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### ACADEMIC PROFILE

- 2018- till date      Assistant Professor, Department of Chemistry, National Institute of Technology, Jamshedpur
- 2016-2018      SERB-National Post Doctoral Fellow (NPDF)  
Under mentorship of Prof. Giridhar Madras,  
Department of Chemical Engineering,  
Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore.
- 2011-2016      Ph.D. in Chemistry  
under supervision of Prof. Muga Vithal,  
Departemnt of Chemistry, Osmania University, Hyderabad.
- 2009–2011      Teaching experience in Physical Chemistry for Post-Graduate  
level students at Jaagruthi Degree & P.G. College, Telangana.
- 2007-2009      Master of Science in Chemistry (Specialization: Physical  
Chemistry) from University college of Science, Osmania  
University, Hyderabad

### PERSONAL PROFILE

- Date of Birth      : 6<sup>th</sup> Aug 1987
- Nationality      : Indian
- Gender      : Male
- Marital Status      : Married

### RESEARCH AND ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

- AREA OF RESEARCH: Clean Energy Research
- Title of PhD Thesis: An investigation of the strategies to develop visible light active semiconductor photocatalysts for environmental remediation.

- Having experience in synthesis of various semiconductor oxides by sol-gel, hydrothermal, solid state and ion exchange methods.
- well acquainted with the characterization techniques like PXRD, IR, UV-VIS-DRS, XPS, Elemental analysis and interpretation of the results.
- Gained experience in teaching Physical Chemistry for Post-Graduate level students during 2009-2011.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

- Received '*Certificate of Achievement*' for working as a Teacher Coordinator (June 2019) in '*Green Revolution Global Certification Program-Action against climate change*' which was initiated by International Centre for Culture and Education (ICCE) and supported by United Nations Framework convention on climate change (UNFCCC), NASA and World Bank Institute.
- SERB-National Post Doctoral Fellowship (NPDF) in July, 2016.
- CSIR-UGC-NET(Lectureship) twice in 2010 and 2011 with 83<sup>rd</sup> and 42<sup>nd</sup> ranks, respectively.
- GATE -2011 with All India 958 rank.

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

- Photocatalytic water splitting for H<sub>2</sub> production and CO<sub>2</sub> reduction into solar fuels.
- Preparation of semiconductor metal oxides for solar-light-energy conversion.
- Heterogeneous catalysis and photocatalysis for environmental purification.

## LIST OF PUBLICATIONS

### Up-to-date List of Publications – 30

1. Cocatalyst free Z-schematic enhanced H<sub>2</sub> evolution over LaVO<sub>4</sub>/BiVO<sub>4</sub> composite photocatalyst using Ag as an electron mediator

**Naveen Kumar Veldurthi\***, Neerugatti KrishnaRao Eswar, Satyapaul A. Singh, Giridhar Madras

**Applied Catalysis B: Environmental (IF – 14.22)** 220, 512–523 (2018)

2. Heterojunction ZnWO<sub>4</sub>/ZnFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> composites with concerted effects and integrated properties for enhanced photocatalytic hydrogen evolution

**Naveen Kumar Veldurthi\***, Neerugatti KrishnaRao Eswar, Satyapaul A. Singh, Giridhar Madras

**Catalysis Science & Technology (IF – 5.72)** 8, 1083-1093 (2018)

3. Cooperative effect between BaTiO<sub>3</sub> and CaFe<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub> in a cocatalyst-free heterojunction composite for improved photochemical H<sub>2</sub> generation

