# Yair Ezequiel Litman

## PERSONAL DATA

PLACE AND DATE OF BIRTH: Buenos Aires, Argentina | 16 October 1990

NATIONALITY: Argentinean and Polish

VIRTUAL PRESENCE Website, Google Scholar, Orcid, Twitter

## **EDUCATION**

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

**CURRENT** 

## MID-APRIL 2022 | Research Associate (Walter Benjamin Fellow)

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. Cosuper-

svisor: Beate, Paulus (Freie Univertät)

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

## 2023 | Part III Supervisor

Yusuf Hamied Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge Co-supervision of one Master thesis student.

#### 2022 | Supervisor

Yusuf Hamied Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge
Duties: Grade students practical exercises. Part 2B A4. Michaelmas Term. 3 student groups.

#### 2022 | Senior Demonstrator

Yusuf Hamied Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge
Duties: Grade students practical exercises. Part 1B A. Michaelmas Term. 2 student groups.

## Ago-2019 | Tutor Leader on Practical Exercises on Molecular Dynamics

#### Ago-2017 | Hands-On DFT and Beyond Workshop

Duties: prepare and test practical exercises; carry out the tutorial on *ab initio* molecular dynamics.

## 2015- | Teaching Assistant

2016 | Graduate position at University of Buenos Aires

Duties: grading papers and exams, answer questions from students, and carrying out lectures. Courses: Analytical Chemistry and Chemical Physics I

## 2012 | Teaching Assistant

*Undergraduate position at University of Buenos Aires* 

Duties: grading papers and exams, answer questions from students, and carrying out lectures. Course: Analytical Chemistry

## **GRANTS & FELLOWSHIPS**

- 2023 | Junior Research Fellowship at Wolfson College
- DAAD travel fellowship to assist the Gordon Research Conference on "Vibrational Spectroscopy"
- 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.
- 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"
- Annual Allocation Time at CSCS National Computer Center. Project: "Tunneling Contributions to the Proton Switching Mechanism of Porphycene on Metallic Surfaces with ab initio Ring Polymer Instantons"
- Eduardo G. Gross: National Academy of Exact Physical and Natural Sciences financial support grant

## COMPUTER SKILLS

## LANGUAGES

PROGRAMING	Fortran90/95	SPANISH	Native Speaker
	python	ENGLISH	Fluent
EDITION	Parallelization (MPI) Vi, Latex	HEBREW	Basic Knowledge 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 81st 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

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

## **Invited Talks**

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

## **Contributed Talks**

## Sep-2022 | The surface of electrolyte solutions is stratified

Y. Litman, K-Y. Chiang, T. Seki, Y. Nagata, M. Bonn

DPG (Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft) Spring Meeting. Regensburg, Germany.

## Sep-2022 | Incorporating First-Principles Electronic Friction in Instanton Rate Theory

Y. Litman, E. S. Pos, C. L. Box, R. Martinazzo, R. J. Maurer, M. Rossi

DPG (Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft) Spring Meeting. Regensburg, Germany.

## Sep-2021 Surface vibrations enhance intramolecular hydrogen tunneling in (some) molecular switches

Y. Litman, M. Rossi

APS (American Physical Society) March Meeting. Online event.

## Sep-2019 | Temperature Dependence of the Vibrational Spectrum of Porphycene

Y. Litman, J. Behler, M. Rossi

Faraday Discussion: Quantum effects in complex systems. Conventry, United Kingdom.

## Apr-2019 Elucidation of the Quantum Dynamics of Intramolecular Proton Transfer Reaction in Porphycene

Y. Litman, T. Kumagai, J. O. Richardon, M. Rossi

DPG (Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft) Spring Meeting. Regensburg, Germany.

## Mar-2019 Elucidation of the Quantum Dynamics of Intramolecular Proton Transfer Reaction in Porphycene

Y. Litman, T. Kumagai, J. Richardon, M. Rossi

APS (American Physical Society) March Meeting. Boston, USA.

## Feb-2019 | Elucidation of the Quantum Dynamics of Intramolecular Proton Transfer Reaction in Porphycene

Y. Litman, T. Kumagai, J. Richardon, M. Rossi

Workshop on Theoretical Chemistry 2019 Path Integral Methods for Nuclear Quantum Effects. Mariapfarr, Austria.

## Mar-2018 Decisive Role of Nuclear Quantum Effects on Surface Mediated Water Dissociation at Finite Temperature

Y. Litman, D. Donadio, M. Ceriotti, M. Rossi

DPG (Deutsche Physikalische Gesellschaft) Spring Meeting. Berlin, Germany.

#### **Poster Presentations**

Aug-2022 | Surface-Sensitive Spectroscopy with ab initio Accuracy Using Machine Learning

Y. Litman, K. Chiang, T. Seki, J. Lan, V. Kapil, M. Bonn, D. M. Wilkins, Y. Nagata

"Vibrational Spectroscopy, Gordon Research Conference. Rhode Island, United States.

Mar-2021 | Surface Vibrations Enhance Intramolecular Hydrogen Tunneling in (some) Molecular Switches

Y. Litman, M. Rossi

"Virtual DPG Spring Meeting 2021 of the Surface Science Division", Online event.

Dec-2019 Elucidating Nuclear Quantum Dynamics of Porphycene: From Gas Phase to Adsorption on Cu(110)

Y. Litman, M. Rossi

"Forefront of Measurement Technologies for Surface Chemistry and Physics in Real-Space, k-Space, and Real-Time", Okazaki, Japan.

Jul-2018 | Temperature and Tunneling Influence on Intramolecular Double Hydrogen Transfer Reactions

Y. Litman, T. Kumagai, J. Richardon, M. Rossi

Gordon Research Seminar: Vibrational Spectroscopy, New England, United States.

Jun-2018 | Temperature and Tunneling Influence on Intramolecular Double Hydrogen Transfer Reactions

Y. Litman, T. Kumagai, J. Richardon, M. Rossi

Path Integral Quantum Mechanics: From the Basics to the Latest Developments. Cecam, EPFL, Switzerland.

Jul-2017 | Nuclear Quantum Effects on Surface-Assisted Water Dissociation

Y. Litman, D. Donadio, M. Ceriotti, M. Rossi

Workshop on Understanding Quantum Phenomena with Path Integrals: From Chemical Systems to Quantum fluids and Solids. Trieste, Italy.

Apr-2015 Rendimientos cuánticos de formación de triplete en sólidos particulados: estudio comparativo mediante LIOAS, DRLFP y simulaciones numéricas

Y. Litman, H. B. Rodríguez, E. San Román

XIX Congreso Argentino de Fisicoquímica y Química Inorgánica. Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Sep-2014 | Fluorescence and Molecular Singlet Oxygen Generation in Thin Films: Phloxine B in Poly(2Hydroxyethyl Methacrylate)

Y. Litman, H. B. Rodríguez, E. San Román

XVI International Congress on Photobiology. Córdoba, Argentina.

Feb-2014 | Fluorescence self quenching and triplet state generation of dyes in constrained media

Y. Litman, H. B. Rodríguez, S. E. Braslavsky, E. San Román

Central European Conference on Photochemistry - CECP. Bad Hofgastein, Austria.

Sep-2013 | A rationale for the development of heterogeneous singlet Oxygen photosensitizers

Y. Litman, H. Rodríguez, S. Braslavsky, E. San Román

Congreso de la European Society for Photobiology. Liege, Belgica.