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**Academic and Professional Career** 

Degree

1. M.Sc. (Applied Physics) Bharathidasan University, Trichy (1987)

2. Ph.D. (Physics) Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore (1999).

#### **Positions held:**

Dr. Ramesh has joined the Indian Institute of Science, Bangalore in August 1988. He did his Ph.D. work under the guidance of Prof. E.S.R. Gopal and obtained Ph.D. Degree in June 1999. Currently, he is a Principal Research Scientist in the Department of Physics, IISc, Bangalore.

**Postdoctoral Fellow:** July 2000 – July 2001

NYSC, Alfred University, Alfred, New York, USA. (Mentors: Prof. Arun K Varshenya and Prof. Scot Misture)

**Research Scientist:** May 2006 – Nov 2007

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#### **Research Interests:**

- Structure property relations in chalcogenide glasses
- Glass formation in chalcogenide systems
- Phase change and electrical switching properties chalcogenide glasses
- Thermoelectric properties of chalcogenide glasses
- Infrared detection and sensing properties of semiconducting chalcogenide glasses
- Shift of glass transition temperature under high pressure (understanding the positive dTg/dP and negative dTg/dP)
- Phase transition of solids at elevated pressures and temperatures
- Photovoltaic materials (SnS based and Perovskite based solar cells)
- Synthesis of Nano structured carbon nitrides.

## Important contributions

(i) Main research interest is on the structure property relations in chalcogenide glasses. Glass formation, phase change memory (PCM), physical ageing properties and Infrared transmission in

both bulk and thin films of chalcogenide glasses are of interest. Exploring chalcogenide glass for onchip nonlinear process for broadband light generation has been initiated. Also, started working on multi layered chalcogenide thin films for low power phase change memory applications by defect engineering.

- (ii) Preparation of chalcogenide glasses using rapid quenching techniques enable his group to prepare glasses in the extended region of glass forming region which unravels many interesting properties.
- (iii) The observation of negative pressure coefficient of glass transition in chalcogenide glasses is significant in understanding the nature of glass transition.
- (iv) Ge-Se-Te glass with IR transmission upto 25 microns has also been prepared for space and defence applications. The IR transmission % is also about 75%.
- (v) The direct transition of Ge<sub>2</sub>Sb<sub>2</sub>Te<sub>5</sub>(GST) to the stable hexagonal phase when doped with Se is an important observation. This work demonstrates that the transition to the metastable cubic phase is not an essential aspect for the fast and efficient phase change non-volatile memory applications. The direct transition to the stable hexagonal phase can also lead to the fast phase change.
- (vi) The effect of atomic size on the phase change properties has been studied on the Ge-Te system by replacing the bigger atom Te by a smaller atom Se.
- (vii) Exploring chalcogenide glasses and glass ceramics for thermoelectric applications.
- (viii) Their group also prepared carbon nitride (C<sub>3</sub>N<sub>4</sub>) which is predicted to be an ultrahard material with nitrogen atomic % as close to the stochiometric composition (about 54 % of nitrogen)
- (ix) The contribution in solar cell materials is significant. The work on SnS (non-toxic) solar materials is highly cited. His group also working on Perovskite solar cells.
- (x) Studies on physical ageing and strong/fragilie classification in chalcogenide glasses and its relation to structural relaxation is also significant.

# Project Undertaken

Sl.No.	Title	Agency	DURATION	Role (PI/CI)		
ON-GOING PROJECTS						
1	Synthesis of IR Transmitting Ge-Se-Te Glasses for Space Applications	DST	2022-2024	PI		
2	Thermally Stable Ge-Se-Te Semiconducting Glasses for IR Light Transmission	RCI, DRDO	2021-2023	PI		
1	Semiconducting glasses for harvesting waste heat energy	CSIR	2019-2022	PI		
2	Thermally stable semiconducting glasses for IR light transmission	DRDL	2018-2021	PI		
3	A large volume furnace for High temperature powder X-ray diffraction studies	DST	2018-2021	PI		
4	Development of far-infrared transmitting Te based chalcogenide glasses for space applications	ISRO	2018-2020	PI		
5	Physical ageing, intermediate phases and phase change properties of chalcogenide glasses	DST	2013 - 2017	PI		
6	New synthesis route to prepare infrared transmitting bulk chalcogenide glasses and glass-ceramics	ISRO	2015-2017	PI		
7	Synthesis of nanostructured carbon nitrides	DST	2013 - 2016	PI		
8	Preparation of carbon nitrides for space applications	ISRO	2013 - 2015	PI		

9	Room temperatures gas sensors based on chalcogenide compounds	JATP	2008 - 2009	PI
10	Off-line approach to non-contact IR sensor technique for estimation of sugars and its byproducts	DBT	2007-2010	CI
11	Infrared transparent chalcogenide glasses: Materials to see beyond visible	ISRO	2011-2013	PI
12	High temperature powder x-ray diffraction studies on some advanced materials and associated instrumentation	DST	2006-2010	PI
13	Investigation of rigidity percolation and type conversion in chalcogenide glasses over extended composition range obtained by rapid quenching	CSIR	2004-2007	PI

### **List of Publications**

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