Anjani Kumar Maurya

Curriculum Vitae

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Research and Work Experiences

May 2021- Postdoctoral Research Fellow, SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory, Stanford University, Present California, USA; Supervisor: Dr. Christopher J. Tassone

- Multimodal and multiscale structural characterization of next generation polymeric functional materials.
- Mechanistic interrogation of catalysts and bio-catalysts on solid polymer interfaces for deconstruction by developing novel in-situ and operando X-ray scattering, spectroscopy and microscopy methods at reaction conditions

Nov 2015- Material Simulation Engineer (working student), Package simulation team, Infineon Tech-Feb 2017 nologies AG, Neubiberg, Germany; Supervisor: Dr. Martin Niessner

- O Developed tools in MATLAB, python and MS excel to analyse measured data and to compare results from experiments and simulation
- Created materials database for package simulation team
- Provisioning of conversion scripts in python for material models for different simulation tools
- o Developed material models using the finite element method (FEM) simulation tools like COMSOL Multiphysics and Ansys

May 2015- Summer Internship, Quantum Optoelectronic Group, Laboratoire Kastler Brossel-UPMC-ENS, Aug 2015 Paris, France; Supervisors: Prof. Quentin Glorieux & Prof. Alberto Bramati, Internship title: "Hybrid apparatus: Optical microfiber knot/loop resonator"

- Fabricated microfiber knot/loop resonator
- O Developed MATLAB tools to control pulling stages and recorded the transmission spectra
- O Device was intended to couple quantum dots into it, to study the light matter interactions

Education

Mar 2017- PhD in Biomedical Engineering, (graduated summa cum laude)

Feb 2021

- Center for X-ray Analytics, Swiss Federal Laboratories for Materials Science and Technology (Empa, ETH domain Lab), Switzerland
- ARTORG Center for Biomedical Engineering Research, University of Bern, Switzerland

Thesis title: "Multiscale structural decoding of fibers and designing responsive nanofibrous materials" Supervisors: Prof. Alex Dommann & Prof. Martin Frenz; Co-advisor: Prof. Antonia Neels

Oct 2015- MSc. (M2): Applied and Engineering Physics, Erasmus Mundus Master's Program in Nov 2016 Material Science Exploring Large Scale Facilities (MaMaSELF)

- Department of Physics, Technical University of Munich (TUM), Germany

Thesis title: "Optimization of the thermoelectric properties of conducting polymer thin films by dedoping and hybrid approaches"

Supervisor: Prof. Peter Müller Buschbaum

Sep 2014- MSc. (M1): Physics, Erasmus Mundus Master's Program in Material Science Exploring Aug 2015 Large Scale Facilities (MaMaSELF)

> - Department of Phsyics, University of Rennes 1, France Mentor: Prof. Sergio Di Matteo

Jul 2010- Bachelor of Technology (B.Tech) in Engineering Physics

Jun 2014 - Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati (IITG), India

Thesis title: "Fabrication and characterization of silicon ultra-thin film prepared by Hot Wire Chemical

Vapor Deposition (HWCVD) technique" Supervisor: Prof. Pratima Agarwal

Publications and Conferences

The list of peer reviewed publications and conferences are attached at the end of this CV [See here], Google Scholar, and ResearchGate.

Awards and Honors

July-2022 Young Scientist Award to attend SAS2022 international conference in Brazil

May-2020 IUCr Young Scientist Award

Sept-2018 Best poster presentation award at EXCITE Biomedical Imaging Summer School, ETH Zurich, Switzerland

2015-2016 Erasmus+ Scholarship by the European Union

2014-2015 World Quantitative and Science Scholarship by World Quant Foundation

2012-2014 IIT Guwahati Institute Merit-cum-Means (McM) Scholarship by Government of India

2010 Ranked among the top 0.1% out of about 1 million candidates in Indian Institute of Technology Joint Entrance Examination (IIT-JEE 2010)

Skills

Computer Skills

Programming Language: Matlab, Python, C

OS: Windows, Linux, Mac OS

Software Tools: Ansys, Fusion 360, TOPAS, GSAS-II, ATSAS, NIKA, FIT2D, GIXGUI, DPDAK

Experimental Skills

Synthesis: Fiber fabriction techniques such as electropsinning and meltspuning, microfluics synthesis of nanoparticles, spin coating, 3D-prinitng, thin film deposition techniques such as Hot wire chemical vapor deposition, evaporation

Materials Characterisation: SEM, FIB-SEM, Cryo-TEM, Optical Microscopy, SAXS, XRD, Mechanical, Electrical and Optical characterisations

Simulation: Finite Element Simulation, Density Functional Theory (DFT), Molecular Dynamics

