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## ■ Personal

- **Date of Birth:** 15.07.1981
- **Sex:** Female
- **Nationality:** Indian



## ■ Education/Training

INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE	COMPLETION DATE	FIELD OF STUDY	CLASS/ MARKS OBTAINED (%)
Indian Institute of Technology, Kharagpur India	PhD	14/02/2011	Chemistry	NA
IIT Kharagpur, India	MS.	30/06/2005	Chemistry	1 <sup>st</sup> / 80.9
Hooghly Mohsin College, Burdwan University, India	BS.	16/07/2003	Chemistry (Hons.)	1 <sup>st</sup> / 61.5
Higher Secondary, WBCHSE	10+2	07/2000	Science	1 <sup>st</sup> / 82.4
School Final, WBBSE	10 <sup>th</sup>	06/1998	-	1 <sup>st</sup> / 87.88

## ■ Certifications and Professional Development

- Completed four weeks online **Faculty Induction Programme** organized by the **Malaviya Mission Teacher's Training Center (MMTTC)**, **University of Hyderabad** from 18th June to 15th July 2024 and obtained 'A+'.
- Completed certification on "**The Social Emotional Educator – A Primer**", issued by **UNESCO MGIEP (Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Education for Peace and Sustainable Development)**; Score: 344/344 (100%)

## ■ Positions, Employment, Research Experience and Responsibilities



### ASSISTANT PROFESSOR

June 2022 – Present

*Institute of Health Science (IHS), Presidency University*

#### ❖ **Teaching & Academic Responsibilities**

- **Undergraduate (B.Sc. Biotechnology):** Fundamentals of Organic, Inorganic & Physical Chemistry, Music & Mental Health (NEP-MDC course coordinated & designed by self)
- **Postgraduate (M.Sc. Biotechnology, Molecular Microbiology, Virology & Immunology):** Organic Stereochemistry, Structure & Function of Biomolecules, Drug Design & Discovery, Biopharmaceutics & Drug Delivery, Nanotechnology & Nanomedicine, Basics of Biostatistics, Bioentrepreneurship & Principles of Product Development, Vaccine Development
- ❖ **Course Coordination:** Biochemistry & Cell Biology, Biostatistics & Bioethics, Intellectual Property Rights
- ❖ **Research & Supervision:** Supervising **Ph.D. scholars** and mentoring **M.Sc. dissertation projects**. Leading multidisciplinary research on novel nanomaterials and technologies for drug delivery, imaging-based diagnostics, vaccine formulation for allergen-specific immunotherapy, agricultural applications.
- ❖ **Leadership & Committee Roles:** **Convenor:** *Career Counselling Committee*; **Member:** *Departmental Academic Committee · Outreach Committee · Colloquium Committee · Central Cultural Committee*

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## **FREELANCE SCIENCE COMMUNICATOR & EDUCATIONAL ENTREPRENEUR** **March 2020- June 2022**

- Professional freelancer on Kolabtree. <https://www.kolabtree.com/find-an-expert/manasmita-das>. Providing scientific consultancy and manuscript writing services to clients from all over the world.
- Founder of WINGS, an e-learning platform promoting STEM education for high school and college students. This online platform was developed to guide the meritorious yet financially challenged students during the COVID-19 pandemic to prepare for medical and engineering entrance and university examinations. For more details, please visit <https://www.manasmitascientiscian.com/wings>

## **DIRECTOR, CONTRAST AGENT, AND MOLECULAR MRI** **July 2015-December 2020** *Center for Animal MRI (CAMRI), UNC Chapel Hill*

- Established the **Contrast Agent and Molecular MRI Core Facility** at CAMRI, UNC Chapel Hill. Developed various cost-effective nanoformulations for application in magnetic resonance angiography, cerebral blood volume fMRI, hyperpolarized gas MRI, simultaneous MR and optical imaging, cell labeling, and magnetomotive ultrasound imaging. This core extended contrast agent support and efficacy evaluation service for new probes to research groups within UNC as well as prominent investigators from **Stanford University** (US), **Emory University** (US), **NIEHS, NIH** (US), **UT San Antonio** (US), **Huck Institute Life Sc.** (US), **McGill University** (Canada), **University of Antwerp** (Belgium), **The University of Hong Kong** (China), **University of Queensland** (Australia), **China Medical University** (Taiwan), **Charles River Laboratories** (Finland), and **Istituto Italiano di Tecnologia**.

