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Education

- Ph.D. Department of Chemistry:** University of Massachusetts, Amherst, USA November, 2010
Advisor: Prof. Vincent M. Rotello
Thesis: "Colloidal Microcapsules: Surface Engineering of Nanoparticles for Interfacial Assembly".
- M.Sc. Department of Chemistry:** Indian Institute of Technology, Bombay, India, May, 2005
Advisor: Prof. C. P. Rao
Thesis: "Synthesis and characterization of glycosyl amine and their metal ion complexes".
- B.Sc. Chemistry (Honors):** Midnapore College, WB, India. May, 2003

Professional & Other Experiences

- Postdoctoral Research:** Texas A&M University, College Station, Material Science and Engineering.
Advisor: Prof. Jaime C. Grunlan April' 2013- Present
- Postdoctoral Research:** The Pennsylvania State University, University Park, Department of Chemistry.
Advisor: Prof. Ayusman Sen Jan' 2011-Mar' 2013
- Research Assistant:** Chemistry, University of Massachusetts, Amherst 2006-2010
- Teaching Assistant:** (Chem 111 Lab, Chem 112 Lab) 2005-2006
- Laboratory Mentoring:** Supervised both undergraduate and graduate students to build their scientific insight and perspective in research.
- University Collaboration:** University of Massachusetts, Lowell, USA; Bogazici University, Istanbul, Turkey; University of Glasgow, Glasgow, UK.
- Industrial Collaboration:** Supervising project funded by Saint-Gobain, France April'2013-Present

Research Experience

Doctoral Research @ University of Massachusetts

- Self-assembly of nanoparticles via supramolecular interactions.
- Self-assembly of nanoparticles at liquid-liquid interface.
- Surface engineering of nanoparticles for interfacial assembly.
- Tuning covalent and noncovalent interactions between nanoparticles at oil-water interface to create stable emulsions and microporous capsules.
- Stabilizing protein/nanoparticle complex at oil-water interface and designing biocatalytic microcapsules.

Postdoctoral Research @ Pennsylvania State University

- Stimuli responsive micropumps using supramolecular "host-guest" interaction.
- Self-powered microdevices by surface immobilized enzymes,
- Stimuli responsive autonomous cargo & drug delivery systems.

Postdoctoral Research @ Texas A&M University

- Polymer nanocomposites via layer-by-layer (LBL) assembly.
- LBL nanocoatings on thermoplastics, foams and fabric for flame retardant applications.
- LBL nanocoatings of polymer-clay for gas barrier applications.

Skills

- **Synthesis:** Organic synthesis and size selective nanoparticle synthesis (metallic e.g. Au, magnetic FePt/Fe₃O₄ and semiconductor e.g. PbS/PbSe, CdSe).
- Surface engineering of nanoparticles.
- **Spectroscopy:** FTIR, NMR, UV-Vis, ISI-MS, Fluorescence.
- **Microscopy:** Optical, Fluorescence, SEM, TEM, AFM, Image analysis.

- **Thermal Analysis:** TGA, DSC.
- **Flame Retardant Tests:** Vertical and horizontal flame test for foam and fabric.
- **Others:** Small Angle X-ray Scattering (SAXS), DLS, Zeta potential, Tensiometer, Ellipsometer, Quartz Crystal Microbalance (QCM).

Awards

- **Graduate Student Travel Grant Award** by University of Massachusetts (2010).
- **Joint Admission Test for M.Sc.** conducted by IITs (top 10%) (2005).
- **University Medal** for 1st Class in B.Sc.; Midnapore College, India (2003).
- **Birla Science Award** (1995).
- **High School Scholarship** (1994).

