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Research Interest:

I am a physicist interested to pursue fundamental and applied research in Optics and Photonics for the realization of miniaturized optoelectronic, sensing, energy harvesting and optical devices. In general, I fabricate active and passive photonic devices that manipulate light-matter interactions exploring their potentials in integrated photonics and nano-optics applications. I do various PVD technique such as sputtering, thermal and e-beam evaporation for thin-film optical coating as well as Bragg-stack (periodic multilayers of dielectric materials) fabrication for wavelength selective application and optical cavities. I do nanofabrication, structural and optical characterization of photonic nanostructures such as gratings, waveguides, photonic crystals, and plasmonic materials, and functional metal-dielectric photonic crystals and photonic simulation and computation. My current work is focused on devising silicon nitride and silicon-based structures for on-chip integrated photonic components for high brightness sources, and detectors in visible and near IR. We are exploring ways to integrate 2-D materials (such as Transition metal dichalcogenides) and quantum dots as gain medium, to high-Q photonic crystal cavities and open cavities to build light sources and detectors. Realization of such on-chip components is necessary for on-chip Quantum photonic applications.

Educational details:

Degree	Univ./college/School	Year of Passing	% of Mark/CPI	Division
Ph.D.	Indian Institute of Technology Kanpur	2017	7.6	1 st
M.Sc.	Utkal University	2010	70%	1 st
B.Sc.	Utkal University	2008	73%	1 st , distinction
12 th	C.H.S.E Odisha	2005	70%	1 st
10 th	B.S.E. Odisha	2003	68.4%	1 st

Awards:

- I. Secured 21 rank in the OES-I Asst. Prof. Stage 1 (in Physics) of OPSC Odisha.
- II. Selected for postdoctoral research at IISc. Bangalore under **National Postdoctoral Fellowship** by DST-SERB, India
- III. **Postdoctoral Fellowship at Asher Research group in Univ. of Pittsburgh, U.S.A.**
- IV. I was awarded a **travel grant from International Travel Support**, SERB, DST India, for presenting my research paper "*Enhancement and spectral narrowing of emission from photonic crystal hetero-structure mediated by band edge modes*," in Advanced Photonic Congress held in July 2017 at New Orleans, Louisiana, USA.
- V. I have qualified several national level tests conducted in India such as **GATE-2010, 2011, JEST-2010 and NET- 2012.**

Research Experience:

February 2022- March 2023: **National Postdoctoral Fellow** in Photonics Research Laboratory, CeNSE, IISc. Bangalore, under the mentorship of Professor Shankar Kumar Selvaraja.

Project details: "*Large area wavelength selective photodetector integrated meta-surface for next-generation hyperspectral imaging*"

Outcome: *Successfully realized on-chip multispectral filters for both in-plane and out of plane wavelength selection that could be potential candidate for on-chip spectrometers and imaging.*

October 2020-January 2022: **Postdoctoral research associate** at Center for Nanoscience and Engineering (CeNSE) **IISc. Bangalore** with Prof. Shankar Kumar Selvaraja.

Project details: Silicon, Germanium and SiN photonic structure for realization of on-chip spectral filters, sensor, photodetectors for integrated photonic applications. Realization of guided mode resonator-based coherent, high-brightness sources using 2-D transition metal dichalcogenides and/or quantum dots as gain medium. High Q-factor cavity engineering in silicon photonic crystals for photodetection and sensing applications. Development of Laser Interference lithography (LIL) for large area photonic fabrication, E-beam lithography and RIE-F for fabricating photonic nanostructures for on-chip device applications.

Outcome: *Planar metasurface resonators for narrowband reflectors and platform for enhanced light-matter application.*

February 2020-May 2020: **Postdoctoral research associate** at **Rochester Institute of Technology**, United States with Professor Jie Qiao.

Project details: Ultrafast laser writing of waveguides in Nd-YAG and Lithium niobate crystals for photonic and remote sensing applications. Study of femtosecond laser-material interaction for welding of optical components for integrated photonic applications.

April 2018 -February 2020: **Postdoctoral research associate** at **University of Pittsburgh**,

United States with Prof. Sanford Asher, in Asher Research Group.

Project details: Fabrication of solid, deep ultraviolet diffracting photonic crystals as wavelength selective devices for the development of a “deep ultraviolet Raman imaging spectrometers for trace explosive detection”. A detailed analysis and exploitation of photonic band structure, crystal symmetry and diffraction of these wavelength selective devices for the development of deep UV optical elements for spectroscopic application.

