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# Advancing BioImaging

The Second Annual Scialog Conference  
May 19–22, 2022

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## Objectives

Engage in dialogue with the goal of accelerating high-risk/high-reward research.

Identify and analyze bottlenecks to advance fundamental imaging science and improve its ability to impact human health and our understanding of biological structures and their function.

Build a creative, better-networked community across disciplinary silos that is more likely to produce scientific breakthroughs.

Form teams to write proposals to seed novel projects based on highly innovative ideas that emerge at the conference.

## Process

Brainstorming is welcome; don't be afraid to say what comes to mind.

Consider the possibility of unorthodox or unusual ideas without immediately dismissing them.

Discuss, build upon and constructively criticize each other's ideas –in a spirit of cooperative give and take.

Make comments concise to avoid monopolizing the dialogue.

## Diversity, Inclusion and No Harassment

Research Corporation for Science Advancement fosters an environment for listening and considering new ideas from a diverse group, with respect for all participants without regard to gender, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, age or any other aspect of how we identify ourselves other than as fellow scientists.

RCSA does not tolerate any form of harassment, which could include verbal or physical conduct that has the purpose or effect of substantially interfering with anyone else's participation or performance at this conference, or of creating an intimidating, hostile, or offensive environment; any such harassment may result in dismissal from the conference.

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# Scialog: Advancing BioImaging

## From the President

Welcome to the 2022 *Scialog: Advancing BioImaging* meeting, cosponsored by Research Corporation, the Chan Zuckerberg Initiative and the Frederick Gardner Cottrell Foundation. This is the second of three Scialog meetings on this theme, and it is great to see so many people returning. We are thrilled that we can meet face-to-face this year. Take the opportunity to catch up with colleagues you met last year, and to welcome some new Scialog Fellows who are joining us for the first time this year.

The goal of this Scialog is to catalyze the creation of multidisciplinary collaboration to explore new and innovative projects that accelerate fundamental science on advanced imaging techniques that can stimulate new approaches to visualize biological structures and processes with ever-greater clarity and resolution.

Scialog's overarching purpose is to advance cutting-edge science of great significance to humanity by catalyzing innovative, basic research leading to fundamental discoveries. Our focus is on scientists in the early years of their independent careers. Through the unique Scialog process, we seek to lay the foundation for an ongoing, highly creative, cross-disciplinary community of scientists that will prove adept at identifying exciting areas for research advances for decades to come.

To that end, under the guidance of Program Directors **Andrew Feig**, **Richard Wiener** and **Silvia Ronco** (Research Corporation), and with assistance from our initiative partners **Steve Jett**, **Vladimir Ghukasyan**, **Ed McCleskey** and **Stephani Otte** (Chan Zuckerberg Initiative) and **Shaun Kirkpatrick** (Frederick Gardner Cottrell Foundation), we hope you will be engaged in passionate discussions with colleagues, many of whom you will have met for the first time at Scialog. We also welcome a new partnership with the Walder Foundation (represented by **Sandra Laney** and **Antonio Abeyta**) which is providing additional support across all of the biologically related Scialog initiatives this year. The process may even push you out of your comfort zone with the goal of stimulating new and better ideas. The result, we expect, will be a meeting unlike others that you attend. We are confident that you will find the next few days to be extremely worthwhile.

This is your opportunity to air that wild idea you have been reluctant to share with others, or to discuss a nagging hunch that does not yet have sufficient supporting data, or to take a leap on a high-impact/high-risk project instead of concentrating all your effort on somewhat more "incremental" studies. This is the time to come up with, and be open to, completely new ideas that may truly change the world and to find new colleagues and collaborators with whom to pursue them.

We hope this meeting yields a crop of outstanding team proposals, which will make our job of determining who receives funding very challenging. I wish you every success in exploring new and compelling ideas over the next few days.

Have a terrific meeting!

**Daniel Linzer**

President

Research Corporation for Science Advancement

## From the Program Director

Research Corporation's highly interactive Scialog meetings have the goal of catalyzing new collaborations based on blue-sky ideas among Scialog Fellows who constitute a highly select group of exemplary early-career scientists from the U.S. and Canada. The emphasis is on dialogue, networking, and building new collaborations to pursue novel, high-risk discovery research. Scialog: ABI represents our return to hosting face-to-face meetings and we hope that you are as excited as we are to be physically together in Tucson for year two of this event rather than on Zoom.