**Naveen Kumar Veldurthi\***, Neerugatti KrishnaRao Eswar, Satyapaul A. Singh, Giridhar Madras

**International journal of hydrogen energy (IF – 4.08)** 43, 22929-22941 (2018)

4. Synthesis, characterization and silver/copper-nitrogen substitutional effect on visible light driven photocatalytic performance of sodium hexatitanate nanostructures  
**Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Radha Velchuri, Someshwar Pola, Guduru Prasad, Nagegownivari R. Muniratnam and Muga Vithal  
**Journal of Chemical Technology & Biotechnology (IF– 2.65)** 90, 1507–1514 (2015)
5. Fabrication and Visible-light induced Photocatalytic Activity of Novel  $\text{NaNbO}_3$  Oriented Composite Photocatalyst Coupled with  $\text{N-NaNbO}_3$  and  $\text{V-NaNbO}_3$   
**Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Raju Reddy Jitta, G. Ravi, Ravinder Guje, Radha Velchuri, P. Venkataswamy, M. Vithal  
**ChemistrySelect (IF – 1.71)** 1 [11], 2783–2791 (2016)  
*(Note: This paper has been selected as one of hot papers on photocatalysis topic by Wiley publishers for the month of July, 2016)*
6. Facile ion exchange synthesis and visible light photocatalytic studies of  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ ,  $\text{Sn}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Ag}^+$  substituted  $\text{LiMg}_{0.5}\text{Ti}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$ .  
**Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, G.Ravi, J.R.Reddy, Suresh Palla, N.R.Muniratnam, G.Prasad and M.Vithal.  
**Journal of the American Ceramic Society (IF – 3.09)** 97[6], 1829–1836 (2014)
7. Interplay of photoabsorption, electronic structure and recombination rate of charge carriers on visible light driven photocatalytic activity of copper and nitrogen doped  $\text{Ba}_3\text{V}_2\text{O}_8$   
**Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Priyanka Bandipalli, G.Ravi, J.R.Reddy, Suresh Palla, Kotamarthi Bhanuprakash and M.Vithal  
**European Journal of Inorganic Chemistry (IF - 2.57)** 2014, 5585–5595  
*(Note: This paper has been selected as one of hot papers on photocatalysis topic by Wiley publishers for the month of November, 2014)*
8. Degradation of mixed dyes in aqueous wastewater using a novel visible light driven  $\text{LiMg}_{0.5}\text{Mn}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$  Photocatalyst  
**Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Suresh Palla, Radha Velchuri, Prasad Guduru, Vithal Muga  
**Materials Express (IF – 1.59)** , 10/2015; 5(5), DOI: 10.1166/mex.2015.1255
9. Solar water-splitting with the defect pyrochlore type of oxides  $\text{KFe}_{0.33}\text{W}_{1.67}\text{O}_6$  and  $\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Fe}_{0.33}\text{W}_{1.67}\text{O}_6 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
 Ravi G, Suresh Palla, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Reddy J.R., Hari Padmasri A., Vithal M.  
**International journal of hydrogen energy (IF – 4.08)** 39, 15352–15361 (2014)
10. Preparation, characterization and photocatalytic studies of N, Sn-doped defect pyrochlore oxide  $\text{KTi}_{0.5}\text{W}_{1.5}\text{O}_6$   
 Raju Reddy Jitta, Ravinder Guje, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Shrujana Prathapuram, Radha Velchuri, Vithal Muga.  
**Journal of Alloys and Compounds (IF – 4.17)** 618, 815–823 (2015)
11. Facile ion-exchange Synthesis of visible light active Sn-doped defect pyrochlore  $\text{K}_{0.51}\text{Sb}_{2.67}\text{O}_{6.26}$  and its Photocatalytic studies  
 Jitta Raju Reddy, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Suresh Palla, G. Ravi, Ravinder Guje and Vithal, Muga.  
**Journal of Chemical Technology and Biotechnology (IF – 2.65)** 89, 1833–1841 (2014)
12. Defect pyrochlore oxides: as photocatalyst materials for environmental purification and energy production - a review.

