

Bio-Data of Dr. Krishnananda Chattopadhyay with scientific and translational contributions

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Educational Qualification

Serial No.	Degree	Year of Passing	University/Institute	Subjects
1	Ph.D.	2000	Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai, INDIA	Bioinorganic Chemistry, Spectroscopy and Direct Electrochemistry of heme proteins and enzymes
2	M.Sc.	1994	Burdwan University, West Bengal, INDIA	Chemistry, Specialization in Organic Chemistry
3	B.Sc.	1991	Hooghly Mohsin College, University of Burdwan	Chemistry (Honours), Physics and Mathematics

Employment

Serial No.	Designation	Period		Organization
		From	To	
1.	Head, Structural Biology and Bioinformatics (SBB) Division	Feb 2017	Present	CSIR-IICB
2.	Head, Library and Documentation Division	June 2019	Present	CSIR-IICB
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3.	Senior Principal Scientist	Sep 2014	Sep 2019	CSIR-IICB
4.	Principal Scientist	Sep 2010	Sep 2014	CSIR-IICB
5.	Senior Scientist	Dec 2006	Sep 2010	CSIR-IICB
6.	Quick Hire Fellow	Sep 2006	Dec 2006	CSIR-IICB
7.	Senior Scientist, Pfizer Global Biologics	2005	2006	<p>Pfizer Inc, St Louis, USA</p> <p>Key words: Protein formulation development: Aggregation troubleshooting in several mAbs and recombinant proteins; biophysical characterization of recombinant proteins and mAbs; prediction of mAb stability using biophysical methods; characterization and formulation development of protein-lipid complex; pharmaceuticals lead of an early mAb.</p>
8.	Post-doctoral Research Associate	Dec 1999	2005	<p>Washington University School of Medicine, St Louis, USA</p> <p>Key words: Protein folding and dynamics, Fluorescence Correlation Spectroscopy, Unfolded state</p>

Areas of Specialization

Protein Chemistry, Biophysics, Biological Spectroscopy

Honors/Awards/Recognitions received

- ❖ 2023: Dr. Bishnu Pada Mukerjee Memorial Award 2023
- ❖ 2019-present, Lead of the Editorial Board, Biophysics and Structural Biology, Communications Biology (a Springer-Nature Journal)
- ❖ 2010, Visiting Faculty, Department of Physics, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
- ❖ 2009, Fellowship Award from Indo-US Science and Technology Forum
- ❖ 2006, Pfizer Performance Recognition
- ❖ 1994-1999: Tata Institute of Fundamental Research fellowship for graduate studies
- ❖ 1994: Awarded GATE (Graduate Aptitude Test for Engineering) Fellowship, Government of India
- ❖ 1994: Awarded CSIR (Council for Scientific and Industrial Research) Scholarship, Government of India
- ❖ 1991-1993: Awarded National Scholarship of Merit, Government of India

Professional Affiliations

- ❖ Fellow of the Royal Society of Chemistry, London
- ❖ Fellow of West Bengal Academy of Science and Technology
- ❖ Membership award from the American Chemical Society
- ❖ Fellow of Indo US Science and Technology Forum
- ❖ Founding member of the Chemical Biology Society, India
- ❖ Member, Indian Biophysical Society
- ❖ Former Member, Biophysical Society
- ❖ Former Member, Protein Society
- ❖ Former Member, American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists (AAPS)

Brief Summary of the Research Work (More Details are Provided Below)

Dr. Chattopadhyay studied the early and unexplored events of protein conformational transitions as implied in basic disease biology and in its translation in bio-product formulation. Protein conformation defects and mis-folding is a major issue not only in several neuro-degenerative diseases, it also has direct applications in biotechnology industry as aggregates are immunogenic

and characterization/quantification of aggregates is a regulatory requisite for both novel biologics and biosimilar developments.

Through his work on Neurodegeneration his group showed using spectroscopy at single molecule resolution that a protein at the early microsec can fluctuate between conformers of different radii and forms oligomers (**JBC 2010, JBC 2012, JBC 2015**). He then combined FRET and FCS to develop methodology to detect the formation of early oligomers, which contribute maximally to the cellular toxicity (**Langmuir 2014**) and solved their structure using CryoEM (**Communications Biology 2021**). Combining chemical biology and spectroscopy *in vitro* and in live cells their group showed that, the nature of fluctuations of a protein and its ability to form early oligomers can have profound implications on how this protein would form amyloid at the late stage (**ACS Chem Neurosci 2014; Sci. Rep 2018**). In addition, using more than 140 mutants of superoxide dismutase (SOD1) the nominee's group developed a cofactor based membrane association model of ALS, and provided its experimental validations (**EMBO Journal 2023; eLife 2021**).