Research Corporation, Chan Zuckerberg Initiative and Frederick Gardner Cottrell Foundation chose to focus on Advancing Biolmaging because we believe this critical area of science will impact the way we understand biology and human health. Gone are the days of just seeing physiological features. Modern imaging crosses spatial and temporal boundaries with the ability to see not just the physical morphology of a cell or piece of tissue, but also chemical and biological pathways taking place within the physical structures. And by combining multiple imaging technology and the ability to design photophysical probes and new hardware, and new algorithms that process data in real time and adjust data collection in response, imaging across wide fields and while stopping to acquire high resolution at the most critical loci is becoming possible. We believe these breakthroughs can be accelerated by bringing together chemists, physicist, biologists, bioengineers and medical imaging specialists to work together collaboratively on novel, high-risk projects.

We have two outstanding speakers: **Brian Pogue** (University of Wisconsin-Madison) and **Jenn Prescher** (University of California, Irvine), to set the stage for breakout discussions.

We also have a team of terrific discussion facilitators: **Agata Exner** (Case Western Reserve University), **Maryellen Giger** (The University of Chicago), **George Langford** (Syracuse University), **Kristen Maitland** (Texas A&M University), **Brian Pogue** (University of Wisconsin-Madison), **Jenn Prescher** (University of California, Irvine), **Brad Smith** (University of Notre Dame), and **Jin Zhang** (University of California, San Diego).

Scialog meetings focus on dialog and team building with the goal of creating novel strategies and collaborative approaches. An important feature is the opportunity for Scialog Fellows to form teams and write proposals to pursue particularly creative ideas that emerge through the dialogue. We hope this competition is exciting, but regardless of which proposals are funded, the primary purpose is to catalyze a deeper and more meaningful exchange of ideas than ordinarily occurs at scientific conferences. Our intent is for this process to help participants gain new insights and connections that significantly advance fundamental science to enable major advances in imaging technologies.

We hope each participant finds the Scialog experience of great value. Please do not hesitate to provide feedback on how to make the conference better. My fellow Program Directors, **Richard Wiener** and **Silvia Ronco**, the RCSA staff, and I are here to help make the meeting a great experience!

**Andrew Feig**

Senior Program Director

Research Corporation for Science Advancement

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## Conference Agenda May 19–22, 2022

### Thursday, May 19

2:00 pm	<b>Registration Opens</b>	Sonoran Foyer
2:00 – 5:00 pm	<b>Snacks and Informal Discussions</b>	Sonoran Foyer
5:00 – 6:30 pm	<b>Poster Session and Reception</b>	Santa Catalina Ballroom
6:00 – 6:30 pm	<b>Meeting for Discussion Facilitators</b>	Javelina
6:30 – 8:30 pm	<b>Dinner and Welcome</b> Dan Linzer, President, RCSA Stephen Jett, Scientific Program Manager, Imaging, CZI	Sonoran Rooftop Patio
	<b>Conference Overview, Outcomes and Proposal Guidelines</b> Andrew Feig, Senior Program Director, RCSA	
	<b>Introductions/Ice Breakers</b>	
8:30 – 11:00 pm	<b>Starlight Cafe</b>	Sonoran Rooftop Patio

### Friday, May 20

7:00 – 8:00 am	<b>Breakfast</b>	Sonoran Rooftop Patio
8:00 – 8:45 am	<b>Keynote Presentation</b> <i>Contrast Enhancement in Optical Cancer Imaging: Metabolic, Immunologic and Heterogeneity</i> Brian Pogue, University of Wisconsin-Madison	Sonoran Ballroom
8:45 – 9:00 am	<b>Breakout Session Overview and Instructions</b>	Sonoran Ballroom
9:00 – 10:15 am	<b>Breakout Session I</b>	Mesa, Canyon, Palm, Javelina, Sonoran Ballroom
10:15 – 10:35 am	<b>Report Out</b>	Sonoran Ballroom
10:35 – 11:15 am	<b>Conference Photo and Morning Break</b>	Stairs Near the Main Pool
11:15 – 11:45 am	<b>Mini Breakout Session I (Fellows)</b>	All Spaces
	<b>Facilitator Debrief (Facilitators)</b>	Javelina
11:45 am – 1:00 pm	<b>Lunch</b>	Sonoran Rooftop Patio
1:00 – 1:45 pm	<b>2021 Team Award Panel Discussion</b>	Sonoran Ballroom
1:45 – 3:00 pm	<b>Breakout Session II</b>	Mesa, Canyon, Palm, Javelina, Sonoran Ballroom
3:00 – 3:20 pm	<b>Report Out</b>	Sonoran Ballroom
3:20 – 3:50 pm	<b>Mini Breakout Session II (Fellows)</b>	All Spaces
3:50 – 5:15 pm	<b>Afternoon Break</b>	Sonoran Foyer
5:15 – 6:45 pm	<b>Poster Session and Reception</b>	Santa Catalina Ballroom
6:45 – 7:45 pm	<b>Dinner</b>	Sonoran Rooftop Patio
7:45 – 8:30 pm	<b>Keynote Presentation</b> <i>Spying on Cellular Communication with Chemical Tools and Noninvasive Imaging</i> Jenn Prescher, UC Irvine	Sonoran Ballroom
8:30 – 11:00 pm	<b>Starlight Cafe</b>	Sonoran Rooftop Patio

