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JOSEPH A IZATT, PROFESSOR

Biophotonics is concerned with the application of cutting-edge optoelectronic technologies to problems in the biomedical sciences. My research centers on the application of optical technologies for non-invasive, high-resolution imaging and sensing in living biological tissues. The technologies we use in my laboratory include acousto-optic and integrated-optic devices, femtosecond lasers, and ultrabroadband fiber optic telecommunications equipment. The applications of the systems we build include noninvasive medical diagnostics, in-vivo tomographic microscopes, and high-throughput three-dimensional small animal imaging systems for genomics studies. Our work involves multiple collaborations with engineers, biologists, and physicians at Duke and elsewhere.



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Education:

PhD, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1991
 SM, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, 1988
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Specialties:

Medical Imaging
 Photonics
 Medical Diagnostics

Research Interests:

Professor Izatt's research interests are in the area of biophotonics and include coherence-based biomedical imaging and microscopy, novel technologies for ophthalmic imaging, and nanoscale studies of cellular morphology and dynamics.

Areas of Interest:

Optical coherence tomography and microscopy
 Ophthalmic imaging technology
 Field-based optical microscopy at the nanoscale
 Laser-tissue interactions
 Optical and ultrasonic signal processing
 Novel methods for high-resolution minimally invasive medical imaging and tissue characterization

Awards, Honors, and Distinctions

Fellow, American Institute for Medical and Biological Engineering, 2007
 Fellow, Society of Photo-Instrumentation Engineers (SPIE), 2008
 NSF Early CAREER Award, National Science Foundation, 1996-2000
 Fellow, American Society for Laser Medicine and Surgery, 1995

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