

# Juliano Schorne Pinto, Ph.D.

Materials Science and Engineering | Chemical Thermodynamics | Experimental Physical Chemistry |  
Molten Salts | Nuclear Fuels

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## PROFESSIONAL SUMMARY

Dr. Schorne-Pinto's research interests span a wide range of advanced materials, from ceramics and alloys to nuclear fuels and molten salts, developing thermodynamic databases, and experimental work on radioactive and non-radioactive materials.

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## EDUCATION

- **PH.D. IN MATERIALS SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING**

December 2016 – January 2020

National Polytechnic Institute of Toulouse – Toulouse, France

➤ Laboratoire de Génie Chimique (LGC)

➤ Centre Interuniversitaire de Recherche et d'Ingénierie des Matériaux (CIRIMAT)

Thesis title: "[Experimental study and thermodynamic modeling of cuprous delafossites systems](#)"

Honors: Léopold Escande prize – top 15% best Ph.D. theses of 2019/2020

- **MASTER OF SCIENCE IN MATERIALS SCIENCE & ENGINEERING**

August 2014 – July 2016

Polytech Montpellier – Montpellier, France

Final project title: "*Thresholds in the Electron Backscatter Diffraction (EBSD) technique for microstructural characterization of silicon carbide-based materials*"

Honors: Brazil-France Ingénieur Technologie (Brafitec) – scholarship for dual degree in MSE

- **BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MATERIALS SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING**

February 2011 – November 2016

Federal University of Rio Grande do Sul – Porto Alegre, Brazil

- **TECHNICAL FORMATION IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY**

February 2008 – December 2010

Universidade Regional Integrada do Alto Uruguai e das Missões (URI) – Santo Ângelo, Brazil

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## SUMMARY OF TECHNICAL SKILLS

**Fabrication:** Inorganic chemistry laboratory general use, glovebox, solid-state and sol-gel synthesis

**Characterization of bulk materials:** Optical and secondary electron microscopy (SEM), energy dispersive spectroscopy (EDS), electron backscatter diffraction (EBSD), X-ray fluorescence (XRF), electron probe microanalysis (EPMA), powder X-ray diffraction (PXRD) high-temperature X-ray diffraction (HT-XRD) coupled with Rietveld refinement, inductively coupled plasma - optical emission spectrometry (ICP-OES), Raman spectroscopy

**Experimental physical chemistry:** Differential thermal analysis (DTA), thermal gravimetric analysis (TGA), drop calorimetry, and differential scanning calorimetry (DSC)

**Thermodynamic modeling:** FactSage and ThermoCalc software

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## RESEARCH AND TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- **RESEARCH ASSISTANT PROFESSOR**

July 2022 – Present

Faculty Association: Prof. Dr. Theodore M. Besmann

University of South Carolina, Department of Mechanical Engineering – Columbia, SC, USA

- **POSTDOCTORAL RESEARCH FELLOW**

February 2020 – June 2022

University of South Carolina, Department of Mechanical Engineering – Columbia, SC, USA

[General Atomics SmartState Center for Transformational Nuclear Technologies](#)

- **GRADUATE TEACHING ASSISTANT**

2017/2018 and 2018/2019

Université Toulouse III - Paul Sabatier – Toulouse, France

Faculty of Sciences and Engineering – Department of Chemistry

- **VISITING SCHOLAR AT FACTSAGE™ SOFTWARE DEVELOPMENT CENTER**

October 2018 – December 2018

Centre for Research in Computational Thermochemistry, Polytechnique Montreal, Canada

- **ACADEMIC EXCHANGE**

June 2018 – July 2018

French research consortium TherMatHT (GDR CNRS 3584) Material Thermodynamics at High Temperatures

Laboratoire SYMME, Université Savoie Mont Blanc, Annecy, France

- **RESEARCH INTERNSHIP**

April 2016 – August 2016

French Alternative Energies and Atomic Energy Commission (CEA) Saclay – Gif-sur-Yvette, France

Department of Physical Chemistry

- **RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT INTERNSHIP**

May 2015 – August 2015

Saint Gobain - European Research Center of Cavaillon, France

- **RESEARCH INTERNSHIP**

October 2011 – June 2014

Laboratory of Ceramic Materials (LACER), Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul, Porto Alegre, Brazil

