

## EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

Year	Degree	Institute	CPI/%
2013	B-Tech Materials & Metallurgical Engineering.	Indian Institute of Technology, Kanpur	*8.0/10 **7.2/10
2009	All India Senior School Certificate Examination AISCE-2009.	Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya Amravati	88%
2007	All India Secondary School Examination AISSE-2007.	Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya Amravati	85%

\*Overall Departmental CPI; \*\*SPI of 7<sup>th</sup> (2nd last semester)

## SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

- Awarded scholarship by the **NVS (Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti), Ministry of Human Resources Development (MHRD), INDIA**  
Only 80 students out of about 50000 students were selected 2001-2009
- Secured an **AIR 1614 in NSTSE-2007** (National Science Talent Search Examination) 2007-2008
- Awarded **1<sup>st</sup> Prize** in Regional level **CBSE Science Exhibition** held at Rajhans Vidyalaya Mumbai 2008-2009
- Participated in **Regional Science Congress** held at **Gujarat Science City Ahmedabad** 2006-2007
- Participated in **National level CBSE Science Exhibition** held at **New Delhi** 2008-2009
- Secured **1<sup>st</sup> Position** in Science Exhibition in the Cluster sports Meet & exhibition, Jalgaon (M.S.), India 2007-2008

## FOREIGN SUMMER INTERNSHIP ON "SOLID OXIDE FUEL CELLS"

### Production technology centre (PTC)

### TROLLHATTAN, SWEDEN

(May 12-Jul 12)

PTC is one of the biggest research centres of Sweden which finds solutions for the manufacturing Industry in collaboration with world's two renowned companies i.e. **SAAB Automobile, Volvo Aero** and University West

- Objective** of the Project was to "Characterize the **Thermal barrier coatings (TBC) used in gas turbines & aircrafts** and Characterization of YSZ electrolyte used in the SOFC (Solid Oxide Fuel Cells)
- Mainly worked on "Characterisation of YSZ electrolyte for SOFC".
- Concluded** that "Low pressure plasma Spray (LPPS) methods used for producing YSZ electrolyte coatings on a substrate produce much denser coatings than "Atmospheric Pressure Plasma Spraying" (APPS) methods with the help Sulzer Metco F-4 gun system machine, Triplex gun and SEM
- Concluded** "slow cold and quick cold mounting resin contains Carbon and Silica respectively using SEM-EDX technology
- Significant contribution to the **research paper on YSZ electrolyte**, SOFC which is **yet to be published** this year
- Experienced both **Industrial and research** working environment which helped me to learn both practical and experimental work together.

## KEY ACADEMIC PROJECTS

### B-tech-Project 1: Characterization of electrolyte material used in solid oxide fuel cell

(Aug 12-Dec12)

- Objective:** To see the behaviour of 8% YSZ; 8%YSZ+ Ceria; 8% YSZ+GDC and 8%YSZ+ Ceria+GDC by studying various properties like Density; Crystal structure, Conductivity, Composition, Hardness, Fracture toughness and Grain size
- Procedure to be followed:**
  - Started with 8%YSZ +GDC(10%) powders and mixed them by using ball mill in order to mix them homogeneously
  - Used Spark plasma sintering process to make pellets of all the four composites
  - Did XRD for phase analysis of the composite before and after preparing the pellets by using SPS Method
  - Calculated the density by using both physical and experimental technique and then compared with theoretical density
  - Did SEM-EDX analysis for identifying the composition of various phases present inside the pellets
  - Performed TEM analysis on all the 4 pellets.
- Conclusion:** -Concluded that the presence of GDC decreases the density and hardness of pure YSZ.  
-Concluded that the presence of Ceria leads to the formation of cracks in the pellet may be because of the expansion of the ceria while cooling during the SPS process.
- Future Scope:** Ionic Conductivity can be measured by using Impedance spectroscopy method and can be compared to see the relative effect on doping various compounds in YSZ

### B-tech-Project 2: Simulation of electrolyte material used in solid oxide fuel cell

(Dec12-present)

- Objective:** To see and generate the **pseudo-potential** for of 8% YSZ; 8%YSZ+ Ceria; 8% YSZ+GDC and 8%YSZ+ Ceria+GDC and then observe the various electronic properties like Radial distribution function, electronic configuration, locating exact oxygen vacancies in the composite etc.
- Procedure to be followed:**
  - Composites of various composition prepared for generating the pseudo-potential
  - Using SEISTA software to generate the pseudo-potential for all the composites
- Conclusion:** The project is under progress and expected to finish by the end of April'13

**Project: Analysis of various Illumination and contrast methods in Optical Microscopy** (Jan 12-May 12)

- It is successfully completed under the guidance of Prof. Anandh Subramaniam, Department of MME,IIT Kanpur
- Objective:** Analysis of various Illumination and contrast methods in Optical Microscopy
- Procedure followed:**
  - The samples used were Dirty water and bone implants since they are raw and easily available
  - Used the biological optical microscope to analyse since we have selected a sample which has lot of biological species
  - Captured the images in various modes like Bright Filed, Dark Field, Phase contrast, Polarized light microscopy, and differential interference contrast microscopy in order to see the behaviour clearly
  - Used same region to show the comparison (advantages) of these techniques, both transmission and reflection modes
- Conclusion:** Compared and shown the importance of various modes of optical microscopy by using the images taken under various modes in Optical microscope.

