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**Designation** : Assistant Professor  
**Department** : Chemistry  
**Qualification** : M.Sc., M.Phil., Ph.D.,  
**Experience** : Teaching -14 Years  
**Research** : 18 Years  
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### Academic Qualifications

| Degree  | Branch    | Institution/University Name  | Year of Graduation |
|---------|-----------|--|--------------------|
| Ph.D.   | Chemistry | CSIR-Central Electrochemical Research Institute/Bharathidasan University | 2012               |
| M.Phil. | Chemistry | School of Chemistry, Bharathidasan University.                           | 2008               |
| M. Sc.  | Chemistry | School of Chemistry, Bharathidasan University.                           | 2006               |
| B.Sc.   | Chemistry | NKR Govt. Arts College for Women/Periyar University                      | 2004               |

### Additional Qualifications

| Diploma/<br>Vocational/<br>Certification | Area of Specialization | Institution/University/AgencyName       | Year |
|--|------------------------|---|------|
| Certification                            | Coursera               | TECHNION Israel Institute of Technology | 2022 |
| Certification                            | Coursera               | Technical University of Denmark         | 2022 |

### Research Guidance

| Programme | No. of Scholars |          |
|-----------|-----------------|----------|
|           | Completed       | Pursuing |
| M.Phil.   | 1               | -        |
| Ph.D      | 1               | 3        |

### Research Publications (Indexed) 44 Publications

1. High-Performing  $\text{LiMg}_x\text{Cu}_y\text{Co}_{1-x-y}\text{O}_2$  Cathode Material for Lithium Rechargeable Batteries - **C. Nithya**, R. Thirunakaran, A. Sivashanmugam, S. Gopukumar **ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces**, 4 (2012) 4040–4046 (ISSN: 1944-8244). (IF: 8.456)
2. High performance  $\text{Na}_x\text{CoO}_2$  as a cathode material for rechargeable sodium batteries – B. Venkata Rami Reddy, R. Ravikumar, **C. Nithya**, S. Gopukumar, **J. Mater. Chem. A** 3 (2015) 18059-18063 (ISSN: 0959-9428. (IF: 10.447)
3. Effect of Mg doping on the local structure of  $\text{LiMg}_y\text{Co}_{1-y}\text{O}_2$  cathode material investigated by X-ray absorption spectroscopy - .H. Cheng, C.J. Pan, **C. Nithya**, R. Thirunakaran, S. Gopukumar, C.H. Chen,

- J.F. Lee, J.M. Chen, A. Sivashanmugam, B.J. Hwang, **J. Power Sources** 252 (2014) 292-297 (ISSN: 0378-7753). (IF: 7.467)
4. rGO /nano Sb composite: A high performing Anode material for Na<sup>+</sup> ion Batteries and Evidence for Formation of Nanoribbons from Nano rGO sheet during Galvanostatic Cycling – **C. Nithya**, S. Gopukumar – **J. Mater. Chem. A** – 2 (2014) 10516-10525 (ISSN: 0959-9428). (IF: 10.733)
  5. Sb<sub>2</sub>O<sub>4</sub>@rGO Nanocomposite Anode for High Performance Sodium-Ion Batteries – R. Kiruthiga, **C. Nithya**, K.P. Bindhya, Nitesh Kumar, S. Gopukumar, **ACS Sustainable Chem. Eng.** 5 (2017) 5090-5098 (ISSN: 2168-0485). (IF: 6.970)
  6. Morphology-oriented CuS nanostructures: Superior K-ion storage by surface enhanced pseudocapacitive effects – **C. Nithya**, T. Gowtham, **Sus. Energy & Fuels** 2020, 4, 3574 – 3587. (IF: 6.813)
  7. Dopant-Free Main Group Elements Supported Covalent Organic–Inorganic Hybrid Conducting Polymer for Sodium-Ion Battery Application – V. Seenuvasan, S. Pandiaraj, C. Nithya\*, M. Nithya and R. Karvembu. **ACS Applied Energy Mater.** 2022, 5, 557-566. (IF: 6.9)
  8. Bi<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub> Nanorods Deposited on Reduced Graphene Oxide for Potassium-Ion Batteries – **C. Nithya**, M. Jeevan Kumar Reddy, I. In, S. Kim, S. Gopukumar. **ACS Appl. Nano Mater.** 2023, 6, 6121–6132 (IF: 6.114)
  9. Sb<sub>2</sub>S<sub>3</sub> nanorods encapsulated reduced graphene oxide as an anode material for Na/K-ion batteries – **C. Nithya**, S. Vishnupriya, S. Dhanushree. **Surfaces & Interfaces** 2024, 44, 103630 (IF: 6.2)
  10. Exploring the influence of Single-Walled carbon nanotubes substituted Mg–Ti alloy for hydriding and dehydriding properties - K.S. Nivedhitha, R. Venkatesh, N.R. Banapurmath, K. Ramesh, Ashok M. Sajjan , P. Bipin S. Chikkatti, Yogesh, Abhilasha Jain, **C. Nithya**. **Int. J. Hydrogen Energy** 2024, 59, 272 (IF: 7.2)
  11. Heterostructure of Reduced Graphene Oxide Supported Tin (IV) Sulfide Nanopetals as an Anode Material for Sodium/Potassium-Ion Batteries: Evidence for the formation of C-S bond – **C. Nithya**, S. Dhanushree, Indu Elizabeth, Kriti Tyagi, P. Bavya. **Electrochimica Acta** 2024, 492, 144347. (IF: 6.6)

