

# 2020 AFOSR Biophysics Program Review

Dr. Sofi Bin-Salamon | August 31-September 4, 2020 | Virtual

## Day 1 - Monday, 31 August 2020

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
0820-0850	Login	
0850-0900	Introduction	<b>Dr. Sofi Bin-Salamon</b> Program Manager Air Force Office of Scientific Research
0900-0930	Shining Light on the Neuroimmune Interface	<b>Prof. Mark Hutchinson</b> School of Medicine University of Adelaide
0930-1000	Elucidating the Cellular and Sub-Cellular Dynamics during Electromagnetic Modulation of the Nervous System	<b>Prof. Anita Mahadevan-Jansen</b> Department of Biomedical Engineering Vanderbilt University
1000-1030	Directed Electromagnetic Perturbation and Quantum Biological Effects in Retinal Cells and Networks using Coherent Control of Femtosecond Optical Pulses	<b>Prof. Stephen Boppart</b> Beckman Institute University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
1030-1100	<b>BREAK</b>	
1100-1130	Three-dimensional Brain In Vitro Models via Electrofluidodynamics	<b>Dr. Vincenzo Guarino</b> Institute of Polymers, Composites and Biomaterials National Research Council of Italy
1130-1200	Graphene Microfluidics for Dynamic Electron Microscopic Imaging	<b>Prof. Xiaocheng Jiang</b> Biomedical Engineering Tufts University
1200-1230	3D Printing of Simulated Gut Environment for Brain-Gut Axis Research	<b>Prof. Zhijian Pei</b> Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering Texas A&M University  <b>Prof. Hongmin Qin</b> Department of Biology Texas A&M University
1230-1330	<b>LUNCH</b>	
1330-1400	Nano-electronic Probes of Mitochondrial Function	<b>Prof. Peter Burke</b> Dept. of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science University of California, Irvine
1400-1430	Detail Mechanism of the Visual Process	<b>Prof. Peter Rentzepis</b> Dept. of Electrical and Computer Engineering Texas A&M University

<b>1430-1500</b>	Biophysics of Neuromodulation by Rapid Deposition of Energy	<b>Dr. Christopher Valdez</b> 711th Human Performance Wing Air Force Research Laboratory
<b>1500-1530</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
<b>1530-1600</b>	Cell Membrane Dynamics in Infrared Nerve Stimulation and Blocking	<b>Prof. Michelle Sander</b> Dept. of Electrical & Computer Engineering Boston University
<b>1600-1630</b>	Development of 3D Cell Culture Systems for Evaluating Real-time Stimulation and Sensing Techniques	<b>Prof. Sally McArthur</b> Department of Biomedical Engineering Swinburne University of Technology
<b>1630-1700</b>	Smart Sensor Systems for Human Health and Environmental Applications	<b>Dr. Gary Hunter</b> Lead, Intelligent Systems Hardware National Aeronautics and Space Administration – Glenn Research Center
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TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
0800-0830	Login	
0830-0900	Blending Engineering and Physics into Biomedical Research	<b>Prof. Larry Nagahara</b> Associate Dean for Research Johns Hopkins University
0900-0915	Building Australia's Research Data Commons	<b>Ms. Rosie Hicks</b> Chief Executive Officer Australian Research Data Commons
0915-0945	Using innovative science and technology to solve major challenges – <i>How Australia's national science agency delivers impact using breakthrough science and engineering</i>	<b>Dr. Cathy Foley</b> Chief Scientist Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation
0945-1015	The National Research Council of Italy - Integration of knowledge for successful international collaborative initiatives	<b>Prof. Luigi Ambrosio</b> Director, Institute of Polymers, Composites & Biomaterials National Research Council of Italy
1015-1030	<b>BREAK</b>	
1030-1100	Challenges and Opportunities in the Defense Sector	<b>Colonel (AF) Alessio Grasso</b> Director, Territorial Technical Office – Naples Directorate for Air Armaments & Airworthiness Secretariat General of Defence Italian Ministry of Defence
1100-1130	South Africa's Response to COVID 19	<b>Dr. Makhapa Makhafola</b> Executive Director, Richards Bay Campus University of Zululand
1130-1200	Advanced Manufacturing Program	<b>Dr. Khershed Cooper</b> Program Director National Science Foundation
1200-1215	How to Foster, Grow and Nurture Innovation Ecosystems: the GW Accelerate National and International Experiences	<b>Mr. Giulio Busulini</b> Senior Advisor for International Programs George Washington University - OIE
1215-1300	<b>LUNCH</b>	
1300-1330	Sub-Diffraction Temperature Mapping of Protein Interconversions	<b>Prof. Somin Lee</b> Department of Biomedical Engineering University of Michigan

