

## *CURRICULUM VITAE*

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Bucharest University, Faculty of Physics 1983 – 1989 University Diploma

Bucharest University, Faculty of Mathematics-Mechanics 1990-1997 University Diploma

Texas A&M University, din College Station, Texas, USA 1997 – 1999 M.S. in Physics,  
Nuclear Physicas

Texas A&M University, din College Station, Texas, USA 1999-2002 PhD in Physics,  
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Biotehnos S.A Research	1991 - 1992	Physicist
Institute of Physical-Chemistry “I.G. Murgulescu” of Romanian Academy Research	1992 - 1997	Researcher
Texas A&M University Research and teaching	1997 - 2002	Graduate student
University of Texas at Arlington Research	2003	Postdoc Researcher
Arizona State University Research	2003-2005	Postdoc Researcher
Universite de Montreal Research	2005-2007	Postdoc Researcher
International Centre of Biodynamics, Bucharest Research	2007-2010	SR II
National Institute for Research and Development in Microtehnologies, Bucharest Research	2010-2014	SR II
National Institute for Research and Development in Microtehnologies, Bucharest Research	2014-present	SR I

**9. Specializations and qualifications:**

1. *Jahn-Teller effect with applications in structure and dynamics of molecules and solids*, Institute of Physical-Chemistry, Bucharest, 1993.

2. *Parallel computation on super-computers, strategies and applications*, Universite de Montreal, 2007.

#### **10. Postdoctoral experience:**

1. Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Texas at Arlington (www.uta.edu), Electrical Engineering Department, *January 2003-May 2003*.

2. Postdoctoral Researcher, Arizona State University (www.asu.edu), Chemical and Materials Engineering Department, *May 2003-June 2005*.

3. Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Montreal (www.umontreal.ca), Chemistry Department, Montreal, Canada, *July 2005-July 2007*

#### **11. Research experience:**

**Research topics:** Electronic structure and optical properties of materials (crystals, molecules and low dimensional nanostructures): ab-initio and empirical methods. Quantum transport in nanostructures. Ab-initio molecular dynamics (Car-Parrinello). Dielectric response of living cells. Dynamical systems. Computational Physics. Plasmonics.

##### **Referee for**

1. 4th International Symposium on Nanostructures and Mesoscopic Systems (NanoMES 2003), Tempe Arizona (FEB 17-21, 2003); International Semiconductor Conference (CAS), since 2011;

2. Journals: Physical Review (A, B, Letters) since 2004, European Physics Letters since 2010, Physics Letters A since 2008, Plasmonics and Journal of Nanoparticles Research since 2011, Rom. J. of Information Sci. & Tech. (ROMJIST) since 2016.

#### **12. Teaching and mentorship experience**

##### **Coordination of Diploma Theses for BS degrees**

6. George Boldeiu, *Numerical methods for studying capacitance and electric fields*, Thesis, BS, Physics Faculty, Bucharest University, 2014.

5. Mihail Sochirca, *Theoretical and numerical studies of capacitance with applications in nanotechnology*, Thesis, BS, Electronics and Telecommunications Faculty, Bucharest Polytechnic University, 2013.

4. Bogdan Bitu, *Dielectric response of biological cells interacting with electromagnetic fields*, Thesis, BS, Physics Faculty, Bucharest University, 2012.

3. Razvan Mihai Tuica, *Interaction of living cells with electromagnetic fields*, Thesis, BS, Electronics and Telecommunications Faculty, Bucharest Polytechnic University, 2012.

2. Iulian Starciuc, *Calculation of localized plasmon resonances in metallic nanoparticles*, Thesis, BS, Electronics and Telecommunications Faculty, Bucharest Polytechnic University, 2012.

1. Alexandru Marin, *Calculation of electric field and polarizability for some combinations of spherical particles with applications in biology and plasmonics*, Thesis, BS, Electronics and Telecommunications Faculty, Bucharest Polytechnic University, 2011.