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## AWARDS & HONORS

- **BEST POSTER AWARD**

May 2023

*50th Calphad, Massachusetts Institute of Technology – Cambridge, MA, USA*

Title: “Challenges in developing predictive thermodynamic models for complex molten salts”

- **LÉOPOLD ESCANDE PRIZE – TOP 15% BEST Ph.D. THESES OF 2019/2020**

December 2020

*Institut National Polytechnique de Toulouse – Toulouse, France*

Thesis title: “Experimental study and thermodynamic modeling of cuprous delafossites systems”

- **LARRY KAUFMAN TRAVEL AWARD**

June 2019

*48<sup>th</sup> Calphad, Singapore*

- **AWARD FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENT MOBILITY – CENTRE FOR RESEARCH IN COMPUTATIONAL THERMOCHIMISTRY / POLYTECHNIQUE MONTRÉAL**

October 2018 – December 2018

*Institut National Polytechnique de Toulouse – Toulouse, France*

- **BRAZIL FRANCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERS – SCHOLARSHIP FOR DUAL DEGREE IN MSE**

June 2014 – July 2016

*Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul (Brazil) and Ecole polytechnique universitaire de Montpellier (France)*

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## LANGUAGES

- ✓ French: Fluent
- ✓ English: Fluent

- ✓ Portuguese: Native Speaker
- ✓ Spanish: Conversant

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## PROFESSIONAL SERVICE & MEMBERSHIP

Member: American Chemical Society; American Nuclear Society and American Ceramic Society

Selected Journals Reviewer: Journal of American Ceramic Society, Calphad, Journal of Nuclear Materials

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## PUBLICATION SUMMARY

Peer-reviewed papers: 29 (7 as first author/shared first authorship + 22 as co-author)

Total Citations: 262 (as 09/2024)

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## PEER-REVIEWED PUBLICATIONS

- Published peer-reviewed papers (Underline for shared first-authorship)

### 2024

- Masachchi, L. W.; Keerthisinghe, N.; Berseneva, A.; Morrison, G.; Smith, M.; Breton, L.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Aziziha, M.; zur Loya, H.-C. Sensitivity of Mild Hydrothermal Synthesis to the Reaction Conditions: Targeting Mixed-Metal Hexagonal Tungsten Bronze Fluorides  $A_xM_{2+x}M_{3+(1-x)}F_3$  to Investigate their Magnetic Behavior. *Inorg. Chem.*, **2024**, accepted (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.inorgchem.4c02307>).
- Maltsev, D. S.; Driscoll, D. M.; Zhang, Y.; Neufeind, J. C.; Reinhart, B.; Agca, C.; Ray, D.; Halstenberg, Aziziha, M.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Besmann, T. M.; Bryantsev, V. S.; Dai, S.; Roy, S.; Ivanov, A. S. Transient Covalency in Molten Uranium (III) Chloride. *JACS*, **2024**, 600(31), 21220-21224 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1021/jacs.4c05765>).
- Mofrad, A. M.; Christian, M. S.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Amoroso, J.; Brinkman, K. S.; zur Loya, H.-C.; Besmann, T. M. Predictive Phase Stability of Actinide-Bearing Hollandite Waste Forms from First-Principles Calculations. *J. Nucl. Mater.*, November **2024**, 600, 155291 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jnucmat.2024.155291>).
- Moon, J.; McFarlane, J.; Andrews, H.; Robb, K.; Sulejmanovic, D.; Zhang, Y.; Stringfellow, E.; Agca, C.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Besmann, T. M. Density Measurements of Molten LiF-BeF<sub>2</sub> and LiF-BeF<sub>2</sub>-LaF<sub>3</sub> Salt Mixtures by Neutron Radiography. *ACS Omega* **2024**, 9(25), 27204-27213 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1021/acsomega.4c01446>)
- Dixon, C. M.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Aziziha, M.; Yingling, J. A.; Booth, R. E.; Besmann, T. M. Thermodynamic modeling of CsF with LiF-NaF-KF for molten fluoride-fueled reactors. *J. Mol. Liq.*, **2024**, 406, 125056 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.molliq.2024.125056>)
- Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Aziziha, M.; Tisdale, H.; Mofrad, A. M.; Birri, A.; Christian, M.; Ard, J.; Booth, R. E.; Yingling, J. A.; Paz Soldan Palma, J.; Dixon, C. M.; zur Loya, H.-C.; Besmann, T. M. Thermal Property Modeling and Assessment of the Physical Properties of FLiNaK. *ACS Appl. Energy Mater.*, **2024**, 7(9), 4016-4029 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1021/acsaem.4c00321>).
- Mofrad, A. M.; Christian, M. S.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Paz Soldan Palma, J.; Besmann, T. M. Effect of XC Functionals and Dispersion Corrections on the DFT-Calculated Structural and Vibrational Properties of SrCl<sub>2</sub>-NaCl and ZrF<sub>4</sub>-LiF. *J. Raman Spectrosc.*, **2024**, 55(7), 819-832 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1002/jrs.6670>).
- Besmann, T. M.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Aziziha, M.; Mofrad, A. M.; Booth, R. E.; Yingling, J. A.; Paz Soldan Palma, J.; Dixon, C. M.; Wilson, J. A.; Hartanto, D. Applications of Thermochemical Modeling in Molten Salts Reactors. *Materials*, **2024**, 17(2), 495 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3390/ma17020495>)

