

Arrigo Calzolari

Present Position & Appointments

- Oct. 2010 – present Researcher CNR-NANO S3 Modena, IT
- Nov. 2012 – present Adjunct Professor Physics Dept., Univ. North Texas, Denton TX, USA

Education

- 02/2003 Ph.D. in Physics Univ. Modena and Reggio E.
- 07/1999 Laurea in Physics (cum laude) Univ. Modena and Reggio E.

Previous Professional Experiences

- 09/2009 – 09/2010 Researcher CNR-IOM DEMOCRITOS, Trieste, IT
- 07/2007 – 08/2009 Researcher CNR-INFN S3, Modena, IT
- 03/2003 – 06/2007 Postdoc CNR-INFN S3, Modena, IT

Research

My research activity is focused on the *ab initio* simulations – within the Density Functional Theory (DFT) framework and beyond (TDDFT) – of the structural, electronic, optical and transport properties of nanostructures, molecules, surfaces and interfaces, for solar cells, molecular electronics and nanotechnology applications. The research activity deals both with the application of state-of-the-art packages for (TD)DFT calculations to interesting physical systems, and with the development and the implementation of original methods for the evaluation of the electronic and thermal transport properties in nanostructures.

Specific themes of research:

- (Bio)molecules and low-dimensional systems: molecular dyes (**anthocyanins** [see e.g. Refs. 10, 19, 23], catecholates, Ru-based), organometallic complexes (porphyrins, phthalocyanins), nucleic acids, polypeptides, organic (PPV) and inorganic (MMX, Co-bioxolane) polymers, wires, CNT and graphene.
- Thermodynamic stability, dynamical evolution and **optical properties of molecules and nanostructures in solution at finite temperature** [see e.g. Refs. 10, 11, 18, 19, 23].
- Hybrid organic/inorganic interfaces including semiconductor (Si, SiC, III-V, II-VI), metal-oxide (ZnO) and metal (Au, Cu, Ag, NiAl) substrates, for photovoltaic and electronic devices.
- Electronic and heat transport in nanostructures and Wannier Functions: method development and code implementation (WanT PROJECT, www.wannier-transport.org) as well as applications to systems scientifically relevant for nanotechnology applications.

Scientific activity

- Author of more than 50 original articles in journals and 6 scientific review articles and book chapters abstracted by ISI, including Nature Materials, Nature Nanotechnology, Physical Review Letters, Journal of American Chemical Society, Applied Physics Letters, J. of Physical Chemistry Letters. H-index 19, (source: ISI Web of Science Jan 2013). [see full list of publications].
- 7 invited talks to peer-reviewed internationally established conferences, 5 invited presentations/lectures to international workshops and advanced schools (since 2008), and 4 invited seminars in international scientific institutions.
- Program Committee of National Workshop on “Surfaces, Interfaces and Functionalization Processes in Organic compounds and Applications”, SINFO, June 20 – 22, 2012, Parma Italy.
- Referee for condensed-matter and chemical-physics journals, including Phys. Rev. Lett., J. Am. Chem. Soc., J. Phys. Chem, J. Phys.: Cond. Matt., Nanotech., Europhys. Lett., Chem. Phys. Lett.
- Co-Supervision and training of graduate and undergraduate students
- Lecturer at University of Modena e Reggio E.: exercise on mechanics and electromagnetism (2003-2008) and quantum mechanics (2002).

Collaborations & Partnerships

- Prof. Marco Buongiorno Nardelli, Department of Physics, University of North Texas, Denton TX, USA. The collaboration is active since 2002. The joint activity of the two partners led development of a novel numerical methodology for the evaluation of electronic and heat transport in nanostructures and the publication of many scientific papers.
- Prof. Stefano Baroni, SISSA, Trieste, IT. The collaboration is active since 2009 and deals with the optical

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properties and color simulation of molecular dye in solution, via TDDFT approaches.

- Further national and international scientific collaborations include: F. Zamora and J. Gomez-Herrero (Univ. Autonoma, Madrid ES), M.J. Caldas and H. Petrilli (Univ. de Sao Paulo, Brazil), D.B. Dougherty and D. Shultz (North Carolina State University, Raleigh, NC USA), T. Jayasekera (Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, IL USA), M.G. Betti and C. Mariani (Univ. La Sapienza, Rome IT), T. Virgili (Politecnico Milano, IT), M. Pedio and S. Fabris (CNR-IOM, Trieste, IT).

Projects

- Participation to scientific projects funded by regional (Laboratorio Regionale Emilia Romagna NANOFABER 2005-2007), national (PRIN-2008, PRIN-2006, PRIN-2004, FIRB-NOMADE 2003-2006) and international (EC NEST STREP "Prosurf" 2006-2009; EC IST FET-Open "DNA-BASED NANODEVICES" 2006-2009; EC IST FET-Open "DNA-BASED NANOWIRES" 2003-2005) agencies.

- Participation/coordination to/of supercomputing projects, including PRACE 2012 (EU project), ISCRA 2010-2011, DEISA 2008 (EU project), CNMS-Oak Ridge 2011, CINECA 2001-2009.

List of Publications

1. **A. Calzolari**, T. Jayasekera, K.W. Kim, and M. Buongiorno Nardelli, "Ab initio thermal transport properties of nanostructures from density functional perturbation theory", *J. Phys.: Cond. Matter.* **24**, 492204 (2012).
2. **A. Calzolari**, Y. Chen, G.F. Lewis, D. B. Dougherty, D. Shultz, and M. Buongiorno Nardelli, "Complex Materials for Molecular Spintronics Applications: Cobalt bis(dioxolene) Valence Tautomers, from Molecules to Polymers", *J. Phys. Chem. B* **161**, 13141 (2012).
3. **A. Calzolari**, M. Bazzani and A. Catellani, "Dipolar and charge transfer effects on the atomic stabilization of ZnO polar surfaces", *Surf. Sci.* **607**, 181 (2013).
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6. **A. Calzolari**, A. Ruini, and A. Catellani, "Surface effects on catecholic chemistry at hexagonal substrates: structural and electronic properties", *J. Phys. Chem. C* **116**, 17158 (2012).
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10. O.B. Malcioglu, **A. Calzolari**, R. Gebauer, D. Varsano and S. Baroni, "Dielectric and thermal effects on the optical properties of natural dyes: a case study on solvated cyanin", *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **133**, 15425 (2011).
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12. **A. Calzolari**, A. Ruini, and A. Catellani, "Anchor group versus conjugation: towards the gap-state engineering of functionalized ZnO(10-10) surface for optoelectronic applications", *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **133**, 5893 (2011).
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