

**Name**

Dr. M. B. Sahana

**Designation**

Sr. Scientist

**Qualification**

Ph.D.

**Experience****1998 - 2004**

PhD

Indian Institute of Science

**2005 - 2005**

Post-Doctoral Fellow

Stockholm University, Stockholm

**2006 - 2010**

Post-Doctoral Fellow

Wayne State University, Detroit, USA

**2012-Current**

Scientist

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**Research areas of interest**

Electrode materials for lithium ion batteries, Microstructure Property Correlation, Solid state electrolyte lithium ion batteries, LIB cell manufacturing

**Patent:** " A process for in-situ carbon coating on alkali transition metal oxide"

Patent Application No. 201611007461, Date of filing: March 03, 2016, Inventor details: M. B. Sahana, S. Vasu, M. Sathiya, and R. Gopalan

### **Funded Project as principle investigator**

1. High voltage carbon encapsulated-graded  $\text{LiMn}_2\text{O}_4:\text{LiNi}_{1-x-y}\text{Co}_x\text{Al}_y\text{O}_2$  cathodes for rechargeable Li-ion pouch cells DST: 64.73 lakh 2018- 2021

### **PhD Supervised**

1. "Structure and electrochemical property correlation of nano micro hierarchical structured  $\text{LiNi}_{1-x-v}\text{Co}_x\text{Al}_v\text{O}_2$ " N. Sasikala Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering, IIT Madras.
2. **Enhancement of cycle life of li-ion battery by in-situ carbon encapsulation on layered oxide based cathode materials** S. Vasu, Department of Metallurgical and Materials Engineering, IIT Madras.

### **Academic projects guided/ongoing**

1. Optimization of composition of the anode for lithium ion batteries" Sreethika K.H M.Sc Physics 2018
2. Synthesis of Oxide-based Solid Electrolyte  $\text{Li}_4\text{SiO}_4$ ,  $\text{Li}_{4-x}\text{Si}_{1-x}\text{Al}_x\text{O}_4$  and  $\text{Li}_{4-x}\text{Si}_{1-x}\text{P}_x\text{O}_4$  Rajanarayanan M.Tech Nano science and Technology 2019
3. Investigation into the fabrication of Hybrid solid electrolyte for lithium ion battery G Ebenezer Prasanna , Integrated MSc. 2019
4. Optimization of electrode coating for  $\text{LiNi}_{1-x-y}\text{Co}_x\text{Al}_y\text{O}_2$  pouch cell fabrication Rany Selvam S B Tech in ceramic technology, 2018
5. Effect of particle size and composition on electrochemical performance of graphite anodes, Parvathavarthini A and Sandhiya . N M.Sc. Physics 2018
6. Optimization of pH during co-precipitation of  $\text{LiNi}_{1-x-y}\text{Co}_x\text{Al}_y(\text{OH})_2$  layered double hydroxide synthesis; precursor for  $\text{LiNi}_{1-x-y}\text{Co}_x\text{Al}_y\text{O}_2$ , Lincy A M. Tech 2017
7. Synthesis and Investigation on Li-rich cathode materials for enhanced Li-ion batteries performance national Post Doctoral Fellow (SERB-DST) 2017
8. Investigation of Influence of reology of electrode slurry on electrochemical properties of LIB, K. Kumari, Ongoing PhD registerd at IIT Bombay
9.  $\text{LiNi}_{1-x-y}\text{Co}_x\text{Mn}_y\text{O}_2$  and  $\text{LiMn}_{2-x}\text{Ni}_x\text{O}_4$  composite cathode electrodes for lithium ion battery for electric vehicle application

### **List of publications**

1. Comprehensive effort on electrode slurry preparation for better electrochemical performance of  $\text{LiFePO}_4$  battery Kumari Konda, Sahana B. Moodakare, P. Logesh Kumar, Manjusha Battabyal, Jyoti R. Seth, Vinay A. Juvekar, Raghavan Gopalan, Journal of power sources, 480 (2020) 228837