Organizational/Managerial Skills

- Managing the interdisciplinary BOTTLE project
- Chaired a session at the SAS2022 International conference
- o Collaborated with research groups from around the world on various research projects
- o Volunteered at the 1st Bio-X Conference in St. Gallen, Switzerland in May 2018
- Volunteered at the 5th International Conference on Solar Technology (SolTech) in Munich, Germany in April 2016
- Served as a city representative for TECHNOTHLON in 2011, an international school championship organized by the students of IIT Guwahati in India
- Volunteered at the 2nd International Conference on Advanced Nanomaterials and Nanotechnology (ICANN) in India in 2011

Languages

Hindi (native), English (native), German (A2), French (A2)

Teaching, Supervision and Support

- o Taught "Applied Biomaterials" to University of Bern Master's students with Prof. Alex Dommann
- Supervised master's thesis of Ms. Eloise Mias (MaMaSELF and University of Rennes 1, 2020) titled "Decoding multiscale structural insights into electrospun fibers: from fabrication to possibilities for steering properties"
- Aided Prof. Alex Dommann in administering course work and examinations at the University of Bern
- Provided maintenance, user training, and technical support for SAXS/WAXS instruments (Molmet and Nanostar)
- O Developed a microfluidics setup and provided training and technical support to users
- Designed and executed in-situ experimental setups for users, including tensile, heating, microfluidics, and humidity experiments coupled with SAXS/WAXS instrumentation

Memberships

2019-present Member of Swiss Crystallography Society

2017-present Member of Swiss Chemical Society

2015-2018 Member of German Physical Society (DPG)

References

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Publications

19. **Anjani K. Maurya**, Arun S. Asundi, Amani M. Ebrahim, Kevin P. Sullivan, Joel Miscall, Gregg T. Beckham, Christopher J. Tassone; "Unveiling the Role of Solvent and Catalyst in Plastic Autoxidation Deconstruction using X-Ray Scattering Techniques" (about to submit).

- 18. Arun S. Asundi, Amani M. Ebrahim, **Anjani K. Maurya**, Chad T. Palumbo, Kevin P. Sullivan, Gregg T. Beckham, Ritimukta Sarangi; "Effect of Ligand Chemistry on Electronic Properties and Reactivity of Cobalt Acetate Autoxidation Catalysts" (Submitted).
- 17. Makenna L. Pennel, **Anjani K. Maurya**, Amani M. Ebrahim, Christopher J. Tassone, Matteo Cargnello; "Intrinsic activity of silica-alumina for the conversion of polyethylene into tunable aromatics below pyrolytic temperatures" (Submitted).
- 16. Fernando Vazquez Luna, Anjani K. Maurya, Juliana Martins de Souza e Silva, Guido Dittrich, Theresa Paul, Dirk Enke, Patrick Huber, Ralf Wehrspohn, and Martin Steinhart; "Straight versus Spongy: Effect of Tortuosity on Polymer Imbibition into Nanoporous Matrices Assessed by Segmentation-Free Analysis of 3D Sample Reconstructions" The Journal of Physical Chemistry C, 126 (30), 12765-12779, (2022) DOI:10.1021/acs.jpcc.2c01991
- 15. Deeptanshu Sivaraman, Gilberto Siqueira, **Anjani K. Maurya**, Shanyu Zhao, Matthias M. Koebel, Gustav Nyström, Marco Lattuada, Wim J. Malfait; "Superinsulating nanocellulose aerogels: Effect of density and nanofiber alignment" *Carbohydrate Polymers*, Volume 292, 119675, ISSN 0144-8617, (2022) DOI:10.1016/j.carbpol.2022.119675
- 14. J. Schoeller, J. T. Avaro, **Anjani K. Maurya**, R. M. Rossi, A. Neels; "Tailoring Fibre Structure Enabled by X-ray Analytics for Targeted Biomedical Applications"; *Chimia* 2022, 76, 229 (2022) DOI:10.2533/chimia.2022.229
- 13. Robin M. Cywar, Nicholas A. Rorrer, Heather B. Mayes, **Anjani K. Maurya**, Christopher J. Tassone, Gregg T. Beckham, and Eugene Y.-X. Chen; "Redesigned Hybrid Nylons with Optical Clarity and Chemical Recyclability"; *Journal of American Chemical Society*, 144, 12, 5366–5376, (2022) DOI:10.1021/jacs.1c12611
- 12. Iranpour, N., Liebi, M., Ong, Q., Blanchet, C., **Anjani K. Maurya**, Stellacci, F., Salentinig, S., Wick, P., Neels, A., "In-situ Investigations on Gold Nanoparticles Stabilization Mechanisms in Biological Environments Containing HSA"; *Advanced Functional Materials*, 32, 2110253, (2022) DOI:10.1002/adfm.202110253
- 11. **Anjani K. Maurya**, Eloise Miase, Jean Scholler, Giuseppino Fortunato, René M. Rossi, Alex Dommann, Antonia Neels*; "Multiscale structural decoding of electrospun fibers: from fabrication to possibilities for steering properties"; *Nanoscale Advances*, 4, 491-501, (2022) DOI:10.1039/D1NA00503K
- 10. Inès Richard, **Anjani K. Maurya**, Shahrzad Shadman, Eloïse Masquelier, Lison Sylou Marthey, Antonia Neels and Fabien Sorin: "Unraveling the influence of polymer chain orientation on the thermo-mechanical properties of thermally drawn fibers", *Small*, 18, 2101392 (2022) DOI:10.1002/smll.202101392
- Anjani K. Maurya, Annapaola Parrilli, Tatiana Kochetkova, Jakob Schwiedrzik, Alex Dommann, Antonia Neels*; "Multiscale and multimodal X-ray analysis: Quantifying phase orientation and morphology of mineralized turkey leg tendons", Acta Biomaterialia, Volume 129, Pages 169-177, ISSN 1742-7061, (2021) DOI:10.1016/j.actbio.2021.05.022
- 8. Anjani K. Maurya, Sumit Mondal, Dean E. Wheeldon, Jean Scholler, Michel Schmid, Simon Annaheim, Martin Camenzind, Giuseppino Fortunato, Alex Dommann, Antonia Neels, Amin Sadeghpour, René M. Rossi; "Effect of radiant heat exposure on structure and mechanical properties of thermal protective fabrics"; Polymer, Volume 222, 123634, ISSN 0032-3861, (2021) DOI:10.1016/j.polymer.2021.123634
- 7. Dambarudhar Parida, Khalifah Salmeia, Amin Sadeghpour, Shanyu Zhao, **Anjani K. Maurya**, Eva Moreau, Robin Pauer, Sandro Lehner, Milijana Jovic, Sabyasachi Gaan; "Template free synthesis of hybrid mesoporous silica nanoparticle with phosphonic acid functionality for efficient methylene blue removal"; *Materials and design*, Volume 201, 109494, ISSN 0264-1275, (2021) DOI:10.1016/j.matdes.2021.109494
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5. Tatiana Kochetkova*, Cinzia Peruzzia Oliver Braun, Jan Overbeck, **Anjani K. Maurya**, Antonia Neels, Michel Calame, Johann Michler, Philippe Zysset, Jakob Schwiedrzik*; "Combining polarized Raman spectroscopy and micropillar compression to study microscale structure-property relationships in mineralized tissues", *Acta Biomaterialia*, issn 1742-7061 (2020), DOI:10.1016/j.actbio.2020.10.034