His group used model infectious diseases, like Leishmaniasis and MTB to suggest that conformational switch of key proteins play profound general roles in establishing infections (**Communications Biology 2021**). This mechanism of conformational switch can regulate host-parasite interaction and pore formation based on environmental conditions of the host (**ACS Chemical Biology 2019**) and/or the parasite (**JPhysChem 2017; Protein Science 2017**).

List of Research Publications Including Popular Articles

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5. Sannigrahi, A; **Chattopadhyay, K*** (2022) Pore formation by pore forming membrane proteins towards infections, **Advances in protein chemistry and structural biology**, 12, 79-111

6. Mandal, N; **Chattopadhyay, K***; Sannigrahi, A (2022) Studying protein-folding dynamics using single-molecule fluorescence methods, **Advances in Protein Molecular and Structural Biology Methods**, 225-236, Academic Press
7. Mahapatra, A; Mandal, A & **Chattopadhyay, K*** (2021) Cholesterol in Synaptic Vesicle Membranes Regulates the Vesicle-Binding, Function, and Aggregation of α -Synuclein **Journal of Physical Chemistry B** (American Chemical Society), DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpcb.1c03533> (Front Cover)
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Selected List of Invited Talks Outside India

- ❖ Indo-Finland Joint Workshop, University of Turku, Finland, Oct 28-30, 2015
- ❖ International Bioanalytical Congress, Berlin, Germany, Sep 27, 2011
- ❖ Center for Physics in living Cell, University of Illinois (Urbana Champaign), USA, 2010

- ❖ Physics Colloquium, Department of Physics, Emory University, USA, Oct 08, 2010.
- ❖ Pfizer Lunch and Learn Talk, Saint Louis, USA Aug 16, 2010
- ❖ Pfizer, St. Louis, MO, USA, 2004
- ❖ Molecular Probes, Invitrogen, Oregon, USA, 2004.
- ❖ International Carl Zeiss Workshop on FCS and Related Methods, May 2002, St. Louis, USA

Selected List of Invited Talks in India

- ❖ Optics Within Life Sciences, TIFR, Mumbai, March 16-19, 2016
- ❖ Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, June 29, 2015
- ❖ Burdwan University, Feb 19-21, 2015
- ❖ International conference on the Advances in Spectroscopy and Ultrafast Dynamics, Indian Association for the Cultivation of Sciences, Dec 12-14, 2014
- ❖ FCS 2014 IISER Pune Dec 15-19, 2014
- ❖ Light in Chemistry, Materials and Biology (LCMB): Indian Institute of Technology-Kharagpur, Feb 24-25, 2014
- ❖ Advances in Chemistry and their Biological and Industrial Relevance, Jan 10-11, 2014 NIT-Rourkela
- ❖ National Conference on the Recent Trends in the Structural Biology, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi, Dec 16-18, 2013
- ❖ FCS 2013: Jointly organized by TIFR, JNCARC, & IISc, Nov2013 Bangalore
- ❖ Royal Society of Chemistry Roadshow in India, Feb 05, 2013, Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science, Kolkata, India
- ❖ FCS 2012, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai, CSIR-Indian Institute of Chemical Biology & Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Dec 07, 2012.
- ❖ Guha Research Conferences, North-Eastern Hill University (NEHU), Shillong, Meghalaya, Nov 28-Dec 02, 2012.
- ❖ 81st Annual Meeting of Society of Biological Chemists (India) and Symposium on Chemistry and Biology: Two Weapons Against Diseases, Kolkata, Nov 08-11, 2012
- ❖ International Conference on Protein Folding and Dynamics, NCBS, Bengaluru, Oct 2012
- ❖ CSIR-IICB Colloquium, July 22, 2011
- ❖ Modern Trends in Spectroscopy, Indian Association for the Cultivation of Sciences, Feb04, 2011
- ❖ National Workshop on Protein Folding, Kalyani University, Nov 25, 2010

- ❖ Chemical Research Society, Narendrapur Ramkrishna Mission, Aug 08, 2009
- ❖ Workshop on Structure and Dynamics of Biomolecules 2007, SNBNCBS, Kolkata, Dec 2007
- ❖ International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology New Delhi Component, New Delhi, INDIA, 2005

Selected List of Conferences Chair

- ❖ International conference on chemical Biology, CSIR-Indian Institute of Chemical Biology, Jan 27-29, 2013
- ❖ International conference on protein folding and dynamics, National Centre for Biological Sciences, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Bangalore Nov05-07, 2014
- ❖ FCS 2012, Tata Institute of Fundamental Research, Mumbai, CSIR-Indian Institute of Chemical Biology & Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics, Dec 07, 2012.