**13. Foreign languages:** English (very good), French (good).

**14. Publications and conference presentations:**

**Publications in ISI ranked journals**

34. **T Sandu**, C Tibeica, R Plugaru, O Nedelcu, N Plugaru, Insights into electron transport in a ferroelectric tunnel junction, *Nanomaterials*, 12(10), 1682 (2022).
33. D. Mladenovic, **T. Sandu**, D. Dragoman, “Electrical rectification in asymmetric graphene nanoribbons with pores”, *Physica E*, volume 124, 114240 (2020).
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31. **T. Sandu**, C. Tibeica, O. Nedelcu, M. Gologanu, “Modal Approach to the Theory of Energy Transfer Mediated by a Metallic Nanosphere”, *Rom. J. of Information Sci. & Tech. (ROMJIST)*, Vol. 22(1), pp. 3-13, (2019).
30. **T. Sandu**, M. Gologanu, R. Voicu, G. Boldeiu, V. Moagar-Poladian, “Modeling issues regarding thermal conductivity of graphene-based nanocomposites”, *Rom. J. of Information Sci. & Tech. (ROMJIST)*, Volume 21, Issue 1, 82-92, (2018).
29. C. Pachi, **T. Sandu**, C. Tibeica, A. Avram, L. M. Veca, R. Popa, M. Popescu, R. Gavrilă, C. Popov, V. Avramescu, “Fabrication and characterization of suspended microstructures of ultrananocrystalline diamond”, *Rom. J. of Information Sci. & Tech. (ROMJIST)*, Volume 21, Issue 1, 49-60, (2018).
28. R. C. Voicu, **T. Sandu**, “Analytical results regarding electrostatic resonances of surface phonon/plasmon polaritons: separation of variables with a twist”, *Proc. R. Soc. A* 473, 20160796, (2017).
27. A. I. Istrate, M. Veca, F. Nastase, A. Baracu, R. Gavrilă, F. Comanescu, V. Tucureanu, A. Dinescu, **T. Sandu**, “Scaling the graphene-silicon heterojunctions: fabrication and characterization”, *Rom. J. of Information Sci. & Tech. (ROMJIST)*, Volume 19, Issue 3, 282-294, (2016).
26. **Titus Sandu**, “The Rabi Hamiltonian in the Dispersive Regime”, *Romanian Journal of Physics*, volume 60, Numbers 5-6, pp. 711-715, (2015). [arXiv:1502.00514](https://arxiv.org/abs/1502.00514)
25. George Boldeiu, Victor Moagar-Poladian, **Titus Sandu** “Dielectric Sensing with Back-Gated Nanowires”, *Rom. J. of Information Sci. & Tech. (ROMJIST)*, Volume 17, Number 4, 405–416, (2014).. [arXiv:1504.05713](https://arxiv.org/abs/1504.05713)
24. **Titus Sandu**, “Near-Field and Extinction Spectra of Rod-Shaped Nanoantenna Dimers”, *PROCEEDINGS OF THE ROMANIAN ACADEMY, Series A*, volume 15, Issue 4, pp. 338-345, (2014).
23. **Titus Sandu**, George Boldeiu, “How shape affects plasmonic properties of metallic nanospheres”, *Digest Journal of Nanomaterials and Biostructures*, volume 9, Issue 3, pp. 1255-1262, (2014)
22. **Titus Sandu**, George Boldeiu, Victor Moagar-Poladian, “Applications of electrostatic capacitance and charging”, *J. Appl. Phys.* 114 (22), 224904, (2013).