<b>1330-1350</b>	Quantum Coherence and Quantum Interactions in Microtubules and Surrounding Environment	<b>Prof. Vladislav Yakovlev</b> Department of Biomedical Engineering Texas A&M University
<b>1350-1410</b>	Enhanced Sensitivity with Quantum Light for Absorption Measurements	<b>Prof. Girish Agarwal</b> Department of Physics and Astronomy Texas A&M University
<b>1410-1430</b>	New Measurement Strategies for Enhanced Spatial Resolution of Trace Amounts of Bio-materials	<b>Prof. Marlan Scully</b> Department of Physics and Astronomy Texas A&M University
<b>1430-1500</b>	Multiscale Electrical Mapping of Biosystems	<b>Prof. Jinglei Ping</b> Mechanical and Industrial Engineering University of Massachusetts Amherst
<b>1500-1530</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
<b>1530-1600</b>	Understanding the “Mission Versatility” of Membrane Proteins via Nanoscopic Imaging	<b>Prof. Qian Chen</b> Department of Materials Science University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign
<b>1600-1630</b>	Quantum Correlation Microscopy: Progressing Nanoscopy	<b>Prof. Andrew Greentree</b> Department of Physics Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology
<b>1630-1700</b>	Hybrid Diamond Materials for Quantum Biosensing Applications	<b>Prof. Brant Gibson</b> Department of Physics Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology
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## Day 3 - Wednesday, 2 September 2020

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
0800-0830	Login	
0830-0900	Free-electron-mediated Modifications of Biomolecules – from Physical Indicators to Molecular Mechanisms	<b>Dr. Norbert Linz</b> Institute of Biomedical Optics University of Lübeck
0900-0930	Multimodal Sensing of Free-electron-mediated Modifications of Biomolecules Targeted by Metallic Nanoparticles	<b>Dr. Xiao-Xuan Liang</b> Institute of Biomedical Optics University of Lübeck
0930-1000	Photon Budgeting for Non-invasive Two-photon Optical Biopsy of Retinal Fluorophores	<b>Prof. Alfred Vogel</b> Institute of Biomedical Optics University of Lübeck
1000-1015	<b>BREAK</b>	
1015-1035	Multi-Disciplinary University Research Initiative: Nanoelectropulse-Induced Electromechanical Signaling and Control of Biological Systems	<b>Prof. Andrei Pakhomov</b> Frank Reidy Center for Bioelectronics Old Dominion University
1035-1055	The Interplay of Excitation and Electroporation in Nanosecond Pulse Stimulation	<b>Prof. Andrei Pakhomov</b> Frank Reidy Center for Bioelectronics Old Dominion University
1055-1135	Electrostimulated Transmembrane traffic 1. Nanosecond Field Reversal Distinguishes Cell Membranes from Lipid Vesicles 2. Molecular Simulations of Lipid Pore Response to Picosecond Field Reversal	<b>Prof. Thomas Vernier</b> Department of Computer Science Old Dominion University <b>Ms. Federica Castellani</b> Department of Computer Science Old Dominion University
1135-1205	Identifying the Membrane Protein Targets for nsPEF-Induced Pore Formation and Cell Death	<b>Prof. Olga Pakhomova</b> Frank Reidy Center for Bioelectronics Old Dominion University
1205-1300	<b>LUNCH</b>	
1300-1325	Nanosecond Pulse Generations and Method of Delivery for CANCAN	<b>Prof. Shu Xiao</b> Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering Old Dominion University
1325-1405	Cancellation of Cellular Responses in Excitable Adrenal Chromaffin Cells requires Ultrashort Bipolar Nanosecond Electric Pulses	<b>Prof. Gale Craviso</b> <b>Prof. Josette Zaklit</b> School of Medicine University Nevada Reno
1405-1435	Synergistic Effects of nsEP Interactions and Observation of "invisible" Effects of nsEP Interactions with Living Cells	<b>Prof. Vladislav Yakovlev</b> Department of Biomedical Engineering Texas A&M University