J. R. Reddy, G. Ravi, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Ravinder Guje and M. Vithal.

**Journal of Chemical Technology and Biotechnology (IF-2.65)** 90, 1937-1948 (2015)

13. Photocatalytic degradation of methylene blue on nitrogen doped layered perovskites,  $\text{CsM}_2\text{Nb}_3\text{O}_{10}$  (M = Ba and Sr)

J.R. Reddy, Sreenu Kurra, Ravinder Guje, Suresh Palla, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, G. Ravi and M. Vithal.

**Ceramics International (IF - 3.45)** 41, 2869-2875 (2015).

14. Metathesis synthesis, characterization, spectral and photoactivity studies of  $\text{Ln}_{2/3}\text{MoO}_4$  (Ln = La, Pr, Nd, Sm, Eu, Gd, Tb, Dy, Er and Y)

Radha Velchuri, Suresh Palla, G. Ravi, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, J.R. Reddy, M. Vithal

**Journal of Rare Earths (IF -2.84)** 33(8), 837-845 (2015)

15. Synthesis, characterization and photocatalytic activity of  $\text{Ag}^+$  and  $\text{Sn}^{2+}$  doped  $\text{KTi}_{0.5}\text{Te}_{1.5}\text{O}_6$

Ravinder Guje, Ravi Gundeboina, Jitta Raju Reddy, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Sreenu K and M. Vithal

**Photochemistry and Photobiology (IF-2.33)** 92, 223-230 (2016)

16. Synthesis, Characterization and Photocatalytic Activity of  $\text{KAl}_{0.33}\text{W}_{1.67}\text{O}_6$  and  $\text{Sn}_{0.5}\text{Al}_{0.33}\text{W}_{1.67}\text{O}_6 \cdot x\text{H}_2\text{O}$

G. Ravi, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Suresh Palla, Radha Velchuri, Someshwar Pola, J.R. Reddy and M. Vithal

**Photochemistry and photobiology (IF - 2.33)** 89(4), 824-831 (2013)

17. Preparation, Optical and Photocatalytic studies of Defect Pyrochlores:  $\text{KCr}_{0.33}\text{W}_{1.67}\text{O}_6$  and  $\text{A}_x\text{Cr}_{0.33}\text{W}_{1.67}\text{O}_6 \cdot n\text{H}_2\text{O}$

G.Ravi, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, MuvvaD.Prasad, N.R.Muniratnam, G.Prasad and M.Vithal

**Journal of Nanoparticle Research (IF - 2.00)** 15, 1939 (2013)

18. A series of novel double perovskite oxides  $\text{NaMTi}_2\text{O}_6$  (M = Eu, Sm, and Gd): preparation, characterization and photocatalytic studies under visible and solarlight irradiation

K. Sreenu, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Jitta Raju Reddy, C. H. Sudhakar Reddy, M. Vithal

**Journal of Materials Science: Materials in Electronics (IF - 2.19)** 27, 4194-4200 (2016)

19. Antimony potassium tartrate: a novel single source precursor for the preparation of  $\text{Sb}_2\text{O}_3$ ,  $\text{KSb}_3\text{O}_5$ ,  $\text{K}_{0.51}\text{Sb}_{0.67}^{\text{III}}\text{Sb}_2^{\text{V}}\text{O}_{6.26}$ , and  $\text{KSbO}_3$

J. R. Reddy, G. Ravi, P. Suresh. **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Radha Velchuri and M. Vithal

**Journal of Thermal Analysis and Calorimetry (IF - 2.47)** 115, 1321-1327 (2014)

20. Nanostructured  $\text{KTaTeO}_6$  and Ag-doped  $\text{KTaTeO}_6$  Defect Pyrochlores: Promising Photocatalysts for Dye Degradation and Water Splitting

Perala Venkataswamy, CH. Sudhakar Reddy, Ravi Gundeboina, Gullapelli Sadanandam, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, M. Vithal

**Electronic Materials Letters (IF-1.88)** July 2018, Volume 14, Issue 4, pp 446-460

21. Photocatalytic degradation of organic dyes with  $\text{Sn}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Ag}^+$  substituted  $\text{K}_3\text{Nb}_3\text{WO}_9(\text{PO}_4)_2$  under visible-light irradiation

