



Sutirtha Panda

Student

M.Sc. Chemistry

“The important fact in science is not so much to obtain new facts as to discover new ways of thinking about them”

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Educational Background:

| Degree/Examination | Year | Institution | University/Board | Percentage/CPI |
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| <i>Master of science (Chemistry)</i> | 2018-2020 | IIT Guwahati | IIT Guwahati | 8.92 |
| <i>Bachelor of science (Chemistry)</i> | 2018 | Midnapore college(Autonomous) | Vidyasagar University | 77.37 |
| <i>Intermediate/+2</i> | 2015 | Mahishadal Raj High School | WBCHSE | 90.40 |
| <i>Matriculation</i> | 2013 | Mahishadal Gayeswari girls High School | WBBSE | 91.20 |

Scholastic Achievement:

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| 1. Secured ALL INDIA RANK – 206 in the IIT- joint admission test for M.Sc (JAM), CHEMISTRY. | March 2018 |
| 2. Recipient of the INSPIRE scholarship, given to the top 1% students for their performance in science category by the GOVERNMENT OF INDIA | 2015-20 |
| 3. Gate Qualified | 2020 |

Research Interest:

1. Biochemistry
2. Organic Chemistry
3. Medicinal Chemistry

Topics of Interest:

- a. Aggregation of proteins
- b. Protein-ligand interactions
- c. Targeted drug delivery
- d. Development of new synthetic protocols for medicinally important peptides or peptidomimetics

Research Experience:

M.Sc. project : Development of cyclic peptides as a therapeutic tools against Alzheimer's Disease

Dec, 2019-july,2020

Project supervisor: Dr. Bhubaneswar Mandal, Professor, Department of Chemistry. **Indian Institute of Technology Guwahati**

Summer Project: Establishment of an Alzheimer's disease cell model using human neuroblastoma cell line

May-July,2019

Project supervisor: Dr. Debashis Mukhopadhyay, Professor, Department of Biophysics and structural genomics, **Saha Institute of Nuclear Physics**, Kolkata – 700064

B.Sc. Project-1

Performed [4+2] cycloaddition at room temperature, Benzil-Benzilic acid rearrangement, Bromination of Acetanilide by Green techniques. Guide: Dr. Tridib Tripathy, ***Midnapore College (Autonomous)***.

B.Sc. Project-2

Performed the following organic reactions and recrystallized the product and did the characterization-

- Nitration of the aromatic compounds;
- Condensation reactions;
- Hydrolysis of esters;
- Benzoylation of phenols;
- Bromination of anilides.

Guide: Dr. Tridib Tripathy, ***Midnapore College (autonomous)***.

Laboratory Skills:

- ORGANIC CHEMISTRY**: Functional group detection, and interconversion, organic synthesis, Recrystallization of products, Characterization by IR, NMR(1D,2D, ^1H , ^{13}C), Mass spectroscopy.
- INORGANIC CHEMISTRY**: Group separation technique for identifying cations and anions in a given salt mixture, quantitative analysis of metals in a given solution of salt.
- PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY**: Titrimetric methods—redox, iodometry, iodimetry, complexometry, potentiometry, pHmetry, Spectroscopic methods like UV-Vis, Colorimetry, IR.
- SEPARATION AND PURIFICATION TECHNIQUES**: Fractional distillation, Solvent extraction, Simple distillation, use of Rotavapor.
- CHROMATOGRAPHY**: Ion-exchange, column, paper, thin layer chromatography.
- BIOCHEMISTRY**: Cell culture, Western blot, RNA isolation, Agarose gel electrophoresis, PCR

Technical Skills:

- Programming Language – C language, Fortran-77
- Data Base Handling - MS WORD, MS POWERPOINT, MS EXCEL
- Software – Chemdraw, Gaussian

Seminars and Workshops:

- Achieved 2nd position in the annual seminar of the department of chemistry of Midnapore college(autonomous) on “Role of Hydrogen bonding in Chemistry” (2016)
- Attended the seminar by prof Richard Niel Zare, Stanford university at Indian institute of technology Kharagpur. (2017)
- Attended National Symposium on “*Chemistry and Environment*”, organized by Department of Chemistry, Raja N. L. Khan womens college, Midnapore. (2016)
- Attended the seminar by Prof. Arindam Banerjee, IACS-Kolkata, on “*Self assembling peptides : From designer molecules to soft functional materials in health care, nano hybrids and waste water management*” at IIT Guwahati. (2019)
- Participated in the “MOLECULAR BIOLOGY AND BIOCHEMISTRY TECHNIQUES” training with EDUFABRICA in association with Springfest IIT Kharagpur. (25th August- 3rd September, 2020)
- Participated in A One Day International webinar on “Recent trends in Chemistry in the fields of medicine and Industry” organized by Presidency University, Kolkata, India on 5th September. (2020)

Languages:

English, Bengali, Hindi