### 2023

- Karlsson, T.; Middlemas, S. C.; Nguyen, M.-T.; Woods, M. E.; Tolman, K. R.; Glezakou, A.-G.; Herrmann, S. D.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Johnson, R. D.; Reddish, S. E.; Warmann, S. A.; Paviet, P. D. Synthesis and Thermophysical Property Determination of NaCl-PuCl<sub>3</sub> Salts. *J. Mol. Liq.*, **2023**, 387, 122636 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.molliq.2023.122636>)
- Tuffy, B. W.; Birkner, N. R.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Davis, R. C.; Mofrad, A. M.; Dixon, C. M.; Aziziha, M.; Christian, M. S.; Lynch, T. J.; Bartlett, M. T.; Besmann, T. M.; Brinkman, K. S.; Chiu, W. K.S. Identification and Decomposition of Uranium Oxychloride Phases in Oxygen-Exposed UCl<sub>3</sub> Salt Compositions. *J. Phys. Chem. B*, **2023**, 127(27), 6091-6101 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpcb.2c09050>)
- Yingling, J. A.; Aziziha, M.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Palma, J. P. S.; Ard, J. C.; Booth, R. E.; Dixon, C. M.; Besmann, T. M. Thermodynamic assessment of CrCl<sub>2</sub> with NaCl-KCl-MgCl<sub>2</sub>-UCl<sub>3</sub>-UCl<sub>4</sub> for molten chloride reactor corrosion modeling. *ACS Appl. Energy Mater.*, **2023**, 6 (11), 5868-5882 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1021/acsaem.3c00306>)
- Yingling, J. A.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Aziziha, M.; Ard, J. C.; Mofrad, A. M.; Christian, M. S.; Dixon, C. M.; Besmann, T. M. Thermodynamic measurements and assessments for LiCl-NaCl-KCl-UCl<sub>3</sub> systems. *J. Chem. Thermodyn.*, **2023**, 179, 106974 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jct.2022.106974>)
- Ard, J. C.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Aziziha, M.; Yingling, J. A.; Mofrad, A. M.; Johnson, K. E.; Dixon, C. M.; Besmann, T. M. Thermodynamic assessments or reassessments of 30 pseudo-binary and-ternary salt systems. *J. Chem. Thermodyn.*, **2023**, 177, 106931 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jct.2022.106931>)

