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Academic Appointments

- Professor of Physics, *The Ohio State University*, 2014–
- Associate Professor of Physics, *The Ohio State University*, 2010–2014
- Reader in Physics, *University of Bristol*, 2009–2010
- Senior Lecturer in Physics, *University of Bristol*, 2007–2009
- Lecturer in Physics, *University of Bristol*, 2006–2007
- Post-doctoral Research Fellow, *University of California at Santa Barbara*, 2001–2006

Awards

- Breakthrough Prize in Fundamental Physics, 2025
ATLAS, CMS, ALICE and LHCb Experiments at CERN
- High Energy and Particle Physics Prize, *European Physical Society*, 2019
— awarded to the CDF and D0 collaborations “for the discovery of the top quark and the detailed measurement of its properties”
- Fellow, *American Physical Society*, elected 2016
- LPC Distinguished Researcher, *Fermi National Accelerator Laboratory*, 2016
- High Energy and Particle Physics Prize, *European Physical Society*, 2013
— awarded to the ATLAS and CMS collaborations “for the discovery of a Higgs boson”

Education

- Ph.D. in Physics, *University of California, Davis, USA*, 2001
- M.S. in Physics, *University of California, Davis, USA*, 1998
- A.B. in Physics and Philosophy, *Dartmouth College, USA*, 1994

Research

I am an experimental high energy physicist. My research aims to understand the fundamental constituents of matter and their interactions. I am a leading member of one of the premier high energy physics experiments in the world, the CMS experiment, where I study the energy frontier with proton-proton collisions provided by the LHC at CERN (Geneva, Switzerland). On July 4, 2012 my collaborators and I announced the discovery of the Higgs boson, a new type of fundamental particle that is believed to be responsible for the origin of mass. I am also an original proponent and co-spokeperson of *milliQan*, a newer LHC experiment that is performing a dedicated search for milli-charged particles. The success of this experiment has prompted me (and others) to propose several complementary “milliQan-like” experiments around the globe (e.g. FerMINI at FNAL, SUBMET at JPARC, FORMOSA at CERN FPF).

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Selected Professional Activities:

- milliQan co-spokesperson (2015–)
- US CMS HL-LHC Project Scientist (2016–)
- US CMS HL-LHC Tracker PM (2015–2016)
- CMS Deputy Physics Coordinator (2012–2014)
- CMS Exotica group convener (2010–2012)
- CMS V+jets group convener (2008–2009)
- CDF Silicon Detector Project Leader (2001–2002)

Selected Talks:

- “First Physics Results from milliQan,” LLP 2025, Valencia, Spain, June 6–8, 2025.
- “Status of, and First Results from, the milliQan Run 3 Detector,” Lepton-Photon 2023, Melbourne, Australia, July 17–21, 2023.
- “Status of FORMOSA CERN, Geneva, Switzerland, November 15–16, 2022.
- “Search for new physics with disappearing tracks”, Lake Louise Winter Institute 2020, CA, Feb 10, 2020.
- “The Hunt for the Higgs: Has the Origin of Mass Been Found?”, AAAS Meeting, Boston, MA, Feb, 2013.
- “The Discovery of the Higgs Boson”, Colloquium, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, Aug. 2012.

Selected Publications:

1. “Search for millicharged particles in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13.6$ TeV,” S. Alcott *et al.* [milliQan Collaboration] Phys. Rev. Lett. **135**, 121802 (2025).
2. “Search for long-lived particles decaying to leptons with large impact parameter in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV,” A. Tumasyan *et al.* [CMS Collaboration] Eur. Phys. J. C **82**, no.2, 153 (2022)
3. “Sensitivity to millicharged particles in future proton-proton collisions at the LHC with the milliQan detector,” A. Ball *et al.* [milliQan Collaboration] Phys. Rev. D **104**, no.3, 032002 (2021)
4. “Search for millicharged particles in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV,” A. Ball *et al.* [milliQan Collaboration]. Phys. Rev. D **102**, no.3, 032002 (2020)
5. “Search for disappearing tracks in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV,” A. M. Sirunyan *et al.* [CMS Collaboration]. Phys. Lett. B **806**, 135502 (2020)
6. “Search for disappearing tracks as a signature of new long-lived particles in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV” A. M. Sirunyan *et al.* [CMS Collaboration] JHEP **1808**, 016 (2018)
7. “Search for decays of stopped exotic long-lived particles produced in proton-proton collisions at $\sqrt{s} = 13$ TeV” A. M. Sirunyan *et al.* [CMS Collaboration] JHEP **1805**, 127 (2018)
8. “Looking for milli-charged particles with a new experiment at the LHC” A. Haas, C. S. Hill, E. Izaguirre and I. Yavin. Phys. Lett. B **746**, 117 (2015)