2. Concentration Gradient-Driven Aluminum Diffusion in a Single-Step Coprecipitation of a Compositionally Graded Precursor for  $\text{LiNi}_{0.8}\text{Co}_{0.135}\text{Al}_{0.065}\text{O}_2$  with Mitigated Irreversibility of H2  $\leftrightarrow$  H3 Phase Transition, Sasikala Natarajan, Sahana B. Moodakare, Prathap Haridoss and Raghavan Gopalan, *ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces* 2020, 12, 31, 34959–34970
3. Infrared Spectroscopy Signatures of Aluminum Segregation and Partial Oxygen Substitution by Sulfur in  $\text{LiNi}_{0.8}\text{Co}_{0.15}\text{Al}_{0.05}\text{O}_2$  N. Sasiakala, M. B. Sahana, S. Vasu, P. Haridoss, and R. Gopalan, *ACS Appl. Energy Mater.*, 2018, 1 (6), pp 2536–2545
4. High temperature magnetic studies on  $\text{Bi}_{1-x}\text{Ca}_x\text{Fe}_{1-y}\text{Ti}_y\text{O}_{3-\delta}$  nanoparticles: Observation of Hopkinson-like effect above  $T_N$ , PSV Mocherla, D Prabhu, MB Sahana, NY Hebalkar, R Gopalan, MS Ramachandra Rao, C Sudakar, *Journal of Applied Physics* 124 (7), 073904
5. In-situ carbon encapsulation of  $\text{LiNi}_{1/3}\text{Co}_{1/3}\text{Mn}_{1/3}\text{O}_2$  using pillared ethylene glycol trapped in the metal hydroxide interlayers for enhanced cyclic stability S Vasu, **M. B Sahana**, C Sudakar, R Gopalan, G Sundararajan *Electrochimica Acta* 251, 363-377
6. Microstrain engineered magnetic properties in  $\text{Bi}_{1-x}\text{Ca}_x\text{Fe}_{1-y}\text{Ti}_y\text{O}_{3-\delta}$  nanoparticles: deviation from Néel's 1/d size-dependent magnetization behaviour, Pavana S. V Mocherla, **M. B Sahana**, R. Gopalan, M.S Ramachandra Rao, B. R. K Nanda, C. Sudakar, *Materials Research Express* 4 (10), 106106, 2017
7. Raman spectral signature of Mn-rich nanoscale phase segregations in carbon free  $\text{LiFe}_{1-x}\text{Mn}_x\text{PO}_4$  prepared by hydrothermal technique,  
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8. Quantum confinement effects and band gap engineering of  $\text{SnO}_2$  nanocrystals in a MgO matrix  
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9. Nanostructured high specific capacity C- $\text{LiFePO}_4$  cathode material for lithium-ion batteries  
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10. Regulation of Polar Peptidoglycan Biosynthesis by Wag31 Phosphorylation in Mycobacteria  
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12. Coexistence of anion and cation vacancy defects in vacuum-annealed  $\text{In}_2\text{O}_3$  thin films,  
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14. Structural, magnetic, and electrical studies on polycrystalline transition metal doped  $\text{BiFeO}_3$  thin films’  
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**M.B. Sahana**, C. Sudakar, G. Setzler, A. Dixit, J.S. Thakur, G. Lawes, R. Naik, V.M. Naik, and P.P. Vaishnava, *Applied Physics Letters*, (2008), 93(23), 231909/1-231909/3.
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**M.B. Sahana**, S. A. Shivashankar,  
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22. Phase transformation and semiconductor-metal transition in thin films of VO<sub>2</sub> deposited by low-pressure metalorganic chemical vapor deposition  
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25. 'Time evolution of the microstructure of VO<sub>2</sub>(B) films deposited on glass by MOCVD'.  
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### **Annexure 2: Invited Seminar/Colloquia**

