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## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

### **1. Personal Details**

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### **2. Higher Education**

#### **A. Undergraduate and Graduate Studies**

<b>Period of Study</b>	<b>Name of Institution and Department</b>	<b>Degree</b>	<b>Year of Approval of Degree</b>
1996-2002	Weizmann Institute of Science, Faculty of Chemistry, Department of Materials and Interfaces	Ph.D. in Materials Science	5/12/2002
1978-1985	University of Kishinev, Faculty of Physics, Department of Semiconductor Physics, Moldova; Moscow State Pedagogical University, Faculty of Physics, Russia	B.Sc. and M.Sc. in Physics/Physics of Semiconductors/ Physics Teaching*	19/6/1985

\* Thesis: The study of mechanism for high temperature edge luminescence of ZnSe/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> epitaxial films (Supervisor: Prof. E.A. Senokosov)

### **3. Academic Ranks and Tenure in Institutes of Higher Education**

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Name of Institution and Department</b>	<b>Rank/Position</b>
2/4/2022	HIT – Holon Institute of Technology, Faculty of Sciences	Full Professor
13/5/2016-2/4/2022	HIT – Holon Institute of Technology, Faculty of Sciences	Associate Professor
1/3/2012-13/5/2016	HIT – Holon Institute of Technology, Faculty of Sciences	Equivalent to Senior Lecturer

**4. Offices in Academic Administration**

1/10/2022-	Acting Dean, Faculty of Sciences, HIT
2022	Chair – Committee for reduction of teaching load following research/creativity and quality of teaching, HIT
1/2019-1/2022	Head – Institute Excellence Committee, HIT
2012-present	Head – Laboratory for Synthesis and Investigation of Nanomaterials, HIT
2002-present	Scientific Adviser – Department of Molecular Chemistry and Materials Science, Weizmann Institute of Science

**5. Scholarly Positions and Activities outside the Institution****a. Reviewer - Journals:**

7/2022	Chemistry of Materials
8/2021	Acts Biomaterialia
8/2021	Israel Journal of Chemistry
7/2021	Nanomaterials
4/2020	Chemistry – An Asian Journal
4/2019	Composites Science & Technology
1/2019; 9/2019	American Chemistry Society – ACS Nano
4/2018	Physical Chemistry Chemical Physics
3/2018	Surface Topography: Metrology and Properties – STMP
12/2017	Crystals
11/2017	MDPI – Metals Journal
8/2017	Sensors
2/2016	Lubricants
7/2015	Carbon
9/2014	The Journal of Physical Chemistry
3/2014	Inorganics
8/2013;1/2016	Lubrication Science
1/2013; 4/2018	Materials Chemistry and Physics
11/2012	International Journal of Applied Ceramic Technology

**b. Reviewer – Research Proposal:**

3/2014	Reviewer for research proposal – The Israel Science Foundation (ISF)
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**5. Scholarly Positions and Activities outside the Institution, contd.****c. Miscellaneous**

2022	Member of Topical Advisory Panel, Nanomaterials Journal
2022	Member of Editorial Board, Functional Composite Materials published by Springer Nature
10/2021	Examiner of Tzuriel Levin's doctoral dissertation supervised by Prof. Jean-Paul (Moshe) Lellouche, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel
2019	Invited Member of Editorial Board – New multidisciplinary journal: SN Applied Sciences, part of Springer Nature
5/2018	Examiner of Hagit Sade's doctoral dissertation supervised by Prof. Jean-Paul (Moshe) Lellouche, Ben-Gurion University of the Negev, Israel

**6. Participation in Scholarly Conferences****a. Active Participation in Israel**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name of Conference</b>	<b>Place of Conference</b>	<b>Subject of Lecture/Discussion</b>	<b>Role</b>
25-27/11/2019	First Israel-Italy Workshop on 2D Materials, Bar-Ilan University	Ramat Gan, Israel		Session Chair
6/5/2018	4th International Symposium: Nanotechnology from Academia to Industry 2018 (NTAI-2018), HIT	Holon, Israel		Session Chair: Nanocoatings and Nanoparticles
13/1/2015	Reshef Tenne 70th Birthday Symposium – Inorganic Nanotubes and Fullerene-like Materials – At the Crossroad of Solid State Chemistry, Nanotechnology and Industrial Applications, Weizmann Institute of Science	Rehovot, Israel		Chair
19-23/10/2014	Israel-Greece Joint Meeting on Nanotechnology and BioNanoscience, Weizmann Institute of Science	Rehovot, Israel		Session Chairman: Nanomaterials 1. Session Chairman: Poster Sessions 1 & 3

**6. Participation in Scholarly Conferences, contd.****a. Active Participation in Israel**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name of Conference</b>	<b>Place of Conference</b>	<b>Subject of Lecture/Discussion</b>	<b>Role</b>
19-21/11/2012	COINAPO 2012 Meeting – Composites of Inorganic Nanotubes and Polymers: Nanocomposites of Inorganic Fullerenes/ Nanotubes, Their Characterization, Properties and Testing (Cost Action MP0902), Weizmann Institute of Science	Rehovot, Israel		Co-Chair

**b. Active Participation Abroad**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name of Conference</b>	<b>Place of Conference</b>	<b>Subject of Lecture/Discussion</b>	<b>Role</b>
9-13/1/2023	5th HeteroNanoCarb 2023: Advances and Applications in Carbon Related Nanomaterials: From Pure to Doping including Heteroatom Layers	Benasque (Aragon), Spain		Session Chairperson
18-19/10/2012	“Nanocon 012” – 2nd International Conference – Nanotechnology: Innovative Materials, Processes Products and Applications	Pune, India		Session Chairperson – Nano Sensor and Nano Biotechnology

**c. Organization of Conferences or Sessions in Israel**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name of Conference</b>	<b>Place of Conference</b>	<b>Subject of Lecture/Discussion</b>	<b>Role</b>
14-15/6/2023	6th International Symposium: Nanotechnology from Academia to Industry 2023 (NTAI-2023)	Holon, Israel		Member of Organizing Committee

**6. Participation in Scholarly Conferences, contd.****c. Organization of Conferences or Sessions in Israel**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name of Conference</b>	<b>Place of Conference</b>	<b>Subject of Lecture/Discussion</b>	<b>Role</b>
24-25/8/2022	5th International Symposium: Nanotechnology from Academia to Industry 2020 (NTAI-2020), Holon Institute of Technology,	Holon, Israel		Chair of Organizing Committee
6/5/2018	4th International Symposium: Nanotechnology from Academia to Industry 2018 (NTAI-2018), HIT	Holon, Israel		Member of Organizing Committee
8/5/2016	2nd International Symposium Nanotechnology from Academy to Industry (NTAI 2016) – In Honor of Prof. Lev Rapoport and Prof. Boris Fainberg, HIT - Holon Institute of Technology	Holon, Israel		Member of Organizing Committee
7-9/7/2015	Flatlands Beyond Graphene, Bar-Ilan University,	Ramat Gan, Israel		Member of Organizing Committee
19-23/10/2014	Israel-Greece Joint Meeting on Nanotechnology and BioNanoscience, Weizmann Institute of Science	Rehovot, Israel		Member of Organizing Committee

