Abstract of the Webinar

Organic semiconductors are proven to be useful for various optoelectronic devices whether on solid or flexible substrates. As OLED technology crossing the small-area display market share of ~$40B by 2021 and a rapid improvement in single junction solar cells efficiency towards 20% equivalent to their inorganic counter-part is attracting a lot of attention world-wide from academia and industrial laboratories. Being low density materials, the primary excitation is electron-hole bound pair, i.e., Frenkel excitons - which sets up a new level of exotic photo-physics for this class of semiconductors.

Prof. Dinesh Kabra’s group deals with this class of semiconductors and halide perovskites semiconductors where they study fundamental semiconductors physics and then transfer this knowledge to develop high performance state of art optoelectronic devices. In this talk, with a brief overview of the group’s research activities the focus will be on transport physics of non-emissive dark triplet excitons, which are in general considered to be highly localized and lossy channel. It has been demonstrated that with chemical structure design and right processing conditions one can not only make these triplets highly conducting but also make them emissive via bimolecular fusion process without the use of high Z metal. In order to visualize these dark triplets, a customized unique optoelectronic technique has been developed, which allows the tracking of triplet’s motion normal to substrate and in-plane diffusion which was studied via delayed PL imaging. Anisotropic diffusion transport is correlated with structural studies. These findings could shed a light on puzzling highly efficient unusually thick emissive layers (1200 nm as compare to usual 15-80 nm), which are technologically highly relevant for better yield. [References]

Information about the speaker

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