

# CURRICULUM VITAE – ILIA A. SOLOV'YOV, PH.D.

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**PERSONAL DATA** Date and place of birth November 10, 1983; Leningrad (St. Petersburg), USSR (Russia)  
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**RESEARCH INTERESTS** I have a strong background in **theoretical** and **computational physics**, as well as **biophysics**. My research interests cover a broad range of questions on theory of biomolecules and smart inorganic materials. Of particular interest are those biological processes that trigger energy conversion into forms that are usable for chemical transformations and are quantum mechanical in nature. Such processes involve chemical reactions, light absorption, formation of excited electronic states, transfer of excitation energy, and transfer of electrons and protons in chemical processes. Equally intriguing are problems in nanophysics which focus on potential applications in nano- technology, material science and medicine. I employ various levels of theory, including classical and quantum molecular dynamics, Monte-Carlo, coarse grained methods and multiscale techniques; often it is crucial to go beyond the standard methodologies, in which case specialized methods and tools are being designed and developed in my group. Many of the simulations require high performance computing facilities, and throughout the years I have gained significant experience working with supercomputers and utilizing them for addressing problems of interest.

**WORK EXPERIENCE**

**Carl von Ossietzky Universität Oldenburg**  
Department of Physics, Oldenburg, Germany  
*Professor* **October 2019 – present**

**University of Southern Denmark**  
Department of Physics, Chemistry and Pharmacy, Faculty of Science, Odense, Denmark  
*Associate Professor* **July 2014 – 2019**  
*Assistant Professor* **October 2013 – June 2014**

**Paternity leave** **2015 – 2016**  
**2012 – 2013**

**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**  
Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology, Urbana, Illinois, USA  
*Beckman Postdoctoral Fellow* **2010 – 2013**

**Johann-Wolfgang Goethe University**  
Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies, Frankfurt am Main, Germany  
*Postdoctoral Research Fellow* **2008 – 2010**

**University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign**  
Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology, Urbana, Illinois, USA  
*Visiting scholar, one-month visits* **2006, 2008 – 2010**

**Johann-Wolfgang Goethe University**  
Frankfurt International Graduate School for Science at the Frankfurt Institute for Ad-

vanced Studies, Frankfurt am Main, Germany  
*Graduate Researcher* 2005 – 2008

## EDUCATION

**A.F. Ioffe Physical-Technical Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences** 2009  
 St. Petersburg, Russia

Candidate of Sciences in Theoretical Physics (equivalent to Ph.D.)  
*Dissertation title:* New approaches for the description of nanoscale systems on the example of atomic clusters, carbon nanotubes and fullerene-based nanowires  
*Advisor:* Prof. Dr. Oleg V. Konstantinov

**Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt am Main, Germany** 2008

Ph.D. in Physics with Honors (summa cum laude)  
*Dissertation title:* Magnetoreception mechanisms in birds – towards the discovery of the sixth sense  
*Advisor:* Prof. Dr. h. c. mult. Walter Greiner

**St. Petersburg State Polytechnical University, St. Petersburg, Russia** 2006

Master of Sciences in Physics with Honors  
*Thesis title:* Structure and properties of metallic and noble gas clusters

**Johann Wolfgang Goethe University Frankfurt am Main, Germany** 2004

Diploma in Physics with Honors  
*Thesis title:* Ab initio and model description of atomic clusters

**St. Petersburg State Polytechnical University St. Petersburg, Russia** 2004

Bachelor of Sciences in Physics with Honors  
*Thesis title:* Modeling of Lennard-Jones clusters

**Lyceum “Physical-Technical High School”, Russian Academy of Sciences** 2000  
 St. Petersburg, Russia

**Elm-Wood School, London, United Kingdom** 1995

**Jacob Bruce Gymnasium №192, St. Petersburg, Russia** 1990 – 1998

**Elsa-Brandström School, Frankfurt am Main, Germany** 1990 – 1992

GRANTS,  
HONORS AND  
AWARDS

**Bundesamt für Strahlenschutz** 2023  
 Research grant “Is radical-pair mechanism relevant for radiation protection?” (€ 464,000)

**German Research Foundation (DFG)** 2023-2027  
 Hyperpolarisation in molekularen Systemen, SFB/Transregio 386: HYP\*MOL, Germany  
 PI: Jörg Matysik. (€ 13,095,000)  
 Co-applicant, my part: (€ 193,000)

**German Research Foundation (DFG)** 2023-2026  
 Magnetoreception and Navigation in Vertebrates, CRC 1372(2), Germany  
 PI: Henrik Mouritsen. (€ 11,401,000)  
 Co-applicant, my part: (€ 565,532)