**d. Organization of Conferences or Sessions Abroad**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name of Conference</b>	<b>Place of Conference</b>	<b>Subject of Lecture/Discussion</b>	<b>Role</b>
27-30/8/2023	International Conference on Functional Nanomaterials and Nanodevices (NANOMAT 2023)	Warsaw, Poland		Member of Organizing Committee
5-7/9/2022	International Conference on Functional Nanomaterials and Nanodevices (NANOMAT 2020)	Bratislava, Slovakia		Member of Organizing and Scientific Committee

**6. Participation in Scholarly Conferences, contd.****d. Organization of Conferences or Sessions Abroad**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name of Conference</b>	<b>Place of Conference</b>	<b>Subject of Lecture/Discussion</b>	<b>Role</b>
25-29/6/2022	CIMTEC 2022 - 9th Forum on New Materials	Perugia, Italy		Member of International Advisory Board
30-31/10/2021 (postponed)	5th International Conference NANOCON 2020	Pune, India		Invited Member of International Advisory Committee
6-8/9/2021	International Online Conference on Functional Nanomaterials - 2021 Nano-technology Conference	Bratislava, Slovakia		Member of Organizing and Scientific Committee
18-20/8/2021 (postponed)	International Conference Advances in Functional Materials – AAAFM-UCLA, University of California Los Angeles	CA, USA		Invited Member of Advisory/Organizing Committee
21-29/9/2020 (postponed)	CIMTEC 2020 – 9th Forum on New Materials	Montecatini Terme, Italy		Member of International Advisory Board
11-13/9/2019	NANOMAT 2019: International Conference on Functional Nanomaterials and Nanodevices	Prague, Czech Republic		Member of Scientific/Organizing Committee
25-26/10/2018	4th International Conference - NANOCON 18: "Nanotechnology-Applications, Advances and Innovations"	Pune, India		International Advisory Committee Member
25-28/10/2016	2nd Israel- Greece Joint Meeting in Nanotechnology and Bio-Nanoscience	Heraklion, Crete		Member of Poster Committee

**6. Participation in Scholarly Conferences, contd.****d. Organization of Conferences or Sessions Abroad**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name of Conference</b>	<b>Place of Conference</b>	<b>Subject of Lecture/Discussion</b>	<b>Role</b>
5-9/6/2016	5th International Conference Smart and Multi-functional Materials Structures & Systems, and 11th International Conference Medical Applications of Novel Biomaterials & Nanotechnology (CIMTEC 2016)	Perugia, Italy		Member of Organizing Committee

**6. Participation in Scholarly Conferences****e. Oral and Poster Presentations in Israel**

11/2021	IVS-IPSTA 2021 – 39th Annual Conference of the Israel Vacuum Society jointly with Israeli Conference on Plasma Science and Applications, 17 November 2021 [online] Poster presentation: Synthetic route towards scalable production in pure phase of WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> inorganic nanotubes and their unusual properties (A. Zak, S. Ghosh, C. Pallelappa, T. Livneh, I. Kaplan-Ashiri, Y. Zhang, Y. Iwasa, V. Bruser, A. Di Bartolomeo)			
10/2021	NANO.IL.2021 – Leading International Nanotechnology Conference, Jerusalem, Israel, 4-6 October 2021 Poster presentation: Synthetic route towards pure phase of WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> inorganic nanotubes and their unusual properties (S. Ghosh, P. Chithaiah, T. Livneh, I.Y. Zhang, Y. Iwasa, V. Bruser, I. Kaplan-Ashiri, A. Di Bartolomeo, A. Zak)			
12/2020	IVS-IPSTA 2020 – 38th Annual Conference of the Israel Vacuum Society jointly with Israeli Conference on Plasma Science and Applications, 13 December 2020 [online] Oral presentation: Synthetic route towards pure phase of WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> inorganic nanotubes and their unusual properties (A. Zak, G. Ghosh, C. Pallelappa, T. Livneh, I. Kaplan-Ashiri, Y. Zhang, Y. Iwasa, V. Bruser, A. Di Bartolomeo)			
10/2018	NANO.IL.2018 – International Nanotechnology Conference, Jerusalem, Israel, 9-11 October 2018 Poster presentation: Cathodoluminescence studies of single to Penta-wall WS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes obtained through plasma treatment of WS <sub>2</sub> multiwall nanotubes (S. Ghosh, R. Popovitz-Biro, I. Ashiri-Kaplan, V. Bruser, A. Zak)			
7/2015	Flatlands Beyond Graphene 2015, Bar Ilan University, Tel-Aviv, Israel, 7-9 July 2015 Oral presentations: 1. Plasma treatment of MWINT-WS <sub>2</sub> for synthesis of single wall nanotubes of WS <sub>2</sub> and for hydrogen storage (A. Zak, A. Laikhtman, R. Popovich Biro, R. Tenne, V. Bruser) 2. Raman scattering from single WS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes embedded within stretched PVDF microfibers (O. Grinberg, R. Avrahami, E. Zussman, T. Livneh, A. Zak)			

**6. Participation in Scholarly Conferences, contd.****e. Oral and Poster Presentations in Israel**

- 4/2014 COMPO 2014 - Research Workshop of the Israel Science Foundation Nanocomposites and Biocomposites, Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel, 28 April-1 May 2014  
Poster presentation: Inorganic (WS<sub>2</sub>) fullerene-like nanoparticles and multiwall nanotubes and their application in novel polymer nanocomposites
- 3/2014 NANOISRAEL 2014 - The 4th International Nanotechnology Conference and Exhibition, David InterContinental Hotel, Tel-Aviv, Israel, 24-25 March 2014  
Poster presentation: Inorganic (WS<sub>2</sub>) multiwall nanotubes and fullerene-like nanoparticles and their application in novel polymer nanocomposites
- 9/2013 IVS 2013 – The 31st Israel Vacuum Society Conference, Herzliya, Israel, 30 September 2013  
Oral presentation: Single to triple-wall WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes by high energy plasma treatment of multiwall nanotubes  
(V. Brueser, A. Zak, R. Popovitz-Biro, A. Albu-Yaron, R. Tenne)
- 3/2012 NanoIsrael-12 – The 3rd International Nanotechnology Conference and Exhibition, Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel, 26-27 March 2012  
Poster presentation: Influence of inorganic WS<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles on the tribological properties of epoxy resin  
(A. Zak, M. Schneider, A. Moshkovich, H. Dodiuk, S. Kenig, R. Tenne, L. Rapoport)
- 6/2011 Israeli Air Force Workshop on Nanotechnology, Herzlia, Israel  
Oral presentation Applications of the inorganic fullerene-like nanoparticles (IF) and nanotubes (INT)
- 6/2010 ICME2010 – The 31st Israeli Conference on Mechanical Engineering, Tel-Aviv, Israel, 2-3 June 2010  
Oral presentation: Advanced Ni/IF-WS<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles coating and its frictional characterization
- 4/2010 TMCN10 – Transition Metal Chalcogenide and Halide Nanostructures, Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel, 25-27 April 2010  
Oral presentation: Recent progress in the synthesis and applications of WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes  
(A. Zak, L. Ecker, M. Schneider, R. Efrati, H. Reem, N. Fleischer)
- 3/2010 Magnet Consortium, Chief Scientists of the Ministry of Trade & Industry, Tel-Aviv, Israel  
Oral presentation: The effect of inorganic nanoparticles on polymer properties
- 2/2008 ForeMost EU-FP6 Consortium, Israel  
Oral presentation: Industrial technology for scaling up IFLM synthesis

