# CURRICULUM VITAE

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## 1. Education:

- M. Sc. in Physics, physical faculty, State University of Kishinev, Moldova, 1961.
- Postgraduate (1961-1964). Thesis advisor: Professor Yury E. Perlin.
- Candidate of Sciences-PhD (Phys. & Math.) Kazan State University (1967) Thesis: "Multiphonon processes in the impurity centers of crystals"
- Doctor of Sciences (Phys. & Math.) State University of Tartu, Estonia (1975), Thesis: "Vibronic and exchange interactions in doped crystals".

# 2. Professional experience:

# Titles:

• Full Professor of Theoretical and Mathematical Physics, Moscow (1986).

• Corressponding Member of the Academy of Sciences of Moldova (1995).

## Employment details

- Institute of Chemistry, Academy of Sciences of Moldova, Kishinev (1965-1998) Junior Researcher, Leading Researcher, Chief Researcher.
- Institute of Applied Physics, Academy of Sciences of Moldova, Kishinev (1996-2002) Chief Researcher.
- Full Professor of the Theoretical Physics Department, Moldavian State University (1975-1995)
- From May,1, 2002 Department of Chemistry, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Beer-Sheva, Israel, Full Professor.

# Visiting and Invited Professor

- **Poland:** Wroclaw, October 1989 (Institute of Low Temperature and Structural Research, Polish Academy of Sciences, Wroclaw);
- Bulgaria: Sofia, April 1990 (Institute of General and Inorganic Chemistry, Bulgarian Academy of Sciences, Sofia);
- Italy: Florence, April 1990; October-December 1991; December-February 1993; September October 1994 (University of Florence);
- USA: January February 1991 (Univ. of Virginia, Institute of Technology, Georgia, Carnegie-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, University of North Carolina, Chapel-Hill); Texas A&M University, January, 2002; Texas A&M University, April, 2004.
- France : Bordeaux, December 1992 (University of Bordeaux); March 1994, (Universite de Paris Sud, Universite Pierre et Marie Curie); February-May 1996; February -May 1997 (Universite Pierre et Marie Curie).
- Spain: Valencia, September-December 1992; November 1993-February 1994; November 1995 February 1996; May-June 1996; October-December 1996; October 1998-December 1999; February-May 2000; December 2000; August-September 2001, August-October 2002; April-June, 2003; October-December, 2004 (University of Valencia); October, 2005 (University of Valencia). November, 2017-Feb.2018 (Institut for Molecular Sciences, University of Valencia).

## 3. Main areas of research:

- Molecular magnetism and molecule-based magnetic materials: exchange interactions, double exchange and mixed valence in metal clusters. Physics of nanoscopic objects, nanotechnological applications: single-molecule magnets as storage units, quantum bits (qubits), quantum computing. Molecular quantum cellular automata.
- Cooperative phenomena in molecule based magnets: charge and structural ordering in mixed valence systems, spin-crossover.
- Vibronic interactions and Jahn-Teller effect in molecules and crystals. Spectroscopy of transition metal complexes and impurity centers in doped crystals. Vibronic problem of mixed valence systems. Optical materials: laser and luminescent crystals, light emitting diods-LEDs, phosphors.
- Computational approaches in theoretical chemistry: group theory and theory of irreducible tensor operators as applied to molecular magnetism and Jahn-Teller effect.

## • 4. Memberships, awards

- COST (European Cooperation in Science and Technology) Management Committee (MC) member (from Israel), COST Action CA15128, COST Association Molecular Spintronics (MOLSPIN), 11April 2016- 10 April 2020.
- COST (European Cooperation in Science and Technology) Management Committee (MC) member (from Israel), COST Action 1203: COST Association Polyoxometalate Chemistry for Molecular Nanoscience (PoCheMoN). 26 July 2012- November 8, 2016
- Member of the Committee for the International Oliver Kahn Award in framework of the European Community MAGMANET Network of Excellence (2008)
- State Prize Laureate- Science and Techniques, Republic of Moldova, 1987.
- Member of the Editorial Board of the "Journal of Chemistry of Moldova".
- Member of the Editorial Board of the "Physical Journal of Moldova".
- Member of the Editorial Board of the journal "Scientific Research and Essays"
- Member of the Editorial Board of the journal "Magnetochemistry"
- Member of Scientific Councils of the Academy of Sciences of the former USSR: Chemical Kinetics and Structure (Quantum Chemistry Division); Inorganic Chemistry (Solid State Chemistry Division), Moscow.
- Member of Scientific Councils of the Moldavian Academy of Sciences:
- Coordination Chemistry, Theoretical Physics, Biophysics.
- Member of the Israel Chemical Society.