## **POST-DOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOW** **July 2013-August 2018** *Department of Neurology and BRIC, UNC Chapel Hill*

- Developed novel **chemogenetics-based MR imaging tools** for non-invasive assessment of brain functions
- Mapping functional neurocircuits of the central noradrenergic system using **chemogenetic fMRI** and **PET**
- Mapping functional neurocircuits of dopaminergic neurons using **optogenetic fMRI**
- Interrogating the role of specific **astrocytic GPCR signaling pathways to BOLD** signal using chemogenetic fMRI.
- Teaching and supervising undergraduate students at UNC Chapel Hill for Chem 395, Biology 395, and BMME 395 courses focused on undergraduate research in Biomedical Engineering, Chemistry, and Biology

## **SUMMER TRAINEE – NIH MULTIMODAL NEUROIMAGING TRAINING PROGRAM** **June-July 2014** *School of Medicine, University of Pittsburgh and CNBC, Carnegie Mellon University*

- Assessed outcomes of **Temozolomide therapy** in human glioma patients using **[18F] FLT-PET** and MRI
- Trained in **pharmacokinetic modeling of PET tracers**, PET physics, and PET instrumentation
- Learnt various neuroimaging modalities including **fMRI, DTI, MEG, EEG, NIRS**, and **optical imaging**.

## **POST-DOCTORAL FELLOW – NANOSCIENCE AND NANOTECHNOLOGY** **February 2012-July 2013** *National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research – Mohali, India*

- Developed novel steroids-anchored polymeric nanoparticles and dual drug macromolecular bio-conjugates for targeted cancer therapy.

## **RESEARCH SCIENTIST (GRADE I)** **March 2011-February 2012** *National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research – Mohali, India*

- Developed novel ligand-anchored carbon nanotubes for tumor-specific drug targeting and therapy

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## RESEARCH SCIENTIST (GRADE-II)

February 2010-March 2011

*National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research – Mohali, India*

- Developed novel nanocarriers for tumor-targeted drug delivery and oral bioavailability enhancement of poorly absorbed or pre-systemically metabolized drugs.

## GRADUATE RESEARCH FELLOW AND TEACHING ASSISTANT

October 2005-January 2010

*Chemistry Department, Indian Institute of Technology – Kharagpur, India*

- Worked on synthesis, characterization, and in vitro evaluation of novel magnetic nanoparticle-based targeted probes for cancer theranostics.
- Synthesized novel Trienediynes with enhanced reactivity and DNA cleavage efficacy.
- Tutored *Organic Chemistry* courses (CY14001) for 1<sup>st</sup> year B. Tech students. Co-instructed two Masters' level laboratory courses on *Principles of Organic Synthesis* (CY43015) and *Organic Synthesis Laboratory* (CY59001).

## PROJECT TRAINEE

May 2004-June 2005

*Chemistry Department, Indian Institute of Technology – Kharagpur, India*

- Developed a chemoenzymatic synthesis route to synthesize intermediates for nucleoside analogs.

## Awards and Honors

- **2019:** Invitation to join Consultative Group of Primary Scientific Advisors, Govt. of India. Working on National Science Policy on various socio-economic issues.
- **2017:** *Summa Cum Laude Merit Award* from International Society for Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (ISMRM, the largest meeting in the world dedicated to MRI) for the work, "Chemogenetic fMRI and <sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET Reveal Functional Projections of Hoxb1-Derived Noradrenergic Neurons".
- **2015, 2016, 2017:** *Educational Stipend Award* for 3 consecutive years for significant contribution to chemogenetic fMRI and new MRI contrast agent development.
- **2014-2017:** *Cross-disciplinary fellowship (CDF)* grant award from the international Human Frontier Science Program Organization (HFSP) for dissecting the neuronal and astrocytic component of BOLD-fMRI signal using chemogenetic and optogenetic fMRI
- **2014:** *Training award* for participation in the highly competitive NIH-sponsored *Multimodal Neuroimaging Training Program* at the University of Pittsburgh and Carnegie Mellon University
- **2012:** *International travel grant award*, Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR), Department of Biotechnology (DBT) and Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India (GOI)
- **2012:** *DST Postdoctoral Fellowship in Nanoscience and Nanotechnology*, DST, GOI
- **2011:** *International travel grant award* ICMR and Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR, GOI)
- **2008:** *Travel stipend* for participation in Science Conclave: A congregation of Nobel Laureates, DST-GOI
- **2005:** *Junior Research Fellowship (JRF)* and *Senior Research Fellowship* in Chemical Science by CSIR, GOI
- **2005:** Scored 98.35 percentile in *Graduate Aptitude Test to Engineering (GATE)*; All India Rank 57, Chemical Sc.
- **2003:** *National Scholarship*, GOI for securing 1<sup>st</sup> class in B.Sc. Final Examination
- **2000:** *Binoy Krishna Modok Trust Fund Scholarship* (Mathematics Topper in High School), Hooghly Mohsin College, India
- **1998:** *National Prize* for securing 55<sup>th</sup> rank in Secondary (school leaving) Examination among 600000 candidates