**6. Participation in Scholarly Conferences, contd.****f. Oral and Poster Presentations Abroad**

- 9/2019 7th International Conference Flatlands Beyond Graphene, Toulouse, France, 2-6 September 2019  
Poster presentations: Reinforcement of poly (methyl methacrylate) by WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes towards antiballistic applications (S. Ghosh, G. Otorogust, O. Regev, D.Y. Lewitus, A. Zak)  
Control of exciton-polariton interactions in nano regime: Prediction of nanotube diameter (S.S. Sinha, R. Rosentsveig, A. Zak, I. Pinkas, R. Tenne, L. Yadgarov)
- 3/2018 BIT's 4th Annual World Congress of SmartMaterials-2018, Osaka, Japan, 6-8 March 2018  
Oral presentation: Inorganic NanoTubes (INT) of MoS<sub>2</sub> and WS<sub>2</sub>: Their synthesis, properties and applications (C. Pallellappa, A. Idelevich, L. Rovinsky, V. Brueser, A. Zak)
- 10-11/2016 24th International Conference on the Application of Accelerators in Research and Industry (CAARI 2016), Fort Worth, Texas, USA, 30 October-4 November 2016  
Oral presentation: INT-WS<sub>2</sub> Niobium implantation studies (M. Straticiuc, A. Zak, M. Nistor, E. Matei, M. Manea, I. Burducea, F. Gherendi, P. Dinca)
- 10/2016 2nd Israel-Greece Joint Meeting on Nanotechnology and BioNanoscience, Heraklion, Crete, Greece, 25-28 October 2016  
Poster presentations: 1. Reproducible synthesis of MoS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes with controllable aspect ratio via sulfidization of preliminary grown MoO<sub>3</sub>-x nanowhiskers (C. Pallelappa, A. Zak)  
2. Raman scattering from single WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes embedded within stretched PVDF nanofibers (O. Grinberg, R. Avrahami, E. Zussman, T. Livneh, A. Zak)
- 10/2015 8th International Workshop on Infrared Microscopy and Spectroscopy Using Accelerator Based Sources (WIRMS 2015), Riverhead, Long Island, New York, USA, 11-15 October 2015  
Oral presentation: Revealing the pressure-induced breakdown pathway in WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes (K.R. O'Neal, J.G. Cherian, A. Zak, R. Tenne, Z. Liu, J. Musfeldt)
- 9/2014 The 1st Whole Action Meeting (WAM 2014) EUSpec COST Action MP1306: Modern Tools for Spectroscopy on Advanced Materials, Louvain-la-Neuve, Belgium, 15-17 September 2014  
Oral presentation: Inorganic nanotubes and fullerene-like nanoparticles of WS<sub>2</sub>, their synthesis, properties and applications
- 12/2013 2013 MRS – Materials Research Society Fall Meeting and Exhibit, Boston, MA, USA, 1-6 December 2013  
Poster presentation: Inorganic (WS<sub>2</sub> fullerene-like nanoparticles and multiwall nanotubes and their application in novel polymer nanocomposites (A. Zak, R. Tenne, L. Rapoport, E. Zussman)
- 10/2013 COINAPO Consortium - Composites of Inorganic Nanotubes and Polymers, (Cost Action MP0902) Nanoparticle-Polymer Composites Topical Meeting, Crete, Greece, 14-16 October 2013  
Oral presentation: Novel poly(3-hydroxybutyrate) nanocomposites containing WSW<sub>2</sub> inorganic nanotubes with improved thermal, mechanical and tribological properties (M. Naffakh, C. Marco, G. Ellis, S.R. Cohen, A. Laikhtman, L. Rapoport, A. Zak)

**6. Participation in Scholarly Conferences, contd.****f. Oral and Poster Presentations Abroad**

- 9/2012      The Sixth International Association for Dental Research Pan-European Region Meeting (IADR/PER), Helsinki, Finland, 12-15 September 2012  
Oral presentation      Biocompatibility examination of inorganic nanotubes on A5 salivary gland cells  
(A. Zak, R. Tenne, E. Kartvelishvily, Y. Neuman, A. Palmon, A. Hovav, D. Aframian)
- 4/2012      COINAPO Consortium – 5th Composites of Inorganic Nanotubes and Polymers, Cost Action MP0902, Workshop and Management Committee Meeting, Prague, Czech Republic, 17-20 April 2012  
Oral presentation:      Tribological properties of epoxy resin composite with inorganic WS<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles
- 12/2011      COINAPO Consortium – 4th Composites of Inorganic Nanotubes and Polymers, Cost Action MP0902), Ljubljana, Slovenia, 8-9 December 2011  
Oral presentation:      WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes embedded in PMMA nanofibers as energy absorptive material
- 9/2011      ChinaNANO 2011 – International Conference on Nanoscience and Technology, Beijing, China, 7-9 September 2011  
Poster presentations: 1. Large-scale synthesis of WS<sub>2</sub> multiwall nanotubes  
2. The effect of fullerene-like tungsten disulfide and carbon nanotubes on the mechanical properties of epoxy adhesives  
3. The mechanical and tribological properties of epoxy nanocomposites with WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes
- 3/2011      COINAPO Consortium – 3rd Composites of Inorganic Nanotubes and Polymers Topical Meeting: Inorganic Nanomaterials and Their Composites: From Fabrication to Applications, Cost Action MP0902, Sestriere, Italy, 2-3 March 2011  
Oral presentation:      The effect of WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes on the properties of epoxy-based nanocomposites
- 4/2010      AddNano – EU-FP7, Turin, Italy  
Oral presentation:      Inorganic nanotubes and fullerene-like particles from 2D layered compounds: State of the Art
- 10/2009      TMCN9 – Transition Metal Chalcogenide and Halide Nanoparticles, Catania, Italy  
Oral presentation:      Insight into the growth mechanism of WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes in the scaled-up fluidized bed reactor

**g. Seminars in Israel**

- 3/2017      Department of Materials Science and Engineering, Technion - Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa, Israel, 23 March 2017  
Oral presentation:      Inorganic nanotubes of MoS<sub>2</sub> and WS<sub>2</sub>, their synthesis, characterization and applications – The update
- 6/2015      The Electrochemistry and Material Science Seminar, Tel-Aviv University, Tel-Aviv, Israel, 10 June 2015  
Oral presentation:      Single wall and multiwall nanotubes of WS<sub>2</sub>, their synthesis and wide range of applications – From mechanical enhancement of polymers to hydrogen storage and optical devices [invited]
- 7/2011      Seminar for R&D Department, Rafael, Israel  
Oral presentation      Inorganic fullerene-like nanoparticles (IF) and nanotubes (INT) for composite applications