Outcome: *Realized the best reported deep-UV reflecting photonic crystal filter using a thin-film silica photonic crystal structure.*

January 2018-April 2018: **Research associate** at **IIT Delhi**, India, with Prof. Joby Joseph in the Photonics Research Lab.

Project details: Fabrication of polymer grating structures using Laser Interference Lithography and their structural and optical characterization. Microstructure characterization of gratings using scanning electron microscope imaging technique.

2011 December - 2017 November: **PhD** Physics, Department of Physics, **IIT Kanpur**, India.

Thesis supervisor: Professor R. Vijaya.

Dissertation title, *"Localized surface plasmon resonance effects on the optical properties of metal-dielectric photonic crystals"*.

May 2009-July 2009: Summer Training in Physics on *"X-Ray diffraction analysis of some inorganic compounds by Rietveld refinement method"*, **IGCAR Kalpakkam**, Tamilnadu, India.

List of publication in peer reviewed international journals:

1. **Dipak Rout**, Venkatachalam P, Radhakant Singh, Shreelashmi KP, Shankar Kumar Selvaraja. "Guided resonance aided polarization insensitive in-plane spectral filter for on-chip spectrometer," Optics letters, Vol. 47, 4704-4707(2022).
2. **Dipak Rout**, Govind Kumar, and R. Vijaya, "Concurrent deep UV diffraction enabled by Bragg condition and crystal symmetry of silica inverse opals," J. Phys D Appl. Phys. Vol. 54, 125104 (2021).
3. **Dipak Rout***, Ivan G. Pallares*, Thomas Deering, Kyle Hufziger, Sergei Bykov, and Sanford A. Asher, "Colloidal self-assembly of highly-ordered silica inverse opals for deep ultraviolet diffraction," ACS Appl. Nano Mater. Vol. 3, 4135-4146 (2020).(* equal contribution)
4. **Dipak Rout***, Govind Kumar*, and R. Vijaya, "Interplay of dual photonic stopband in fluorescence enhancement from dye-doped photonic crystal hetero-structures," J. nanophoton. Vol. 13, 046005 (2019). (* equal contribution)
5. Sravya Rao, Rahul Shaw, **Dipak Rout**, Govind Kumar, R. Vijaya, and Shilpi Gupta, "Diffraction imaging of cracks in self-assembled photonic crystals" Optical Materials Vol. **91**, 189-194 (2019).
6. **Dipak Rout**, Govind Kumar and R. Vijaya, "Amplified emission and modified spectral features in an opal hetero-structure mediated by passive defect mode localization," J. Phys. D Appl. Phys., Vol. **51**, 015112 (2018).
7. **Dipak Rout** and R. Vijaya, "Role of stopband and localized surface plasmon resonance in Raman scattering from metallo-dielectric photonic crystals," Plasmonics, Vol. **12**, 1409-1416 (2017).

8. **Dipak Rout** and R. Vijaya, "Localized surface plasmon-influenced fluorescence decay in dye-doped metallo-dielectric opals," J. Appl. Phys., Vol. **119**, 023108-1-5 (2016).
9. **Dipak Rout** and R. Vijaya, "Plasmonic resonance-induced effects on stopband and emission characteristics of dye-doped opals," Plasmonics, Vol. **10**, 713-719 (2015).

Publications in International Conferences (Proceedings):