<b>1435-1445</b>	MURI Summary	<b>Prof. Andrei Pakhomov</b> Frank Reidy Center for Bioelectronics Old Dominion University
<b>1445-1500</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
<b>1500-1530</b>	Lessons Learned from a Tissue Engineered 3D Model of the Glial Scar	<b>Dr. Ana Pêgo</b> Institute of Biomedical Engineering i3S/University of Porto
<b>1530-1600</b>	Developing a Predictive, Multi-scale Understanding of Energy-Utilizing Polymers	<b>Prof. Holly Goodson</b> Department of Chemistry University of Notre Dame
<b>1600-1630</b>	Autonomous Enzyme-Powered Nanomotors and Micropumps: Transport and Collective Behavior	<b>Prof. Ayusman Sen</b> Department of Chemistry Pennsylvania State University
<b>1630-1700</b>	Influence of Hydration and Protein Collective Motions on Biological Activities	<b>Prof. Vinh Nguyen</b> Department of Physics Virginia Tech University
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0800-0830	Login	
0830-0900	Ion-doped Apatite Nanoparticles with Intelligent Biofunctionalities and Biocide Ability	<b>Dr. Anna Tampieri</b> Director, Institute of S&T for Ceramics National Research Council of Italy
0900-0920	Shedding Light in Brain Microdomains	<b>Dr. Valentina Benfenati</b> Institute of Synthesis and Photoreactivity National Research Council of Italy
0920-0940	Forest of Disordered Gold Covered Silicon Nanowires: A Versatile Platform for Interfacing Cells	<b>Dr. Annalisa Convertino</b> Institute for Microelectronics and Microsystems National Research Council of Italy
0940-1000	Water Transport in Brain Cells: Aquaporin-4 Supramolecular Structure Transition Regulates Adhesion, Migration and Differentiation Dynamics of Brain Astrocytes	<b>Prof. Grazia Paola Nicchia</b> Department of Bioscience, Biotechnology and Biopharmaceutics University of Bari
1000-1015	<b>BREAK</b>	
1015-1035	MURI: Cells and Cell Groups as Coupled Biochemical, Electrical, and Mechanical Systems	<b>Prof. Wolfgang Losert</b> Department of Physics University of Maryland
1035-1055	Excitable Systems in Cells - Precise Control of Cell Signals and Excitability	<b>Prof. Peter Devreotes</b> Department of Cell Biology Johns Hopkins University
1055-1115	Esotaxis – Experiments and Modeling	<b>Prof. John Fourkas</b> Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry University of Maryland
1115-1130	Electric Field (EF) Guidance of Biochemical and Biomechanical Signals	<b>Ms. Qixin Yang</b> Department of Physics University of Maryland
1130-1200	EF Driven Regulation of ERK Signaling to Control Cell Fate and Collective Behavior	<b>Prof. Min Zhao</b> Department of Dermatology University of California Davis
1200-1300	<b>LUNCH</b>	
1300-1320	ERK Signaling: Toward Precision Measurement and Control of Cell Behavior	<b>Prof. Quan Qing</b> Department of Physics Arizona State University

