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Research Interests: Synthetic and Computational Chemistry, Energy Storage, Photoswitching, UV-Vis Spectroscopy, IR Spectroscopy, Electronic Structures Simulations, Sensors Synthesis, Sensors Simulations, Porous Organic Network for Sensor, Adsorption, CO₂ Catalysis, Organometallic Reaction Mechanism by Using DFT, Theoretical Simulations for Chemical Reactions, Solar cells.

Education and Research Experience

Institute De Ciencia De Materials De Barcelona (ICMAB-CSIC), Spain

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Juan de la Cierva fellowship

Project: Sustainable Energy Conversion and Storage Systems.

Advisor: **Prof.** David Brian Amabilino

Incheon National University (INU), South Korea

Sept 2021 – Feb 2023

Post-doctorate

Project: Design and Synthesis of Sensor for Insect Vector diseases

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Korea Advanced Institute of Science and Technology (KAIST), South Korea

Sept 2016–Aug 2021

Doctoral Program (Ph.D. in Chemistry)

Thesis Title: Design and Synthesis of Multifunctional molecules and

Porous Organic Networks for Sensor, Adsorption, and Catalysis:

A Combined Experimental and DFT Study.

Advisors: **Prof.** David G. Churchill, **Prof.** Mu-Hyun Baik, and **Prof.** Cafer T. Yavuz.

Gachon University, South Korea

March 2015–Aug 2016

Doctoral Program and later move to KAIST

Project: Experimental and DFT Study of Green Catalyst Designing for Organic Synthesis

Advisor: **Prof.** Mihyun Kim

University of Peshawar (UOP), Pakistan

Sept 2012–Feb 2015

M.Phil. Chemistry

Project: Density Functional Theory and Experimental Study of Diospyrin and 8-hydroxydiospyrin

Advisor: **Prof.** Atta-ur-Rahman and **Prof.** Khurshid Ayub

Kohat University of Science and Technology (KUST), Pakistan

MSc. Chemistry

Project: Antibacterial study of Phyla nodiflora Linn

Advisor: **Prof.** Ijaz Ahmed

Sept 2008–March 2011

University of Peshawar (UOP), Pakistan

B.Sc. Biological Science (Chemistry and Biology)

Sept 2006 – Sept 2008

Research Articles:

In Preparation / Submitted / Under Review

61. “Two-dimensional porous MXene@C₂N heterostructures for HER”, **In preparation for Advanced Energy (Equal First Author)**

60. “A “Catch Toy”-like Motif: DFT and SERS Study of Nanocage Adsorption in the Concave Side of a Biscorrole and Porphyrin-host Valency” Youngseob Lee, **Zakir Ullah**, Donghyeon Kim, Sheena Mary, Hyung Wook Kwon, Kyung-Bin Cho, and David G. Churchill, **In preparation for Surface and Interfaces (Equal First Author)**

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54. "Corrole-Chelated Metal Complexes Enabling Dual C-H Chlorination and H₂O₂ Generation" Xuan Zhan, Donghyeno Kim, Zakir Ullah, and David G. Churchill. Journal of Molecular Liquids 413 (2024) 125938. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.molliq.2024.125938> (Q1, IF = 5.3, Corresponding Author)
53. "Amplifying High-Performance Organic Solar Cells through Differencing Interactions of Solid Additive with Donor/Acceptor Materials Processed from Non-Halogenated Solvent" has been received by journal Advanced Energy Materials" Muhammad Haris, Zakir Ullah, Seungjin Lee, Du Hyeon Ryu, Seung Un Ryu, Bong Joo Kang, Nam Joong Jeon, Bumjoon J. Kim, Taiho Park, Won Suk Shin, and Chang Eun Song. Adv. Energy Mater. 2024, 2401597. <https://doi.org/10.1002/aenm.202401597> (Q1, IF = 24.4, Equal First Author)
52. "Battling Hazardous Gas Molecules with Kekulene Surfaces: A Computational Study". Fazli Sattar, Zhenzhen Wang, Xiozhuang Zhou, and Zakir Ullah* Journal of Molecular Liquids (2024): 125099. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.molliq.2024.125099> (Q1, IF = 5.3, Corresponding Author)
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34. "Comparison of physicochemical properties of pollen substitute diet for honey bee (*Apis mellifera*)" Hyun Jee Kim, Jinseok Hwang, **Zakir Ullah**, Bilal Mustafa, Hyung Wook Kwon. *Journal of Asia-Pacific Entomology*. (2022) <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.aspen.2022.101967> (**Q2, IF = 1.30, co-author**)
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25. "Adsorption behavior and solvent effects of an adamantane-triazole derivative on metal clusters – DFT simulation studies". amelah S. Al-Otaibi, Y. Sheena Mary, Y. Shyma Mary, **Zakir Ullah**, Hyung Wook Kwon; *Journal of Molecular Liquids* 345 (2022) 118242. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.saa.2021.120677> (Q1, IF = 5.3)
24. "CCDC 1996618: Experimental Crystal Structure Determination : 1,1'-(naphthalene-1,5-diyl)bis(3-methyl-5-phenyl-1H-pyrazole)" Mousumi Garai, Manmatha Mahato, Yeongran Hong, Vepa Rozyyev, Uiseok Jeong, **Zakir Ullah**, Cafer T Yavuz. (2021) <http://hdl.handle.net/10754/686922> Co-Author)
23. "Adsorption properties of dacarbazine with graphene/fullerene/metal nanocages – Reactivity, spectroscopic and SERS analysis". Jamelah S. Al-Otaibi, Y. Sheena Mary, Y. Shyma Mary, **Zakir Ullah**, Rohitash Yadav, Nitin Gupta David G. Churchill; *Spectrochimica Acta Part A*. 2021. <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.saa.2021.120677> (Q1, IF = 4.47, co-author)
22. "Theoretical model study of adsorbed antimalarial-graphene dimers: doping effects, photophysical parameters, intermolecular interactions, edge adsorption, and SERS". **Zakir Ullah**, Prasad M Sonawane, Y Sheena Mary, Y Shyma Mary, Pratap Mane, Brahmananda Chakraborty, David G Churchill; *J. Biomol. Struct. Dyn*, 2021, <https://doi.org/10.1080/07391102.2021.1990129> (Q2, IF = 4.15, First Author)
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5. **Zakir Ullah**, "Thermal-Isomerization Dynamics in Azobenzene Hydrogels under Irradiation" Functional Molecular Photoswitches for Energy Storage and Beyond, Barcelona Spain **2024**.

Skills:

Molecular dynamics and Quantum Mechanics packages: Maestro-Desmond, SYBYL, Material Studio, Jaguar, Gaussian, Qchem, Quantum ATK, ADF, MultiWfn.

Synthesis and Analysis: NMR, IR, Mass, UV-Vis, Fluorescence, CD, Crystallography, BET, TGA, Optical Microscope, DSC.

General Computer Skills: Basic Python, Basic Linux.

Certificates:

1. Crash Course on Python: <https://www.coursera.org/account/accomplishments/certificate/YXXATEPRJF6T>
2. Homogeneous Catalysis and Reactivity: <https://courses.schrodinger.com/certificates/xrpkIndwjy>
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