**6. Participation in Scholarly Conferences, contd.****g. Seminars in Israel**

- 6/2011 Seminar for students, Ben Gurion University, Beer-Sheva, Israel  
 Oral presentation: Industrial synthesis of inorganic WS<sub>2</sub> fullerene-like (IF) nanoparticles and inorganic WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes (INT) and their applications

**h. Seminars Abroad**

- 5/2023 Meeting of joint project funded by NATO in the framework of the Science for Peace and Security (SPS) Programme, University of Rome Tor Vergata, Rome, Italy, 3 May 2023
- 9/2011 Seminar for students – Peking University (Beijing), Nankai University (Tianjin), China  
 Oral presentation: Industrial synthesis of inorganic WS<sub>2</sub> fullerene-like (IF) nanoparticles and inorganic WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes (INT) and their applications
- 9/2008 Seminar for students, University of Kishinev, Moldova  
 Oral presentation: Inorganic fullerene-like (IF) nanoparticles and nanotubes (NT) from 2-D layered compounds

**7. Invited Guest Lectures in Israel**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Place of Lecture</b>	<b>Name of Forum</b>	<b>Presentation/Comments</b>
2/3/2023	IVS-IPSTA 2023 – 40th Annual Conference of the Israel Vacuum Society		Invited Lecture: WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> from 3D to 1D structures: Curvature and chirality induced properties of nanotubes
19/1/2020	Holon Physics Seminar, HIT – Holon Institute of Technology, Holon, Israel		Invited Lecture: Super WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes: From strengthening polymers to harvesting energy
25-27/11/2019	First Israel-Italy Workshop on 2D Materials, Bar-Ilan University, Ramat Gan, Israel		Invited Lecture: Super WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes – From strengthening polymers to harvesting energy
14-17/1/2019	Winter School on 2D Materials, Weizmann Institute of Science, Rehovot, Israel		Invited Lecture: 2D transition metal dichalcogenides: Synthesis and energy conversion applications
10/6/2015	The Electrochemistry and Material Science Seminar, Tel-Aviv University, Tel-Aviv, Israel		Invited Lecture: Single wall and multiwall nanotubes of WS <sub>2</sub> , their synthesis and wide range of applications – From mechanical enhancement of polymers to hydrogen storage and optical devices

**7. Invited Guest Lectures in Israel, contd.**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Place of Lecture</b>	<b>Name of Forum</b>	<b>Presentation/Comments</b>
4/2/2013	8th International Conference Applications of Nanotechnology for the Plastics Industry, Shenkar College of Engineering, Ramat Gan, Israel		Invited Lecture: Friction and wear properties of nanocomposites based on tungsten sulfide
7/2/2011	6th International Conference Nano-technology for the Plastics and Rubber Industries, Shenkar College, Israel		Invited Lecture: The effect of inorganic WS <sub>2</sub> /MoS <sub>2</sub> fullerene-like nanoparticles and nanotubes on polymer properties
8-9/11/2010	NanoIsrael-10 Conference, Tel-Aviv, Israel		Invited Lecture: Presentation of the company achievements

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22-25/10/2023	IEEE Nanotechnology Materials and Devices Conference (NMDC 2023), Paestum, Salerno, Italy		Invited Keynote Speaker
27-30/8/2023	International Conference on Functional Nanomaterials and Nano Devices (NANOMAT 2023), Warsaw, Poland		Invited Keynote Speaker: WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes for Hydrogen evolution reaction and Artificial Intelligence
26-30/3/2023	ACS Spring 2023 - Crossroads of Chemistry: ACS Award in the Chemistry of Materials: Symposium in Honor of Prof. Reshef Tenne, Indianapolis, US		Invited lecture: WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> from 3D to 1D structures: Curvature and chirality induced properties of nanotubes
9-13/1/2023	5th HeteroNanoCarb-2023: Advances and Applications in Carbon Related Nanomaterials: From Pure to Doped Structures including Heteroatom Layers, Benasque (Aragon), Spain		Invited lecture: WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> from 3D to 1D structures: Curvature and chirality induced properties of nanotubes (S. Ghosh, C. Pallappala, Y. Zhang, Y. Iwasa, A. Di Bartolomeo, I. Kaplan-Ashiri, V. Bruser, Y. Gao, A. Zak)

**7. Invited Guest Lectures Abroad, contd.**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Place of Lecture</b>	<b>Name of Forum</b>	<b>Presentation/Comments</b>
1-16/9/2022	IEEE 12th International Conference “Nanomaterials: Applications & Properties” (IEEE NAP-2022), Kraków, Poland		Invited Lecture: WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> from 2D to 1D structures: Curvature and chirality induced properties of nanotubes
5-7/9/2022	International Conference on Functional Nanomaterials and Nanodevices (NANOMAT 2022), Bratislava, Slovakia		Organizer to give a talk Invited Lecture: WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> from 3D to 1D structures: Curvature and chirality induced properties of nanotubes
20-29/6/2022	15th International Conference on Modern Materials and Technologies (CIMTEC 2022): 15th International Ceramics Congress (20-24 June) Montecatini Terme, Italy	9th Forum on New Materials (25-29 June)	Invited Lecture: Synthetic route towards pure phase of WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> inorganic nanotubes and their unusual properties (Symposium F1: Graphene and Other Emerging 2D-layered Nanomaterials: Synthesis, Properties and Potential Applications);
13-15/9/2021	International Meet & Expo on Nanotechnology – NANOMEET 2021, Porto, Portugal		Invited Lecture: Synthetic route towards pure phase of WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> inorganic nanotubes and their unusual properties (online)
6-8/9/2021 (postponed to 2022)	International Online Conference on Functional Nanomaterials - 2021 Nanotechnology Conference, Bratislava, Slovakia		Invited Lecture: Super WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes – From strengthening of polymers to piezoresistive effect and bandgap engineering
30-31/10/2021 (postponed)	5th International Conference NANOCON 2020, Pune, India		Invited Keynote Speaker
21-29/9/2020 (postponed)	CIMTEC 2020, Montecatini Terme, Italy	9th Forum on New Materials	Invited Lecture: Synthetic route toward pure phase of WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> inorganic nanotubes (INT) and their unusual properties
18-20/8/2021 (postponed)	International Conference Advances in Functional Materials – AAAFM-UCLA, University of California Los Angeles, CA, USA		Invited Speaker