<b>1320-1335</b>	<i>In-Vivo</i> Electric Field Control of Cells	<b>Prof. Patrick Kanold</b> Department of Biology University of Maryland <b>Prof. Quan Qing</b> Department of Physics Arizona State University
<b>1335-1350</b>	New Charge and Voltage Sensors	<b>Mr. Tatsat Banerjee</b> Department of Cell Biology Johns Hopkins University
<b>1350-1405</b>	Voltage and Cytoskeletal Imaging of Electrically Excitable Cells	<b>Mr. Sylvester Gates</b> Department of Physics University of Maryland
<b>1405-1420</b>	EF Control of Neuronal Cells	<b>Prof. Min Zhao</b> Department of Dermatology University of California Davis
<b>1420-1430</b>	MURI Summary	<b>Prof. Wolfgang Losert</b> Department of Physics University of Maryland
<b>1430-1445</b>	Decoding Astrocyte Natural Rhythms: Impact of Actin and Channel Protein Dynamics across Scales	<b>Dr. Kate O'Neil</b> Department of Physics University of Maryland
<b>1445-1500</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
<b>1500-1530</b>	Fundamental Biophysics Investigations on Upconversion Nanoparticles Modified Photoreceptive Composite Architectures for Enhanced Quantum Optoelectronics	<b>Prof. Shashank Priya</b> Materials Science and Engineering Pennsylvania State University
<b>1530-1600</b>	Colour Sensitive Organic Semiconductor Pixelated Photosensitive Device	<b>Prof. Thomas Brown</b> Department of Electronic Engineering University of Rome, Tor Vergata
<b>1600-1630</b>	Optimising Lanthanide Nanoparticle Design and Growth for Increased near-IR to Visible Upconversion Efficiency	<b>Prof. James Piper</b> Department of Physics and Astronomy Macquarie University
<b>1630-1700</b>	Improving Optical Measurement and Trapping using Quantum Mechanics	<b>Prof. Warwick Bowen</b> Department of Physics University of Queensland
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Day 5 - Friday, 4 September 2020

TIME	TOPIC	SPEAKER
0800-0830	Login	
0830-0845	AFOSR International Initiatives	<b>Dr. Misoon Mah</b> International Program Manager Air Force Office of Scientific Research
0845-0900	US – Italy S&T Cooperation	<b>Dr. Stefano Lami</b> Science Counselor Embassy of Italy to the United States
0900-0930	The University of Bologna and the US: Perspectives and Opportunities for Innovation	<b>Prof. Beatrice Fraboni</b> Rector's Delegate for International Relations with North America and Europe University of Bologna
0930-1000	Bringing Ideas to the Market: the Impact Driven Approach in the CNR Research Area in Bologna	<b>Dr. Roberto Zamboni</b> Director, Institute for Organic Synthesis and Photoreactivity National Research Council of Italy
1000-1030	Opportunities to Enrich your Research and Innovation Journey: Enrich in the USA	<b>Ms. Claire Chen</b> Director, Global Initiatives National Council of University Research Administrators  <b>Ms. Johanna Füllmann</b> Senior Scientific Officer German Aerospace Center (DLR)
1030-1100	BREAK	
1100-1130	International Research Collaborations at Texas A&M Engineering	<b>Prof. Dimitris Lagoudas</b> Senior Associate Dean for Research Texas A&M University
1130-1200	Exploring New Biophysical Processes with Quantum Entanglement	<b>Prof. Theodore Goodson</b> Department of Chemistry University of Michigan
1200-1230	NCI Sensor Science – An Update	<b>Dr. Jeffrey Buchsbaum</b> Medical Officer and Program Director National Cancer Institute, NIH
1230-1330	LUNCH	
1330-1400	Universal Quantum Standards for Stochastic Biophysics	<b>Prof. James Brozik</b> Department of Chemistry Washington State University
1400-1430	Multidimensional Spectroscopic Probes of Heme Protein Functionality at Molecular and Cellular Scales	<b>Prof. Jennifer Ogilvie</b> Department of Physics University of Michigan

<b>1430-1500</b>	Quantum Coherence and Dynamics in Biological Processes: Molecular Isomerization in Vision	<b>Prof. Paul Brumer</b> Department of Chemistry University of Toronto
<b>1500-1530</b>	<b>BREAK</b>	
<b>1530-1600</b>	Using Human Stem Cells to Vascularized Organoids	<b>Prof. Sharon Gerecht</b> Department of Biomedical Engineering Johns Hopkins University
<b>1600-1630</b>	Biophysics of Intracellular Traffic: Linking Molecular Cues of Cytoskeletal Regulation and Extracellular Vesicle and Exosome Production	<b>Prof. Ravi Radhakrishnan</b> Department of Bioengineering University of Pennsylvania
<b>1630-1700</b>	Opportunities to engage with the Basic Research Office	<b>Dr. Ololade Fatunmbi</b> Program Scientist, SAINC Basic Research Office Office of the Under Secretary of Defense (R&E)
<b>1700-1710</b>	Closing	<b>Dr. Sofi Bin-Salamon</b> Program Manager Air Force Office of Scientific Research
<b>1710</b>	<b>MEETING CONCLUSION</b>	