Publications

- (21) Patra, D.; Vangal, P.; Grunlan, J. C. "All Inorganic Flame Retardant Multilayer Nanocoatings for Polyurethane from Aqueous Polyelectrolyte Solution" *Manuscript to be submitted in ACS Appl. Mater. Interface*, Feb, 2014.
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- (19) Patra, D.; Zhang, H.; Sengupta, S.; Sen, A. "Dual Stimuli-Responsive, Rechargeable Micropump via Host-Guest Interactions" *ACS Nano*, 2013, 7, 7674-7679.
- (18) Patra, D.; Sengupta, S.; Duan, W.; Zhang, H.; Pavlick, R.; Sen, A. "Intelligent, Self-Powered Delivery Systems" *Nanoscale*, 2013, 5, 1273-1283.
- (17) Jeong, Y.; Patra, D.; Sanyal, A.; Rotello V. M. "Fabrication of Stable Nanoparticle-Based Colloidal Microcapsules" *Curr. Org. Chem.*, 2013, 17, 49-57.
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- (15) Abul-Kashem, M. M.; Patra, D.; Perlich, J.; Buffet, A.; Roth, S. V.; Rotello, V. M.; Muller-Buschbaum, P. "Two- and Three-dimensional Network of Nanoparticles via Polymer-Mediated Self-Assembly" *ACS Macro Lett.*, 2012, 1, 396-399.
- (15) Rana, S.; Xi, Y. †; Patra, D. †; Moyano, D. F.; Miranda, O. R.; Hussain, I.; Rotello, V. M.; "Control of Surface Tension at Liquid-Liquid Interfaces Using Nanoparticles and Nanoparticle-Protein Complexes" *Langmuir*, 2012, 28, 2023-2027 ([† authors contribute equally](#)).
- (13) Yeh, Y. C.; Patra, D.; Yan, B.; Saha, K.; Miranda, O. M.; Kim, C. K.; Rotello, V. M. "Synthesis of Cationic Quantum Dots via a Two-step Ligand Exchange Process" *Chem. Commun.*, 2011, 47, 3069-3071.
- (12) Patra, D.; Sanyal, A.; Rotello, V. M. "Colloidal Microcapsule: A Self-assembly Approach at Liquid-Liquid interface" *Chem. Asian J.*, 2010, 5, 2442-2453.
- (11) Patra, D.; Malvankar, N.; Chin, E.; Tuominen, M.; Gu, Z.; Rotello, V. M. "Fabrication of Conductive Microcapsules via Self-assembly and Crosslinking of Gold Nanowires at Liquid-Liquid Interface" *Small*, 2010, 6, 1402-1405.
- (10) Park, M.H.; Duan, X.; Ofir, Y.; Creran, B.; Patra, D.; Ling, Y. X.; Huskens, J.; Rotello, V. M. "Chemically Directed Immobilization of Nanoparticles onto Gold Substrates for Orthogonal Assembly Using Dithiocarbamate Bond Formation" *ACS Appl. Mater. Interface*, 2010, 2, 795-799.
- (9) Subramani, C.; Ofir, Y.; Patra, D.; Jordan, B. J.; Moran, I. W.; Park, M.-H.; Carter, K. R.; Rotello, V. M. "Nanoimprinted Polyethyleneimine: A Multimodal Template for Nanoparticle Assembly and Immobilization" *Adv. Funct. Mater.*, 2009, 19, 2937 - 2942.
- (8) Patra, D.; Pagliuca, C.; Subramani, C.; Samanta, B.; Agasti, S. S.; Zainalabdeen, N.; Caldwell, S. T.; Cooke, G.; Rotello, V. M. "Molecular Recognition at the Liquid-Liquid Interface of Colloidal Microcapsules" *Chem. Comm.* 2009, 28, 4248-4250.

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- (7) **Patra, D.**; Ozdemir, F.; Miranda, O. R.; Samanta, B.; Sanyal, A.; Rotello, V. M. "Formation and Size Tuning of Colloidal Microcapsules via Host-Guest Molecular Recognition at the Liquid-Liquid Interface" *Langmuir*, **2009**, *25*, 13852–13854.
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- (5) Samanta, B.; **Patra, D.**; Subramani, C.; Ofir, Y.; Yesilbag, G.; Sanyal, A.; Rotello, V. M. "Stable Magnetic Colloidosomes via "Click" Mediated Crosslinking of Nanoparticles at Water-oil Interfaces" *Small*, **2009**, *5*, 685–688.
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- (2) Arumugam, P.; **Patra, D.**; Samanta, B.; Agasti, S. S.; Subramani, C.; Rotello, V. M. "Self-Assembly and Cross-linking of FePt Nanoparticles at Planar and Colloidal Liquid-Liquid Interfaces" *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **2008**, *130*, 10046–10047.
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Technical Presentations (Selected)

Poster Presentation

- (3) **Patra, D.**; Samanta, B.; Arumugam, P.; Rotello, V. M. "Fabrication of Colloidal Microcapsules by Self-assembly and Crosslinking of Nanoparticles at Liquid-Liquid Interface" Research Fest, Department of Chemistry, UMass Amherst, MA, **2009**.
- (2) **Patra, D.**; Samanta, B.; Arumugam, P.; Du, K.; Agasti, S.; Dinsmore, A.; Rotello, V. M. "Self-assembly of Nanoparticles at Liquid-Liquid Interfaces: A Strategy Toward Generating Stable Colloidosomes and Membranes" Abstracts of Papers, 236th ACS National Meeting, August 17–21, **2008**, Philadelphia, PA, United States.
- (1) **Patra, D.**; Srivastava, S.; Lu, T.; Samanta, B.; Rotello, V. M. "Controlled Localization of FePt Nanoparticles in Block Copolymers for Modulation of Magnetic Properties" Abstracts of Papers, 234th ACS National Meeting, August 19–23, **2007**, Boston, MA, United States.

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