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# Yair Ezequiel Litman

## PERSONAL DATA

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PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH: Buenos Aires, Argentina | 16 October 1990  
NATIONALITY: Argentinean and Polish  
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VIRTUAL PRESENCE [Website](#), [Google Scholar](#), [Orcid](#), [Twitter](#)

## EDUCATION

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2016-2020 | **Dr. Rer. Nat.** (Grade: *summa cum laude*)  
Fritz Haber Institute of the Max Planck Society and Freie Univesität (Berlin)

2009-2014 | **Licenciate in Chemical Sciences**  
University of Buenos Aires, equivalent to MSc. degree  
(GPA: 9.27/10)

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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MID-APRIL 2022 | **Research Associate (Walter Benjamin Fellow)**  
CURRENT | Yusuf Hamied Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge  
Topic: Development of simulation algorithms to simulate non-linear vibrational spectroscopies including nuclear quantum effects. Supervisor: Stuart, Althorpe

SEP 2021 | **Postdoctoral Position**  
FEB 2022 | Max Planck Institute for Polymer Research (MPIP)  
Topic: Quantum Dynamics at complex aqueous interfaces. Supervisor: Yuki, Nagata and Mischa, Bonn

AUG 2020 | **Postdoctoral Position**  
AUG 2021 | Max Planck Institute for the Structure and Dynamics of Matter (MPSD)  
Topic: Inclusion of non-adiabatic effects in tunneling rates on metallic systems. Supervisor: Rossi, Mariana

OCT 2016 | **Doctoral Studies**  
AUG 2020 | PhD student contract at Fritz Haber Institute of The Max Planck Society (FHI)  
Thesis Title: Tunneling and Zero-Point Energy Effects in Multidimensional Hydrogen Transfer Reactions: From Gas Phase to Adsorption on Metal Surfaces. Supervisor: Rossi, Mariana. Cosupervisor: Beate, Paulus (Freie Univertät)

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## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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| 2023                 | <b>Part III Supervisor</b><br><i>Yusuf Hamied Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge</i><br>Co-supervision of one Master thesis student.   |
| 2022                 | <b>Supervisor</b><br><i>Yusuf Hamied Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge</i><br>Duties: Grade students practical exercises. Part 2B A4. Michaelmas Term. 3 student groups.  |
| 2022                 | <b>Senior Demonstrator</b><br><i>Yusuf Hamied Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge</i><br>Duties: Grade students practical exercises. Part 1B A. Michaelmas Term. 2 student groups.  |
| Ago-2019<br>Ago-2017 | <b>Tutor Leader on Practical Exercises on Molecular Dynamics</b><br><i>Hands-On DFT and Beyond Workshop</i><br>Duties: prepare and test practical exercises; carry out the tutorial on <i>ab initio</i> molecular dynamics.              |
| 2015-<br>2016        | <b>Teaching Assistant</b><br><i>Graduate position at University of Buenos Aires</i><br>Duties: grading papers and exams, answer questions from students, and carrying out lectures. Courses: Analytical Chemistry and Chemical Physics I |
| 2012                 | <b>Teaching Assistant</b><br><i>Undergraduate position at University of Buenos Aires</i><br>Duties: grading papers and exams, answer questions from students, and carrying out lectures. Course: Analytical Chemistry                    |

## GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS

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| 2023 | Junior Research Fellowship at Wolfson College  |
| 2022 | DAAD travel fellowship to assist the Gordon Research Conference on "Vibrational Spectroscopy"  |
| 2021 | Walter Benjamin fellowship awarded by the German Research Foundation (DFG). The Walter Benjamin Programme enables researchers in the postdoctoral training phase to independently conduct their own research project at a location of their choice. Advisor: Stuart Althorpe, University of Cambridge (United Kingdom). Fellowship accepted. Starting date April 2022. |
| 2021 | Newton International Fellowship 2021 (Royal Society). These fellowships are for non-UK scientists who are at an early stage of their research career and wish to conduct independent research in the UK. Advisor: Stuart Althorpe, University of Cambridge (United Kingdom). Fellowship declined.  |
| 2018 | DAAD travel fellowship to assist the Gordon Research Conference on "Vibrational Spectroscopy"  |
| 2018 | Annual Allocation Time at CSCS National Computer Center. Project: "Tunneling Contributions to the Proton Switching Mechanism of Porphycene on Metallic Surfaces with <i>ab initio</i> Ring Polymer Instantons"   |
| 2011 | Eduardo G. Gross: National Academy of Exact Physical and Natural Sciences financial support grant  |