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27-30/4/2020 (postponed)	2nd European Conference on Novel Photonic, Optoelectronic and Electronic Materials (SPb-POEM), St. Petersburg, Russia		Invited Lecture
11-13/9/2019	NANOMAT 2019: International Conference on Functional Nanomaterials and Nanodevices, Prague, Czech Republic		Invited Lecture: Advance in properties study and synthesis approaches of MoS <sub>2</sub> and WS <sub>2</sub> inorganic nanotubes
2-6/9/2019	7th International Conference Flatlands Beyond Graphene, Toulouse, France		Invited Lecture: An update on properties and synthesis of MoS <sub>2</sub> and WS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes
4-8/6/2019	International Conference Nano- M&D 2019: Properties, Fabrication and Applications of Nano- Materials and Nano- Devices, Paestum, Italy		Invited Lecture: Advances in properties and synthesis of MoS <sub>2</sub> and WS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes
25-26/10/2018	4th International Conference - NANOCON 18: "Nanotechnology- Applications, Advances and Innovations", Pune, India		Keynote Lecture: From multi- to single wall inorganic nanotubes of WS <sub>2</sub> and MoS <sub>2</sub> , their synthesis and properties in: Raman scattering under tensile and pressure, composites, photovoltaic effect and hydrogen storage
3-5/9/2018	International Conference on Functional Nanomaterials and Nanodevices, Vienna, Austria		Invited Lecture: Single wall and multiwall WS <sub>2</sub> Inorganic NanoTubes (INT) , their synthesis, properties and applications
11-15/6/2018	EMN Meeting on Nanowires 2018, Prague, Czech Republic		Invited Lecture: Synthesis, properties and applications of inorganic nanotubes of MoS <sub>2</sub> and WS <sub>2</sub>
6-10/10/2017	Uzbek-Israel Scientific Conference "Contemporary Problems in Mathematics and Physics, Tashkent, Uzbekistan		Invited Lecture: Inorganic nanotubes of MoS <sub>2</sub> and WS <sub>2</sub> : their synthesis, properties and applications

**7. Invited Guest Lectures Abroad, contd.**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Place of Lecture</b>	<b>Name of Forum</b>	<b>Presentation/Comments</b>
7-8/9/2017	11th International Conference on Advanced Materials & Processing, Edinburgh, Scotland		Keynote Lecture: Single wall and multiwall WS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes synthesis and characterization – The update
25-28/10/2016	2nd Israel-Greece Joint Meeting in Nanotechnology and BioNanoscience, Heraklion, Crete		Invited Lecture: Single wall and multiwall WS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes synthesis and characterization – The update
15-19/6/2015	Telluride Science Workshop "Enhanced Functionalities in 4- and 5d-containing Materials from Large Spin-Orbit Coupling", Colorado, USA		Invited Lecture: Single- and multi-wall WS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes: their synthesis and optoelectronic properties
3-6/7/2013	Laserion 2013 International Workshop on "Microfabrication, Nanostructured Materials and Biotechnology", Munich, Germany		Invited Lecture: Scaled-up synthesis of pure phase multiwall WS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes; their properties for photovoltaic and nanocomposite applications
8-11/4/2013	EMN – Energy Materials Technology Spring Meeting, Orlando, USA		Invited Lecture: High temperature synthesis of inorganic (WS <sub>2</sub> /MoS <sub>2</sub> ) fullerene-like nanoparticles and nanotubes
1-5/4/2013	2013 MRS – Materials Research Society Spring Meeting and Exhibit, San Francisco, CA, USA		Invited Lecture: Beyond graphene and carbon nanotubes: 2D systems from atomic layered materials
18-19/10/2012	"Nanocon 012" – 2nd International Conference – Nanotechnology: Innovative Materials, Processes Products and Applications, Pune, India		Invited Lecture: Scaled up synthesis of pure phase WS <sub>2</sub> multiwall nanotubes and their applications
2-7/9/2012	ASON 2 – 2nd Adriatic School of Nanoscience, Dubrovnik, Croatia		Invited Lecture: Synthesis of pure phase WS <sub>2</sub> multiwall nanotubes and their influence on polymer properties

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Invited to give a talk at the 4th Annual World Congress of Nano Science & Technology (Nano-S&T) held in Qingdao, China, 29-31 October 2014. Due to technical reasons, Dr. Zak was unable to attend.

**8. Research Grants****a. Grants Awarded**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Funded by/ Amount</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Co-Researchers</b>	<b>Role in Research</b>
6/2022	HIT – Holon Institute of Technology; Ariel University; Kaplan Medical Center, Israel/ 350,000 NIS for one year	Scientific Booster grant: Scalable, catalyst-free method for the production of MoS <sub>2</sub> and WS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes using an innovative porous-quartz reaction cell	Personal	Principal Investigator
6/2022	HIT – Holon Institute of Technology; Ariel University; Kaplan Medical Center, Israel/ 350,000 NIS for one year	Scientific Booster grant: Development of novel nanocomposite of semiconductor nanostructures for highly efficient solar energy conversion via solar cells, in collaboration with	Dr. Lena Yadgarov, Ariel University	Co-Principal Investigator
2022	Ariel University, Ariel, Israel; HIT – Holon Institute of Technology, Holon, Israel/ 35,000 NIS for one year	Joint cooperation: Development of novel hybrid semiconductor nanostructures for highly efficient solar energy conversion	Dr. Lena Yadgarov, Ariel University	Co-Principal Investigator
2022	Science for Peace and Security (SPS) Programme, NATO, Brussels, Belgium/ €273,000 overall project budget	Research grant project SPS G5936: Ultralight wearable Solar Cells As a Portable Electricity source ( <b>ESCAPE</b> )	In collaboration with Director: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Luca Camilli, University of Rome Tor Vergata, Rome, Italy</li> </ul> Co-directors: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Prof. Alla Zak</b>, HIT, Holon, Israel</li> <li>• Prof. Maurizio Passacantando, University of L'Aquila, Coppito, Italy</li> <li>• Prof. Antonio Di Bartolomeo, University of Salerno, Fisciano, Italy</li> <li>• Dr. Filippo Giubileo, National Research Council, Fisciano, Italy</li> </ul>	

**8. Research Grants, contd.****a. Grants Awarded**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Funded by/ Amount</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Co-Researchers</b>	<b>Role in Research</b>
1/1-31/12/2019	Ariel University, Ariel, Israel; and HIT – Holon Institute of Technology, Holon, Israel/40,000 NIS for one year	Joint cooperation: Al alloys reinforcement by inorganic nanotubes (RA 1900000523)	Dr. Konstantin Borodianskiy, Ariel University	Co-Principal Investigator
10/2016-9/2020	Israel Science Foundation/ 360,000 NIS per year - for four years	Single wall nanotubes of WS <sub>2</sub> , their synthesis and properties towards optoelectronics and hydrogen storage	Personal	Principal Investigator
2015-2018	Pazy Foundation/ 1120 KNIS for four years	Nanocomposite ballistic armor made of inorganic WS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes and fullerene-like nanoparticles in polymethyl methacrylate	Dr. Omri Regev, Rafael Advanced Defense Systems Ltd.	Principal Investigator
2-11/9/2015	Laboratory of the Norway/ 2100 EUR	Short term scientific mission approved by European Cooperation in Science and Technology: COST Action MP1306 – Modern tools for spectroscopy on advanced materials	Collaborator: Prof. Sabrina Sartori, Oslo University, Oslo, Norway/	Co-Principal Investigator
2014-2017	Israel Ministry of Science, Technology and Space, Israel/ 970,876 NIS for three years	IF/INT polymer nanocomposites for tribological extreme applications	Prof. Lev Rapoport, HIT; Prof. Shmuel Kenig, Shenkar College	Co-Principal Investigator
2014	COST – Action No. MP1306	Modern tools for spectroscopy on advanced materials (EUSpec)	Up to 20 participants	Management Committee Representative
2012-2016	Israel National Nano-Initiative (INNI) – A Focal Technology Area (FTA) program of the Israel Council for Higher Education (Malag)/ \$354,365 for four years	Inorganic nanotubes (INT): From nano-mechanics to improved nanocomposites	10 participants	Co-Principal Investigator