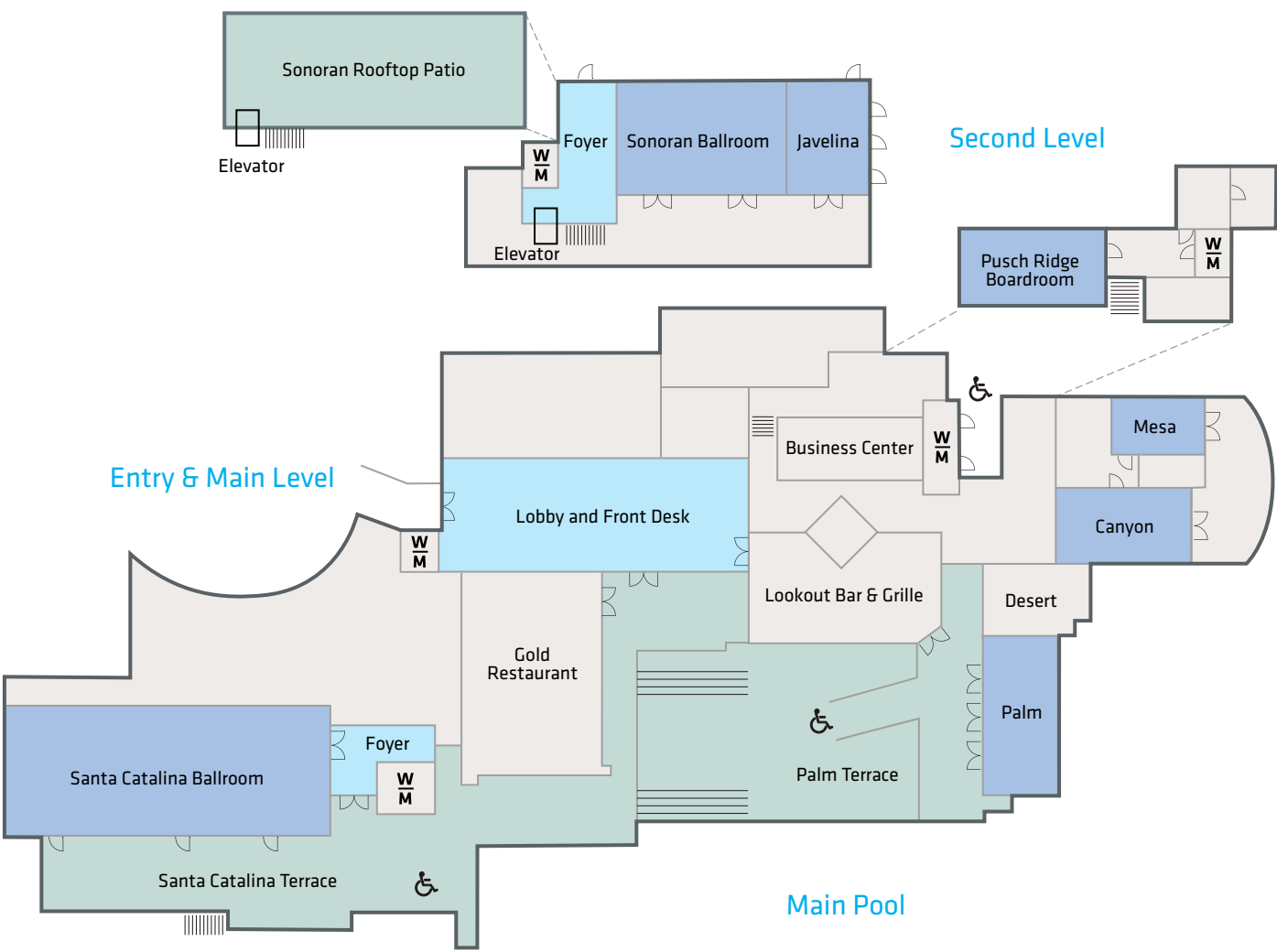
### Saturday, May 21

6:45 – 7:30 am	<b>Optional Guided Nature Walk</b>	WL Trail—Meet in Lobby
7:00 – 8:00 am	<b>Breakfast</b>	Sonoran Rooftop
8:00 – 8:45 am	<b>2021 Team Award Panel Discussion</b>	Sonoran Ballroom
8:45 – 9:15 am	<b>Mini Breakout Session III</b> (Fellows)	All spaces
9:15 – 9:45 am	<b>Morning Break</b>	Sonoran Foyer
9:45 – 11:00 am	<b>Breakout Session III</b>	Mesa, Canyon, Santa Catalina, Javelina, Sonoran Ballroom
11:00 – 11:20 am	<b>Report Out</b>	Sonoran Ballroom
11:20 – 11:50 am	<b>Mini Breakout Session IV</b> (Fellows)	All Spaces
	<b>Facilitator Debrief</b>	Pusch Ridge Boardroom
11:50 – 1:00 pm	<b>Lunch</b>	Palm Room/Terrace
1:00 – 6:00 pm	<b>Team Formation, Informal Discussions and Proposal Writing</b>	All spaces except Sonoran Ballroom and Rooftop
5:45 – 6:30 pm	<b>Reception</b>	Santa Catalina Terrace
6:30 – 7:30 pm	<b>Dinner</b>	Palm Room/Terrace
7:30 – 11:00 pm	<b>Starlight Cafe</b>	Palm Room/Terrace

### Sunday, May 22

6:30 – 7:30 am	<b>Breakfast</b>	Palm Room/Terrace
7:30 – 11:00 am	<b>Presentation of Proposals</b>	Santa Catalina Ballroom
	<b>Assessment Survey and Wrap-up</b>	
11:00 – 12:00 pm	<b>Lunch</b> (available to go)	Santa Catalina Foyer

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## Keynote Speakers

## Contrast Enhancement in Optical Cancer Imaging: Metabolic, Immunologic and Heterogeneity

**Brian Pogue***University of Wisconsin-Madison*

**Abstract:** Imaging systems naturally have a defined sensitivity and dynamic range, but the nature of imaging highly heterogeneous diseases such as cancer means that the disease itself can partly define the image contrast and approach needed to acquire the image. In this talk, examples of different radiation sources or different structured illumination patterns will be reviewed, to illustrate how the system design can affect what is measured. Imaging can be enhanced by use of contrast agents, and in the area of exogenous molecular agents there is significant growth, but the value of each agent is based upon many factors. The range of molecular targets varies widely with increasing specificity being the goal, and the possible targets being: structural molecules, metabolism driving molecules, immunologic receptors and/or genetic proteins. In many cases of highly specific agents, the value of the added contrast may not be realized unless the imaging system is matched to the task, in terms of available dynamic range, low non-specific background, and specificity for resolving relevant cancer structures. An approach to immunologic targeting of the EGF receptor with a surgical fluorescent contrast agent will be illustrated, as well as an approach to metabolic targeting of hypoxia. Comparing these two illustrates the relative differences in heterogeneity and background that can determine which will be more successful and where. Commercial translation in these areas is now growing and scientific guidance and industry-academic partnerships can help to define the most promising areas for the future.

