

# **CURRICULUM VITAE**

### PERSONAL INFORMATION

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#### **EDUCATIONAL BACKGROUND:**

- ✓ **2015, Doctor in Chemistry degree:** PetruPoni Institute of Macromolecular Chemistry of the Romanian Academy, Iasi, Romania.
- ✓ 2006, M.Sc. degree: Faculty of Physics, Al. I. Cuza University, Iasi, Romania. Speciality: Solid state physics.
- ✓ **2004, B.Sc. degree:** Faculty of Physics, Al. I. Cuza University, Iasi, Romania. Speciality: Physics.

## **CURRENT POSITION:**

Research assistant, Romanian Academy, "Petru Poni" Institute of Macromolecular Chemistry

#### **CAREER:**

- ✓ 2009-present: Research assistant at "PetruPoni" Institute of Macromolecular Chemistry, Laboratory of Polymer Physical Chemistry, Iasi, Romania.
- ✓ **2006-2009:** Physics Teacher at Secondary School no. 1, Vaslui
- ✓ 2005-2006: Physics Teacher at "Sf. Ecaterina" School Vaslui- certificate of clear teaching credential

✓ 2004-2005: Physics Teacher at Industrial Scholar Group "Stefan Procopiu", Vaslui

#### MAIN SCIENTIFIC INTERESTS:

- Fluorinated polymers-based materials for electronic application;
- New materials based on semialiphatic polymers for biomedical applications;
- Polymer-magnetic nanoparticle-composites for humidity sensors applications;
- Development of thin solid films for use in humidity sensors devices.
- Bio-nanocomposite materials for biomedical applications

#### EXPERIENCE IN ANALYSIS AND EXPERIMENTAL TECHNIQUES:

Rheology analysis, UV/VIS and fluorescence spectroscopy, Raman imaging, X-ray diffraction and X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy; AFM; thermal analysis methods (thermogravimetry differential scanning calorimetry); contact angle measurements and water vapour sorption.

#### **NATIONAL PROJECTS:**

"New approaches in designing polymer surfaces with controllable pattern for applications in biomedicine and high technologies" (PNII-RU-TE-2014-4-2976, 2015-2017), **Research team** member

#### **SCIENTIFIC RESULTS:**

6 WOS (ex-ISI) scientific papers, 2 BDI papers published in the proceedings of national scientific meetings, 1 book chapter as first author, 4 oral presentations and 18 posters at national/international scientific conferences

Web of Science: 36 citations, h-index: 3; Scopus: 28 citations, h-index: 3; Google Scholar: 44 citations, h-index: 3.

<u>Awards</u>:HI<sup>rd</sup> Prize for "Determination of the Optical Constants and Thickness of Titanium Oxide Thin Films by Swanepoel Method" presented at National Conference "Physics and modern educational technologies"; Authors: V. Nica, S. Chirca, D. Mardare, 26-27 May 2006, Iasi, Romania.