**8. Research Grants, contd.****a. Grants Awarded**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Funded by/ Amount</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Co-Researchers</b>	<b>Role in Research</b>
2012-2016	Pazy Foundation - Israel Atomic Energy Commission (IAEC) and Israel Council for Higher Education (Malag)/ 740,000 NIS for four years	Reinforcing aerogel with inorganic nanoparticles and nanotubes	Prof. Reshef Tenne, WIS; Dr. Galit Bar and Raz Gvishi, Soreq	Researcher
2012-2014	Israel-Korea Scientific Research Cooperation/ 200,000 NIS for two years	Inorganic fullerenes and inorganic nanotubes for hydrogen storage as source of renewable energy in fuels	Dr. Alex Laikhtman, HIT; Dr. Hoi Ri, Ulsan National Institute of Science and Technology, Korea	Co-Principal Investigator
2009-2013	COST Action MP0902 IL	Composites of inorganic nanotubes and polymers (COINAPO)	26 participants	Management Committee Substitute Member

**8. Research Grants****b. Submission of Research Proposals - Pending**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Funded by/ Amount</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Co-Researchers</b>	<b>Role in Research</b>
2021	European Commission – Horizon Europe Framework Program (HORIZON)	ETERNAL - nEuroinTEgRated eNdo-Artificial bLadder	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scuola Superiore di Studi Universitari e di Perfezionamento Sant'Anna, Italy</li> <li>• University College, London, UK</li> <li>• KU Leuven, Belgium</li> <li>• Institut Mines-Telecom, France</li> <li>• HIT – Holon Institute of Technology, Israel</li> <li>• Ago Neuro-technologies Sarl, Chile</li> </ul>	

**9. Scholarships, Awards and Prizes**

2016/2017	HIT, Israel - Excellence in research
2014	Institution of Civil Engineers, London, UK - Awarded the 'Best Science Paper Award' for the paper entitled: Photocatalysis with hybrid co-coated WS <sub>2</sub> nanotubes (Y. Tsverin, T. Livneh, R. Rosentsveig, A. Zak, I. Pinkas, R. Tenne), Nanomaterials and Energy, 2(1), 2013 (25-34). The ceremony took place in London, UK, 17/10/2014
2013/2014	HIT, Israel - Excellence in research/creativity, teaching, and contribution to the community
2012/2013	HIT, Israel - Excellence in research and creativity
2010	German Federal Ministry for Economics and Technology - Automotive Excellence Innovation Competition Top 30 Award 2010 given to NanoMaterials Ltd.
2010	NanoIsrael-10, Ministry of Industry & Trade – Nanotechnology Company of the Year Award 2010
2000	Israel Vacuum Society Meeting – Best poster award

**10. Teaching****a. Courses Taught in Recent Years**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Name of Course</b>	<b>Type of Course Lecture/Seminar/ Workshop/High Learn Course/ Introduction Course (Mandatory)</b>	<b>Degree</b>	<b>Number of Students</b>
2016-2022	Nanomaterials	Lecture	M.Sc.	
2012-2022	Physics I	Lecture	B.Sc.	
2012-2022	Physics I	Laboratory	B.Sc.	

**b. Supervision of Graduate Students****Post-Doctoral Students**

<b>Name of Student</b>	<b>Title of Topic</b>	<b>Degree</b>	<b>Date of Completion/ in Progress</b>	<b>Students' Achievements</b>
Manjunath Krishnappa✳	Synthesis of inorganic nanomaterials and study of their catalytic properties	Post-Doc	31/3/2023	

✳ under the supervision of Prof. Alla Zak (HIT) and Prof. Maya Bar-Sadan (Ben-Gurion University)

**b. Supervision of Graduate Students, contd.****Post-Doctoral Students**

<b>Name of Student</b>	<b>Title of Topic</b>	<b>Degree</b>	<b>Date of Completion/ in Progress</b>	<b>Students' Achievements</b>
Ghosh Saptarshi	Synthesis of inorganic nanoparticles and their characterization	Post-Doc	31/12/2021	5 publications
Chithaiah Pallallappa	Synthesis of inorganic nanoparticles and their characterization	Post-Doc	1/2017	2 publications
Olga Grinberg	Nanomaterials	Post-Doc	11/2016	1 publication
Efrat Ohayon	Synthesis of inorganic nanoparticles, their characterization and applications	Post-Doc	1/2014 – six month duration)	

**11. Miscellaneous****a. Membership in Professional Societies**

2013 Israel Vacuum Society

2023-present The Israel Chemical Society (ICS)

**b. Interests**

- Nanoparticles and nanotubes, nanotechnology
- Synthesis of nanomaterials in laboratory and industrial levels
- Characterization and investigation of nanomaterials
- Dispersion of nanoparticles/nanotubes
- Preparation of polymer nanocomposites: Bulk and coatings
- Properties of polymer composites with nanostructures
- Optical, electrical and catalytic behavior of nanotubes

**12. Professional Experience**

2002-2011 Chief Scientist – NanoMaterials Ltd., Israel

1991-1996 Physics Teacher – Scientific high schools in Israel

1985-1990 Technology Engineer – Electrical Device Engineering Institute of Science, Kishinev, Moldova

**PUBLICATIONS****A. Ph.D. Dissertation**

"Synthesis and properties of pristine and alkali metal intercalated MoS<sub>2</sub>/WS<sub>2</sub> fullerene-like nanoparticles", 2002 (82 pages) in English, Faculty of Chemistry, Department of Materials and Interfaces, Weizmann Institute of Science, Israel, Supervisors: Prof. R. Tenne; Prof. S. Reich

