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## 1 Education

*Ph. D in Physics* 2001, Department of Physics, The City College and Graduate Center of City University of New York

Thesis: *Optical image reconstruction in highly scattering turbid media*

Adviser: Distinguished Prof. Melvin Lax, member of National Academy of Sciences and Fellow of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences

*M. S. in Physics* 1995, Department of Physics, Fudan University, Shanghai, China

*B. S. in Physics* 1992, Department of Physics, Fudan University, Shanghai, China

## 2 Employment

*2018-present* Associate Professor of Physics (tenured), Department of Physics & Astronomy, Hunter College of the City University of New York

*2010-2018* Associate Professor of Physics (tenured), Department of Physics, Fairfield University

*2006-2010* Assistant Professor of Physics, Department of Physics, Fairfield University

*2001-2006* Principal investigator, Institute of Ultrafast Spectroscopies and Lasers, The City College of New York

## 3 Research Experience

*2018-present* Research on Photonics/Biophysics, Department of Physics & Astronomy, Hunter College

*2006-2018* Research on Biophotonics/Photonics, Department of Physics, Fairfield University

Establish a biophotonics laboratory and lead active research along the following themes (see Statement of Research for further information):

(1) *Random photonics and stochastic processes;*

(2) *Biophotonics: biomedical optical spectroscopy, microscopy and imaging;*

(3) *Numerical methods and inverse problems in physical and biological sciences;*

The research has been sponsored by DOD, NIH, NSF, and Research Corporations.

Collaborators: Prof. Shelley Phelan (Fairfield University), Prof. R. R. Alfano, Prof. S. K. Gayen and Dr. Alvin Katz (The City College of New York), Prof. J. A. Koutcher

(Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center), Prof. Jonathan Melamed (New York University Medical School), Prof. Yongchao Ge (Mount Sinai School of Medicine), and Prof. Jianan Qu (Hong Kong University of Science and Technology).

*2001-2006* Postdoctoral Research on Laser Physics and Optical Tomography, Institute of Ultrafast Spectroscopies and Lasers, City College of New York

*Principal investigator* of “Time-resolved spectral optical breast tomography” funded by US Army Medical Research and Materiel Command;  
Conducted a theoretical study on propagation and depolarization of multiply scattered light. Established new characteristic lengths describing the randomization of polarized light, which is fundamental to understand the interaction of polarized light with random media and optical imaging;  
In collaboration with Prof. R. R. Alfano and Prof. S. K. Gayen worked on novel image reconstruction methods for optical imaging. Introduced a novel paradigm of optical imaging using Independent Component Analysis.

*1995-2001* Doctoral Research on Laser Physics and Optical Tomography, Department of Physics, The City College of New York

Working with Prof. Melvin Lax conducted a theoretical study of light transport in tissues and other highly scattering random medium, inverse problems, and non-invasive imaging of highly scattering media with multiple scattering light.

*1992-1995* Master Degree Research on Condensed Matter Physics and Surface Physics, T. D. Lee Physics Laboratory and Surface Physics State Key Laboratory, Fudan University, Shanghai, China

Conducted experimental work on a meta-stable phase of manganese ( $\gamma$ -Mn).

#### 4 Research Interests

- Light interaction with random medium
  - Random medium photonics, radiative transfer, phenomena associated with multiple scattering light such as localization, coherent backscattering mirror
  - Numerical methods for studying complex coherent vector light propagation inside random media
  - Wavefront shaping for light propagation control in random media, light delivery techniques overcoming strong scattering
- Biomedical optical spectroscopy, microscopy and imaging
  - Fundamentals of tissue optics: analytical models for light scattering by cells and tissues and their applications in tissue diagnosis, fractals
  - Spectroscopic techniques (scattering, absorption, fluorescence, Raman and nonlinear effects) and their applications in biomedicine, optical biopsy, light scattering techniques for quantifying structure and dynamics of particle aggregation in geophysics

- Noninvasive imaging and tomography from nano- to meso-scales: novel quantitative microscopy for sub-cellular characterization, diffuse optical tomography for deep tissue imaging
- Optical methods and systems for objective cancer diagnosis and prognosis, optical pathology
- Physics in Biology and Medicine
  - Hemodynamics model
  - Physics model for the growth of cancer cells, Physics of Live Systems
- Computational physics and inverse problems in physical and biological sciences
  - Numerical methods in computational physics, Monte Carlo methods, finite element methods, FDTD methods
  - Inverse scattering problems and inverse problems in general
  - Noninvasive probing mesoscopic structure and dynamics of soft matters, remote sensing

