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Education

- 2014–2020 **Chemistry, Bachelor of Science**, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.
- 2021–2023 **Physical Chemistry & Chemical Physics (PCCP), Master of Science**, Université de Bordeaux.

Experience

- May–Dec 2021 **Diploma Thesis**, Supervisor Prof: A. Papakondylis, NKUA, Department Of Chemistry, Laboratory Of Physical Chemistry.
"High accuracy ab-initio quantum chemical calculations of ground and low-lying electronic states of noble gas monohalide cations (NgX^+)" [Final Report in Greek](#)
- Jan–April 2022 **Molecular Spectroscopy Intern**, Supervisor Prof: V. Rodriguez, Université de Bordeaux, Institut Des Sciences Moléculaires (ISM), Groupe Spectroscopie Moléculaire (GSM).
"Experimental study of linear and nonlinear optical properties and kinetic analysis of photo-switchable molecules in solutions" [Final Report](#)
- Jan–Aug 2023 **Master Thesis**, Supervisor Prof: T. Stergiopoulos, National Center Of Scientific Research (NCSR) "Demokritos", Institute Of Nanoscience And Nanotechnology (INN).
"Silver Bismuth Sulfide Nanocrystal Solar Cells" [Final Report](#)

Projects

- Jan–April 2022 **Photoresponsive Nonlinear Optical Monolayers "[PHONOM](#)" (Project-ANR-20-CE29-0009)**, Université de Bordeaux, Institut des Sciences Moléculaires (ISM), Groupe Spectroscopie Moléculaire (GSM), Responsibility: **Analyses of linear and nonlinear optical properties of photoswitchable molecules in solutions**.
○ Non-linear optical activity of chromophores in solutions
○ Hyper-Rayleigh scattering (HRS)
○ Kinetic analysis of chromophore solutions and self-assembled monolayers
○ Uv/Vis and micro-Raman spectroscopy
○ Magneto-optical effects (Faraday/electro-optic kerr effect)
○ Optical setups
- Jan 2022–Today **Hybrid, organic-inorganic chalcogenide optoelectronics "[MIX2FIX](#)" (ERC found ID:818615)**, National Center Of Scientific Research (NCSR) "Demokritos", Institute Of Nanoscience And Nanotechnology (INN), Photovoltaic and Optoelectronic Materials and Devices Group, Responsibility: **Solution-processed chalcogenide perovskites through molecular inks and colloids**.
○ Deposition of semiconducting thin films
○ Halide/chalcogenide perovskites and other metal chalcogenides (AgBiS_2 , Sb_2S_3 , SnS_x etc.)
○ Nanoparticle and solvothermal synthesis
○ Physical vapour deposition
○ Quantum dot solar cells: device fabrication and characterization
○ PL, PLQE, Uv-Vis, FTIR, DR, RAMAN
○ AFM, SEM/TEM, UPS, XPS, EDX, XRD, XRF, DLS
○ Working in gloveboxes

Conferences & Seminars

- 2019 **17th Hellenic Conference of Clinical Chemistry, Athens, Greece.**
- 2020 **2nd Cycle Seminar by the Greek Society of Clinical Chemistry - Clinical Biochemistry, Athens, Greece.**
- 2022 **4th Physical chemistry and chemical physics Workshop (PCCP), Bordeaux, France.**
- 2022 **29th International Conference on Image Processing (ICIP) - Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE), Bordeaux, France.**
- 2023 **5th Physical chemistry and chemical physics Workshop (PCCP), Bordeaux, France.**
- 2023 **2nd International Conference on Nanotechnologies & Bionanoscience (Nanobio), Heraklion, Greece.**
- 2024 **59th Summer School National Center Of Scientific Research (NCSR) "Demokritos", Athens, Greece.**
- 2024 **7th International conference on Perovskite solar cells and optoelectronics (PSCO), Perugia, Italy.**
- 2025 **Materials for sustainable development (MATSUS), Seville, Spain.**

Skills

Speaking Languages

- Greek(Native)
- English(Full Professional Proficiency - IELTS 7)
- French(Elementary Proficiency)
- Italian(Limited Working Proficiency)

Science topics Physical Chemistry, Material Science, Nanomaterials, Spectroscopy, Solar Cells, Thin film deposition, Organic chemistry

Techniques Uv-Vis, FTIR, RAMAN, HRS, SHG, Photonic Setups, XRD, PL, AFM, SEM/TEM, XPS, optoelectronic characterization of solar cells

Coding Fortran90, Python, C++, Tex

Software Gaussian, Molpro, AMPAC, OriginPro, LabView, KaleidaGraph, Quantum Espresso, MS-Office, Adobe Creative Cloud, Fusion360, FreeCAD

OSs Windows, LINUX/UNIX

Accomplishments

- 2021–2023 **Scholarship Holder for master studies, Sofoklis Achillopoulos Foundation.**
- 2021 **Computer Operating Certificate, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, NKUA.**
- 2005–2013 **Degree in Advanced Music Theory, Volos Municipal Music School.**
- 2005–2010 **Violin studies, "katotera" Grade, Volos Municipal Music School.**
- 2011–2013 **Piano Preliminary Studies, Volos Municipal Music School.**

Memberships

- 2021–Today **Greek Chemists Association Membership.**
- 2022–Today **Société Chimique de France Membership.**
- 2021–Today **PCCP Association membership.**

Awards

- Nanoscale poster prize by the Royal Society Of Chemistry for the poster presentation at the 2nd International Conference on Nanotechnologies & Bionanoscience (Nanobio 2023)