**D. Articles in Refereed Journals****Published**

1. A. Pelella, A. Kumar, K. Intonti, O. Durante, S. De Stefano, X. Han, Z. Li, Y. Guo, F. Giubileo, L. Camilli, M. Passacantando, **A. Zak**, A. Di Bartolomeo  
WS<sub>2</sub> nanotube transistor for photodetection and optoelectronic memory applications  
Small 2024, 2403965  
WoS: Q1, IF: 13.5 (2023)
- \*2. S.R. Kadam, M. Krishnappa, S. Ghosh, M.B. Sreedhara, A. Neyman, A. Upcher, E. Nativ Roth, L. Houben, **A. Zak**, A.N. Enyashin, R. Bar-Ziv, M. Bar-Sadan (2024)  
Nanotubes and other nanostructures of VS<sub>2</sub>, WS<sub>2</sub> and MoS<sub>2</sub>: Structural effects on the hydrogen evolution reaction  
Applied Materials Today, 39 (Article No.102288)  
published online 15 June 2024  
WoS: Q1, IF: 7.8 (2023)
- \*3. V. Kunderát, L. Novák, K. Bukvišová, J. Zálešák, E. Kolíbalová, R. Rosentsveig, M.B. Sreedhara, H. Shalom, L. Yadgarov, **A. Zak**, M. Kolíbal, R. Tenne (2024)  
Mechanism of WS<sub>2</sub> nanotube formation revealed by *in Situ/ex Situ* imaging  
ACS Nano, 18(19), May 2024 (12284-12294)  
WoS: Q1, IF: 16.2 (2023)
- \*4. S. Dey, A. Roy, S.B. Mujib, M. Krishnappa, **A. Zak**, G. Singh (2024)  
Addressing irreversibility and structural distortion in WS<sub>2</sub> inorganic fullerene-like nanoparticles: Effects of voltage cut-off experiments in beyond Li<sup>+</sup>-ion storage applications  
ACS Omega, 9(15), April 2024 (17125-17136)  
WoS: Q2, IF: 4.0 (2022)
- \*5. J.I. Martinez, A. Laikhtman, **A. Zak**, M. Sezen, J.A. Alonso (2024)  
Implantation of Gallium into layered WS<sub>2</sub> nanostructures facilitated by hydrogenation  
Small, first published 3 March 2024 (2312235-1–2312235-10)  
<https://doi.org/10.1002/sml.202312235>  
WoS: Q1, IF: 13.2 (2022)
- \*6. E. Magee, F. Xie, S. Farris, A. Dsouza, C. Constantinidou, **A. Zak**, R. Tenne, T. McNally (2023)  
Polyelectrolyte complexation of Chitosan and WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes  
Advanced Materials Interfaces, 11(6), December 2023 (2300501-1–2300501-15)  
WoS: Q2, IF: 5.7 (2022)
- \*7. P.N. Immanuel, S-J Hiang, P. Taank, A. Goldreich, J. Prilusky, A. Byregowda, R. Carmieli, H. Shalom, A. Leybovich, **A. Zak**, N. Aggarwal, K.V. Adarsh, L. Yadgarov (2023)  
Enhanced photocatalytic activity of Cs<sub>4</sub>PbBr<sub>6</sub>/WS<sub>2</sub> hybrid nanocomposite  
Advanced Energy and Sustainability Research, 5(2), December 2023 (2300193-1–2300193-11)  
WoS: Q2 (JCI), IF: 5.8 (2022)

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2021 Five-year Impact Factor unless otherwise stated

**D. Articles in Refereed Journals, contd.**

**Published**

- \*8. A. Dutta, O. Breuer, M. Krishnappa, R. Minnes, **A. Zak**, A. Borenstein (2023)  
1D transition-metal dichalcogenides/carbon core-shell composites for the hydrogen evolution reaction  
J. of Materials Chemistry A, 11(4), September 2023 (21806-21816)  
WoS: Q1, IF: 11.6 (2022)
- \*9. Y. Niu, L. Li, Z. Qi, H.H. Aung, X. Han, R. Tenne, Y. Yao, **A. Zak**, Y. Guo (2023)  
OD van der Waals interfacial ferroelectricity  
Nature Communications, 14, March 2023 (5578)  
WoS: Q1, IF: 17.0 (2022)  
<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-023-41045-8>  
**Research highlights in Nature Electronics (IF: 34.4), Vol.6, November 2023 (p.793) on this paper**
- \*10. E. Magee, F. Tang, M. Walker, **A. Zak**, R. Tenne, T. McNally (2023)  
Silane functionalization of WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes for interaction with poly(lactic acid)  
Nanoscale, 15, March 2023 (7577-7590)  
WoS: Q1, IF: 7.891 (2023)
- \*11. S. Dey, K. Manjunath, **A. Zak**, G. Singh (2023)  
WS<sub>2</sub> nanotube-embedded SiOC fiber mat electrode for sodium-ion batteries  
ACS Omega, 8, March 2023 (10126-10138)  
WoS: Q2, IF: 4.132
- \*12. S. Wei, M. Serra, S. Mourdikoudis, H. Zou, B. Wu, L. Děkanovsky, J. Sturala, J. Luxa, R. Tenne, **A. Zak**, Z. Sofer (2022)  
Improved electrochemical performance of NTs-WS<sub>2</sub>@C nanocomposites for lithium-ion and sodium-ion batteries  
ACS Applied Materials and Interfaces, 14, October 2022 (46386-46400)  
WoS: Q1, IF: 10.382, JCR citations: 5
- \*13. Y. Sun, S. Xu, Z. Xu, J. Tian, M. Bai, Z. Qi, Y. Niu, H.H. Aung, X. Xiong, J. Han, C. Lu, J. Yin, S. Wang, Q. Chen, R. Tenne, **A. Zak**, Y. Guo (2022)  
Mesoscopic sliding ferroelectricity enabled photovoltaic random access memory for material-level artificial vision system  
Nature Communications, 13(1), September 2022, Article No.5391 (1-8)  
published online 14 September 2022  
<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-022-33118-x>  
WoS: Q1, IF: 17.763, JCR citations: 4
- \*14. M.B. Sreedhara, S.S. Sinha, **A. Zak**, L. Yadgarov, R. Tenne (2022)  
Review: Nanotubes and fullerene-like nanoparticles from layered transition metal dichalcogenides: Why do they form and what is their significance?  
Zeitschrift für anorganische und allgemeine Chemie (ZAAC) - J. of Inorganic and General Chemistry 648(15), May 2022 (e202200128-1–e202200128-10)  
Special issue dedicated to Prof. Mercuri Kanatzidis on the occasion of his 65th birthday  
<https://doi.org/10.1002/zaac.202200128>  
WoS: Q4, IF: 1,268, JCR citation: 1
- \*15. E. Magee, F. Tang, E. Ozdemir, M. Walker, T. Di Luccio, J.A. Kornfield, **A. Zak**, R. Tenne, T. McNally (2022)  
WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes as a 1D functional filler for melt mixing with poly(lactic acid): Implications for composites manufacture  
ACS Applied Nano Materials, 5, May 2022 (6385-6397)  
WoS: Q2, IF: 6.104, JCR citations: 2

