

### **SUMMARY**

I am a Ph.D. chemist with expertise in neutron and x-ray scattering techniques and the characterization of energy-related materials (hard and soft) to relate their structure-property relationship. I am interested in exploring the structure and dynamics of new materials for their real-life application, especially of the nano-confined fluids, polymers, and polymer-nano composites.

### **RESEARCH EXPERIENCE**

2017-present **Instrument Scientist**, Backscattering Silicon Spectrometer (BASIS), Oak Ridge National Laboratory, TN, USA

- Providing outstanding user support by taking local contact duties at BASIS.
- Solving many technical and scientific problems in beamline while running user experiments.
- Planning, writing proposals, and executing many science-related problems/projects to explore the structure and dynamics in materials of energy applications independently.
- Expanding the neutron scattering community by establishing a new collaboration with scientists from universities, industries, and national labs.
- Working with multidisciplinary research groups (internal and external) to solve many scientifically and technically complex problems.
- Continuously educating the user community by providing professional expertise on working principles, theories, and technical specifications of the BASIS spectrometer.
- Working to enhance the capabilities (hardware and software) of BASIS spectrometer to address complex scientific questions.

2015-2017 **Postdoctoral Research Associate**, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, TN, USA  
*Advisor: Dr. Eugene Mamontov*

- Implemented elastic, inelastic, and quasi-elastic neutron scattering (QENS) techniques to elucidate the structure and dynamics of nano-confined fluids at the fluid-solid interface of energy-related materials.
- Investigated the dynamics of water in several restricted geometries (1D, 2D, and 3D), including the pristine and K<sup>+</sup>-intercalated Ti<sub>3</sub>C<sub>2</sub>, using QENS to find the role of water on their electrochemical properties.
- Studied ionic liquids confined in bimodal and monomodal carbide-derived carbon (CDC) using small angle neutron scattering (SANS) and QENS to relate their structural and dynamical properties with electrical energy storage capabilities.
- Studied nano-scale polarization dynamics in electroactive poly(vinylidene fluoride) (PVDF)-based copolymers.
- Wrote many successful proposals (8) to get neutron beam time on BASIS at ORNL, HFBS at NIST-NCNR, and LET at ISIS (UK) instruments.

2008-2014 **Graduate Research Assistant**, Clemson University, SC, USA  
*Advisor: Prof. Dvora Perahia*

- Investigated water dynamics to understand the proton transport within a rigid (sulfonated polyphenylene) ionomers fuel cell membrane using QENS.
- Studied the dynamics of side chains in a rigid luminescent poly(para-phenylene ethynylene) (PPE) polymer using QENS.
- Developed light-emitting conjugated polymer polydots of neutral and ionizable PPE of promising biosensing application.
- Explored the structure and stability of the PPE polydots as a function of composition and temperature using atomic force microscopy (AFM), fluorescence spectroscopy,

and different scattering techniques (light, x-ray, and neutron) for their practical application.

- Resolved the structure and assembly of ionizable PPE and gold nanoparticle hybrids of biosensing applications using AFM and SANS.

### TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2007-2014 **Graduate Teaching Assistant**, Clemson University, Clemson, SC, USA
- Instructed undergraduate general chemistry laboratory course for 24 students 3 times a week.
- 2005-2007 **Junior Training Specialist** (part-time), New York University, New York, USA
- Involved with the "Upward Bound" program of "The Steinhardt School of Education" to teach general and AP chemistry to high school students.
- 2004-2007 **Chemistry Teacher**, Rice High School, New York, USA
- Taught general chemistry and advanced placement (AP) chemistry weekly to 120 high school students.
  - Designed and conducted the chemistry laboratory course for high school students
- 2001-2003 **Assistant Lecturer of Chemistry**, Amrit Science Campus, Kathmandu, Nepal
- Instructed undergraduate general chemistry courses.