- June 17-19, 2016** Indo-US Workshop on Analysis of Multiphysics Phenomena in Li-ion Cells. Indian Institute of Technology (IIT), Bombay India "Layered lithium - mixed transition metal oxide cathodes for lithium ion batteries"
- Feb 19-22, 2015** **7th IndoGFOE Symposium –, Agra, India** Batteries for Electric Vehicles: Present and Future
- March 2015 -** *VIT University, Vellore National conference on energy materials Lithium ion batteries*
- December 17 2012** Workshop on Physics Education and Research, Department of Physics, Indian Institute of Technology Madras, Chennai " Physics of energy storage materials"
- Feb 11, 2010** **General Motors Global R&D centre, Mi, USA**, " Nanostructured Cathode materials for Lithium ion batteries"
- Nov 11, 2009** **Department of Physics, Wayne State University, MI, USA**, "Structure property correlation of Cathode materials for Lithium ion batteries."
- Feb, 2007** **Physics Department, Wayne State University, MI, USA**, "Guiding of Highly-charged Ions through Insulating Nanocapillaries"
- Dec 4, 2006** **Physics Department, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI, USA**, "Guiding of Highly-charged Ions through Insulating Nanocapillaries"
- July 2005** **XXIV ICPEAC 2005 Rosario ARGENTINA** "Special report: Transmission of slow Ne<sup>7+</sup> ions through nanocapillaries"

### **Annexure 3: Presentation at Conference**

1. Oral presentation of the paper entitled Structure electrochemical property correlation of carbon free Mn doped LiFePO<sub>4</sub> prepared by hydrothermal method"  
**M. B. Sahana**, R. Prakash, T. Mohan, T. Rajappa, R. Gopalan, and G. Sundararajan, 2<sup>nd</sup> International Conference on Materials for Energy, EnMat II, Karlsruhe/Germany from May 12-17, **2013** .

2. Poster presentation of the paper entitled “Electrical and electrochemical characterization of nano-sized  $\text{LiFePO}_4$  cathode materials synthesized by a lauric acid-based sol-gel method”  
Khadije Bazzi, Ambesh Dixit, **M. B. Sahana**, C. Sudakar, M. Nazri P. P. Vaishnav, V. Naik, G. A. Nazri, R. Naik American Physical Society Meeting, March 21-25, 2011, Dallas, Texas, USA
3. Oral presentation of the paper entitled “Quantum confinement effects in nanocrystals of  $\text{SnO}_2$  in MgO matrix “  
**M.B. Sahana** C. Sudakar A. Dixit J.S. Thakur R. Naik V.M. Naik  
American Physical Society Meeting, March 21-25,2011, Dallas, Texas, USA
4. Oral presentation of the paper entitled “Magnetic and spectroscopic characterization of C-LiFePO<sub>4</sub> nanoparticles for cathode material for Li ion batteries”  
Ambesh Dixit K. Bazzi **M.B. Sahana** C. Sudakar M. Nazri P.P. Vaishnav V. Naik V.K. Garg A.C. Oliveira G.A. Nazri, R. Naik  
American Physical Society Meeting, March 21-25,2011, Dallas, Texas, USA.
5. Oral presentation of the paper entitled “Structural and electrochromic properties of  $\text{M}_2(\text{SO}_4)_3$ , with M = (Cr, Fe, V) nanostructures prepared by template assisted electrodeposition method”  
**M.B. Sahana**, Sudakar Chandran Ratna Naik Vaman Naik American Physical Society Meeting, Portland, March 15-19, 2010 Portland, USA
6. Poster presentation of the paper entitled “Structural, optical and electrochemical properties of  $\text{SnO}_{2-x}$  thin films  
Rohan Bandekar, **M.B. Sahana**, Sudakar Chandran Ratna Naik, Vaman M. Naik,  
American Physical Society Meeting, Portland, March 15-19,2010 Portland, USA
7. Oral presentation of the paper entitled “ Electrical and magnetic properties of  $\text{BiFeO}_3\text{-CoFe}_2\text{O}_4$  nanotube composite”  
C. Sudakar, A. Dixit, **M.B. Sahana**, G. Lawes, R. Naik, V. M. Naik  
American Physical Society Meeting, Portland, March 15-19, 2010, Portland, USA
8. Oral presentation of the paper entitled “Structural and electrochemical properties of  $\text{V}_2\text{O}_5$  and  $\text{Ag}_x\text{V}_2\text{O}_5$  nanowires prepared by template assisted method’  
**M.B. Sahana**, C. Sudakar, R. Naik, V.M. Naik