### 2022

14. Berseneva, A. A.; Aziziha, M.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Besmann, T. M.; zur Loya, H-C. All-Inorganic Open-Framework Chalcogenides,  $A_3Ga_5S_{9-x}H_2O$  ( $A = Rb$  and  $Cs$ ), Exhibiting Ultrafast Uranyl Remediation and Illustrating a Novel Post-Synthetic Preparation of Open-Framework Oxychalcogenides. *Chem. Mater.*, **2022**, 34(18), 8366-8378 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.chemmater.2c02059>)
15. Aziziha, M.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Yingling, J. A.; Dixon, C. M.; Ard, J. C.; Aslani, M. A. A.; Mofrad, A. M.; Besmann, T. M. Thermodynamic Assessment of Lithium Halide Reciprocal Salt Systems for Energy Applications. *J. Mol. Liq.*, **2022**, 364, 119973 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.molliq.2022.119973>)
16. Carone, D.; Klepov, V. V.; Misture, S. T.; Schaeperkoetter, J. C.; Jacobsohn, L. G.; Aziziha, M.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Thomson, S. A. J.; Hines, A. T.; Besmann, T. M.; zur Loya, H-C. Luminescence and Scintillation in the Niobium Doped Oxyfluoride  $Rb_4Ge_5O_9F_6:Nb$ . *Inorganics*, **2022**, 10 (6), 83 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3390/inorganics10060083>)
17. Christian, M. S.; Lynch, T. J.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Mofrad, A. M.; Birkner, N. R.; Brinkman, K. S.; Chiu, W. K. S.; Besmann, T. M. Modeling Metallic Halide Local Structures in Salt Melts Using a Genetic Algorithm. *J. Phys. Chem. C* **2022**, 126(22), 9239–9247 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpcc.2c00747>)
18. Ard, J. C.; Yingling, J. A.; Johnson, K. E.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Aziziha, M.; Dixon, C. M.; Christian, M. S.; McMurray, J. W.; Besmann, T. M. Development of the Molten Salt Thermal Properties Database—Thermochemical (MSTDB-TC), example applications, and  $LiCl$ - $RbCl$  and  $UF_3$ - $UF_4$  system assessments. *J. Nucl. Mater.*, **2022**, 563, 153631 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jnucmat.2022.153631>)
19. Lynch, T. J.; Birkner, N. R.; Christian, M. S.; Wrubel, J. A.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Hoffman, A. S.; Van Veelen, A.; Bargar, J. R.; Bare, S. R.; Besmann, T. M.; Brinkman, K. S.; Chiu, W. K. S. In Situ Determination of Speciation and Local Structure of  $NaCl$ - $SrCl_2$  and  $LiF$ - $ZrF_4$  Molten Salts. *J. Phys. Chem. B*, **2022**, 126 (7), 1539-1550 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpcb.1c07552>)
20. **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Yingling, J. A.; Christian, M. S.; Mofrad, A. M.; Aslani, M. A. A.; Besmann, T. M. Correlational approach to predict enthalpy of mixing in Alkali-Actinide Chloride melt systems. *ACS Omega* **2022**, 7(1), 362–371 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1021/acsomega.1c04755>)

## 2021

21. Besmann, T. M.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.** Developing Practical Models of Complex Salts for Molten Salt Reactors. *Thermo*, **2021**, 1(2), 168-178 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.3390/thermo1020012>)
22. **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Chartrand, P.; Barnabé, A.; Cassayre, L. Thermodynamic and Structural Properties of  $CuCrO_2$  and  $CuCr_2O_4$ : Experimental Investigation and Phase Equilibria Modeling of the Cu–Cr–O System. *J. Phys. Chem. C*, **2021**, 125 (27), 15069-15084 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.jpcc.1c04179>)

## 2020

23. Hodel, F.; Macouin, M.; Trindade, R. I. F.; Araujo, J. F. D. F.; Respaud, M.; Meunier, J. F.; Cassayre, L.; Rousse, S.; Drigo, L.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.** Magnetic Properties of Ferritchromite and Cr-Magnetite and Monitoring of Cr-Spinels Alteration in Ultramafic and Mafic Rocks. *Geochem Geophys* **2020**, 21 (11), 1–21 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1029/2020GC009227>)
24. Sinnarasa, I.; Thimont, Y.; Barnabé, A.; Beaudhuin, M.; Moll, A.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Tailhades, P.; Presmanes, L. Microstructural and transport properties of Mg doped  $CuFeO_2$  thin films: A promising material for high accuracy miniaturized temperature sensors based on the Seebeck effect. *J. Alloys Compd.* **2020**, 827, 154199 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jallcom.2020.154199>)

## 2019

25. **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Janghorban, A.; Lomello-Tafin, M.; Pisch, A.; Mikaelian, G.; Benigni, P.; Barnabé, A.; Cassayre, L. Assessment of Thermodynamic Data for  $CuCrO_2$  Delafossite from Calorimetric Measurements. *Thermochim. Acta* **2019**, 680 (July), 178345 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.tca.2019.178345>)
26. **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Cassayre, L.; Presmanes, L.; Barnabé, A. Insights on the Stability and Cationic Nonstoichiometry of  $CuFeO_2$  Delafossite. *Inorg. Chem.* **2019**, 58 (9), 6431–6444 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.inorgchem.9b00651>)
27. Soldi, L.; Gossé, S.; Laplace, A.; Bonnaillie, P.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Roskosz, M. Experimental Study and Thermodynamic Modelling of the Cu-Fe-Si-U Sub-Systems. *J. Alloys Compd.* **2019**, 799, 239–246 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jallcom.2019.05.294>)