### HONORS AND AWARDS

- American Physical Society, GERA Travel Award, **2023**.
- Royal Society of Chemistry, Faraday Division Horizon Award **2021**.
- American Physical Society, GERA Travel Award, **2020**.
- Significant Event Award **2017**, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, TN
- Professional Enrichment Grants (**2013** and **2014**) Chemistry Graduate School Organization, Clemson University, Clemson, SC
- Best teaching assistant award **2013**, Clemson University, Clemson, SC

### EDUCATION

Ph.D., Chemistry, Clemson University, Clemson, SC, USA, 2014

Advisor: Prof. Dvora Perahia

*Thesis: Neutron Study of Structure and Dynamics of Rigid Polymers*

M.S., Physical Chemistry, Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal, 1999

B.S., Chemistry and Biology, Tribhuvan University, Kathmandu, Nepal, 1997

### EXPERIMENTAL AND INSTRUMENTAL TECHNIQUES

Wide Angle X-ray Scattering (WAXS)

Small Angle X-ray Scattering (SAXS)

X-ray Diffraction (XRD)

Neutron Spin Echo (NSE)

Thermal Analysis Techniques (DSC, TGA)

Microscopy Techniques (AFM, SEM, TEM)

Contact Angle

Small Angle Neutron Scattering (SANS)

Quasi-Elastic Neutron Scattering (QENS)

Neutron Reflectivity (NR)

Spectrofluorometry

Molecular Spectroscopy (UV-Vis)

Nuclear Magnetic Resonance (<sup>1</sup>H NMR)

Light Polarizable Microscope

### PUBLICATIONS (61)

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### **ORAL PRESENTATIONS (33)**

33. **Naresh C. Osti**, *Soft Matter Dynamics from Neutron Backscattering Spectrometers*, Neutron spectroscopy tutorial, ACNS Meeting Knoxville, TN, June 23, 2024. [Invited Speaker](#)

