

Céline Merlet is a CNRS researcher at Université Paul Sabatier in Toulouse. She received her PhD degree in 2013 from Université Pierre et Marie Curie in Paris where she had worked on molecular simulations of carbon-carbon supercapacitors. She then joined the University of Cambridge as a postdoctoral researcher working on simulating NMR spectra and diffusion of ions in energy storage materials such as porous carbons and lithium manganese oxides. Since 2017, she has been working at the CIRIMAT laboratory on the development and application of multi-scale models for a better understanding and performance prediction of electrochemical energy storage systems. Her project “SuPERPORES – Structure-PErformance Relationships in PORous carbons for Energy Storage” was awarded an ERC Starting Grant in 2017. In 2018, she received the Prix Louis Armand in Chemistry, a prize awarded by the French “Académie des Sciences” to a young French researcher, 30 years old at most, for a remarkable work in applied mathematics, mechanics, physics, chemistry biology or Earth Sciences.

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If this is too short, the two PhD awards I received could be mentioned:

“Prix Solennel de la Chancellerie de Paris 2014, Arconati-Visconti” Thesis award of 10 000 euros, given by the “Chancellerie des Universités de Paris”, rewarding the excellence and the scientific and academic merits of a PhD thesis

“Prix de thèse 2014 de la Division Chimie Physique” Thesis award given by the Physical Chemistry Division (DCP) of the French Society of Chemistry (SCF) and the French Society of Physics (SFP)