# 5. Research grants (since 2002):

**2003- 2006** -Optimization of infra-red radiative characteristics in chromium doped CdSe crystals. *USA-Israel Binational Science Foundation (BSF)*, PI

**2004-2008-** Study of the magnetic exchange and electron delocalization in nano-size molecule based materials: from synthesis of giant metal clusters to single molecule magnets. *German-Israeli Foundation for Scientific Research and Development (GIF)*, PI

**2007-2011-** Study of cyanide-based clusters containing orbitally degenerate metal ions: from synthesis to new multifunctional optical and magnetic materials, *USA-Israel Binational Science Foundation (BSF)*, PI

**2009-2013-** Molecular magnets for quantum computing: problem of spin relaxation and coherence, *Israel Science Foundation (ISF)*, PI

**2013-2016**- *European COST: European Cooperation in Science and Technology*, Cost Action CM1203 "Polyoxometalate Chemistry for Molecular Nanoscience (PoCheMon)", Molecular nanomagnetism and POM-based molecular spintronics.

**2015-2017**- *Moléculas Magnéticas de Interés en Computación y Espintrónica Cuánticas*, CTQ2014-52758-P (Grupo de trabajo).

**2017-2020-** Design and study of new single molecule/ion magnets and molecular magnetic switching units with potential applications as robust qubits, single-molecule multiferroics, molecular quantum cellular automata, and nano-elements for spintronics, *Project from Ministery of Education and Science of Russian Federation* (Agreement No. 14.W03.31.0001).

# 6. Teaching courses (BGU, Chemistry Department):

- Electron-vibrational spectroscopy of molecular systems and laser crystals
- Molecular magnetism and nano-magnetic materials- theory and applications

# 7. Dissertations directed

21 dissertations of "Candidate of Sciences" (equivalent to Ph.D.) and Ph.D. and 5 dissertations of "Doctor of Sciences".

# 8. Seminars and Invited lectures at the Universities (since 2002):

- 1. Mixed valency: a short overview of the field (Chemical Department, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, June, 11, 2002).
- 2. Problem of magnetic anisotropy in orbitally degenerate exchange and mixed-valence clusters ( Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry University of Bern, Switzerland, January, 9, 2003).
- **3.** A Pseudo Jahn-Teller model of sulphide spinels doped with Cr<sup>3+</sup> ions-radiative properties (Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry University of Bern, Switzerland, January, 11, 2003)
- **4.** Problem of magnetic anisotropy in orbitally degenerate exchange and mixed-valence clusters (University of Fribourg , Switzerland , January, 8 , 2003)
- **5.** Exchange interaction between orbitally degenerate ions: magnetic anisotropy in metal clusters (Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel, March 19, 2003).
- 6. Why is the magnetic exchange in Cs<sub>3</sub>Yb<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>9</sub> and Cs<sub>3</sub>Yb<sub>2</sub>Br<sub>9</sub> crystals isotropic? (Institute for Molecular Sciences, University of Valencia, Spain, May, 20, 2003)
- 7. Role of the orbitally degenerate Mn(III) ions in the single molecule magnet behavior of a trigonal bipyramidal cyanide cluster {[Mn<sup>II</sup>(tmphen)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>3</sub>[Mn<sup>III</sup>(CN)<sub>6</sub>]<sub>2</sub>} (tmphen = 4,5,7,8-tetramethyl-1,10-phenantroline (Texas A&M University, USA, April, 28, 2004)
- **8.** Electron –vibrational spectroscopy of the doped crystals- semiclassical theory (Materials Science Department, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, April, 2, 2004).
- **9**. Single molecular magnet Mn<sub>5</sub>-cyanide origin of the magnetic anisotropy ( Department of Chemistry, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, June,14,2004).
- **10.** Single molecular magnets- magnetic anisotropy in Mn<sub>5</sub>-cyanide cluster (University of Barcelona, Spain, 12 December, 2004).
- **11.** Magnetic anisotropy in nano-clusters of transition metal ions-rational approach to the design of new single molecule magnets (University of Stuttgart, Germany, 27 January, 2005).
- **12.** Single-molecule magnet Mn5-cyanide, magnetic anisotropy (Carnegue-Mellon University, Pittsburgh, USA, 8 February, 2006).
- **13.** Antisymmetric exchange in  $V_{15}$  molecule (University of Florence, Italy, 4 September, 2006).
- 14. Spin frustration in nanoscopic cluster V15: antisymmetric exchange and magnetization, (Fakultät für Chemie der Universität Bielefeld, Bielefeld, Germany. November, 10, 2006).
- **15.** Nanoscopic spin frustrated cluster V15: antisymmetric exchange and magnetization (Anorganisch Chemisches Institut, University of Heidelberg, Germany (November, 2, 2006).
- **16.** Spin frustration in nanoscopic cluster V15: antisymmetric exchange and magnetization (School of Engineering and Science, Bremen, Germany, November, 7, 2006).
- **17.** Spin frustration in nanoscopic cluster V15: antisymmetric exchange and magnetization (Forschungszentrum Jülich, Institut für Festkörperforschung, Jülich, Germany, November, 8, 2006).
- **18.** Spin frustration in the nanoscopic molecule V<sub>15</sub>: magnetic manifestations (Institut für Physik der (Kondensierten Materie, Technische Universität Braunschweig, Germany, Nov., 13, 2006).