## Spying on Cellular Communication with Chemical Tools and Noninvasive Imaging

**Jennifer Prescher***University of California, Irvine*

**Abstract:** Cellular networks drive diverse aspects of human biology. Breakdowns in cell-to-cell communication also underlie numerous pathologies. While cellular interactions play key roles in human health and disease, the mechanisms by which cells transact information in vivo are not completely understood. The number of cell types involved, the timing and location of their interactions, the molecular cues exchanged, and the long-term fates of the cells remain poorly characterized in most cases. This is due, in part, to a lack of tools for observing collections of cells in their native habitats. My group is developing novel imaging probes to “spy” on cells and decipher their communications in vivo. Examples of these probes, along with their application in tissues and whole organisms, will be discussed.

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## 2022 Proposal Guidelines

### Scialog: Advancing BioImaging

1. Awards are intended to provide seed funding for teams of two to three Scialog Fellows formed at this conference for high-risk, high-impact projects.
2. The application package should be submitted as a single PDF file. It contains the completed ABI Proposal Coversheet, found in the conference Google drive, as page one. Pages two and three should describe the project and role of each team member. A fourth page may be used for references. No budget is necessary.
3. Awards will be in the amount of \$50K direct funding per team member, plus a small percentage for overhead. Grant duration will be one year.
4. No Scialog Fellow can be a member of more than two teams. If a Scialog Fellow is a member of two teams, other members of the teams must be different. No team can submit more than one proposal.
5. No Scialog Fellow who previously has won a Scialog ABI Collaborative Award can be a member of more than one team. The other team members must be different from the members of the previously awarded team (Applies to Years 2 and 3).
6. Teams cannot include members who have previously collaborated with one another. If you are unsure of your status (e.g., prospective team members were part of a large collaboration but did not significantly interact), please check for clarification with an RCSA program director
7. Teams are encouraged (but not required) to:
  - a. Include members with different research approaches and methods.
  - b. Include members from different disciplines.
8. Proposals must be submitted electronically by **6:30 a.m. PST Sunday, May 22, 2022**. Instructions for submission will be provided at the meeting.
9. Awards are anticipated to start around **August 1, 2022**.