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## Core Skills and Competencies

### ❖ Technical & Research Expertise:

- **Synthetic Chemistry:** Organic synthesis · Bioconjugation · Nanomaterial synthesis & functionalization · Novel Drug Delivery System (NDDS) based on polymeric, lipid, protein NPs, liposomes, CNTs, magnetic/gold probes.
- **Physicochemical characterization:** UV, FTIR, NMR, XRD, TEM, SEM, AFM, XPS, DLS, HPLC, GC, MS) ·
- **Biomedical Imaging:** MRI, PET, fMRI, MEMRI, EEG, MEG, optical & two-photon imaging · Preclinical MRI (BOLD, ASL, MEMRI, relaxometry, connectivity mapping) · Image analysis (MATLAB, FSL, AFNI, ANTs, AMIRA, PMOD) ·
- **In vivo techniques:** Rodent handling · Stereotactic brain surgeries · Neuromodulation with Chemogenetics and Optogenetics-based techniques; MRI-based pharmacokinetics, Knowledge of PK/PD and toxicity studies.
- **Tissue culture and histology techniques:** Hands-on experience in brain histology and confocal microscopy. Knowledgeable in a variety of cancer cell culture and immunohistochemical techniques.

### ❖ Teaching & Pedagogical Innovation:

- Teach Chemistry, Biochemistry, Drug Design, Biomedical Imaging, Nanotechnology, Bioentrepreneurship, and Music & Mental Health at UG, PG & Ph.D. levels ·
- Innovating arts-integrated STEM pedagogy combining music, neuroscience & visual arts.
- Designed & coordinate Music & Mental Health (NEP-MDC) course.
- Passionate mentor with focus on student psychology & career guidance ·
- Organized **IDEATHON & SCINEMA** for the students at Presidency university with an aim to promote **entrepreneurial thinking, science communication, visual storytelling, and digital outreach skills** through experiential learning.

### ❖ Science Communication & Outreach:

- **Freelance Science Communicator:** Authored **SEO-friendly articles** on emerging technologies for scientific news publishers and industries across Europe & the US.
- **Outreach & Engagement:** Conduct **mental wellness workshops** and **arts-integrated learning programs**; strong communicator, storyteller, and experienced leader in **cross-disciplinary educational initiatives**.

### ❖ Creative & Cultural Expertise:

- Indian Classical Music (Dhrupad & Khayal) practitioner & educator.
- Integrate ragas, rhythm & sound neuroscience into teaching & therapy.
- Promote traditional arts & culture while bridging STEM + Performing Arts collaborations.

## Research Projects, Funding, Collaborations, and Industrial Interactions

- SERB Govt of India (CRG scheme) (Das, Co-PI) 2024-2027  
***Epitope-guided design of hypoallergenic nano-vaccine for the immunotherapeutic management of dust mite allergy.***  
This project aims to develop a novel nano-vaccine for the immunotherapeutic management of dust mite allergy.
- Myer Research Inc. , USA (Das, Collaborator) 2024-2025  
• *Developing novel iron-oxide based nanoformulations for cancer theranostics*

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- R01 MH111429 (NIH BRAIN Initiative grant) (Shih, PI; Das, Co-Investigator) July 2016-2021

## ***Chemogenetic dissection of neuronal and astrocytic components of BOLD signal***

The overall objective of this project is to determine the fractional contribution of neurons and astrocytic GPCRs to Blood Oxygenation Level Dependent (BOLD) fMRI and develop a more complete model of the BOLD signal.

- Human Frontier Science Program (HFSP) (Das, PI) May 2014-May 2017

## ***Dissecting neuronal and glial contribution to BOLD signal using chemogenetic and optogenetic fMRI***

The goal of this project was to determine how neurons and astrocytes orchestrate BOLD-fMRI signal in vivo using novel genetic approaches based on (i) Designer Receptors Exclusively Activated by Designer Drugs (DREADD, a chemogenetic tool) and (ii) light-activated photosensitive proteins (optogenetic tools).