**Project: Microstructure analysis of PFZ (Precipitated Free Zones) using FESEM (Nanomaterial)** (Oct 11-Nov 11)

- It is successfully completed under the guidance of Prof. Anandh Subramaniam, Department of MME,IIT Kanpur
- Objective:** To analyse the microstructure of PFZ in Mg-Al-Zn alloy using FESEM
- Procedure followed:**
  - prepared a sample for the FESEM which is a very sophisticated job
  - Observed the microstructure and performed the EDX (Energy dispersive X-ray Analysis)
- Conclusion :** Concluded the presence of nano size PFZ around grain boundaries lowers the hardness of Mg-Al-Zn alloy

**TECHNICAL SKILLS AND LABORATORY EXPERIENCE**

**Operating System:** Ubuntu (Linux), WINDOWS 7

**Languages:** C, basic C++, HTML, Python

**Technical Software Knowledge:** SIESTA, ORIGIN, CARINE, MATLAB, AutoCad, CS5.

**Experimental Skills:** Optical Microscopy, XRD, SEM, TEM, AFM, Rockwell Hardness, Vickers Hardness, Spark plasma sintering etc.

**RELEVANT COURSES DONE**

Courses	Grade	Courses	Grade
1) Mechanical Behaviours of Materials	A	9) Multi-functional oxides:thin films & devices	B
2) Phase Equilibria in Materials	A	10) Phase transformation in materials	B
3) Nanostructures and Nanomaterials: Characterization & Properties	B	11) Electronic and magnetic properties of materials	B
4) Metallurgical Kinetics	B	12) Fundamentals of materials processing	B
5) Materials Characterization	B	13) Manufacturing processes	B
6) Principles of metal extraction and refining	B	14) Process metallurgy lab	B
7) Structural characterization techniques & their applications	B	15) Physical Metallurgy lab	B
8) Materials for semiconductor industry*		16)Materials degradation and its prevention*	

\* Courses under progress

**KEY EXTRACURRICULAR ACHIEVEMENTS**

<b>SPORTS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>AWARDED INSTITUTE BLUES</b>, for the year 2013 by Games &amp; sports Council, IIT Kanpur. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An award <b>given for excellent organizational, leadership &amp; consistent performance in sports</b> throughout the stay at IITK</li> <li>This year(2013), it is awarded to only 1 person out of around more than 1000 students</li> <li>Details can be found at <a href="http://www.iitk.ac.in/math/staff/Test/PES/pdf/General_Guidelines.pdf">http://www.iitk.ac.in/math/staff/Test/PES/pdf/General_Guidelines.pdf</a></li> </ul> </li> <li><b>Awarded twice Best Athlete Awards</b> in Udghosh (Annual Sports Festival of IIT Kanpur)-2010 &amp; 2011</li> <li><b>BEST Incoming Sportsperson Award.</b> It is awarded to only 10 out of 700 students by the students Gymkhana, Games &amp; sports council IIT Kanpur-2009</li> <li>Won <b>12 GOLD, 4 SILVER &amp; 4 BRONZE Medals</b> in various <b>athletics meet</b> (Inter IIT sports meet, Udghosh, District Athletics meet, Regional &amp; Cluster Athletics meet in 2011,'10,'09 &amp; 2004) in events <b>400m,800m,1500m &amp; 5Km</b></li> </ul>
<b>SOCIAL &amp; NATIONAL SERVICES</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Awarded THE RAJYA PURASKAR-2007</b> by the Bharat Scouts &amp; Guides (awarded for excellence in social work)</li> <li>Qualified and Attended <b>THAL SAINIK CAMP (TSC-2006)</b>.Only <b>40 NCC Cadets qualified out of 50000</b> and represented the Maharashtra state which was organised by <b>DIRECTORATE GENERAL NCC at NEW DELHI</b></li> </ul>
<b>MUSIC</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>Awarded 2<sup>nd</sup> Prize</b> in Pair on the stage (Musicals) in Galaxy (Intra IIT cultural festival) in 2011 at IIT Kanpur</li> <li><b>Awarded 1<sup>st</sup> Prize</b> in group song and eastern band competition in Galaxy 2010 and 2011 respectively</li> </ul>