## 5 Teaching and Mentoring

- 2018-present* Associate Professor of Physics, Department of Physics & Astronomy, Hunter College
- 2006-2018* Assistant/Associate Professor of Physics, Department of Physics, Fairfield University
- Teaching General Physics I & II, General Physics Lab I & II, Condensed Matter Physics, Modern Optics, Lab in Optics & Lasers, Physics of Light and Color, Electrodynamics I & II, Independent Studies, Capstone, and Intensive Summer Research Experience
- Fall, 2016-Fall, 2017*  
Hosted a visiting scholar from Wenzhou Medical University, China
- Fall, 2014-Spring, 2015*  
Hosted a visiting scholar from Wenzhou Medical University, China
- 2014* Curriculum development on a physics elective course “Biomedical Optics” (with Prof. Bidyut Das)
- 2009-2014* Supported and directed two postdoctoral scientists
- 2007-present* Supervised Undergraduate Summer Research in Biophotonics each summer
- 2006-present* Mentored **21** undergraduate research students at Fairfield University
- 2009-2013* Served as an outside member of the Supervisory Committee for **one** Ph. D candidate at the City University of New York
- 2006-2007* Served as an outside member of the Supervisory Committee for **two** Ph. D candidates at the City University of New York
- 2003-2006* Mentored **two** graduate students in the Physics department at the City College of New York

- 2002-2006* Adjunct Assistant Professor teaching General Physics for physics and engineering majors and premedical students at the City College of New York
- Summer, 2004* Mentored high school students in the DISCOVERY program at the City College of New York

## 6 Professional Service

- 2016-present* The Optical Society of America (OSA) Traveling Lecturer
- 2015* Participation in drafting the International Biophotonics Community white paper titled “Label-free Optical Technologies for Biomedical Diagnostics & Imaging: Challenges and Opportunities for Clinical Transition” to make recommendations on future translational biophotonics research and development
- 2014-present* Served as member of Editor Board for International Journal of Radiology
- 2011-2014* Served as member of Editor Board for ISRN Optics
- 2011* Served as guest member of the editorial board of Journal of Biomedical Optics
- 2006-present* Reviewed grant proposals for NSF/CBET, Army Research Office, the National Medical Research Council (Singapore), Canada Research Council, PSC-CUNY, and the CUNY Collaborative Incentive Research Grant Program
- 1999-present* Served as referee for the American Physical Society (APS) and the Optical Society of America (OSA) journals, Physics Review E, Optics Letters, Optics Express, Applied Optics, Journal of Optical Society of America A, Journal of Biomedical Optics, Medical Physics, Inverse Problems, Applied Mathematics Letters, IEEE Journal of Selected Topics in Quantum Electronics, Applied Spectroscopy, Measurement Science and Technology, IEE Proceedings of Vision, Image & Signal Processing, and Journal of Optics A: Pure and Applied Optics.

## 7 University Service

- 2015-2018* Member, Faculty Committee on Sustainability, Fairfield University
- 2013-2016* Member, CAS Natural Science Merit Review Committee, Fairfield University
- 2013-2015* Member, Science Institute Advisory Board, Fairfield University
- 2014-2015* Member, Admission and Scholarships Committee, Fairfield University
- 2012-2014* Member, World Diversity Committee, Fairfield University
- 2012-2013* Member, Research Committee, Fairfield University
- 2009-2011* Member, Academic Council, Fairfield University
- 2007-2009* Member, CAS Distinguished Teaching Award Selection Committee, Fairfield University
- 2007-2008* Member, Physics Search Committee, Fairfield University

## 8 Research Grants

- 2017-2020* Awarded a NSF Award “RUI: Cell growth laws and quantitative microscopy for cancer aggressiveness imaging” (\$238,000, PI)
- 2010-2015* Awarded a DOD PCRP New Investigator Award “Hyperspectral Low Coherence Enhanced Backscattering Mesoscopic Tomography for Analysis and Risk Stratification of Prostate Cancer” (\$298,600, PI)
- 2010-2012* Awarded a Multi-investigator Cottrel College Science Award “Multimodal monitoring of oxidative stress, proliferation and cell death with light: the role of peroxiredoxins in breast cancer” (\$100,000, PI: Drs. Min Xu and Shelley Phelan)
- 2009-2011* Awarded an AREA grant “Low Coherence Enhanced Backscattering Tomography” by National Institutes of Health (\$219,396, PI)
- 2008-2011* Awarded an Idea Award “Development of rectal near infrared scanning polarization imaging unit and independent component analysis algorithm for prostate cancer detection” by U. S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command (\$542,960, co-PI)
- 2007-2009* Awarded a Cottrel College Science Award “Backscattering of partially coherent polarized light from a turbid medium” by Research Corporation (\$51,908, PI)
- 2004-2005* Awarded a PSC-CUNY-36 research award “Optical fluorescence imaging using independent component analysis” by Research Foundation of the City University of New York
- 2001-2004* Awarded an award “Time-resolved spectral optical breast tomography” by U. S. Army Medical Research and Materiel Command (\$150,000, PI)
- 1999-2000* The research on optical medical tomography received PSC-CUNY-31 research award
- 1998-1999* The research on optical medical tomography received PSC-CUNY-30 research award