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- 22. **Anjani K. Maurya**, René M. Rossi, Alex Dommann, Antonia Neels*; "Unraveling the multiscale structure of fibrous materials by X-ray scattering techniques"; May-June 2022, European Powder Diffraction Conference, EPDIC17, Šibenik, Croatia
- 21. **Anjani K. Maurya** Eloïse Mias, Jean Schoeller, René M. Rossi, Martin Frenz, Alex Dommann, Antonia Neels; "Multiscale structural decoding of electrospun fibers: from processing to possibilities for steering properties"; 30 November 2020; Empa PhD symposium 2020, Empa, St. Gallen, Switzerland
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- 18. Sadeghpour, N. D. Tien, **Anjani K. Maurya**, G. Fortunato, A. Dommann, R. M. Rossi, A. Neels; "Structure and Dynamics in the Newly Designed Polymer Nanofibers with Embedded Lipid Mesophases". Oral presentation delivered at SAXS Excites 2019, University of Graz, Austria. 2019
- 17. N. D. Tien, **Anjani K. Maurya**, Z. Robert, Giuseppino Fortunato, M. Rottmar, Giuseppino Fortunato, René M. Rossi, Martin Frenz, Alex Dommann, Antonia Neels, and Amin Sadeghpour; "Electrospun nanofobers with embedded bioinspired membranes". Poster presentation at Bioinspired materials, Monte Verità October 2019
- 16. **Anjani K. Maurya**, Lukas Weidenbacher, Fabrizio Spano, Giuseppino Fortunato, René M. Rossi, Martin Frenz, Alex Dommann, Amin Sadeghpour, and Antonia Neels; "understanding fiber fabrication process by structural feedbacks by SAXS and WAXD" Poster presentation at European Crystallography meeting, University of Vienna, 21-22. August. 2019
- 15. **Anjani K. Maurya**, Lukas Weidenbacher, Fabrizio Spano, Giuseppino Fortunato, René M. Rossi, Martin Frenz, Alex Dommann, Amin Sadeghpour, and Antonia Neels; "Decoding structural insights of nanofibers by SAXS and WAXD". Oral presentation delivered at Swiss Crystallography meeting, EPFL Sion Switzerland, August 2019
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- 6. **Anjani K. Maurya**, N. Saxena and P. Müller-Buschbaum, "In-plane and cross-plane Seebeck coefficients in organic thermoelectric thin films", 6th Energy Colloquium of the Munich School of Engineering, TUM, Germany, July 2016
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- Anjani K. Maurya, "Band gap variation in bilayer graphene and silicene under transverse electric field", Poster presentation, International Conference on Advance Nanomaterials and Nanotechnology (ICANN-2013), IIT Guwahati, India, December 2013
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