## 2021 Collaborative Awards

### *NeedleScope: Developing the Smallest Microscope for Biolmaging*

**Aseema Mohanty**, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Tufts University

**Sixian You**, Electrical Engineering and Computer Science, Massachusetts Institute of Technology

### *4-D Molecular Tracking Using Kiloherz Framerate Multi-Modal Microscope*

**Nick Galati**, Biology, Western Washington University

**Shannon Quinn**, Computer Science, University of Georgia

**Doug Shepherd**, Physics, Arizona State University

### *Nanophotonic Probes for Ultra-Deep Functional Multiphoton Imaging*

**Luke Mortensen**, Chemical, Materials and Biomedical Engineering, University of Georgia

**Aniruddha Ray**, Physics and Astronomy, University of Toledo

### *Light-Sheet Imaging of 3D Bioprinted Islet Organoids Structure and Function*

**Yevgenia Kozorovitskiy**, Neurobiology, Northwestern University

**Ping Wang, Radiology**, Michigan State University

### *Enabling Noninvasive Lipid Profiling with Intermodal Deep Learning*

**Benjamin Bartelle**, Biological and Health Systems Engineering, Arizona State University

**Ulugbek Kamilov**, Computer Science and Engineering and Electrical and Systems Engineering, Washington University in St. Louis

**Lu Wei**, Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, California Institute of Technology

### *Chip-scale Light Sheet for High Spatiotemporal Resolution Imaging*

**Aseema Mohanty**, Electrical and Computer Engineering, Tufts University

**Srigokul Upadhyayula**, Molecular and Cell Biology, University of California, Berkeley

### *Deep Tissue Photoacoustic Imaging with Degradable Inorganic Nanoparticles*

**Carolyn Bayer**, Biomedical Engineering, Tulane University

**Allison Dennis**, Biomedical Engineering, Boston University

### *Machine Learning to Identify Soft Tissue Molecular Signatures*

**Carolyn Bayer**, Biomedical Engineering, Tulane University

**Sapun Parekh**, Biomedical Engineering, The University of Texas at Austin

**Paris Perdikaris**, Mechanical Engineering and Applied Mechanics, University of Pennsylvania

### *Microendoscopy-Guided Diagnosis and Treatment of Early-Stage Ovarian Cancer*

**Barbara Smith**, Biological and Health Systems Engineering, Arizona State University

**Bryan Spring**, Physics, Northeastern University

### *Wide-Field, Single-Pixel Fluorescence Imaging with On-Chip Nanophotonics*

**Lisa Poulikakos**, Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering, University of California, San Diego

**Douglas Shepherd**, Physics, Arizona State University

## Scialog Fellows

### **Shiva Abbaszadeh** [sabbasza@ucsc.edu](mailto:sabbasza@ucsc.edu)

Electrical and Computer Engineering,  
University of California, Santa Cruz  
*I develop novel radiation detectors and imaging instrumentation to improve and advance healthcare.*

### **Josh Brake** [jbrake@hmc.edu](mailto:jbrake@hmc.edu)

Engineering, Harvey Mudd College  
*My research group is focused on building tools to tackle problems in biophotonics with a particular focus on peering deep into tissue with optical wavefront shaping and synergistically combining optical hardware with computation to improve system performance in microscopy.*

### **Kevin Cash** [kcash@mines.edu](mailto:kcash@mines.edu)

Chemical and Biological Engineering,  
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*My interests lie at the intersection of imaging and sensing. We develop and use next generation sensors to quantify metabolic dynamics at multiple scales, ranging from the cellular, to the organism, and communities of organisms in biomedical and environmental applications.*

### **Fanny Chapelin** [fchapelin@uky.edu](mailto:fchapelin@uky.edu)

Biomedical Engineering, University of Kentucky  
*Dr. Chapelin's lab develops non-invasive magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) methods to track immune cell migration to foci of inflammation in different pathologies such as transplant rejection, autoimmune diseases and cancer.*

