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Education and Research

2018 - Present : Assistant Professor (Grade I) at the Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur.

2017 -2018 : Assistant Professor (Tenure Track) at the Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur.

2014- 2016 : Post-doctoral researcher at the Correlated Electron Systems Group in the Department of Physics at the University of Bristol.

2009-2014 : Research Scholar at the Quantum Matter Group (Cavendish Labs, University of Cambridge). [PhD awarded]

2006-2009 : MSc from Tata Institute of Fundamental Research (TIFR, Mumbai).

2003-2006: BSc from Presidency College, Calcutta University.

2001-2003 : Indian School Certificate exam.

Awards and achievements

- *Science and Engineering Research Board (SERB) ECR Award (Approved 2018) 'Understanding the electronic properties of iron based superconductors using pressure and strain effects' [*
- *ISIRD (IIT Kharagpur) (Awarded 2017) 'Investigation of Electronic Properties of 122 Class of pnictide Superconductors with Doping and Pressure'*
- *Fully funded fellowship awarded by the **Cambridge Commonwealth Trust (CCT)** to study for a PhD at Dept of Physics, University of Cambridge.(2009-2014)*
- *Travel bursary awarded for traveling to Florida and India for collaboration and experiments.(2010-2011)*

- ***Kishore Vaigyanik Pratsahan Yojana (KVPY)*** awarded by Dept of Science and Technology, Government of India for pursuing career in science.(2001-2006)

Conferences attended

- ***Superconductivity and superconducting materials,***
(June 2018), HBCSE (TIFR).
- ***Modern Trends in Chemistry and Physics,***
(December 2017), Indian Academy of Sciences.
Title : (1) Introduction to superconductivity (2) A journey from low to high temperature superconductors.
- ***Frontiers in Unconventional Superconductivity, Superfluidity and Magnetism,***
Poster title : *Numerical studies in Kitaev and Kitaev Heisenberg models,*
8 January 2016, University of Bristol, Bristol, UK.
- ***20th International Conference on Magnetism (ICM 2015),***
Poster title : *Quantum Criticality at the Lifshitz point in electron doped Iron Arsenides,* 5th - 10th July, 2015, Barcelona, Spain.
- ***DPG Meeting 2015,***
Poster title : *Magnetic field and impurity studies in Kitaev and Kitaev Heisenberg models,* 15th - 20th March, 2015, Technical University of Berlin, Germany.
- ***International Conference on Strongly Correlated Electron Systems (SCES 2011),***
Poster title : *Anisotropic resistivity measurements in parent and Co- doped crystals of SrFe₂As₂,* 29th Aug - 3rd Sept, 2011, University of Cambridge, UK.
- ***Electronic structure of Fe based superconductors,***
Poster title : *Magnetic, Structural, and Superconducting Transitions in A(Fe_{1-x}Co_x)₂As₂ (A = Sr, Ba) Single Crystals,*
May 2010, Max-Planck-Institut for Festkörperforschung, Stuttgart, Germany.

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Zengwei Zhu, Eundeok Mun, Ross D. McDonald *et. al.*, *Phys. Rev. B* 99, 081101 (R) (2019)