**Ministry for Science and Culture of Lower Saxony** 2022  
 Collaborative Research grant “Dynamics in Nanostructures (DyNano)”, Germany  
 PI: Christoph Lienau. (€ 2,500,000)  
 Co-applicant, my part: (€ 200,000)

**Scientific Council of the NHR centers NHR@ZIB and NHR@Göttingen** 2023

High performance computing grant (Core-hours 16,405,000)

**European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST) 2021**

COST Action CA20129: Multiscale Irradiation and Chemistry Driven Processes and Related Technologies

Working Group Leader, Management Committee member (Germany)

**Norddeutscher Verbund für Hoch- und Höchstleistungsrechnen (HLRN) 2022**

High performance computing grant (NPL 1,200,000 eqv. € 312,000)

**Norddeutscher Verbund für Hoch- und Höchstleistungsrechnen (HLRN) 2021**

High performance computing grant (NPL 910,000 eqv. € 241,800)

**Universitätsgesellschaft Oldenburg e.V. (UGO) 2020**

*University society Oldenburg*

Award for excellent research, Oldenburg, Germany. (€ 5,000)

**Ministry for Science and Culture of Lower Saxony 2020**

Collaborative Research grant “Simulations meet experiments on the nanoscale: opening up the quantum world to artificial intelligence (SMART)”, Germany

PI: Caterina Cocchi. (€ 978,662)

Co-applicant, my part: (€ 247,000)

**German Research Foundation (DFG) 2020-2022**

Magnetoreception and Navigation in Vertebrates, CRC 1372, Germany

PI: Henrik Mouritsen. (€ 8,596,000)

Co-applicant, my part: (€ 460,000)

**German Research Foundation (DFG) 2019**

Research Training group, “Molecular Basis of Sensory Biology”, GRK1885, Germany

PI: Karl-Wilhelm Koch. (€ 7,571,000)

Co-applicant, my part: (€ 222,000)

**Volkswagenstiftung 2019**

Lichtenberg Professorship, Germany. (€ 1,322,600)

**Danish council for independent research 2018**

Research grant, Denmark. (DKK 2,592,000)

**Danish council for independent research 2017**

Research grant, Denmark

Co-applicant. PI: Jakob Kongsted. (DKK 7,813,002)

**Danish e-Infrastructure Cooperation (DeIC) 2017**

High performance computing grant (node/hrs 462,810 eqv. DKK 976,839)

**Danish Ministry of Education 2017**

Travel grant for a supervised student, Denmark

student: Emil Sjulstok Rasmussen (DKK 200,000)

**Danish e-Infrastructure Cooperation (DeIC) 2016**

High performance computing grant (node/hrs 410,778 eqv. DKK 890,430)

**SDU e-Science Centre 2015**

Ph.D. scholarship grant (1/3), Odense, Denmark

Co-applicant. PI: Himanshu Khandelia. (DKK 500,000)

<b>Danish e-Infrastructure Cooperation (DeIC)</b>	<b>2015</b>
High performance computing grant (node/hrs 284,812 eqv. DKK 627,393)	
<b>The Alfred Benzon Foundation</b>	<b>2015</b>
Workshop organization grant, Copenhagen, Denmark. (DKK 49,420)	
<b>Lundbeck Foundation Young Investigator Grant</b>	<b>2014</b>
5 year individual research fellowship, Copenhagen, Denmark. (DKK 10,000,000)	
<b>The Extreme Science and Engineering Discovery Environment (XSEDE)</b>	<b>2014</b>
Supercomputer time allocation grant, USA Co-applicant. PI: David LeBard. (\$ 114,485)	
<b>Danish e-Infrastructure Cooperation (DeIC)</b>	<b>2013</b>
High performance computing grant Co-applicant. PI: Hans Jørgen Aagaard Jensen. (DKK 792,000)	
<b>Beckman conference challenge proposal</b>	<b>2013</b>
Symposium organization grant Co-applicant with Baoxing Xu. (\$ 10,000)	
<b>Arnold and Mabel Beckman Foundation</b>	<b>2010 – 2013</b>
Beckman institute postdoctoral fellowship, Urbana, USA. (\$ 156,000)	
<b>Stiftung Polytechnische Gesellschaft</b>	<b>2008 – 2010</b>
<i>The foundation “Stiftung Polytechnische Gesellschaft”</i> Research fellowship, Frankfurt am Main, Germany. (€102,000)	
<b>Frankfurter Förderverein für physikalische Grundlagenforschung</b>	<b>2008</b>
<i>Frankfurt foundation for fundamental physical sciences</i> One of a kind award for interdisciplinary research on magnetoreception in birds and other animals, Frankfurt am Main, Germany. (€10,000)	
<b>Philipp Siedler-Wissenschaftspreis</b>	<b>2006</b>
<i>Philipp Siedler science award</i> The best Diploma thesis award, Frankfurt am Main, Germany. (€1,000)	
<b>Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes</b>	<b>2003 – 2004</b>
<i>Scholarship of the German nation</i> Educational foundation, fellowship, Germany	
<b>Soros foundation (ISSEP) award</b>	<b>2003, 2004</b>
Laureate of the <i>Student of the Year</i> contest, St. Petersburg, Russia	