Suresh Palla, , G. Ravi, Radha Velchuri, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, J.R. Reddy and M. Vithal

**Journal of Sol-Gel Science and Technology (IF-1.98)** 75, 224-234 (2015)

22. Characterization, conductivity and photocatalytic studies of  $\text{AHfM}(\text{PO}_4)_3$  ( $\text{A} = \text{Na}$  and  $\text{Ag}$ ;  $\text{M} = \text{Ti}$  and  $\text{Zr}$ ) powders synthesized by sol-gel method  
Suresh Palla, G. Ravi, J. R. Reddy, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Radha Velchuri, G. Prasad, N. R. Munirathnam, M. Vithal  
**Journal of Sol-Gel Science and Technology (IF-1.98)** 67, 507–518 (2013)
23. Preparation of visible light active  $\text{Ag}$  and  $\text{N}$ -doped  $\text{KVMoO}_6$ : Photodegradation of methylene blue  
J. R. Reddy, Sreenu. K, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, P. Shrujana, Ravinder Guje and M. Vithal  
**CLEAN – Soil, Air, Water (IF – 1.33)** 43 (9999), 1–7 (2015)
24. Preparation, Characterization and Photoactivity of  $\text{N}$ -doped  $\text{KSbWO}_6$   
J.R. Reddy, G. Ravi, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Someshwar Pola, B.Vijaya kumar, B. Sreedhar and M. Vithal  
**Zeitschrift für anorganische und allgemeine Chemie (IF – 1.33)**, 639 (5), 794–798 (2013)
25. Synthesis, characterization and photocatalytic activity of  $\text{Ag}^+$  and  $\text{Sn}^{2+}$  substituted  $\text{KSbTeO}_6$   
Ravinder Guje, P.Shrujana, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Ravi Gundeboina, Nageshwar Rao Kappera, Vithal Muga  
**Chemical Papers (IF – 1.24)** 69 (2), 269–278 (2015)
26. Photocatalytic performance of nitrogen-doped and  $\text{Cu}^{2+}$  and  $\text{Ag}^+$  co-doped sodium trititanate  
G. Ravi, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Radha Velchuri, Ravinder Guje, Someshwar Pola, M. Vithal, N. R. Munirathnam  
**International Journal of Applied Ceramic Technology (IF – 1.07)** 12 [3], 700–710 (2015)
27. Solvothermal synthesis, Characterization, Luminescence and photocatalytic activity of  $\text{Bi}_2\text{WO}_6$ : Eu nanocrystals  
B. Vijaya Kumar, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, J.R. Reddy and M. Vithal  
**Micro & Nano Letters (IF – 0.97)** 7(6), 544–548 (2012)
28. Synthesis and Catalytic Performance of  $\text{Na}_2\text{HfM}(\text{PO}_4)_3$  and  $\text{Ag}_{2-x}\text{Na}_x\text{HfM}(\text{PO}_4)_3$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Fe}$  and  $\text{Al}$  and  $0.07 \leq x \leq 0.13$ )  
Suresh Palla, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, Ravinder Guje, G. Prasad, N. R. Munirathnam and M. Vithal  
**Synthesis and Reactivity in Inorganic, Metal-Organic, and Nano-Metal Chemistry (IF-0.63)** 45, 730–739 (2015)
29. Photocatalytic and Conductivity studies of  $\text{Bi}^{3+}$  substituted  $\text{La}_2\text{Zr}_2\text{O}_7$   
G.Ravi, Suresh Palla, J.R.Reddy, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, B.Vijaya Kumar and M. Vithal  
**International Journal of Green Nanotechnology** 4, 360–367 (2012)
30. Characterization and evaluation of biological and photocatalytic activities of selenium nanoparticles synthesized using yeast fermented broth  
K. Gnaneshwar Goud, **Naveen Kumar Veldurthi**, M Vithal, Gopal Reddy  
**Applied Nanomedicine** 1, 12–19 (2016)