## 2014-2017

28. Zampiva, R. Y. S.; Kaufmann Junior, C. G.; **Pinto, J. S.**; Panta, P. C.; Alves, A. K.; Bergmann, C. P. 3D CNT Macrostructure Synthesis Catalyzed by  $MgFe_2O_4$  Nanoparticles—A Study of Surface Area and Spinel Inversion Influence. *Appl. Surf. Sci.* **2017**, 422, 321–330 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.1016/j.apsusc.2017.06.020>)
29. Da Dalt, S.; Schorne Pinto, J.; Sanchez, F. A. L.; Alves, A. K.; Pérez Bergmann, C. Energy Gap Associated to Photocatalytic Activity of MWCNT/TiO<sub>2</sub>/ZnO Nanocomposites. *Adv. Sci. Technol.* **2014**, 95, 44–49 (DOI: <https://doi.org/10.4028/www.scientific.net/AST.95.44>)

- Technical report:

- Ard, J.; Johnson, K.; Christian, M.; **Schorne Pinto, J.**; Yingling, J.; Besmann, T. M.; McMurray, J. W.; Peng, J. FY20 Status report on the Molten Salt Thermodynamic Database (MSTDB) development. *ORNL/SPR-2020/1648, 2020*.

- Book chapter:
  - Kaufmann, C. G.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.** CNT Sponges for Environmental Applications. In *Nanomaterials for Eco-friendly Applications*; Kopp Alves, A., Ed.; Springer International Publishing, **2019**; 1–13.
- Conference proceeding:
  - Mofrad, A. M.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Christian, M. S.; Besmann, T. M. Structural Prediction of Actinide-Bearing Hollandites for Nuclear Waste Forms. *American Nuclear Society Transactions*, **2021**, 124, 142-145
  - Besmann, T. M.; Yingling, J. A.; Ard, J. C.; **Schorne-Pinto, J.**; Aziziha, M. Christian, M. S.; Mofrad, A. M.; Johnson, K. E.; Agca, C.; McMurray, J. W.; Gakhar, R. Corrosion System-Focused Expansion and Application of the Thermochemical Database for Molten Salt Reactors: MSTDB-TC. *American Nuclear Society Transactions*, **2021**, 124, 69-70
  - Guaglianoni, W. C.; Garcia, A. P.; O. B. J.; **Pinto, J. S.**; Basegio, T. M.; Bergmann, C. P. Photocatalytic Activity of Zinc Oxide Nanostructured Synthesized by Combustion in Solution. In *69º Congresso anual da Associação Brasileira de Metalurgia, Materiais e Mineração*; São Paulo, **2014**
  - Da Dalt, S.; **Pinto, J. S.**; Alves, A. K.; Pérez Bergmann, C.; Nunes, S. K. Energia de Gap Associada à Atividade Fotocatalítica Do Nanocompósito TiO<sub>2</sub>-NTCPM. In *58 Anais do Congresso Brasileiro de Ceramica*; Bento Gonçalves, **2014**; pp 1-10 (in Portuguese)
  - Garcia, A. P.; Guaglianoni, W. C.; Barnasque, J. O.; **Pinto, J. S.**; Bergmann, C. P. Síntese de óxido de zinco nanoestruturado através do método de combustão em solução e sua caracterização microestrutural. In *20º CBECIMAT – Congr. Bras. Eng. E Ciéncia dos Mater.* **2012**, 1599-1606 (in Portuguese)
  - Da Dalt, S.; **Pinto, J. S.**; Alves, A. K.; Bergmann, C. P. Photocatalytic Properties of MWCNT Coated with TiO<sub>2</sub>, SnO<sub>2</sub> and ZnO. In *AES-ATEMA International Conference Series – Advances and Trends in Engineering Materials and their Applications*; Montréal, **2012**, 175–179
  - Da Dalt, S.; **Pinto, J. S.**; Alves, A. K.; Bergmann, C. P. Photocatalytic Degradation of the Synthetic Dye in the Presence of the MWCNT-ZnO Composite. In *XI Encontro da SBPMat*; Florianópolis, **2012**