Dissertations supervised

a) Ph.D: 18

List of phd degrees awarded from the group and their present institutions (last known):

Dr. Ranendu Ghosh (Biocon, India)

Dr. Sunny Sharma

Dr. Shubhasis Halder (Ashoka University, India)

Dr. Sujit Basak (Gitam University, India)

Dr. Nidhi Joshi

Dr. Suparna Sarkar (Eli Lilly, USA)

Dr. Sagar Lahiri (University of Michigan, USA)

Dr. Gautam Kulsi

Dr. Amrita Kundu (Indian Institute of Science, India)

Dr. Simanta sarani Paul (Max-Planck-Institut für Biochemie, Germany)

Dr. Pallabi Sil (University of Alberta, Canada)

Dr. Sourav Chowdhury (Harvard University, USA)

Dr. Sumanta Ghosh (MD Anderson Cancer Center, USA)

Dr. Achinta Sannigrahi (Indian Institute of Science, India)

Dr. Arnab Bandyopadhyay (Biocon, India)

Dr. Anindita Mahapatra (University of Texas at Austin, USA)

Dr. Indrani Nandi (IIT Guwahati, India)

Dr. Ritobrita Chakraborty (University of Pennsylvania, USA)

a) Post-Graduation

More than 50 Master's students have done their Master's thesis work with us.

Awards and prizes of the students from the lab

Students from Dr. Chattopadhyay's laboratory have received many awards, fellowships, and other accolades. A partial list of these achievements is listed below:

- ❖ Ratna Phadke Award by Indian Biophysical Society for outstanding contribution to Indian biophysics under 35 years of age (2019).
- ❖ Ramalingaswami Re-entry Fellowship by Department of Science & Technology by Department of Science & Technology, New Delhi 110016 (2018)
- ❖ INSPIRE Faculty Award 2015 by Department of Science & Technology, New Delhi 110016
- ❖ Education Committee Travel Award by International Biophysical Society in 61st Annual Meeting, New Orleans, Louisiana (2017).
- ❖ Travel award by Asian Biophysics Association in VIIth ABA Symposium in Delhi, 2011.
- ❖ Department of Biotechnology (DBT), Govt. of India, International Travel Grant for presenting work at the 19th IUPAB and 11th EBSA congress at Edinburgh, UK. July 2017.
- ❖ Special Achievement Award from CSIR-Indian Institute of Chemical Biology for excellence in Research, April 2018.
- ❖ IUPAB Early Career Young Scientist Travel Award 2017 for attending and presenting at 19th IUPAB & 11th EBSA congress, Edinburgh, UK.
- ❖ Finalist Speaker awardee at 3Rs in Bio-physics MAWA (medical advances in Bio-physics) at 19th IUPAB and 11th EBSA congress, July 2017
- ❖ Best Poster Award, at International Conference on Intrinsically Disordered Proteins, IDP 2017, by Centre for Protein Science, Design and Engineering, Indian Institute of Science Education and Research, Mohali. Dec 2017.
- ❖ Carl Storm International Diversity Award Fellowship from Gordon Research Conference Jan 2018.

- ❖ 2019 Biophysical Society (BPS) travel award for attending the 63rd Annual Meeting of Biophysical Society. The Society's committees for Inclusion and Diversity, Professional Opportunities for Women, Education, and Membership approved travel grant for \$750 USD to help defray travel expenses to the 63rd Annual Meeting, held March 2-6, in Baltimore.
- ❖ International Union of Pure and Applied Biophysics (IUPAB) Bursary and Department of Biotechnology, Govt. of India CTEP grant to attend and deliver an oral presentation at the Joint 12th EBSA and 10th ICBP-IUPAP Biophysics Congress to be held in Madrid, July, 2019
- ❖ Best Poster Award at the 43rd Indian Biophysical Society Meeting held at IISER-K, March, 2019
- ❖ Best Speaker Award at the NeuroUpdate 2018 conference held at CSIR-IICB, November, 2018.

Selected Achievements

Selected Academic Achievements

- ❖ We have started a single molecule lab at CSIR-IICB from the scratch, and studied the early events of aggregation and its implications in neurodegenerative diseases; reported for the first time CryoEM structure of a non-toxic oligomers of alpha synuclein, a protein implicated in Parkinson's Disease (PD); developed an *in vitro* model of ALS associating the interacting membrane and cofactor Zn, which correlates the disease severity with the mutation positions. More details about the academic achievements of our group and research activities are provided elsewhere in this document.
We have published 60 papers (since 2009) in prestigious peer reviewed journals (list of publications above); produced more than 15 PhD theses. Our students have received prestigious national and international awards from EMBO, Biophysical Society, Gordon conferences and IBRO.
- ❖ The students who graduated from our laboratory are now placed in some of the best places in the world. Many of them are now employed in the Academia and Industries in India and abroad (a partial list is provided below).
- ❖ We have been involved in the building up of several major national and international collaborations: selected list includes i) with Jadavpur University and Indian Statistical Institute to study molecular modulator of Parkinson's Disease (PD); ii) with Texas A & M university to investigate protein phase separation and its implications in ALS; iii) a multi-institutional collaborations between CSIR-IICB, Bose Institute, Presidency University and IIT-Kharagpur to study a virulence factor in Leishmania, and others.
- ❖ I have been invited to be the Lead, Biophysics and Structural Biology section, Editorial board of Communications Biology; I have also been a visiting faculty, Physics Department, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (2010).