21. **Titus Sandu**, “Eigenmode Decomposition of the Near-Field Enhancement in Localized Surface Plasmon Resonances of Metallic Nanoparticles”, *Plasmonics*, 8(2) 391-402, (2013);
20. Rodica Plugaru, **Titus Sandu**, Neculai Plugaru, "First principles study and variable range hopping conductivity in disordered Al/Ti/Mn-doped ZnO", *Results in Physics*, **2**, 190–197 (2012)
19. **Titus Sandu**, “Shape effects on localized surface plasmon resonances in metallic nanoparticles”, *J. Nanopart. Res.*, **14**, 905 (2012); DOI 10.1007/s11051-012-0905-6
18. **Titus Sandu**, Daniel Vrinceanu, and Eugen Gheorghiu, “*Surface Plasmon Resonances of Clustered Nanoparticles*,” *Plasmonics*, **6**, 407–412, (2011).
17. **Titus Sandu**, Radu I. Iftimie, “*Bandgaps and band bowing in semiconductor alloys*”, *Solid State Comm.* **150**, 888-892, (2010).
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15. **Titus Sandu**, “*Dynamics of a quantum oscillator strongly coupled to a two-level system*” *Physics Letters A* **373**, 2753–2759, (2009).
14. **Titus Sandu**, “*Comments on Spin-dependent tunneling through a symmetric semiconductor barrier: The Dresselhaus effect*” *Phys Rev. B* **76**, 197301, (2007).
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11. **Titus Sandu**, Athanasios Chantis, and Radu Iftimie, “*Spin tunneling through an indirect barrier*”, *Phys. Rev. B.* **73**, 075313, 2006; cond-mat/0601297.
10. **Titus Sandu**, “*Optical matrix elements in tight-binding models with overlap*”, *Phys. Rev. B.* **72**, 125105, 2005; cond-mat/0507204.
9. **Titus Sandu** and W. P. Kirk, “*Generalized band anticrossing model for highly mismatched semiconductors applied to  $BeSe_xTe_{1-x}$* ”, *Phys. Rev. B.* **72**, 073204, 2005; cond-mat/0507189.
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4. **T. Sandu**, R. Lake and W.P. Kirk “*The effect of interface quality on Si/SiO<sub>2</sub> resonant tunnel diodes*”, *Superlatt. Microstruct.* **30**, 201 2001.
3. V. Chihaiia, **T. Sandu**, and M. Vass, “*Formation and Growth of Atomic Clusters. An Ab Initio Study for Small Clusters of Li (N= 2 - 8)*”, *Romanian Journal of Physics*, Vol. **43**, No 5-6, 409-420, 1998.
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11. **Titus Sandu**, George Boldeiu, Rodica Voicu, Mihai Gologanu, Modeling thermal conductivity of graphene-based nanocomposites, 40th IEEE International Semiconductor Conference – CAS 2017, Sinaia, Romania, Proceedings, pp. 209-212, (2017).

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9. **Titus Sandu**, “*Calculation of dielectrophoretic force acting on biological cells and on micro-and nanoparticles*”, 38th IEEE International Semiconductor Conference – CAS 2015, Sinaia, Romania, 12-14 Oct. 2015, Proceedings, pp. 215 – 218, 2015

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3. **Titus Sandu**, “A Boundary Integral Equation Method for Plasmon Resonances in Metallic Nanoparticles”, IEEE CAS Proceeding, ISBN:978-1-61284-171-7, ISSN: 1545-827X, IEEE Catalog Number: CFP11CAS-PRT, vol. 2, p. 399-402, (2011).
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#### **Books and books chapters**

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#### **Articles in other indexed books:**

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francophone PLUridisciplinaire sur les Matériaux, l'Environnement et l'Electronique (PLUMEE 2019) , Limoges (Franta), 09-14.04.2019.

4. **Titus Sandu**, "Computational Nanoelectronics with Non-equilibrium Green's Function Method", Proceedings of Francophone Multidisciplinary Colloquium on Materials, Environment and Electronics - PLUMEE - Volume 7, Issue No.1, pp. 52-58, (2017).

3. **Titus Sandu**, CONFOCAL SPHEROIDAL CAPACITORS: ANALYTICAL VERSUS BOUNDARY INTEGRAL EQUATION CALCULATIONS OF THEIR CAPACITANCE, PROCEEDINGS OF PLUMEE, Issue No.1 - Volume 4 (2014);

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- X.D. Tang, A. Azhari, C.A. Gagliardi, **T. Sandu**, L. Trache and R.E. Tribble "*Production of  $^{11}\text{C}$  Radioactive Nuclear Beam with MARS*" Progress in Research 1998/1999, Cyclotron Institute, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas, p. V-19.
- L. Trache, A. Azhari, H.L. Clark, C.A. Gagliardi, Y.-W. Lui, A.M. Mukhamedzhanov, **T. Sandu**, R.E. Tribble and F. Carstoiu "*Elastic Scattering Between Loosely Bound p-shell Nuclei: An Update*" Progress in Research 1999/2000, Cyclotron Institute, Texas A&M University, College Station, Texas.