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Professional Experience

Center for Solar Energy Materials, ARCI (Sept 2016 – present) *Project Scientist (Middle level)*

• Working on development of CIGS thin film solar cells.

TDK-Epcos India Pvt. Ltd. (Oct 2013 - Sept 2016)

Dy. Manager, R&D, AC film capacitors BG

- Responsible for design & development of metallized polypropylene film based AC capacitors for a global clientele of appliance manufacturers.
- Execution of design & development projects in compliance with ISO/TS 16949 standard (APQP procedure). Handled customer and third party certification audits for R&D function.
- Looked after internal research & development work for improvement of film capacitor technology; involving process improvement, development of new test methods/fixtures for characterization and failure analyses.
- Managed three strategic development projects related to film metallization profile/annealing parameters optimization, humidity protection and redesign of internal safety mechanism in S2 class capacitors.

Moser Baer India Ltd. (MBIL) (Jan 2011 – Sept 2013) Astt. Manager, Corporate R&D

- Played a key role in setting up an in-house advanced material/thin film analysis laboratory with sophisticated characterization equipment, including, SEM/EDS, XRD, XRF, Hall probe and UV-VIS-NIR spectrophotometer.
- Managed the activities of thin film processing and characterization labs; looking after the CIGS solar cell related process optimization, device integration and characterization tasks.
- Performed structural, electrical & optical analysis of different semiconductor /metal films. Framed SOPs for characterization equipment/techniques and imparted training to other group members.
- Independently developed low temperature deposited back contact (Mo) and transparent front contact (Al:ZnO) layers for CIGS solar cells; having electrical, optical and mechanical properties comparable to the best reported.

Dept. Instrumentation & Applied Physics, IISc Bangalore

Postdoctoral Researcher (Dec 2009 – Jan 2010) Research Associate (July 2009 – Nov 2009)

Education

• M.Sc. Engg. (research) – Ph.D. (Engg.)

Dept. Instrumentation & Applied Physics, IISc Bangalore, India Dissertation: Simultaneous Studies of Electrical and Thermal Contact Resistance in Metallic Contacts

CGPA: 6.7/8

M.Sc. Physics

IIT Mumbai, India *Major*. Solid state physics *Project*: Study on High Temperature Magnetic Superconductors *CGPA*: 7.0/10

• B.Sc. (Hons.) Physics

Dayalbagh Educational Institute, Agra, India Majors: Physics, Mathematics Minors: Chemistry, English Percentage: 71.1%

Publications

- 1. **P. Misra**, V. Ganeshan, N. Agrawal, "Low temperature deposition of highly transparent and conducting Al-doped ZnO films by RF magnetron sputtering," *J. Alloys Compd.* 725, pp. 60-68, 2017.
- 2. S. Das, **P. Misra**, G. Vignesh, S. B. Srivastava, and N. Agarwal, "A study on the effect of concentration, pH and temperature on CdS film thickness deposited by CBD process," *Inv. J. Renew. Energ.* 3 (2), pp. 1–7, 2013.
- S. Das, P. Misra, G. Vignesh, A. Upadhaya, and N. Agarwal, "A study on the effect of complexing agent on particle size of CBD deposited CdS layer," *Int. J. Renew. Energ. Res.* 2 (4), pp. 697–701, 2012.
- S. Das, P. Misra, G. Vignesh, A. Upadhaya, D. Mukherjee, S. Punjabi, and N. Agarwal, "A study on the effect of resistivity of deionized water used in the deposition of CdS layer for fabrication of CIGS solar cells," *Inv. J. Renew. Energ.* 1 (4), pp. 214–218, 2011.
- V. S. Prasad, P. Misra, and J. Nagaraju, "An experimental study to show the behavior of electrical contact resistance and coefficient of friction at low current sliding electrical interfaces," in Proc. 57th IEEE Holm Conf. Elec. Cont., Minneapolis, USA, pp. 254–260, 2011.
- 6. **P. Misra** and J. Nagaraju, "Electrical contact resistance in thin (≤ 0.5 μm) gold plated contacts: Effect of gold plating thickness," *IEEE Trans. Compon. Packag. Technol.* 33 (4), pp. 830–835, 2010.
- P. Misra and J. Nagaraju, "Thermal gap conductance at low contact pressures (< 1 MPa): Effect of gold plating and plating thickness," *Int. J. Heat Mass Transfer* 53 (23–24), pp. 5373–5379, 2010.

- 8. **P. Misra** and J. Nagaraju, "An experimental study to show the effect of thermal stress on thermal contact conductance at sub-megapascal contact pressures," *ASME J. Heat Transfer* 132 (9), 094501, 2010.
- V. Srinivas, P. Misra, H. D. Maheshappa, and J. Nagaraju, "Electrical contact resistance across bare and gold coated OFHC Cu contacts in different environments", in *Proc. 24th Int. Conf. Elec. Cont. (ICEC-2008)*, Saint-Malo, France, pp. 514–519, 2008.
- K. Bapurao, P. Misra, J. Nagaraju, and M. V. K. Murthy, "Thermal contact conductance across gold-coated OFHC Cu contacts in different media", ASME J. Heat Transfer 127 (6), pp. 657–659, 2005.
- 11. **P. Misra** and J. Nagaraju, "Test facility for simultaneous measurement of electrical and thermal contact resistance," *Rev. Sci. Instrum.* 75 (8), pp. 2625–2630, 2004.