1. "Dye integrated planar guided mode resonators for on-chip high-brightness source," CLEO Europe 2023, Munich, Sushma Gali, Dipak Rout, Venkatachalam P, Shankar Kumar Selvaraja
2. "Near-IR detection using Photothermal Actuation of Guided-Mode Resonance MEMS Structures in Germanium," CLEO Europe 2023, Munich, Pavithra Rao, Dipak Rout, Shankar Kumar Selvaraja
3. "Guided mode resonance aided in-plane color filters for compact spectrometer," CLEO PacificRim, 31st July-6th August 2022, at Sapporo Japan, **Dipak Rout**, Venkatachalam P, Radhakant Singh, Shreelakshmi KP, Shankar Kumar Selvaraja.
4. "Diffraction imaging of self- assembled photonic crystals" Frontiers in Optics/Laser Science 2019 Washington DC, USA, Sravya Rao, Rahul Shaw, **Dipak Rout**, Govind Kumar, R Vijaya, Shilpi Gupta.
5. "Deep UV resonance Raman spectroscopy for stand-off detection," UV and High Energy Photonics: From Materials to Application 2019, San Diego, California, USA, Sergei V Bykov, Kyle T Hufziger, Ryan D Roppel, **Dipak Rout**, Ivan G Pallares, Ryan S Jakubek, Sanford A Asher.
6. "Enhancement and spectral narrowing of emission from photonic crystal hetero-structure mediated by band edge modes," Advanced Photonic Congress-2017, Louisiana, New Orleans, USA, Govind Kumar, **Dipak Rout** and R. Vijaya. (Oral presentation)
7. "Optical study of defects in self-assembled three-dimensional photonic crystals" The International Conference on Fiber Optics and Photonics - PHOTONICS 2016, IIT Kanpur, Rahul Shaw, **Dipak Rout**, R. Vijaya and Shilpi Gupta. (Poster presentation)
8. "Dye emission in an opal hetero-structure mediated by plasmonic absorption and defect mode localization" The International Conference on Fiber Optics and Photonics - PHOTONICS 2016, IIT Kanpur, **Dipak Rout** and R. Vijaya. (Poster presentation)
9. "Localized Surface Plasmon Effect on Fluorescence Lifetime in Photonic Crystals," The 9th International Conference on Nanophotonics - ICNP 2016, Taiwan, **Dipak Rout** and R. Vijaya. (Poster presentation)
10. "Effect of localized surface plasmon on fluorescence lifetime in dye doped metallo-dielectric opals," 3rd Annual International Conference in Optoelectronics Photonics and Applied Physics - OPAP 2016, Singapore, **Dipak Rout** and R. Vijaya. (Selected for oral presentation but could not present)
11. "Raman scattering from metallo-dielectric opals influenced by surface plasmons and stopband features," Workshop on Recent Advances in Photonics - WRAP 2015, IISc Bangalore, **Dipak Rout** and R. Vijaya. (Poster presentation)
12. "Gold Assisted Plasmonic Resonance in Polymeric Opals," The International Conference on Fiber Optics and Photonics - PHOTONICS 2014, IIT Kharagpur, **Dipak Rout** and R.

Vijaya. (Poster presentation)

13. "Optical properties of silver coated polymeric opals," International Conference on Optics & Optoelectronics - ICOL 2014, IRDE Dehradun, **Dipak Rout** and R. Vijaya. (Oral presentation)

Courses Taught at Govt. College Sundargarh:

- 1. Wave and Optics (UG 2nd Sem.)**
- 2. Mathematical Physics (UG 1st Sem.)**
- 3. Quantum Mechanics (UG 5th Sem.)**
- 4. Nanomaterials and application (UG 6th Sem.)**
- 5. Quantum Mechanics I (PHY 412, M. Sc. 1st Sem.)**
- 6. Quantum Mechanics II (PHY 422, M. Sc. 2nd Sem.)**
- 7. IDC (429, Open elective course, M.Sc. 2nd Sem.)**
- 8. Condensed matter Physics (PHY 512, M. Sc. 3rd Sem.)**
- 9. X-Ray and Laser Spectroscopy (PHY 513, M. Sc. 3rd Sem.)**

Expertise: I have hands-on training in following techniques.

Nanofabrication methods:

Structured material fabrication by self-assembly, soft lithography, nano-imprint lithography, patterning, Laser Interference Lithography, E-beam lithography, spin coating method, RIE-F for dry etching and Bragg stack and reflective coatings fabrication by DC and RF sputtering, thermal evaporation, PECVD and e-beam evaporation techniques.

Experimental Characterization:

Expert in experimental optics, free-space optics, spectroscopy, Raman spectroscopy, Nd:YAG laser for laser induced emission studies, He-Ne laser, Ar⁺ ion laser and semiconductor diode lasers, optical microscopy, field emission scanning electron microscopy (JEOL, ZEISS), atomic force microscopy, spectrofluorometer (or PL spectrometer), UV-Vis-NIR spectrophotometer, time co-related single photon counting (TCSPC) system to measure the decay time, Grating-based fiber integrated spectrometers. I set-up inhouse optical/spectroscopy experiments using lamp monochromator, laser sources, grating/prism spectrometers etc. to characterize my samples.

Computational skills: Lumerical (FDTD) and R-Soft (Synopsis) for simulation. Origin and Excel for plotting and data analysis.
