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2019: Elected Fellow of American Physical Society
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07/2011 - 06/2015: Assistant Professor of Physics, University of California, Irvine
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PROFESSIONAL SERVICE:

- Editor-in-Chief, Materials Today Quantum, 2023/10- present.
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- Reviewer for journals including Nature, Science, Nature Journals, Science Journals, Physical Review Letters, Advanced Materials and Nano Letters.
- Faculty advisor for Society of Physics Students (SPS) and Sigma Pi Sigma, UCI division, 2012-2017.

RESEARCH PROJECTS:

Our lab specializes in ultra-sensitive magneto-optical measurements using a unique instrument called loopless fiber-optical Sagnac interferometer, which the PI invented a decade ago (*Physics Today* "Search & discovery: Superconductor forms domains that break time-reversal symmetry", 2006). We also specialize in sensitive electrical, thermal and mechanical measurements often at low temperature (mK) and high magnetic field (12 T). In general, our lab is interested in two major topics: (1) Fabrication and investigation of quantum materials for constructing quantum computers and other novel electronic devices. These materials include topological insulators, 2D van der Waals atomic layers, atomic-thin oxide heterostructures and unconventional superconductors. (2) Ultra-sensitive magnetic sensing using optical magnetic Sagnac magnetometer, which is on its way to achieving magnetic field sensitivity comparable to SQUID magnetometer. One of the major motivations is for room temperature functional brain imaging. In the past few years, our group has pioneered the study of topological Kondo insulator SmB_6 (*Nature* "[Hopes surface for exotic insulator](#)", 2012), and we have made perhaps one of the first working electronics devices based on SmB_6 : a micro RF oscillator device. We have for the first time realized magnetic order in van der Waals atomic layers (*Physics Today* "[Search and Discovery: Ferromagnetism found in two-dimensional materials](#)", *Nature* "[Magnetism in flatland](#)", 2017) that would open the door for atomic-sized spintronic devices.

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