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Attended The Winter School-2016 on "Frontiers in Materials Science" in Bangalore organized by Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR) and University of Cambridge during December 5-9, 2016.
- Attended School on "Clean and Renewable Energy Technologies via Chemical Route" in Bangalore organized by Institute for Complex Adaptive Matter, University of California and Jawaharlal Nehru Centre for Advanced Scientific Research (JNCASR) during 27<sup>th</sup> November to 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2017.
- Pursuing an online course using edX platform on "Teamwork and Collaboration" from Rochester Institute of Technology, USA.

## SEMINARS/CONFERENCES ATTENDED

Conference/Seminar	Title of paper Presented	Year
AP SCIENCE CONGRESS	NANOTECHNOLOGY ON DUTY IN MEDICAL APPLICATIONS	2008
1 <sup>st</sup> INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON FUNCTIONAL MATERIALS FOR DEFENCE, DIAT, PUNE.	PHOTOCATALYTIC AND CONDUCTIVITY STUDIES OF Bi <sup>3+</sup> SUBSTITUTED La <sub>2</sub> Zr <sub>2</sub> O <sub>7</sub>	2012
SCIENCE FOR SHAPING THE FUTURE OF INDIA, Indian Science Congress Association, Hyderabad	N/A	2012
International Conference on New Emerging Trends in Chemistry, The IIS University, Jaipur.	PREPARATION, CHARACTERIZATION AND PHOTOACTIVITY OF N - DOPED KSbWO <sub>6</sub>	2013
IUMRS-ICA 2013, Indian Institute of Sciences, Bangalore	SEMICONDUCTOR PHOTOCATALYSIS FOR CLEAN WATER: CURRENT TRENDS AND CHALLENGES Available at <a href="https://www.youtube.com/c/NaveenVeldurthi">https://www.youtube.com/c/NaveenVeldurthi</a>	2013
National Conference on Advanced Materials for Energy Applications, Osmania University, Hyderabad	N/A	2014
Theme meeting on Recent Advances in Materials Characterization by Surface Analytical Techniques, BARC, Hyderabad.	N/A	2014

THIRD INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON ADVANCED OXIDATION PROCESSES AOP- 2014, Munnar, Kerala	Facile ion exchange synthesis and visible light photocatalytic studies of $\text{Cu}^{2+}$ , $\text{Sn}^{2+}$ and $\text{Ag}^+$ substituted $\text{LiMg}_{0.5}\text{Ti}_{0.5}\text{O}_2$ .	2014
IUMRS-ICYRAM 2016 Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore	Fabrication and Visible-light induced Photocatalytic Activity of Novel $\text{NaNbO}_3$ Oriented Composite Photocatalyst Coupled with N- $\text{NaNbO}_3$ and V- $\text{NaNbO}_3$	2016
8 <sup>th</sup> International Conference on Photosynthesis and Hydrogen Energy Research for Sustainability, University of Hyderabad	Cocatalyst free Z-schematic enhanced $\text{H}_2$ evolution over $\text{LaVO}_4/\text{BiVO}_4$ composite photocatalyst using Ag as an electron mediator	2017
Conference on Advances in Catalysis for Energy and Environment (CACEE-2018) Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR), Mumbai	Cocatalyst free Z-schematic enhanced $\text{H}_2$ evolution over $\text{LaVO}_4/\text{BiVO}_4$ composite photocatalyst using Ag as an electron mediator	2018
International Conference on Nano Science and Technology ICONSAT-2018 IISc, Bangalore	Heterojunction $\text{ZnWO}_4/\text{ZnFe}_2\text{O}_4$ composites with concerted effects and integrated properties for enhanced photocatalytic hydrogen evolution	2018

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