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## COMPUTER SKILLS

PROGRAMING	Fortran90/95 Python Parallelization (MPI)
EDITION	Vi, Latex

## LANGUAGES

SPANISH	Native Speaker
ENGLISH	Fluent
HEBREW	Basic Knowledge
GERMAN	Int. Knowledge

- Main co-developer of [i-PI code](#) and regular contributor to [FHI-aims code](#).

## AWARDS

2022		Poster Prize at Vibrational Spectroscopy GRC, Rhode Island, United States
2019		Acceptance to 70 <sup>th</sup> Lindau Nobel Laureate Meeting
2019		Poster Prize at 81 <sup>st</sup> Okazaki Conference, Okazaki, Japan
2018		Poster Prize at CECAM/Psi-k school on "Path Integral Quantum Mechanics"
2015		Medal of Honor: 3 <sup>rd</sup> highest GPA in my undergraduate career

## WORKSHOPS, MEETINGS AND CONFERENCES

### Organizer

04-Jun-2021		<b>Path Integral Quantum Mechanics</b>
08-Jun-2023		M. Ceriotti, B. Hirshberg, V. Kapil, Y. Litman, T. Markland, and M. Rossi Tel-Aviv University, Israel. <a href="#">Event website</a>
14-Jun-2021		<b>Path Integral Quantum Mechanics: From the Basics to the Latest Developments</b>
18-Jun-2021		M. Ceriotti, V. Kapil, Y. Litman, T. Markland, and M. Rossi Total 76 participants. Virtual event. <a href="#">Event website</a>

### Invited Talks

Jul-2022		<b>Surface-Sensitive Spectroscopy with ab initio Accuracy Using Machine Learning</b> Vibrational Spectroscopy, Gordon Research Seminar. Rhode Island, United States.
Jul-2022		<b>Let the atoms dance with i-PI</b> Summerschool on Theoretical Modelling at the Nanoscale, Gordon Research Seminar. Ringberg, Germany.
Jun-2022		<b>Tunneling and Zero-Point Energy Effects in Multidimensional Hydrogen Transfer Reactions</b> Lennard-Jones Centre. Cambridge, United Kingdom.
Nov-2018		<b>Elucidation of the Quantum Dynamics of Intramolecular Proton Transfer Reaction in Porphycene</b> Workshop on H-bonding/transfer dynamics of porphycene and its derivatives. Warsaw, Poland.

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## Contributed Talks

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| Sep-2022 | <b>The surface of electrolyte solutions is stratified</b><br>Y. Litman, K-Y. Chiang, T. Seki, Y. Nagata, M. Bonn<br>DPG (Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft) Spring Meeting. Regensburg, Germany.   |
| Sep-2022 | <b>Incorporating First-Principles Electronic Friction in Instanton Rate Theory</b><br>Y. Litman, E. S. Pos, C. L. Box, R. Martinazzo, R. J. Maurer, M. Rossi<br>DPG (Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft) Spring Meeting. Regensburg, Germany.                         |
| Sep-2021 | <b>Surface vibrations enhance intramolecular hydrogen tunneling in (some) molecular switches</b><br>Y. Litman, M. Rossi<br>APS (American Physical Society) March Meeting. Online event.  |
| Sep-2019 | <b>Temperature Dependence of the Vibrational Spectrum of Porphycene</b><br>Y. Litman, J. Behler, M. Rossi<br>Faraday Discussion: Quantum effects in complex systems. Coventry, United Kingdom.   |
| Apr-2019 | <b>Elucidation of the Quantum Dynamics of Intramolecular Proton Transfer Reaction in Porphycene</b><br>Y. Litman, T. Kumagai, J. O. Richardon, M. Rossi<br>DPG (Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft) Spring Meeting. Regensburg, Germany.                              |
| Mar-2019 | <b>Elucidation of the Quantum Dynamics of Intramolecular Proton Transfer Reaction in Porphycene</b><br>Y. Litman, T. Kumagai, J. Richardon, M. Rossi<br>APS (American Physical Society) March Meeting. Boston, USA.  |
| Feb-2019 | <b>Elucidation of the Quantum Dynamics of Intramolecular Proton Transfer Reaction in Porphycene</b><br>Y. Litman, T. Kumagai, J. Richardon, M. Rossi<br>Workshop on Theoretical Chemistry 2019 Path Integral Methods for Nuclear Quantum Effects. Mariapfarr, Austria. |
| Mar-2018 | <b>Decisive Role of Nuclear Quantum Effects on Surface Mediated Water Dissociation at Finite Temperature</b><br>Y. Litman, D. Donadio, M. Ceriotti, M. Rossi<br>DPG (Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft) Spring Meeting. Berlin, Germany.                             |