Institutional Leadership:

- ❖ As the Head of the Structural Biology and Bioinformatics Division, I have been involved in complete upgradation of the divisional infrastructure (new ITC, CD, SEC-MAL, X-ray diffractometer, FCS, AFM and Micro Raman Spectroscopy). During my tenure head, our division organized two Nobel laureates' visits (Professor Ada Yonath and Joachim Frank), involved in the organization of two EMBO funded workshops, and organized many seminars, colloquia, national and international conferences.
- ❖ I was additionally entrusted as the Head, Library and Documentation Division at a time of crisis, when the existing head resigned, and the remaining two of four total staff retired. As the Head of this division, I was involved in the consolidation of the work structure, inducting, and hiring new personnel. The division procured new computational resources, adopted, and migrated its resources from an expensive pay walled database to an open-source platform.
- ❖ As the chairperson of the technical and purchase committee of CSIR-IICB for the last several years, I have been instrumental in upgrading the Central Instrument Facility of the institute. In addition, I have maintained three major facilities of the institutes, which cater not only to the institute scientists and several neighboring research organizations.
- ❖ I have chaired and worked as member of numerous other committees, including Academic Affairs Committee; Students' Affairs Committee; Different Outreach Committees; Several Grievance related internal committees, multiple recruitment related committees etc. I have also been entrusted to be the secretary of the Research Council (RC) of CSIR-IICB.
- ❖ I am also serving as an external member of several recruitment committees of CSIR-Central Glass and Ceramic Research Institute (CSIR-CGCRI). I am also a member of the Scientific Investigation Board of CSIR-CGCRI. In addition, I have served as the member of Biosafety committees of Indian Association for the Cultivation of Sciences (IACS) and Tata Memorial Cancer Hospital, Kolkata.

Member of institutional committees (selected list):

- Secretary: Research Council of CSIR-IICB (Current)
- Chair, Technical and Purchase Committee of IICB (last several years to present)
- Chair: Student's Affairs Committee (last several years to present)
- Chair: CSIR-IICB Foundation Day Committee (2020, 2021). Member in all other years so far.
- Chair: IICB Selection Committee for students (2020, 2021, member in all several other years)
- Chair: AcSIR Selection for IICB Students (several years)
- Member: Collegium for Scientists' Assessment (last two years)
- Member: Empower Committee for Scientists' Assessment
- Convener: Committee to fill up new scientific positions (present)
- Chair: Screening committee for new scientists' recruitments (for multiple positions)
- Member: Academic Affairs Committee (every year since inception of this committee)

- Member, Institutional seminar and colloquium committee, planning institutional colloquium and other scientific programs. (every year since inception)
- Member: Outreach program-Jigyasha (since inception)
- Member: Skill Development Committee (since inception)

Important administrative responsibilities taken and success achieved (selected):

- Head, Structural Biology and Bioinformatics Division (One of the most productive academic divisions of the institute with maximum number of journal publications (division wise) during last several years; organization of a major international workshop supported by EMBO; organization of two Nobel Laureate visits).
- Head, Library and Documentation Division (Inducting two new personnel, purchasing new databases for computerizing and digital cataloging of library resources, streamlining journal subscription issues etc).
- Chairman: Technical and Purchase Committee (purchase of major equipment including, X-ray diffractometer, SEC-MAL, FCS, ITC, CD, AFM, Confocal Fluorescence and Micro Raman Spectrometer)

Major events organized as leader / coordinator at the institutional level:

- Organizing Secretary: Annual Meeting of the Chemical Biology Society of India at CSIR-IICB (Sep 2021)
- Organizer: Visit of Professor Joachim Frank and EMBO workshop on CryoEM (Jan 2020)
- Organizer: Visit of Professor Ada Yonath at CSIR-IICB (Nov 2017)
- Coordinator of successful Face to Face program as a part of the IISF program at Kolkata 2019
- Science Day of the institute (Every year; Popular Lectures, Science Day Debate Competitions)
- CSIR-IICB Foundation Day (Every Year; Foundation Day Lectures; Foundation Day Quiz Competitions).

I hereby declare that all the information mentioned above is true to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Alkhatofachy'.

Signature of the Applicant

Date: May 24, 2023

Place: Kolkata