## Patent

| S.No | Name of the Faculty | Title of the Invention   | Application No. | Date of Filing | Grant Date |
|------|---------------------|--|-----------------|----------------|------------|
| 1.   | C. Nithya           | Process for the preparation of high voltage nano composite cathode (4.9 V) for lithium ion batteries | 13/880,704      | 30.05.2011     | 29.05.2018 |
| 2.   | C. Nithya           | Cathode Material and Lithium Ion Battery Therefrom   | 13/880,306      | 29.05.2011     | 30.01.2018 |
| 3.   | C. Nithya           | The Method for Preparing Lithium Ion Battery Pack of High Voltage Nanocomposite Cathode              | 2495/DEL/2010   | 30.03.2011     | 20.07.2016 |
| 4.   | C. Nithya           | High Voltage, High Performance Layered Cathode Material for Lithium Ion Batteries                    | 2439/DEL/2010   | 13.10.2010     | 13.06.2022 |

### Book Published

1. C. Nithya “High performing cathode materials for lithium ion batteries” LAP LAMBERT Academic Publishing, Germany, January 2016, ISBN: 978-3-659-82537-8.
2. Nivedita K.S, C. Nithya, R. Kumaran,”Synthesis and electrochemical study on nano structured Mg Based alloy” - LAP LAMBERT Academic Publishing, Germany, June 2018, ISBN: 978-620-0-22387-6.

### Book Chapter Published

1. **C. Nithya**, S. Gopukumar, “Transition metal chalcogenides as anode materials for rechargeable batteries” Chapter 15 in “Nanobatteries and Nanogenerators” – Elsevier, November 2020. ISBN: 978-0-12-821548-7.
2. C. Nithya, S. Gopukumar. “Thermodynamic analysis of lithium storage” –, **Encyclopedia of Energy Storage**, 2022, 1, 286-294.
3. **C. Nithya** – “Bio-wastes for metal-ion batteries” - Chapter 18 in “Energy from Waste: Production and Storage” - CRC Press, March 2022. ISBN: 9781003178354.
4. **C. Nithya** – “Transition Metal Phosphates/Phosphonates for Lithium-ion Batteries” – contributed the chapter in the book entitled “Metal Phosphates and Phosphonates”, March 2023, ISBN: 978-3-031-27062-8, P.No. 283.
5. **G. Subashini and C. Nithya** – “Transition Metal Chalcogenide-Based Flexible and Wearable Sensors” – contributed the chapter in the book entitled “Flexible and Wearable Sensors”, March 2023, ISBN: 9781003299455. Chapter 10, P. No. 138-148.
6. S. Dhanushree, **C. Nithya\*** – “Introduction to Nanocarbon” - contributed the chapter in the book entitled “NanoCarbon: A Wonder Material for Energy Applications”, February 2024, ISBN: 978-981-99-9935-4. Chapter 1, P.No. 1-15.
7. **C. Nithya\***, R. Kiruthiga – “Potassium-Ion Batteries: Recent Trends and Challenges” – contributed the chapter entitled “Advanced Technologies for Rechargeable Batteries” August 2024, ISBN: 9781003310174. Chapter 2, P.No. 14-33

### Short Term Course

1. Short term training program on “Environmental crisis and sustainable development” organized by NIT, Kuruksetra from 01.07.2025 to 05.07.2025

### Acted as a Resource Person

- Chairing a session in international conference on green technology for environmental pollution prevention and control (ICGTEPC - 2014) on 27-29<sup>th</sup> September 2014.
- Chairing a session in International Conference of Young Researchers on Advanced Materials (IUMRS-ICYRAM 2016) organized by Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore held on 11-15 Dec’2016.
- Session chair: International conference on energy conversion and storage (IC-ECS-2023) organized by Department of Sciences, Amrita School of Physical Sciences, Amrita Vishwa Vidyapeetham, Coimbatore on 21.06.2023
- Delivered an invited talk on “Nanostructured composite anode materials for sodium ion storage applications” in the International Conference of Young Researchers on Advanced Materials (IUMRS-ICYRAM 2016) organized by Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore held on 11-15 Dec’2016.
- Delivered an invited Talk “Biowaste as an electrode material for lithium-ion batteries” in BUDS-THINK 2021 organized by Department of Biochemistry and Chemistry, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli on 31<sup>st</sup> Mar’2021.