- Industrial Consultancy Project with See Cure LLC, Taiwan (Das, Collaborator) December 2013-April 2015

## ***Evaluating the MRI efficacy of new blood pool agents based on Gd-chitosan complexes***

The goal of this project is to evaluate the efficacy of new Gd-based blood pool agents for blood flow imaging

- DST-PDF NST (3<sup>rd</sup> series) Award (Das, PI) February 2012-July 2013

## ***Development of steroids-anchored polymeric nanoparticles for targeted cancer therapy***

The goal of this project is to develop and exploit steroid-anchored polymeric nanoparticles for estrogen/androgen receptor-targeted cancer therapy.

## **Professional Activities and Community Outreach**

- **2010 -Present:** Served as *ad-hoc reviewer* of more than 20 international journals including *Small, Biomaterials, ACS Applied Materials and Interfaces, Advanced Functional Materials, Crystal Growth and Design, Plos One, Nanomedicine (London), International Journal of Pharmaceutics, Carbohydrate Polymer, International Journal of Nanomedicine, Applied Surface Science, Colloids and Surfaces B-Bio interfaces, Chemical Engineering, Frontiers in Neurology, Micro and Nano Letters, Recent Patents on Nanotechnology, Materials Letters, Materials Research Express, Recent Patents on Drug Delivery and Formulations, Therapeutic Delivery, Future Medicinal Chemistry and Journal of Drug Delivery*.
- **2012-Present:** Serving as a mentor for the International Student-Alumni Mentorship Program, IIT Kharagpur.
- **2011-Present:** Member of various professional bodies including the International Society of Magnetic Resonance in Medicine (ISMRM), American Heart Association (AHA), American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists (AAPS), American Chemical Society (ACS), Royal Chemical Society (RSC), Controlled Release Society (CRS). Life member of the Chemical Research Society of India (CRSI).
- **2017–2018:** Volunteered for DooR to DooR, a healing arts program at UNC Hospital, using Indian Classical Vocal Music to support patients with cancer, neurological, geriatric, and psychiatric conditions.
- **2018–Present:** Engaged in cultural heritage preservation through the documentation, analysis, and reinterpretation of ~250 Dhrupad compositions from the Bishnupur Gharana

■ International Peer-reviewed Journal Publications

Total Citations: **3198**; h index =26 as of 01.09.2025. (Citation/article, Impact Factor provided in parenthesis)

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## ▪ Selected Peer-Reviewed Conference Abstracts

1. Das, M., Oyarzabal, E. A., Chen, Y.W. et al. Chemogenetic fMRI and <sup>18</sup>F-FDG PET Reveal Functional Projections of Hoxb1-Derived Noradrenergic Neurons *Proc Intl Soc Mag Reson Med* (2017) **Oral Presentation (Summa cum Laude Merit Award)** at ISMRM 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Exhibition, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA
2. Oyarzabal, E. A., Lee, S.H., Das, M., Song, S, Hong, J.S., and Shih, Y.Y. "How does chronic neuroinflammation affect resting-state functional connectivity?", *Proc Intl Soc Mag Reson Med* (2017) ISMRM 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Exhibition, Honolulu, Hawaii, USA.
3. Das, M., Oyarzabal, E. A., Decot, H. K. et al. Development of intravascular SPION with tunable pharmacokinetics and relaxivity for preclinical fMRI and micro-MRA *Proc Intl Soc Mag Reson Med* (2016) **ePoster presentation** ISMRM 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Exhibition, Singapore.
4. Oyarzabal, E. A., Das, M., Lee, S.H et al. Deciphering the Functional Role of Locus Coeruleus-derived Norepinephrine using Chemogenetic fMRI and <sup>18</sup>FDG-PET *Proc Intl Soc Mag Reson Med* (2016) **Oral Presentation. (Summa cum Laude Merit Award)** ISMRM 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Exhibition, Singapore.
5. Decot, H.K., Namboodiri, M.K.; Gao, W., McHenry, J.H. Jennings; Lee, S.H.; Kantak, P.A., Kao, Y.C.; Das, M.; Witten, I.B., Deisseroth, K; Shih, Y.Y., Stuber, G.D. Coordination of brain-wide activity dynamics by dopaminergic neurons Society for Neuroscience (SfN) November 12-16, 2016 San Diego, CA
6. Decot, H.K., Gao, W., Kantak, P.A., Kao, Y.C.; Das, M.; Witten, I.B., Deisseroth, K; Shih, Y.Y., Stuber, G.D. Coordination and remodeling of cortico-limbic network dynamics by dopaminergic neuronal activity Society for Neuroscience (SfN) November 15-19, 2014 Washington, D.C.
7. Das, M., Decot, H. K., Kao, Y. C., Oyarzabal, E. A. & Shih, Y. Y. I. Probing Gq-GPCR Signaling in Rat Primary Motor Cortex with Pharmacogenetic fMRI *Proc Intl Soc Mag Reson Med* (2015) **Poster Presentation** at ISMRM 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Meeting and Exhibition, Toronto, Canada.
8. Johns S.\*, Das, M.\*, Oborski, M., Laymon C.C., <sup>18</sup>F-FLT-PET to monitor therapeutic response in glioblastoma patients **Oral Presentation** at Multimodal Neuroimaging Training Program Symposium 2014, Carnegie Melon University, US.