American Physical Society Meeting, Portland, March 15-19, 2010, Portland, USA

9. Poster presentation of the paper entitled “Effect Of Oxygen Nonstoichiometry Of Electrochemical Properties Of  $V_2O_5$  Thin Films”

**M.B. Sahana**, C. Sudakar, C. Thapa, G. Lawes, G.W. Auner K.R. Padmanabhan R. Naik, V.M. Naik

American Physical Society Meeting, New Orleans, USA Mar 10-14, 2008

10. Poster presentation of the paper entitled “Influence of stoichiometry of  $V_2O_5$  thin films on the electrochemical properties ”

**M.B. Sahana**, C. Sudakar, C. Thapa, G. Lawes, R. Baird, G.W. Auner K.R. Padmanabhan R. Naik, V.M. Naik

American Physical Society Meeting, March 5-9, Denver, Colorado, USA

11. Oral presentation of the paper entitled “Synthesis and Characterization and Gas Sensing Properties of  $SnO_2-xFe_2O_3$  ( $x = 0$  to 1) Thin Films” G. Setzler

C. Sudakar **M.B. Sahana** P.P. Vaishnava Ron Baird G.W. Auner G. Lawes R. Naik, V.M. Naik

American Physical Society Meeting, March 5-9, Denver, Colorado, USA

12. Oral presentation of the paper entitled “Influence of stoichiometry of  $V_2O_5$  thin films on the electrochemical properties”

**M.B. Sahana**, G. Lawes, K. R. Padmanabhan, R. Naik, V.M Naik

20th International Conference on Raman Spectroscopy Yokohama, Japan, 20–25 Aug 2006.

13. Oral presentation of the paper entitled “Structural, Optical, and Electrochromic Properties of  $V_2O_5$  Thin Films”

**M.B. Sahana**, G. Lawes, K. R. Padmanabhan, R. Naik, V.M Naik

American Physical Society Meeting, Baltimore, USA, Mar 13-17 2006

14. Oral presentation of the paper entitled “Structural, Optical, and Electrochromic Properties of  $V_2O_5$  Thin Films “

**M.B. Sahana**, G. Lawes, K. R. Padmanabhan, R. Naik, V.M Naik

Spring meetings of Ohio Section of the American Physical Society (OSAPS) and the Michigan Section of the American Association of Physics Teachers (MAAPT), Detroit, Michigan, USA, March 31 to April 12 2006.



15. Oral presentation of the paper entitled “Guiding of highly charged ions by SiO<sub>2</sub> nanocapillaries”  
Sep 2005 3rd Conference on Elementary Processes in Atomic Systems (CEPAS2005)
16. Oral presentation on Special report: Transmission of slow Ne<sup>7+</sup> ions through nanocapillaries”  
**M.B. Sahana**, P. Skog, Gy. Viktor, R. T. Rajendra Kumar, R. Schuch,  
20-26 July 2005 XXIV ICPEAC 2005 Rosario ARGENTINA
17. “ Poster presentation of paper entitled “Time evolution of the microstructure of VO<sub>2</sub>(B) films deposited on glass by MOCVD  
**M.B. Sahana** and S. A. Shivashankar  
Dec 2-5 2002 MRS Fall meeting 2002, Boston, USA,. Mater. Research symposium