### **Huanyu "Larry" Cheng** [huanyu.cheng@psu.edu](mailto:huanyu.cheng@psu.edu)

Engineering Science and Mechanics,  
Pennsylvania State University  
*Creating new soft functional composite materials, developing scalable, low-cost, rapid manufacturing approaches, and exploring novel device designs towards next-generation standalone stretchable sensing platforms for smart soft robotics and biomedicine.*

### **Shwetadwip Chowdhury**

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Electrical and Computer Engineering,  
The University of Texas at Austin  
*Interests are in developing next generation computational imaging technologies for applications in science and medicine.*

### **Mini Das** [mdas@uh.edu](mailto:mdas@uh.edu)

Physics, University of Houston  
*Combining optical physics, instrumentation and algorithms for early stage cancer detection and in-vivo deep tissue imaging.*

### **Candace Fleischer** [ccfleis@emory.edu](mailto:ccfleis@emory.edu)

Radiology and Imaging Sciences, Biomedical Engineering, Emory University School of Medicine  
*Developing magnetic resonance-based methods for characterizing metabolism and temperature in the healthy and injured human brain*

### **Rui Gao** [gaor@uic.edu](mailto:gaor@uic.edu)

Chemistry and Biological Sciences,  
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*Dr. Gao's lab is interested in how basic molecular building blocks – such as proteins, lipids, and RNAs – assemble and interact to generate specific biological functions or dysfunctions.*

### **Arnold Hayer** [arnold.hayer@mcgill.ca](mailto:arnold.hayer@mcgill.ca)

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*How can collective cellular behavior emerge from coordinated autonomous cellular activities? We use live-cell imaging, biosensors, microfabrication, and computational image analysis to explore the signaling dynamics underlying autonomous and collective cell migration.*

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*A single-molecule lens to immunity.*

### **Beck Kamilov** [kamilov@wustl.edu](mailto:kamilov@wustl.edu)

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Washington University in St. Louis  
*Computational Imaging, Biomedical Imaging, Deep Learning, Optimization. I develop methods for image restoration, image reconstruction, and image analysis.*



## Scialog Fellows Continued

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Applied Physics Division,  
National Institute of Standards and Technology  
*I am excited about quantitative MRI including multiparametric methods for understanding underlying tissue properties, low field MRI, and validation of MRI methods, including assessing the limits of detection. For example, can MRI detect cellular or sub-cellular changes?*

**Yevgenia (Genia) Kozorovitskiy**[Yevgenia.Kozorovitskiy@northwestern.edu](mailto:Yevgenia.Kozorovitskiy@northwestern.edu)

Northwestern University, Neurobiology  
*We are a neurobiology lab interested in plasticity and neuromodulation in the mammalian brain. We use and develop imaging and molecular methods, in complement with electrophysiological and anatomical approaches.*

**Dylan McCreedy** [dmccreedy@bio.tamu.edu](mailto:dmccreedy@bio.tamu.edu)

Biology, Texas A&M University  
*The McCreedy Lab investigates the roles of early inflammation in tissue damage and wound healing following spinal cord injury, as well as new three-dimensional imaging strategies to characterize inflammation and neural circuit damage.*

**Ryan McGorty** [rmcgorty@sandiego.edu](mailto:rmcgorty@sandiego.edu)

Physics and Biophysics, University of San Diego  
*I am interested in measuring the transport dynamics within crowded environments. My lab works on developing light sheet microscopy methods and image analysis methods.*

**Luke Mortensen** [luke.mortensen@uga.edu](mailto:luke.mortensen@uga.edu)

Regenerative Bioscience Center and School for Chemical, Materials and Biomedical Engineering,  
University of Georgia  
*We aim to develop optical technologies for fluorescence and label-free nonlinear scattering imaging of tiny sub-cellular features deep in highly scattering tissue to understand the dynamic processes of regeneration and differentiation in living organs like the bone.*

**Arnab Mukherjee** [arnabm@ucsb.edu](mailto:arnabm@ucsb.edu)

Chemical Engineering, Biological Engineering,  
University of California, Santa Barbara  
*Repurposing naturally occurring biomolecules to non-invasively image whole cells, intracellular signals, gene expression, and enzymatic activity inside the body.*

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Electrical and Computer Engineering,  
Boston University  
*Combining computational imaging and metasurfaces is a promising avenue toward highly efficient imaging systems and may enable novel imaging capabilities that would not be possible by either modality alone.*