- **19.** Nanoscopic spin-frustrated cluster V15: antisymmetric exchange and instability (Universität Osnabrück, Fachbereich Physik, Osnabrück, Germany, 14, November, 2006).
- **20.** Nanoscopic spin-frustrated cluster V<sub>15</sub>: antisymmetric exchange and instability (Chemical Department, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, June, 6, 2007 ).
- 21. Exchange interactions in metal clusters with unquenched orbital angular momenta Max Plank Institute f
  ür Bioanorganische Chemie, M
  ülheim an der Ruhr, Germany. September, 5, 2007
- **22.** Exchange interactions in metal clusters with unquenched orbital angular momenta Fakultät für Chemie der Universität Bielefeld, Bielefeld, Germany. October, 4, 2007.
- **23.** Spin frustration in the nanoscopic molecule V15: magnetic manifestations Hahn-Meitner-Institut, Berlin, Germany. September, 24, 2007.
- 24. Molecular magnetism and magnetic materials some basic issues. Institut für Physik der Kondensierten Materie, Technische Universität Braunschweig, Germany. September, 29, 2007.
- **25.** Spin frustration and antisymmetric exchange in the nanoscopic cluster V15 University of Barcelona, Department of Chemistry, 5 October, 2007
- **26.** Spin frustration and antisymmetric exchange in the nanoscopic cluster V15 University of Zaragoza, 3, October, 2007
- Nanoscopic cluster V15: spin frustration and antisymmetric exchange, Jerusalem, The Hebrew University, Fritz Haber Research Center, 31, July, 2008
- **28**. Spin frustration and antisymmetric exchange in the nanoscopic cluster V15 University of Tartu, Estonia, 25 June, 2008
- **29.** Exchange coupling of metal ions with the unquenched orbital angular momenta, Department of Chemistry, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, November, 17, 2008.
- **30.** Symmetry in molecular magnetism: how to understand more and to calculate faster, University of Osnabruek, Germany, 22 June, 2009.
- **31.** Jahn-Teller effect in molecular magnets: localized and delocalized Systems, University of Bielefeld, Germany, 25 June, 2009.
- **32.** Beyond spin model: exchange coupling in metal clusters with unquenched orbital angular momenta, University of Karlsruhe, Germany, 1 July, 2009.
- 33. Jahn-Teller effect in molecular magnets: an overview, University of Frieburg, 2 July, 2009.
- **34.** The nanoscopic cluster V<sub>15</sub>: a unique magnetic polyoxometalate (Department of Chemistry, Texas A&M University) 10 June, 2010.
- **35.** Beyond spin model: exchange coupling in metal clusters with unquenched orbital angular momenta (Department of Chemistry, Texas A&M University) 11 June, 2010.
- **36.** Exchange coupling in metal clusters with degenerate ions (National High Field Magnetic Laboratory, Talahassee, USA) 18 June, 2010.
- **37.** Jahn-Teller effect in molecular magnets: an overview (Florida State University, Talahassee) 11 June, 2010.
- **38**. Molecular magnetism: a new faschinating field at the border line of physics, chemistry and materials science (University of the Academy of Sciences of Moldova, Kishinev, Moldova) Sept. 20, 2010.
- **39.** Molecular magnetism: from scientific concepts to nanotechnological applications (University of the Academy of Sciences of Moldova, Kishinev, Moldova) Oct. 10, 2012.
- **40.** Mixed valency and double exchange: a symmetry adapted approach to the nonadiabatic electron-vibrational problem (Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Dept. of Chemistry) March, 2012
- **41.** Towards quantum computing with molecular magnets (University of Granada, Spain) 23 Nov., 2012.
- **42.** Towards quantum computing with molecular magnets: the nanoscopic spin frustrated vanadium cluster V<sub>15</sub> (University of Nicosia, Cyprus) 22 January, 2013.