32. **Naresh C. Osti**, *Dynamics of Confined Fluids in MXenes*, 2024 Pan American Ceramics Congress (PACC), 2D Materials Symposium, Panama City, Panama, April 7-11, **2024**. [Invited Speaker](#)
31. **Naresh C. Osti**, Neutron study of dynamics of confined fluids in materials of energy applications, Association of Nepali Physicists in America (ANPA) Colloquium April 27, **2024**. [Invited Speaker](#)
30. **Naresh C. Osti**, Xiaobo Lin, Wei Zhao, Xuehang Wang, Chaofan Chen, Yu Gao, Takeshi Torita, Alexander Kolesnikov, Peter T. Cummings, Yury Gogotsi and Eugene Mamontov, *Acetonitrile concentration dependent ion mobility and electrochemical behavior of an ionic liquid in MXene*, APS March Meeting, Minneapolis, MN, USA, **2024**.
29. Naresh C. Osti, Bishnu P. Thapaliya, Madhusudan Tyagi, Ray Matsumoto, Arjun Bansal, Xiaobo Lin, Peter Cummings, Sheng Dai, Eugene Mamontov, A correlation of solvent's mole fraction to the salt-reduced diffusivities of organic solvents, APS March Meeting, Las Vegas, NV, USA **2023**.
28. **Naresh C. Osti**, *Neutron Study of microscopic dynamics of confined fluids of energy applications*, VU-ORNL Collaborative Workshop on Nanoscience Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN, USA November 21, **2022**. [Invited Speaker](#)
27. **Naresh C. Osti**, *Neutron Study of Dynamics of Fluids of energy applications*, CAARI-SNEAP Conference, Denton, TX, USA October 30 to November 3, 2022. [Invited Speaker](#)
32. **Naresh C. Osti**, *Microscopic dynamics of confined fluids of energy applications*, ORNL Soft Matter Symposium October 27-28, **2022**. [Invited Speaker](#)
25. **Naresh C. Osti**, *Neutron Study of Nanoconfined Fluids in MXenes*, 2nd International MXene Conference at Drexel University, August 1-3, (**2022**). [Invited Speaker](#)
24. **Naresh C. Osti**, *Microscopic Dynamics of Fluids of Energy Applications*, CGE initiative and steering committee workshop at ORNL, May 11, (**2022**). [Invited Speaker](#)
30. **Naresh C. Osti**, Bishnu P. Thapaliya, Madhusudan Tyagi, Sheng Dai, Eugene Mamontov, *Effect of a structure breaking salt on the mobility of nanoconfined water*, APS March Meeting, Chicago, USA, **2022**.
22. **Naresh C. Osti**, *Quasielastic Neutron Scattering Studies of Microscopic Dynamics in Materials for Energy Applications*, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Energy and Soft Matter Over Tea Forum, July 21, **2021**. [Invited Speaker](#)
21. **Naresh C. Osti**, *Strong Enhancement of Nanoconfined Water Mobility by a Structure Breaking Salt*, DOE-EFRC Indigo Meeting, June 14, **2021**. [Invited Speaker](#)
20. **Naresh C. Osti**, Bianca Haberl, Niina Jalarvo, Reinhard Boehler, Jamie J. Molaison, Richard J. Goyette Jr., Eugene Mamontov, *Impact of Pressure on the Dynamics of a Room Temperature Ionic Liquid*, Virtual APS March Meeting **2021**.
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10. **Naresh C Osti**, Boris Dyatkin, Pengfei Zhang, Sheng Dai, Yury Gogotsi, David Wesolowski, Eugene Mamontov, “*Influence of Water on Performance of Energy Storing Materials*”, ACNS Meeting, **2016**.
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7. **Naresh C. Osti**, Thusitha N. Etampawala, Umesh M. Shrestha, Chris J. Cornelius, Souleymane O. Diallo, Dvora Perahia, “*Dynamics of water in sulfonated poly(phenylene) membranes*”, ACNS Meeting, Knoxville, TN, **2014**.
6. **Naresh C. Osti**, Sidath I. Wijesinghe, Thusitha N. Etampawala, Dvora Perahia “*Structure and Conformation of Ionic Conjugated Polymers: Polydots*”, APS March Meeting, **2014**.
5. **Naresh C. Osti**, Thusitha Etampawala, Umesh M. Shrestha, Sidath Wijesinghe, Dvora Perahia, “*Effects of Solvents on Confinement of Conjugated Polymer into Soft Nanoparticle*”, APS March Meeting **2013**.
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9. **Naresh C. Osti**, Eugene Mamontov, Niina Jalarvo, “*Backscattering Silicon Spectrometer at SNS (SNS-BASIS)*” ORNL Soft Matter Symposium October 27-28, **2022**.
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5. **Naresh C. Osti**, Boris Dyatkin, Pengfei Zhang, Sheng Dai, Yury Gogotsi, David J. Wesolowski, Eugene Mamontov, “*Impacts of Chain Length-Dependent Diffusion Mobility of Room Temperature Ionic Liquids in Supercapacitor Configuration*” QENS/WINS 2016, Potsdam, Germany, September 5-9, **2016**.
4. **Naresh C. Osti**, Thusitha Etampawala, Umesh M. Shrestha, Sidath Wijesinghe, Dvora Perahia, “*Effects of Solvents on Confinement of Conjugated Polymer into Soft Nanoparticle*”, Neutron and Nano User Meeting, Oak Ridge National Laboratory, TN, August 12 -15, **2013**.
3. **Naresh C. Osti**, Thusitha N. Etampawala, Flint Pierce, Chris J. Cornelius, Gary S. Grest, Dvora Perahia, “*Dynamics of Ionic Polymers at Interfaces: Key to Enhanced Longevity of Clean Energy Devices: Neutron Scattering and Molecular Dynamics Simulation Studies*”, Department of Energy, July 22 -25, **2012**.
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1. **Naresh C. Osti**, Sabina Maskey, Madhusudan Tyagi, Uwe H.F. Bunz, Dvora Perahia, “*Dynamics and Conformation of Conjugated Polymers in Solution*” International Conference on Neutron Scattering, Knoxville, TN, May 3-7, **2009**.

### **NEUTRON EDUCATION**

- Several neutron scattering (techniques and data analysis) workshops and neutron and x-ray scattering schools.

### **PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS**

- Member of American Physical Society (APS), 2008-present
- APS Division of Polymer Physics (DPOLY), member since 2008
- Member of Neutron Scattering Society of America (NSSA), 2010-present
- SNS-HFIR User Group Executive Committee Member (2021-present)

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