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## Poster Presentations

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| Aug-2022 | <b>Surface-Sensitive Spectroscopy with ab initio Accuracy Using Machine Learning</b><br>Y. Litman, K. Chiang, T. Seki, J. Lan, V. Kapil, M. Bonn, D. M. Wilkins, Y. Nagata<br>"Vibrational Spectroscopy, Gordon Research Conference. Rhode Island, United States.                        |
| Mar-2021 | <b>Surface Vibrations Enhance Intramolecular Hydrogen Tunneling in (some) Molecular Switches</b><br>Y. Litman, M. Rossi<br>"Virtual DPG Spring Meeting 2021 of the Surface Science Division", Online event.  |
| Dec-2019 | <b>Elucidating Nuclear Quantum Dynamics of Porphycene: From Gas Phase to Adsorption on Cu(110)</b><br>Y. Litman, M. Rossi<br>"Forefront of Measurement Technologies for Surface Chemistry and Physics in Real-Space, k-Space, and Real-Time", Okazaki, Japan.                            |
| Jul-2018 | <b>Temperature and Tunneling Influence on Intramolecular Double Hydrogen Transfer Reactions</b><br>Y. Litman, T. Kumagai, J. Richardon, M. Rossi<br>Gordon Research Seminar: Vibrational Spectroscopy, New England, United States.   |
| Jun-2018 | <b>Temperature and Tunneling Influence on Intramolecular Double Hydrogen Transfer Reactions</b><br>Y. Litman, T. Kumagai, J. Richardon, M. Rossi<br>Path Integral Quantum Mechanics: From the Basics to the Latest Developments. Cecam, EPFL, Switzerland.                               |
| Jul-2017 | <b>Nuclear Quantum Effects on Surface-Assisted Water Dissociation</b><br>Y. Litman, D. Donadio, M. Ceriotti, M. Rossi<br>Workshop on Understanding Quantum Phenomena with Path Integrals: From Chemical Systems to Quantum fluids and Solids. Trieste, Italy.                            |
| Apr-2015 | <b>Rendimientos cuánticos de formación de triplete en sólidos particulados: estudio comparativo mediante LIOAS, DRLFP y simulaciones numéricas</b><br>Y. Litman, H. B. Rodríguez, E. San Román<br>XIX Congreso Argentino de Fisicoquímica y Química Inorgánica. Buenos Aires, Argentina. |
| Sep-2014 | <b>Fluorescence and Molecular Singlet Oxygen Generation in Thin Films: Phloxine B in Poly(2Hydroxyethyl Methacrylate)</b><br>Y. Litman, H. B. Rodríguez, E. San Román<br>XVI International Congress on Photobiology. Córdoba, Argentina.   |
| Feb-2014 | <b>Fluorescence self quenching and triplet state generation of dyes in constrained media</b><br>Y. Litman, H. B. Rodríguez, S. E. Braslavsky, E. San Román<br>Central European Conference on Photochemistry – CECF. Bad Hofgastein, Austria.   |
| Sep-2013 | <b>A rationale for the development of heterogeneous singlet Oxygen photosensitizers</b><br>Y. Litman, H. Rodríguez, S. Braslavsky, E. San Román<br>Congreso de la European Society for Photobiology. Liege, Belgica.   |