

REGISTRATION DETAILS

The Registration fee includes instructional materials, tutorials, laboratory, computer use, internet facility, refreshments and working lunch. Accommodation for outstation participants will be charged separately. No TA/DA will be paid for any participants.

SELECTION AND MODE OF PAYMENT

Selected candidates will be intimated through email. They have to remit the necessary course fee to the Bank as per the details given below. All faculty and research scholars may be accommodated in the hostel/international hostel on payment basis if they request for it, subjected to availability.

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ABOUT THE GIAN COURSE

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ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT

Established in 2006, the Department of Chemical Engineering of National Institute of Technology Calicut offers programmes leading to Bachelor's Degree, Master's Degree as well as Ph.D. In addition to these regular programmes, this Department is also actively involved in conducting International Conferences, GIAN, Faculty Development Programmes, Job-oriented Short-term Training Programmes and Continuing Education Programmes for Engineering professionals and academic faculty. The R&D projects undertaken in the past were sponsored by various agencies like the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), Department of Science & Technology (DST) and the Kerala State Council for Science, Technology and Environment (KSCSTE).

ABOUT NIT CALICUT

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**New avenues in modelling
and
simulation of
polymer nanocomposites
for energy application**

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OVERVIEW OF COURSE

Experimental work on polymer materials span a broad range of applications and time and spatial scales. In this short course, we propose to present an overview of some recent simulation developments which have concerned with developments in nanotechnology and energy applications. Specifically, three contemporary areas will be discussed:

a) The self-assembly of multicomponent polymers are often used as an approach to obtain lithographic templates for semiconductor applications. In such a context, significant interest has arisen for targeting substrate conditions which facilitate the formation of large scale aligned morphologies. For such problems, coarse-grained polymer simulations have proven of value for identifying the conditions. This section of the course will discuss the basics of such coarse-grained models, its implementation and use for the context of predicting self-assembly.

b) The behavior of mixtures of nanoparticles (NP) and polymers, termed nanocomposites (PNC), has been of ongoing interest because these hybrids offer unexpected improvements in properties, well above that predicted by traditional rules of mixtures. For instance, orders of magnitude enhancements in mechanical strength and conductivity have been reported at extremely low NP loadings. Such studies have recently been expanded to consider more complicated situations involving polymer blends and block copolymers, where multifunctionality, e.g., novel electrical, magnetic and optical properties have been reported. In this context, computer simulation tools, ranging from atomistic approaches to coarse-grained simulations have been used for predicting the structure and properties of such materials. This section of the course will present an overview of such simulation approaches and selected applications in the context of predicting the mechanical and barrier properties.

c) Lithium-ion batteries serve as flexible, lightweight and high energy density power sources which have found applications in a number of modern age portable devices and electric vehicles. In such applications, solid polymeric membrane (SPE) materials have emerged as attractive candidates in the quest for electrolytes which are mechanically strong, and also possessing properties such as low vapor pressure, ease of processability and nonflammable. In this context computer simulations have emerged as a valuable complementary aid to experiments to understand the mechanisms underlying experiments and for the design of new materials based on the insights gleaned therein. In this section of the course, an overview

PRIMARY OBJECTIVES

- **Introduction to modelling and simulation of polymer nanocomposites for energy application.**
- **Introduction to course-grained model for predicting the self-assembly of polymers.**
- **Hands on training on simulated model of polymer nanocomposites to predict the mechanical and barrier properties.**
- **Simulation of polymer nanocomposites and their challenges for energy application.**

ABOUT INTERNATIONAL FACULTY

Professor Ganesan, Venkat obtained his M.S. and Ph.D. from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in Chemical Engineering. He obtained his B. Tech. in Chemical Engineering from Indian Institute of Technology, Madras. He joined the Department of Chemical Engineering at the University of Texas at Austin, USA in 2001 as Assistant Professor, currently he is Professor with Kenneth A. Kobe Professorship, UT Austin. Professor Ganesan, Venkat has published over 150 peer reviewed journal articles, several book chapters and is co-editor of a book on Materials Modeling. He is active in American Physical Society; American Institute of Chemical Engineers; Materials Research Society; American Association for the Advancement of Science and American Chemical Society. He is fellow of American Association for the Advancement of Science (2018) and American Physical Society (2013).

His research focuses on development of a theoretical and computationally-based program aimed at elucidating the fundamental mechanisms underlying the design of novel, self-assembled advanced materials. The goal is to complement the research of experimentalists (synthetic chemists, chemical engineers, and material scientists) by providing simple but quantitative guidelines to rationally design and synthesize these materials. Towards this broad objective, his group's research focuses on the development and use of a wide variety of tools spanning both equilibrium and nonequilibrium statistical mechanics, conventional fluid mechanics, molecular rheology and computational tools to complex fluids and biological systems.



WHO CAN ATTEND?

Executives, engineers and researchers from biotechnology, pharmaceutical, chemical and other manufacturing industries, technicians from hospitals and government organizations including R&D laboratories.

Student students at all levels (BTech/MSc/MTech/PhD) or Faculty from reputed academic institutions and technical institutions.

Certificate of participation will be issued to participants who have registered and attended the entire course.

No refund policy of registration charges.

HOW TO REGISTER?

1

Web Portal Registration

Visit GIAN Website at the link:

<http://www.gian.iitkgp.ac.in/GREGN/index> and create login User ID and Password. Fill up the blank registration form and do web registration by paying Rs. 500/- online through Net Banking/Debit/Credit card as per instructions given their in. This provides the user with lifetime registration to enroll in any number of GIAN courses offered.

2

Course Registration

Login to the GIAN portal again with the user ID and Password already created in Step 1. Click on 'Course Registration' option at the top of Registration form. Select the Course titled "Tailored polymeric membranes for bio-separations and biomedical applications" from the list and click on 'Save' option. Confirm your registration by clicking on 'Confirm Course'. Also send the filled-in registration form to the contact address.

REGISTRATION FEE

| | Course Fee (including GST) |
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| FACULTY / SCIENTISTS | Rs. 5,000/- |
| PARTICIPANTS FROM INDUSTRY | Rs. 10,000/- |
| STUDENTS & RESEARCH SCHOLARS | Rs. 3,000/- |
| STUDENTS FROM ABROAD | US\$ 300 |
| OTHER PARTICIPANTS FROM ABROAD | US\$ 400 |