- **43.** The nanoscopic spin frustrated vanadium cluster V<sub>15</sub>: magnetisn, EPR and prospects for quantum computing, Slovak University of technology, Bratislava, 4 july, 2014
- 44. Science and life: a personal view, Colegio Major, Valencia, Spain, 18 nov. 2015.
- **45.** A paradigm of quantum-dot cellular automata: molecular implementation, University of Taragonna, Spain, 6 Nov., 2014.
- **46.** A paradigm of quantum-dot cellular automata: molecular implementation, Institute of Applied physics, Academy of Sciences of Moldova, 18 march, 2015
- **47.** Basic science paves new routes in nanotechnologies: molecular magnets and quantum computing, Academy of Sciences of Moldova, 24 March, 2015.
- **48.** Molecular magnetism and applications in quantum computing, Weizmann Institute, Rehovot, 20 May, 2015.
- **49.** Molecular magnets: from basic science to new nanotechnologies, Ariel University, Ariel, Israel, 3 Jan., 2016
- **50.** Electric field tunable mixed valence magnetic molecules, Institute of Problems of Chemical Physics, Russian Academy of Sciences, Chernogolovka, Russia, 20 Sept. 2017.
- 51. Electron delocalization and double exchange in mixed-valence magnetic clusters, Institute of Problems of Chemical Physics, Russian Academy of Sciences, Chernogolovka, Russia, 17 June, 2017
- **52.** Quantum cellular automata based on mixed-valence molecular systems, Institute of Problems of Chemical Physics, Russian Academy of Sciences, Chernogolovka, Russia, 19 June, 2017.

# 9. Organization of the International Conferences (since 2002)

- 1. Member of the International Organizing Committee of the XVI Jahn-Teller Symposium, Belgium, Leuven, Aug.26-Sept. 1, 2002.
- 2. Member of the International Organizing Committee of the *XVII Jahn-Teller Symposium*, China, Beijing, August, 2004.
- 3. Member of the International Organizing Committee of the *XVIII Jahn-Teller Symposium*, Italy, Trieste August, 2006.
- 4. Member of the International Organizing Committee of the *Third International Conference* on Mathematical Modeling and Computer Simulation of Materials Technologies (MMT- 2004) Ariel, Israel, September 6 -10, 2004.
- 5. Member of the International Organizing Committee of the 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Material Science and Condensed Matter Physics, Kishinev, Moldova, September, 21- 26, 2004.
- 6. Member of International Organizing Committee of the Forth International Conference on Mathematical Modeling and Computer Simulation of Materials Technologies (MMT- 2006 Ariel, Israel, September 6-10, 2006.
- 7. Member of the International Advisory Board of the XV-th International Conference "*Physical Methods in Coordination and Supramolecular Chemistry*", Chisinau, Moldova, Sept., 27 - Oct., 1, 2006.
- 8. Member International Organizing Committee of the *Symposium Magnetic Resonance in Condensed Matter* (MRCM 2007) Chisinau, Moldova, 11-13 October 2007.
- 9. Member of the International Organizing Committee of the *XIX Jahn-Teller Symposium*, Germany, Heidelberg, 25-29 July, 2008.
- Member of International Organizing Committee of the Fifth International Conference on Mathematical Modeling and Computer Simulation of Materials Technologies (MMT- 2008) Ariel, Israel, September 8 -12, 2008.
- 11. Member of International Organizing Committee of the 4th International Conference on Materials Science and Condensed Matter Physics, Chisinau, Moldova, Sept. 24-26, 2008.
- 12. Member of International Organizing Committee of the the *International Conference dedicated to the 50th anniversary from the foundation of the Institute of Chemistry* of the Moldavian Academy of Sciences, Chisinau, Moldova, May 25-29, 2009.
- 13. Member of the International Organizing Committee of the *XX Jahn-Teller Symposium*, Switzerland, Freiburg, 23-26 August, 2010.