Publications

- Rodriguez, V., Verreault, D., Adamietz, F. & **Kalafatis, A.** All-Optical Measurements of the Verdet Constant in Achiral and Chiral Liquids: Toward All-Optical Magnetic Spectroscopies. **ACS Photonics** **9**, 2510–2519 (2022). doi.org/10.1021/acspophotonics.2c00720
- Dubuis, S., Dellai, A., Courdurié, C., Owona, J., **Kalafatis, A.**, Vellutini, L., Genin, E., Rodriguez, V. & Castet, F. Nonlinear Optical Responses of Photoswitchable Donor–Acceptor Stenhouse Adducts. **J. Am. Chem. Soc.** **145**, 10861–10871 (2023). doi:10.1021/jacs.3c02778
- Dallas, P., Gkini, K., Kaltzoglou, A., Givalou, L., Konstantakou, M., Orfanoudakis, S., Boukos, N., Sakellis, E., Tsipas, P., **Kalafatis, A.**, Karydas, A. G., Lagogiannis, A., Falaras, P., Pscharis, V. & Stergiopoulos, T. Exploring the potential of powder-to-film processing for proof-of-concept BaZrS₃ perovskite solar cells. **Materials Today Communications** **108608** (2024). doi:10.1016/j.mtcomm.2024.108608
- **Kalafatis, A.**, Theofylaktos, L., & Stergiopoulos, T. Spin coating on a budget: A 3D-Printed all-mechanical alternative for cost-effective thin-film deposition. **Hardware-x** (2024). <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.ohx.2024.e00547>
- Theofylaktos, L., **Kalafatis, A.**, Harlaftis, F., Orfanoudakis, S., Symeonidou, E., Karnachoriti, M., Mavropoulis, A., Dimitrakis, A., Kontos, G., & Stergiopoulos, T., Thiophene-based Hole Transport Layer Control for Efficient Carrier Extraction in Sb₂S₃ Solar Cells **In preparation** (2024).

Posters & communications

- 4th PCCP Workshop (Bordeaux, France - 2022); **Kalafatis, A.**, Dubuis, S. & Rodriguez, V., "Linear and nonlinear optical properties and kinetic analysis of photoswitchable molecules in solutions", *Poster presentation*
- 5th PCCP Workshop (Bordeaux, France - 2023); **Kalafatis, A.**, "AgBiS₂ nanocrystal solar cells", *Oral communication*
- 37th Panhellenic Conference on Solid State Physics and Materials Science (Thessaloniki, Greece - 2023); Theofylaktos, L., **Kalafatis, A.**, Orfanoudakis, S., Dallas, P., Basina, G., Gkini, K., Tsipas, P., Sekelis, E., Psycharis, V., Stergiopoulos, T. & Sazou, D. "Novel synthetic route to Stibnite-Bismuthinite BiSbS₃ solid solution series as a candidate material for energy applications", *Poster presentation*
- 2nd International Conference on Nanotechnologies & Bionanoscience (Nanobio) (Heraklion, Crete - 2023); Orfanoudakis, S., Harlaftis, F., Gkini, K., Theofylaktos, L., **Kalafatis, A.**, Basina, G., Givalou, L., Konstantakou, M., Kontos, A.G. & Stergiopoulos, T., "A thiol-based salt for surface passivation in perovskite solar cells", *Poster presentation*
- 2nd International Conference on Nanotechnologies & Bionanoscience (Nanobio) (Heraklion, Crete - 2023); Theofylaktos, L., Givalou, L., Gkini, K., Orfanoudakis, S., **Kalafatis, A.**, Basina, G., Dallas, P., Tsipas, P., Psycharis, V., & Stergiopoulos, T., "Emerging Sb₂S₃ absorber for planar chalcogenide solar cells via optimized Sb(oAc)₃-Thiourea-DMF route", *Poster presentation*
- 2nd International Conference on Nanotechnologies & Bionanoscience (Nanobio) (Heraklion, Crete - 2023); **Kalafatis, A.**, Theofylaktos, L., Orfanoudakis, S., Dallas, P., Givalou, L., Gkini, K., Basina, G., Konstantakou, M., & Stergiopoulos, T., "Two-step ligand exchange strategy for AgBiS₂ conductive thin-films for photovoltaic applications", *Poster presentation*
- 59th Summer School National Center Of Scientific Research (NCSR) "Demokritos" (Athens, Greece - 2024); **Kalafatis, A.**, Theofylaktos, L., Orfanoudakis, S., Gkini, K., Dallas, P. & Stergiopoulos, T., "Solution-processed metal sulfide thin films for optoelectronic and thermoelectric applications", *Poster presentation*
- 7th International conference on Perovskite solar cells and optoelectronics - PSCO (Perugia, Italy - 2024); **Kalafatis, A.**, Theofylaktos, L., Orfanoudakis, S., Gkini, K., Dallas, P., Konstantakou, M. & Stergiopoulos, T., "Metal sulfide thin films from single-source molecular inks: Steps towards solution-processed chalcogenide perovskites", *Poster presentation*
- Materials for sustainable development (MATSUSSpring25). (Seville - 2025); **Kalafatis, A.**, Orfanoudakis, S. & Stergiopoulos, T. "Broadband Vis-NIR emission from QDot blends: Steps towards single-emissive-layer white monolithic LEDs", *Poster presentation*
- Materials for sustainable development (MATSUSSpring25). (Seville - 2025); Orfanoudakis, S., Dallas, P., Kontos, A.G., **Kalafatis, A.**, & Stergiopoulos, T. "Organic Modification of CuInS₂ Quantum Dots for Light-Emitting Applications", *Poster presentation*

Research Interests

- Material science
- Nanomaterials; synthesis and characterization
- Solar cells
- Photonics
- Organic chemistry
- Quantum chemistry (Ab Initio, DFT & semi-empirical methods)
- Molecular spectroscopy
- Nonlinear optics