## 9 Honors and Fellowships

- 2015-present* Senior Member of OSA
- 2000* Dissertation Year Fellowship, the Graduate Center of City University of New York
- 1995-2000* Faculty Fellowship, the City College and Graduate Center of City University of New York
- 1993-1994* Graduate Fellowship and Guang-hua Fellowship, Fudan University
- 1992* *Outstanding University Graduate of Shanghai*
- Nov. 1987* Winner of an Excellence prize of the 4th National Youth Physics Contest sponsored by the Society of Physics, China
- Oct. 1987* Winner of an Excellence prize of the National Youth Mathematics Contest’87 sponsored by the Society of Mathematics, China

## 10 Memberships

The Optical Society of America (OSA), the International Society of Optical Engineering (SPIE), New York Academy of Sciences (NYAS), and the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS)

## 11 Publications

A total of 164 publications including Book (1), Book Chapters (4), Patents (3), Journal Publications (56), Conference Proceedings (50), and Presentations (50).

### 11.1 Book

- [1] M. Lax, W. Cai, and M. Xu. *Random Processes in Physics and Finance*. Oxford University Press, USA, 2006.

### 11.2 Book Chapters

- [1] Min Xu, Wei Cai, and Robert R. Alfano. *Deep Tissue Imaging with Linear and Non-linear Optics*, chapter Overview of the Cumulant Solution to Light Propagation Inside a Turbid Medium and Its Applications in Deep Imaging Beyond the Diffusion Approximation. Pan Stanford Publishing Pte. Ltd., 2017.
- [2] Yang Pu, Wubao Wang, Min Xu, James A. Eastham, and Robert R. Alfano. *Deep Tissue Imaging with Linear and Non-linear Optics*, chapter Deep Imaging of Prostate Cancer Using Diffusion Reconstruction of Banana Paths with Near Infrared Prostateoscope Analyzer. Pan Stanford Publishing Pte. Ltd., 2017.
- [3] W. Cai and M. Xu. *Light Scattering Reviews*, volume XI, chapter Analytical solution of radiative transfer using cumulant expansion. Springer, 2016.
- [4] M. Xu and A. Katz. *Light Scattering Reviews*, volume III, chapter Statistical Interpretation of Light Anomalous Diffraction by Small Particles and its Applications in Bio-agent Detection and Monitoring, pages 27–68. Springer, 2008.

### 11.3 Patents

- [1] Min Xu. Photonic structural and chemometric pathology system. US Patent Application US62/031,387 filed on 07/31/2014.
- [2] Min Xu. Low coherence enhanced backscattering tomography and techniques. US Patent No. 8,823,954.
- [3] R. R. Alfano, M. Xu, M. Alrubaiee, and S. K. Gayen. Optical tomography using independent component analysis for detection and localization of targets in turbid media. US Patent Application US60/633,412 filed on 01/04/2005.

## 11.4 Journal Publications

- [1] Xiuwei Zhu, Luyao Lu, Zili Cao, Bixin Zeng, and Min Xu. Transmission matrix-based electric field Monte Carlo study and experimental validation of the propagation characteristics of Bessel beams in turbid media. *Opt. Lett.*, 2018. (in press).
- [2] Weihao Lin, Bixin Zeng, Zili Cao, Xinlin Chen, Kaiyan Yang, and Min Xu. Quantitative diagnosis of tissue microstructure with wide-field high spatial frequency domain imaging. *Biomed. Opt. Express*, 9(7):2905–2916, 2018.
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## 11.5 Conference Proceedings

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## 11.7 Invited Talks

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- [12] Min Xu. Optical biomedical imaging: diffusing waves and beyond, June 2005. Chance Lab, Department of biochemistry and biophysics, University of Pennsylvania.



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