2. **Kondo route to spin homogeneities in honeycomb Kitaev model**, S. D. Das, K. Dhochak, V. Tripathi, *Phys. Rev. B* 94, 024411 (2016)
3. **Quantum criticality in the 122 iron pnictide superconductors emerging from orbital-selective Mottness**, S. D. Das, M. S. Laad, L. Craco, J. Gillett, V. Tripathi, and S. E. Sebastian, *Phys. Rev. B* 92, 155112 (2015)
4. **Detection of Orbital Fluctuations Above the Structural Transition Temperature in the Iron-Pnictides and Chalcogenides**, H. Z. Arham, C. R. Hunt, W. K. Park, J. Gillett, S. D. Das, S. E. Sebastian, Z. J. Xu, J. S. Wen, Z. W. Lin, Q. Li, G. Gu, A. Thaler, S. Ran, S. L. Bud'ko, P. C. Canfield, D. Y. Chung, M. G. Kanatzidis, L. H. Greene, *Phys. Rev. B* 85, 214515 (2012)
5. **Dimensional Tuning of the Magnetic-Structural Transition in $A(\text{Fe}_{1-x}\text{Co}_x)_2\text{As}_2$ ($A=\text{Sr},\text{Ba}$)**, Jack Gillett, **Sitikantha D. Das**, Paul Syers, Alison K. T. Ming, Jose I. Espeso, Chiara M. Petrone, and Suchitra E. Sebastian, *arxiv:1005.1330v1* (2011)
6. **Isothermal magnetic entropy behavior in Tb_5Si_3 : Sign reversal and non-monotonic variation with temperature, and implications**, Niharika Mohapatra, **Sitikantha D Das**, K. Mukherjee and E. V. Sampathkumaran, *Solid State Communications* 151 (2011) 1340-1343
7. **Magnetism of fine particles of Kondo lattices, obtained by high-energy ball-milling**, E V Sampathkumaran, K Mukherjee, Kartik K Iyer, Niharika Mohapatra and **Sitikantha D Das**, *J. Phys.: Condens. Matter* 23 094209 (2011)
8. **Itinerant Spin Excitations in SrFe_2As_2 Measured by Inelastic Neutron Scattering**, R. A. Ewings, T. G. Perring, J. Gillett, S. D. Das, S. E. Sebastian, A. E. Taylor, T. Guidi, and A. T. Boothroyd, *Phys. Rev. B* 83 214519 (2011)
9. **Anomalous butterfly-shaped magnetoresistance loops in the alloy Tb_4LuSi_3** , K. Mukherjee, **Sitikantha D. Das**, Niharika Mohapatra, Kartik K. Iyer, and E. V. Sampathkumaran, *Phys. Rev. B* 81, 184434 (2010)
10. **Influence of pressure on the magnetic behavior and the anomalous magnetoresistance in Tb_5Si_3** , Niharika Mohapatra, **Sitikantha D. Das**, K. Mukherjee, Kartik K. Iyer, and E. V. Sampathkumaran, *Phys. Rev. B* 80, 214425 (2009)
11. **Magnetic behavior of nanocrystalline ErCo_2** , **Sitikantha D Das**, Niharika Mohapatra, Kartik K Iyer, R D Bapat and E V Sampathkumaran, *J. Phys.: Condens. Matter* 21 296004 (2009)

12. *Magnetic ordering in the fine particles of some bulk Pauli-paramagnets*, **Sitikantha D. Das**, S. Narayana Jammalamadaka, Kartik K. Iyer, and E. V. Sampathkumaran, *Phys. Rev. B* 80, 024401 (2009)
 13. *Magnetic behavior of nano crystals of a spin-chain system, $Ca_3Co_2O_6$: Absence of multiple steps in the low temperature isothermal magnetization*, Niharika Mohapatra, Kartik K. Iyer, **Sitikantha D. Das**, B. A. Chalke, S. C. Purandare, and E. V. Sampathkumaran, *Phys. Rev. B* 79, 140409(R) (2009)
 14. *Enhancement of positive magnetoresistance following a magnetic-field-induced ferromagnetic transition in an intermetallic compound, Tb_5Si_3* , S. Narayana Jammalamadaka, Niharika Mohapatra, **Sitikantha D. Das**, and E. V. Sampathkumaran, *Phys. Rev. B* 79, 060403(R) (2009)
 15. *Magnetic anomalies in $Gd_6Co_{1.67}Si_3$ and $Tb_6Co_{1.67}Si_3$* , S Narayana Jammalamadaka, Niharika Mohapatra, **Sitikantha D Das**, Kartik K Iyer and E V Sampathkumaran, *J. Phys.: Condens. Matter* 20 425204 (2008)
 16. *Magnetic anomalies in $Nd_6Co_{(1.67)}Si_3$: Surprising first order transitions in the low-temperature isothermal magnetization*, Niharika Mohapatra, S. Narayana Jammalamadaka, **Sitikantha D. Das**, and E. V. Sampathkumaran, *Phys. Rev. B* 78, 054442 (2008)
 17. *Magnetic behavior of nanocrystalline $LaMn_2Ge_2$* , S. Narayana Jammalamadaka, **Sitikantha D. Das**, B. A. Chalke and E.V. Sampathkumaran, *JMMM* (2008)
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