**Girgis Obaid** [girgis.obaid@utdallas.edu](mailto:girgis.obaid@utdallas.edu)

Bioengineering, The University of Texas at Dallas  
*Dr. Girgis Obaid is interested in the intersection between personalized nanoparticles, molecular imaging and optically-activated theranostics for recurrent and resistant cancers.*

**Sapun H. Parekh** [sparekh@utexas.edu](mailto:sparekh@utexas.edu)

Biomedical Engineering,  
The University of Texas at Austin  
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Physics and Optical Sciences,  
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*My research group focuses on polarization-based quantitative phase imaging microscopy and wavefront shaping imaging techniques. We harness the optical properties of smart materials to obtain quantitative 3D information of biological samples with high accuracy and specificity.*

**Lisa Poulikakos** [lpoulikakos@eng.ucsd.edu](mailto:lpoulikakos@eng.ucsd.edu)

Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering,  
University of California, San Diego  
*My research develops novel nanophotonic materials with the ability image structural changes in biological matter for clinically-relevant disease diagnosis, assessment and quantitative optical visualization.*

**Aniruddha Ray** [aniruddha.ray@utoledo.edu](mailto:aniruddha.ray@utoledo.edu)

Physics and Astronomy, University of Toledo  
*Our research involves development of novel imaging and sensing platforms based on nanotechnology and photonics for solving complex problems in biomedicine.*

## Scialog Fellows Continued

### **Crystal D. Rogers** [crdrogers@ucdavis.edu](mailto:crdrogers@ucdavis.edu)

Anatomy, Physiology, and Cell Biology,  
University of California, Davis

*Dr. Rogers studies the molecular mechanisms that control cell fate specification, migration, and differentiation during early development using multiple organisms.*

### **Joh Schoeneberg** [jschoeneberg@ucsd.edu](mailto:jschoeneberg@ucsd.edu)

Pharmacology, University of California, San Diego

*My lab is a pioneer in advanced 4D lattice light-sheet microscopy of human stem cell derived organoid systems and the development of machine learning tools to process the vast amounts of data produced in the process.*

### **Mark Sellmyer** [mark.sellmyer@pennmedicine.upenn.edu](mailto:mark.sellmyer@pennmedicine.upenn.edu)

Radiology and Biochemistry and Biophysics,  
University of Pennsylvania

*Our work is at the interface of chemical biology and molecular imaging.*

### **Doug Shepherd** [douglas.shepherd@asu.edu](mailto:douglas.shepherd@asu.edu)

Physics, Arizona State University

*My research focus is on developing fast 3D imaging and computational methods to build predictive models on how cell fate specification is regulated at the molecular level.*

### **Lingyan Shi** [Lingyanshi@ucsd.edu](mailto:Lingyanshi@ucsd.edu)

Bioengineering, University of California, San Diego

*Super-resolution multiplex optical imaging of metabolic dynamics, and applications to ageing and disease research.*

### **Seu Sim** [s.sim@uci.edu](mailto:s.sim@uci.edu)

Chemistry, University of California, Irvine

*The Sim lab develops soft materials incorporating living functionalities. We are interested in understanding how communities of living cells within materials communicate, behave, and adapt.*

### **Alex Walsh** [walshaj@tamu.edu](mailto:walshaj@tamu.edu)

Biomedical Engineering, Texas A&M University

*My research interests include optical microscopy, quantitative image analysis, and live-cell imaging. My lab uses label-free fluorescence microscopy to image cellular metabolism for applications in cancer therapy, immunology, and neuroscience.*

### **Ping Wang** [wangpin4@msu.edu](mailto:wangpin4@msu.edu)

Radiology, Michigan State University

*Image-guided stem cell therapies for diabetes, cancer and cardiovascular diseases.*

### **Heather M. Whitney** [heather.whitney@wheaton.edu](mailto:heather.whitney@wheaton.edu)

Physics, Wheaton College

*I am interested in the development/validation of robust methods of computer-aided diagnosis, particularly to give full consideration to both the biophysical basis of medical imaging and rigorous machine learning methods.*

### **Stephen Yi** [stephen.yi@austin.utexas.edu](mailto:stephen.yi@austin.utexas.edu)

Biomedical Engineering and Oncology,

The University of Texas at Austin

*Dr. Stephen Yi's lab research is at the interface of disease biology and informatics in the modern era of precision medicine. His lab seeks to chart signaling network dynamics and perturbation in disease, and build a quantitative understanding of genotype-phenotype relationships.*

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*Microscopy, Computational imaging, and Biophotonics.*

## Discussion Facilitators

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*My research is at the interface of nanomedicine and biomedical ultrasound with a focus on developing nanobubble-based agents to improve disease detection and treatment.*

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Radiology / Medical Physics, The University of Chicago