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9. **Das, M.;** Datir, S.; Singh, R. P.; Kumar, S.; Jain, S. Estradiol-PEG-Appended Multiwalled Carbon Nanotubes for Estrogen Receptor Targeted, Multimodal Delivery of Anticancer Agents **Poster Presentation** at 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Exposition of Controlled Release Society, Centre de Congress de Quebec, Quebec City, Canada (15<sup>th</sup> July-18<sup>th</sup> July, 2012)
10. Jain, S.; Rath V, V.; Jain A.K.; **Das, M.** Folate Coupled Engineered Polymeric Nanoparticles as a Rationally Designed Carrier for Oral Delivery of Insulin. 39<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting & Exposition of the Controlled Release Society, Québec City, Canada, (July 15-18, 2012) **Poster presentation**
11. Jain, S.; Rath V, V.; **Das, M.** Jain A.K. Oral insulin nanoparticles once-a-day: A "magic pill" to combat diabetes, Bio Asia 2012, Hyderabad India, February 9-11, 2012. (**nominated for BioAsia young innovator award- 2012**)
12. **Das, M.;** Singh, R. P.; Datir, S.; Kumar, S.; Jain, S. Design, Synthesis and Biological Evaluation of a Novel, Multifunctional, Carbon Nanotube based "Smart" Drug Delivery Platform" selected for **Oral presentation** at The 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting and Exposition of Controlled Release Society, National Harbor, Maryland USA.
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14. **Das, M.;** Basak, A.; Pramanik, P. A "Click Chemistry" Approach to the design of a Multifunctional Nanomedicine for "Smart" Cancer Diagnosis and Therapy **Oral Presentation** in *Second Summer School on Nanotechnology for Advanced Drug Delivery*, August 10-14 **2009** NIPER, SAS NAGAR, Mohali, Punjab.
15. P. Dhak, D. Dhak, **M. Das** and P. Pramanik "Dielectric diffuseness and impedance spectroscopy of nanocrystalline Ba<sub>0.8</sub>Cu<sub>0.2</sub>Ti<sub>0.8</sub>(AlK)<sub>0.2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> ferroelectric ceramics prepared by chemical route" *International Conference on Nanomaterials: Synthesis, Characterization and Applications* (27-29<sup>th</sup> April **2010**), Center for Nanoscience and Nanotechnology, Mahatma Gandhi University, Priyadarshini Hills, Kottayam, Kerala, India.
16. **Das, M.;** Pramanik, P.; Development of surface-engineered superparamagnetic nanoparticles for targeted cancer therapy **Oral Presentation** in *Second Winter School on Nanotechnology for Advanced Drug Delivery*, Feb 24-28 **2009** NIPER, SAS NAGAR, Mohali, Punjab.
17. **Das, M.;** Pramanik, P.; Basak, A. Highly Water-Soluble Magnetofluorescent Iron-Oxide Nanoparticles for Cancer-Specific Targeting: Synthesis, Characterization and *In-vitro* Studies **Poster Presentation** in *International Symposium on Frontiers of Functional Materials (ISFFM-2009)*, January 6-7 **2009**, Calcutta University, Kolkata
18. **Das, M.;** Pramanik, P. Recent advancement in the use of iron-oxide nanoparticles for purification of recombinant protein and targeting cancer cells **Oral Presentation** in Workshop on Nanotechnology: An interaction session with Eric Drexler, Father of Nanotechnology at IIT Kharagpur
19. **Das, M.;** Basak, A.; Pramanik, P.; A Multifunctional Superparamagnetic Nanodevice for "Smart" Cancer-Diagnosis and Therapy **Poster Presentation** in *DAE-BRNS, International Symposium on Materials Chemistry (ISMC-2008)*, December 2-6 **2008**, BARC, Mumbai.
20. **Das, M.;** Basak, A.; Pramanik, P. Recent development in the use of superparamagnetic iron-oxide nanoparticles for "smart" cancer diagnostics and therapeutics **Oral Presentation** in National Seminar on Current Trends in Chemistry-II, March 4, 2008, Kalyani University, Kalyani, West Bengal (India) -

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### Patents

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