TEACHING  
EXPERIENCE  
(COURSES)

<b>Department of Physics, Oldenburg, Germany</b>	
<i>Lecturer:</i> Introduction into Theoretical Physics, ~40 students, (15 ECTS).	<b>2023 –</b>
<i>Lecturer:</i> Thermodynamics and Statistical Physics, ~35 students, (10 ECTS).	<b>2022 –</b>
<i>Lecturer:</i> Advanced Quantum Mechanics, ~15 students, (5 ECTS).	<b>2020 –</b>
<i>Lecturer:</i> Multiscale Modelling of Molecular Systems, ~15 students, (2 ECTS).	<b>2020</b>
<i>Lecturer:</i> Introductory Quantum Mechanics, ~35 students, (10 ECTS).	<b>2020 –</b>
<i>Lecturer:</i> Computational Biophysics, ~20 students, (5 ECTS).	<b>2020 –</b>
<b>University of Southern Denmark</b>	
Department of Physics, Chemistry and Pharmacy, Faculty of Science, Odense, Denmark	
<i>Lecturer:</i> Introductory Astronomy, ~10 students, (10 ECTS).	<b>2019</b>
<i>Lecturer:</i> Computational Physics, ~20 students, (5 ECTS).	<b>2017 – 2019</b>

*Lecturer:* Introductory Quantum Mechanics, ~25 students, (10 ECTS). **2015 – 2019**  
*Lecturer:* Molecular Spectroscopy, ~30 students, (5 ECTS). **2014 – 2015**

### **MBN Research Center**

Crowne Plaza, Edinburgh, United Kingdom

*Co-organizer and tutor:* Training course on computational methods for complex molecular systems **May 17 – 19, 2014**

### **Goethe University**

Frankfurt Institute for Advanced Studies, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

*Visiting Lecturer:* Multi-center molecular systems, course for graduate and post-graduate researchers **2011**

*Tutorial development:* Computational methods in Meso-Bio-Nano Science **2004 – 2010**

### **Johann-Wolfgang Goethe University**

Institute for Theoretical Physics, Frankfurt am Main, Germany

*Teaching Assistant:* theoretical physics courses in statistical mechanics, thermodynamics, and basics of quantum mechanics. **2003 – 2004**

## **SUPERVISION**

With ongoing, **19** Bachelor students; **15** Masters students; **14** Ph.D. students; **13** Post-doctoral research associate; **4** Software developers;

## **SUMMARY OF PUBLICATIONS**

**187** peer reviewed scientific publications since 2002 including 149 journal publications, 20 book chapters, 6 refereed conference proceedings, 5 theses, 7 monographs/books; designed and contributed to **26** journal and book covers.

h-index of **34** with +5000 citations.

URL: <http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=dKpz7QkAAAAJ&hl=en>

## **PROFESSIONAL SERVICE**

### **Management Experience**

Department of Physics, Oldenburg, Germany

*Responsible for the physics bachelor's degree program* **2021 –**

University of Southern Denmark, Department of Physics, Chemistry and Pharmacy

*Faculty of Science, eScience committee member* **2018 – 2019**

*Member of the departmental council* **2016 – 2019**

### **Conference and Symposia Organization**

*International Conference “Dynamics of Systems on the Nanoscale” (DySoN)*

*Member of the international advisory committee* **since 2018**

*Fifth International Conference “Dynamics of Systems on the Nanoscale” (DySoN 2018)*