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**Published**

16. L. Yue, D. Xu, Z. Wei, T. Zhao, T. Lin, R. Tenne, **A. Zak**, Q. Li, B. Liu (2022)  
Size and shape's effects on the high-pressure behavior of WS<sub>2</sub> nanomaterials  
Materials, 15(8), April 2022 (2838)  
Part of the special issue: Advances in Structural Phase Transition and Physical Properties of Nanomaterials under High Pressure  
WoS: Q2, IF: 4.042, JCR citations: 2
17. N. Kamanina, A. Toikka, Y. Barnash, **A. Zak**, R. Tenne (2022)  
Influence of surface relief on orientation of Nematic liquid crystals:  
Polyimide doped with WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes  
Crystals, 12(3), March 2022 (391)  
WoS: Q2, IF: 2.688, JCR citations: 3
18. O. Golan, H. Shalom, I. Kaplan-Ashiri, S.R. Cohen, Y. Feldman, I. Pinkas, R.O. Almog, **A. Zak**, R. Tenne (2021)  
Poly(L-lactic acid) reinforced with hydroxyapatite and tungsten disulfide nanotubes  
Polymers, 13(21), 8 November 2021 (3851)  
<https://doi.org/10.3390/polym13213851>  
WoS: Q1, IF: 5.063, JCR citation: 1
19. H. Xia, X. Chen, S. Luo, F. Qin, A. Idelevich, S. Ghosh, T. Ideue, Y. Iwasa, **A. Zak**, R. Tenne, Z. Chen, W-T Liu, S. Wu (2021)  
Probing the chiral domains and excitonic states in individual WS<sub>2</sub> tubes by second harmonic generation  
Nano Letters, 21(12), 11 June 2021 (4937-4943)  
<https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.nanolett.1c00497>  
WoS: Q1, IF: 12.709, JCR citations: 7
20. L. Rocher, A.S. Ylitalo, T. Di Luccio, R. Miscioscia, G. De Filippo, G. Pandolfi, F. Villani, **A. Zak**, G.H. Menary, A.B. Lennon, J.A. Kornfield (2021)  
Interaction of poly L-Lactide and tungsten disulfide nanotubes studied by in situ X-ray scattering during expansion of PLLA/WS<sub>2</sub>NT nanocomposite tubes  
Polymers, 13(11), 27 May 2021 (1764-1—1764-19)  
<https://doi.org/10.3390/polym13111764>  
WoS: Q1, IF: 5.063, JCR citations: 4
21. S. Ghosh, G. Otorgust, A. Idelevich, O. Regev, I. Lapsker, D.Y. Lewitus, **A. Zak** (2021)  
Reinforcement of poly (methyl methacrylate) by WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes towards antiballistic applications  
Composites Science and Technology, 207, 3 May 2021 (108736)  
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.compscitech.2021.108736>  
WoS: Q1, IF: 8.788, JCR citations: 8
22. S.S. Sinha, L. Yadgarov, S.B. Aliev, Y. Feldman, I. Pinkas, C. Pallellappa, S. Ghosh, A. Idelevich, **A. Zak**, R. Tenne (2021)  
MoS<sub>2</sub> and WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes: Synthesis, structural elucidation and optical characterization  
The J. of Physical Chemistry C: Energy, Materials & Catalysis,  
Section C: Physical Properties of Materials & Interfaces  
Published 11 March 2021, 125, (6324-6340)  
WoS: Q2, IF: 4.480, JCR citations: 13

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❶ This issue is in progress but contains articles that are final and fully citable

**D. Articles in Refereed Journals, contd.****Published**

23. D. Binwal, K. Pramoda, **A. Zak**, M. Kaur, C. Pallellappa, C.N.R. Rao (2021)  
Nanocomposites of 1D MoS<sub>2</sub> with polymer-functionalized nanotubes of carbon and borocarbonitride, and their HER activity  
ACS Applied Energy Materials, 4(3), (2339-2347)  
published 8 February 2021  
<https://doi.org/10.1021/acsaem.0c02874>  
WoS: Q1, IF: 7.010, JCR citations: 13
24. A.K. Sonker, S. Roy, H.D. Wagner, **A. Zak**, X.M. Sui, R. Bajpai (2020)  
Synergistic effect of crosslinking and dual reinforcement on the thermal and mechanical properties of polyvinyl alcohol  
Polymer Composites, December 2020 (1-10)  
<https://doi.org/10.1002/pc.25894>  
WoS: Q2, IF: 2.980, JCR citations: 2
25. H. Shalom, T. Bendikov, Y. Feldman, N. Lachman, **A. Zak**, R. Tenne (2020)  
Chemical control of the surface of WS<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles  
Chemical Physics Letters, 761, December 2020 (138052)  
WoS: Q3, IF: 2.255, JCR citations: 2
26. N.V. Kamanina, Yu. A. Zubtcova, P.V. Kuzhakov, **A. Zak**, R. Tenne (2020)  
Correlations between spectral, time and orientation parameters of liquid crystal cells with WS<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles  
Liquid Crystals and Their Application (Russian Journal), 20(3), (41-48)  
WoS: Q4, JCI: 0.27
27. S. Ghosh, V. Brüser, I. Kaplan-Ashiri, R. Popovitz-Biro, S. Peglow, J.I. Martínez, J.A. Alonso, **A. Zak** (2020)  
Cathodoluminescence in single and multiwall WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes: Evidence from quantum confinement and strain effect  
Applied Physics Reviews, 7(4), October 2020 (041401) (published online 21 October 2020)  
WoS: Q1, IF: 20.560, JCR citations: 10  
**[Chosen as a Featured Article. It will be displayed prominently on the journal's homepage; Also selected as Scilight<sup>®</sup> under the title "Tungsten disulfide nanotubes demonstrate useful luminescent behavior" written by Mara Johnson-Groh  
<https://doi.org/10.1063/10.0002409>; DOI: 10.1063/10.0002409]**
28. A. Grillo, M. Passacantando, **A. Zak**, A. Pelella, A. Di Bartolomeo (2020)  
WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes: Electrical conduction and field emission under electron irradiation and mechanical stress  
Small, August 2020 (2002880-1—2002880-9)  
WoS: Q1, IF: 14.257, JCR citations: 25
29. N.V. Kamanina, Yu. A. Zubtsova, A.S. Toikka, S.V. Likhomanova, **A. Zak**, R. Tenne (2020)  
Temporal characteristics of liquid crystal cell with WS<sub>2</sub> nanoparticles: Mesophase sensitization and relief features  
Liquid Crystals and Their Application (Russian Journal), 20(1), March 2020 (34-40)  
WoS: Q4, JCI: 0.27, JCR citations: 9
30. C. Pallellappa, S. Ghosh, A. Idelevich, L. Rovinsky, T. Livneh, **A. Zak** (2020)  
Solving the "MoS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes" synthetic enigma and elucidating the route for their catalyst-free and scalable production  
ACS Nano, 14(3), February 2020 (3004-3016)  
WoS: Q1, IF: 18.022, JCR citations: 41

<sup>®</sup> A science highlight briefly summarizes newly published research, emphasizing its significance to a particular field.

**D. Articles in Refereed Journals, contd.****Published**

31. S.S. Sinha, **A. Zak**, R. Rosentsveig, J. Pinkas, R. Tenne, L. Yadgarov (2020)  
Size-dependent control of exciton-polariton interactions in WS<sub>2</sub> nanotubes  
Small, 16(4), January 2020 (1904390-1–1904390-10)  
[appears inside back cover]  
WoS: Q1, IF: 14.257, JCR citations: 17
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