

Dr. Amir Natan - Curriculum Vitae

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A. Education

1984-1987 – B.Sc. in Physics (wide) and Mathematics (wide), (Cum Laude) from the Hebrew University.

2003-2005 – M.Sc. in Electronics and Electrical Engineering (Cum Laude) from the Tel-Aviv University. Thesis: “Adsorption of benzene derivative self assembled monolayers on silicon surfaces: A first principles study”, supervised by Prof. Y. Shapira and Dr. L. Kronik

2006-2010 – PhD at the Weizmann institute. Thesis “Understanding collective effects at organic/inorganic interfaces from first principles”, supervised by Prof. L. Kronik and Prof. D. Cahen.

B. Further studies

October 2010- June 2011 – Post-doctorate fellowship in the group of Prof. Tamar Seideman at Northwestern University.

C. Academic and professional experience

1987-1988 – In Rafael on behalf of the Israeli Navy. Signal processing work.

1989-1992 – In the Israeli Air industries on behalf of the Israeli Navy. Signal processing consulting and algorithm development for a large scale project.

1992-1999 – Co-founder and President (1994-1997) of Compugen Ltd. (<http://www.cgen.com>, [Nasdaq:cgen](http://www.nasdaq.com)) together with 2 partners. The company still exists (2010) and has an affiliated company (Evogene Ltd.) in the area of plants genome analysis.

2003-2004 – Consultant for BrainsGate Ltd. - a company producing a medical device for the delivery of drugs across the blood-brain barrier.

2006,2009 – Teaching assistant, “Solid State Physics for Chemists” – Weizmann Institute, Israel.

October 2011 - Today – Senior Lecturer, Tel-Aviv University, Department of Physical Electronics. My group research areas: High Throughput Materials Science, Processes in photovoltaic cells and energy storage devices and light matter interaction. We use Density Functional Theory, Molecular Dynamics and also larger scale modeling for various physical problems. We also develop formalism and code for DFT and RT-TDDFT in the

real-space approach. My long term goal is to develop and use multi-scale methods to describe devices from atomic to macroscopic level.

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6. **Amir Natan**, Leeor Kronik, Hossam Haick, and Raymond Tung, “Electrostatic properties of ideal and non-ideal polar organic monolayers: implications for electronic devices”, *Adv. Mat.* **19**, 4103-4117, (2007).
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11. Ferdinand Rissner, David A. Egger, **Amir Natan**, Thomas Körzdörfer, Stephan Kümmel, Leeor Kronik, and Egbert Zojer, “Collectively Induced Quantum-Confined Stark Effect in Monolayers of Molecules Consisting of Polar Repeating Units”, *JACS* **133**, 18634-18645 (2011).
12. Ferdinand Rissner, **Amir Natan**, David A. Egger, Oliver T. Hofmann, Leeor Kronik and Egbert Zojer, “Dimensionality effects in the electronic structure of organic semiconductors consisting of polar repeat units”, *Organic Electronics*, **13**, 3165 (2012).

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14. Nadav Amdursky, Gil Shalev, Amir Handelman, Simon Litsyn, **Amir Natan**, Yakov Roizin, Yossi Rosenwaks, Daniel Szwarcman, Gil Rosenman , "Bioorganic nanodots for non-volatile memory devices", *APL MATERIALS* **1**, 062104 (2013).
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