Potsdam, Germany, October 8 – 12, 2018

*Symposium co-chair* **2018**

*Oxford-Oldenburg-Odense (O3) annual symposium on magnetoreception*

Middelfart, Denmark, March 15 – 17, 2018

Middelfart, Denmark, September 08 – 10, 2016

Odense, Denmark, June 17 – 18, 2015

*Symposium chair* **2015 – 2018**

*“Hands-on” Workshop on Computational Biophysics*

- Odense, Denmark, October 12 – 16, 2015  
*Co-organizer* **2015**
- Symposium: “The Radical-Pair Mechanism as Magnetoreceptor Mechanism” at the 16th International Congress on Photobiology*  
Córdoba, Argentina, September 09, 2014  
*Symposium co-chair* **2014**
- Interdisciplinary Symposium on Advanced Nano/Biosystems: Design, Fabrication, and Characterization*  
Urbana, Illinois, USA, September 25 – 27, 2013  
*Symposium co-chair* **2013**
- International Conference “Dynamics of Systems on the Nanoscale” (DySoN 2010)*  
National Research Council, Rome, Italy, November 16 – 19, 2010  
*Member of the local organizing committee* **2010**
- International Symposium on atomic cluster collisions: structure and dynamics from the nuclear to the biological scale (ISACC)*  
Ann Arbor, Michigan, USA, July 14 – 18, 2009  
St. Petersburg, Russia, June 3 – 7, 2008, Europhysics Conference  
GSI, Darmstadt, Germany, July 19 – 23 2007, Europhysics Conference  
*Member of the local organizing committee* **2007 – 2009**
- Professional Affiliations**
- Theoretical Section of the Danish Chemical Society  
*Member* **2017 – 2019**
- American Chemical Society  
*Member* **2017**
- MBN Research gGmbH ([www.mbnresearch.com](http://www.mbnresearch.com))  
*share holder and co-founder* **2016 – present**
- PerpeVit ApS ([www.perpevit.com](http://www.perpevit.com))  
*share holder and co-founder* **2019 – present**
- SDU eScience Centre ([escience.dias.sdu.dk](http://escience.dias.sdu.dk))  
*Affiliated member* **2014 – present**  
*Faculty of Science, eScience committee member* **2018 – present**
- Physicalisches Verein, Frankfurt am Main, Germany  
*Member* **2006 – 2010**
- SUMMARY OF PRESENTATIONS** **144** presentations since 2003 including 80 invited presentations total (conferences, symposia, colloquia) and 5 invited general audience presentations.
- RECENT REPRESENTATIVE INVITED TALKS (LAST 4 YEARS)**
- Multiscale modelling of cryptochromes through VIKING*  
DFG Roundtable Discussion on Photoreceptors  
Castle Ringberg, Germany **October 4, 2019**
- Studying cryptochromes with the computational microscope*  
Colloquium at the Southwestern Medical Center  
Dallas, Texas, USA **May 21, 2018**



*Magnetic Compass Sense of Migratory Birds: A Perspective*

Klaus Schulten Memorial Symposium

Urbana, Illinois, USA

**November 09, 2017**

*Introducing VIKING – the next generation virtual laboratory*

Colloquium at the Department of Physics of University of Trento

Trento, Italy

**April 26, 2017**

*Computational and theoretical insights into vibrationally assisted electron transfer mechanism of olfaction*

Molecular Recognition and the Chemical Senses

Telluride, Colorado, USA

**July 19, 2016**

*Quantum biology of the avian magnetic compass*

Departmental Colloquium, University of Liverpool

Liverpul, United Kingdom

**January 27, 2016**

**PEER-REVIEW  
ACTIVITIES**

**Referee for 30 international journals**

Applied Spectroscopy, Bioelectromagnetics, Biological Reviews, Biology Bulletin Reviews, Biophysical Journal, Biosensors, Carbon, Computational and Structural Biotechnology Journal, European Biophysics Journal, European Physical Journal D, Integrative Biology, Journal of Biophysics, Journal of Chemical Physics, Journal of Chemical Theory and Computation, Journal of Computational Chemistry, Journal of Nanotechnology, Journal of Physical Chemistry, Journal of Physical Chemistry Letters, Journal of the American Chemical Society, Journal of Theoretical Biology, Journal of the Royal Society Interface, Nature Chemistry, Nature Materials, Nature Scientific Reports, Naturwissenschaften, Philosophical Transactions A, Physical Review E, Physical Review Letters, PLoS One, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences of the United States of America

**Editorial activities**

The European Physical Journal D, topical issue on “Dynamics of Systems on the Nanoscale”

*Guest Editor:*

**2018 – 2020**

Scientific Reports (Nature Publishing Group)

*Academic Editor:*

**2017 – present**

Plos One (Public Library of Science)

*Academic Editor:*

**2014 – present**

Journal of Nanotechnology (Hindawi Publishing Corporation), special Issue on “Fullerene-related nanocarbons and their applications”

*Guest Editor:*

**2011**

**MAJOR  
COLLABORATIONS**

Marcus Elstner

Karlsruhe Institute of Technology, Germany

David Estrada

Boise State University, Idaho, USA

Peter Hore

Oxford University, UK

Ron Hui

Hong Kong University, China

Daniel Kattnig

Exeter University, UK

Himanshu Khandelia

University of Southern Denmark (SDU), Odense, Denmark

Karl-Wilhelm Koch

Oldenburg University, Germany

Jacob Kongsted

University of Southern Denmark (SDU), Odense, Denmark

Wing-Yee Lui

Hong Kong University, China

Henrik Mouritsen

Oldenburg University, Germany

Andrey Solov'yov

MBN Research Centre, Germany

Joseph Takahashi

Texas University, USA

## LANGUAGES

Russian (native), English (professional), German (C1), and Danish (B2)