*Novel mathematical techniques and computer algorithms for extracting signatures from multi-modality medical images and in understanding the efficacy of such methods in the diagnosis of cancer, COVID-19, and other diseases, i.e., personalized healthcare with big data.*

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Biology, Syracuse University

*Super resolution imaging of the actin cytoskeleton in living cells.*

**Kristen Maitland** [kmaitland@tamu.edu](mailto:kmaitland@tamu.edu)

Biomedical Engineering, Texas A&M University

*My research is focused on development of light-based technologies for applications in medicine and biology, including fiber-based imaging systems, handheld microscopes, volumetric imaging systems, portable spectrometers, and point-of-care devices.*

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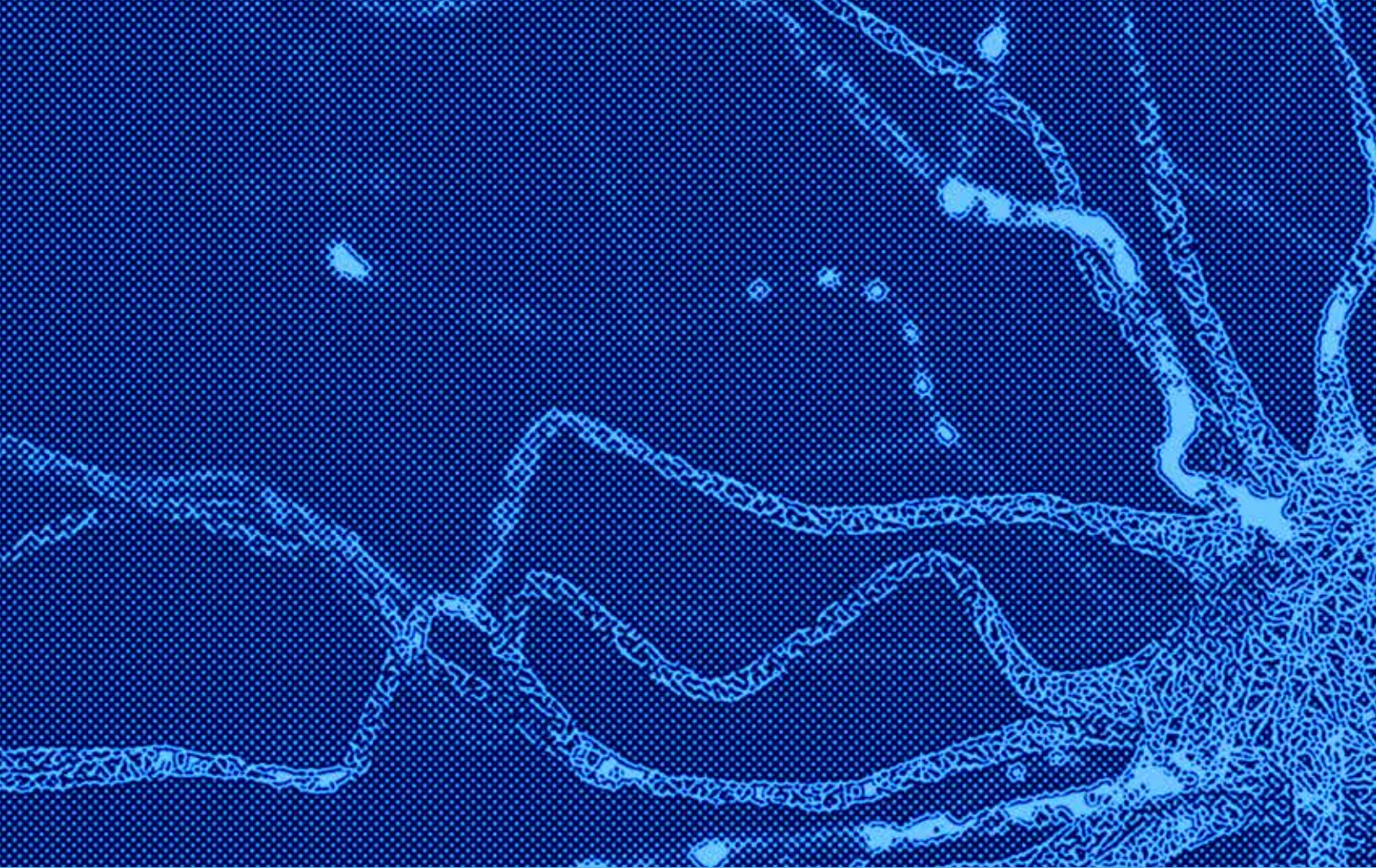
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