monitoring applications

### *In-house Projects*

- Development of Sustainable Composites and Their Enhanced Recyclability.
- Laser Damage on Composites and Effect on Their Mechanical Properties.
- Recycling of Fiber Reinforced Polymer Matrix Composites.
- Development of Strain Sensors Using Additive Manufacturing Techniques.
- Thermal Barrier Coatings for Scramjet Applications.
- Synthesis and Characterization of ZnO Nanostructures for Bio-sensing Applications.