- Delivered an invited Talk “Electroanalytical Techniques and Their Applications” in Karyashara programme funded by science and Engineering Research Board organized by Department of Energy and Environment, NIT, Trichy on 22.10.2021 & 23.10.2021.
- Delivered an invited Talk “Familiarization of Electrochemical Methods” in high end workshop on Sophisticated Analytical and Testing Instruments "organized by the Department of Energy and Environment, NIT Tiruchirappalli on 27.01.2023 & 28.01.2023.
- Delivered an invited Talk “Biowastes for lithium-ion batteries” in one week workshop on Current Trends in Energy Storage and Electric Vehicle Technologies" organized by the Department of Energy and Environment, NIT Tiruchirappalli on 10.02.2023 & 11.02.2023.
- Delivered an invited Talk “ Energy Storage In Batteries: Basic Concepts” in one week workshop on “Current Trends and Futures Aspects of the Development of Fuel Cell & other Energy Storage Technologies" organized by the Department of Energy and Environment, NIT Tiruchirappalli on 29.05.2023.

#### Reviewer in Journal

| WILEY<br>INTERSCIENC<br>E               | THE AMERICAN<br>CHEMICAL SOCIETY        | THE ROYAL<br>SOCIETY OF<br>CHEMISTRY | ELSEVIER                      |
|---|---|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Advanced Materials                      | ACS Applied Materials & Interfaces      | RSC Advances                         | Journal of Power Sources      |
| Advanced Energy Materials               | ACS Sustainable Chemistry & Engineering | Journal of Materials Chemistry A     | Chemical Physics Letters      |
| ChemPlusChem                            | Journal of Physical Chemistry C         | Nanoscale Advances                   | Electrochimica Acta           |
| ChemPhysChem                            | ACS Applied Energy Materials            | Inorganic Chemistry Frontiers        | Applied Energy                |
| ChemSusChem                             | ACS Applied Nano Materials              |                                      | Materials Chemistry & Physics |
| Advanced Materials & Interfaces         |   |                                      | Journal of Energy Storage     |
| European Journal of Inorganic Chemistry |   |                                      |                               |
| Small                                   |   |                                      |                               |

#### Paper Presentations in Conference

International - 7  
National - 1

#### Presentations in Seminar - 4

**Participation in Conference - 10**

**Participation in Seminars - 4**

**Participation in Workshop - 4**

**Participation in Faculty Development Programme - 5**

**Participation in Webinar - 5**

**Conference/Seminar/Workshop Organized - 5**

**Grants**

| <b>S. No</b> | <b>Funding Source</b> | <b>Title of the project</b>   | <b>Project cost (Rs)</b> | <b>Duration</b> | <b>Status</b>  |
|--------------|-----------------------|---|--------------------------|-----------------|--|
| 1            | DST, India            | High Performing Electrode Materials for Li/Na ion batteries and supercapacitors                           | 85 lakhs                 | 2012-2017       | Completed (The sectoral monitoring committee graded this project as “Very Good”) |
| 2            | DST, India            | New electrode materials for potassium ion based energy storage technologies                               | 31.99 lakhs              | 2018-2021       | Completed  |
| 3            | ANRF, India           | Development of Pseudocapacitive based functional composite electrode for sodium-ion batteries             | 20.79 lakhs              | 2022-2025       | <b>Ongoing</b>   |
| 4            | CSIR-ASPIRE           | Development of metal chalcogens/oxides with carbon as composite electrode material for Zinc-ion Batteries | 27.52 lakhs              | 2024-2027       | <b>Ongoing</b>   |

### Membership in Professional Bodies

| Name of the Professional Body           | Nature of membership | Duration                 |
|---|----------------------|--------------------------|
| The Indian Science Congress Association | Life Member          | 04.10.2023 to 31.07.2044 |

### Awards/Honors

| Awards/Honors                                  | Agency/Institute                          | Year of Award |
|--|---|---------------|
| Materials Science Researcher Award             | AFMD-24, SRM University                   | 2024          |
| NRDC National Meritorious Invention Award 2018 | Ministry of Science and Technology, India | 2019          |
| ICONN 2019 Outstanding Woman Researcher Award  | SRM ICONN 2019                            | 2019          |
| Outstanding Reviewer Award                     | Elsevier                                  | 2017, 2018    |
| DST-Women Scientist Award (2017)               | Department of Science & Technology, India | 2017          |
| DST-INSPIRE Faculty Award (2012)               | Department of Science & Technology, India | 2012          |
| Awarded SRF                                    | Ministry of New & Renewable Energy        | 2011          |
| Best Oral Presentation Award                   | ACEPS-6, Chennai                          | 2012          |
| Rank Holder (M.Sc Chemistry)                   | Bharathidasan University                  | 2006          |
| Rank Holder (B.Sc Chemistry)                   | Periyar University                        | 2006          |
| Proficiency Award                              | NKR Govt Arts College for Women           | 2004          |

### Indexing and Citations

Scopus/WOS – 44

Total Citations: 1774

h-index – 23

i10 index - 39

Total Impact factor – 286.78

Average impact factor – 6.51

### Contribution

- Acting as a Coordinator for ASIHE Ranking activities (PSGRKCW)
- Acting as a BOS member for Srikailash College for Women, Salem