- 14. Member of International Organizing Committee of the Sixth International Conference on Mathematical Modeling and Computer Simulation of Materials Technologies (MMT- 2010) Ariel, Israel, August, 23-27, 2010.
- 15. Member of International Organizing Committee of the 5th Conference on Materials Science and Condensed Matter Physics-MSCMP, Kishinev, September 13 17, 2010 Moldova
- 16. Member of International Organizing Committee of the 5th Conference on Materials Science and Condensed Matter Physics-MSCMP, Kishinev, September 11 - 14, 2012 Moldova
- 17. Member of the International Advisory Board of the XVII-th International Conference "*Physical Methods in Coordination and Supramolecular Chemistry*", Chisinau, Moldova, October 24-26, 2012, 2012.
- 18. Member of the International Organizing Committee of the *XXI Jahn-Teller Symposium*, Japan, Tsukuba, 27-31 August, 2012.
- 19. The International Conference dedicated to the 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary from the foundation of the Institute of Chemistry of the Academy of Sciences of Moldova.May 28 May 30, 2014, Chisinau, Moldova.
- 20. Member of the International Organizing Committee of the *XXII Jahn-Teller Symposium*, Graz, Austria, 18-22 August, 2014.
- 21. Member of the International Organizing Committee of the International Conference on material science and condensed matter physics, Kishinev, Moldova, 16-19 Sept. 2014.
- 22. Member of the International Organizing Committee of the *XXIII Jahn-Teller Symposium*, Tartu, Estonia, 27-31 August, 2016.
- 23. Member of the International Organizing Committee of the *XXIV Jahn-Teller Symposium*, Santander, Spain, 24-29 June, 2018.
- 24.Member of the International Advisory Committee of the XVII International Feofilov Symposium on Spectroscopy of Crystals Doped with Rare Earth and Transition Metal Ions, September 23–28, 2018, Ekaterinburg, Russia
- 25. Member of the Scientific Committee of the Global Chemistry and Engeneering Conference, Valencia, March, 35-27, 2019, Spain
- 26. Member of the Steering Commettee of the *16th European Conference Physics of Magnetism*, 2020 (PM'20), Poznań, Poland, June 22 26, 2020.
- 27. Member of the International Organizing Committee of the *XXV Jahn-Teller Symposium*, USA ,Telluride (Colorado), June 14-17, 2020.

# 10. Research publications, highlights

#### (380- books, review articles, invited chapters in the books, papers)

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Sum of times cited - 5,021 (from Web of Science, 09 July, 2019)

#### **Highlights:**

**The article** "High-Nuclearity Magnetic Clusters: Generalized Spin Hamiltonian and Its Use for the Calculation of the Energy Levels, Bulk Magnetic Properties, and Inelastic Neutron Scattering Spectra" (J.J.Borrás-Almenar, J.M.Clemente-Juan, E.Coronado, **B.S.Tsukerblat**), published in *Inorganic Chemistry* is being featured on the ACS Publications website [<u>http://pubs.acs.org/journals/promo/most/highly\_cited/index.html</u>] as a "*Highly Cited Paper*" as defined by Thomson Scientific (ISI) Essential Science Indicators (top 1% of the most-cited papers during the last **10** years). Cited 720 times, 09 July, 2019

**The article**: "Quantum oscillations in a molecular magnet" (S. Bertaina, S. Gambarelli, T.Mitra, **B. Tsukerblat**, A. Müller, B. Barbara), *Nature*, 453 (2008) 203 was **highlighted in**: P.C.E. Stamp, Stopping the rot, *Nature*, 453 (2008) 167. R. E. P. Winpenny, Quantum Information Processing Using Molecular Nanomagnets As Qubits, *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* 2008, 47, 2–5. http://arstechnica.com/news.ars/post/20080527-molecular-magnets-in-soap-bubbles-could-leadto-quantum-ram.html http://web.bgu.ac.il/Eng/home/News/Boris+Tsukerblat.htm http://www.chemie.de/news/d/82028/ http://www.bulletins-electroniques.com/actualites/54634.htm http://www.scinexx.de/wissen-aktuell-8220-2008-05-14.html http://idw-online.de/pages/de/news259540 http://www.spectroscopynow.com/coi/cda/detail.cda?id=18633&type=Feature&chId=5&page= <u>1</u>



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*Int. J. Quantum Chemistry*, *112* (2012) 2849–2980.