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RESEARCH INTERESTS

Domenico Pacifici is currently leading research projects involving the use of photons and surface plasmons in nanostructured materials for information, sensing and energy-harvesting applications. Recently, the Pacifici Group has demonstrated: (1) plasmonic concentrators for broad-band enhanced absorption in ultra-thin film solar cells, (2) germanium quantum dot photodetectors with responsivity and internal quantum efficiency rivaling those of conventional silicon-based technologies, and (3) high-throughput biochemical sensors using plasmonic interferometers integrated on-chip for detection of extremely low glucose and insulin concentrations, typically found in saliva, for non-invasive glucose screening.

2. EDUCATION

UNIVERSITY OF CATANIA, Catania, Italy

Ph.D. in Physics, *cum laude* 2004

Dissertation: *Erbium-doped silicon nanoclusters for Microphotonics*, Advisor: Prof. F. Priolo
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UNIVERSITY OF CATANIA, Catania, Italy

Laurea in Physics (Master of Science), *summa cum laude* 2000

Dissertation: *Interaction between silicon nanocrystals and erbium ions*, Advisor: Prof. F. Priolo

3. PROFESSIONAL APPOINTMENTS

BROWN UNIVERSITY, Providence, RI

Assistant Professor, School of Engineering September 1st, 2009–present

CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY, Pasadena, CA

Senior Postdoctoral Scholar, Department of Applied Physics 2007–2009

Postdoctoral Scholar, Department of Applied Physics 2005–2007

UNIVERSITY OF CATANIA, Catania, Italy

Research Fellow, Department of Physics 2004–2005

Graduate Researcher, Department of Physics 2000–2003

4. PUBLICATIONS

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PATENTS

The following provisional patents have been filed by the Brown Technology Venture Office:

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INVITED TALKS (International Conferences)

- IEEE NANOTECHNOLOGY MATERIALS AND DEVICES CONFERENCE**, Aci Castello, Italy
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Plasmonic Interferometry for Biomedical Applications.
- MATERIALS RESEARCH SOCIETY**, San Francisco, CA, USA
Spring Meeting, Symposium KK: Resonant Optics – Fundamentals and Applications 2014
Plasmonic Interferometers for Biochemical Sensing and Optical Coherence Measurements.
- MATERIALS RESEARCH SOCIETY**, San Francisco, CA, USA
Spring Meeting, Symposium II: Emerging Nanophotonic Materials and Devices 2014
Plasmonic Interferometry: Physics and Applications.
- 30TH COURSE NANO-STRUCTURES FOR OPTICS AND PHOTONICS**, Erice, Italy
Ettore Majorana Foundation and Center for Scientific Culture 2013
Plasmonic Interferometry for Photovoltaics and Biosensing Applications.
- MATERIALS RESEARCH SOCIETY**, Boston, USA
Fall Meeting 2012
Germanium Nanostructures Coupled to Plasmonic Concentrators for Efficient Silicon-compatible Optoelectronics.
- OPTO SPIE PHOTONICS WEST**, San Francisco, USA
Photonic and Phononic Properties of Engineered Nanostructures II 2012
Plasmonic interferometry: a versatile tool for high-throughput biochemical sensors and energy-efficient thin-film solar cells.
- EUROPEAN OPTICAL SOCIETY (EOS)**, Capri, Italy
3rd Topical Meeting on Optical Microsystems & 1st Topical Meeting on Lasers 2009
Applied Plasmonics: surface waves for sensing, switching and energy harvesting.
- MATERIALS RESEARCH SOCIETY**, San Francisco, CA, USA
Spring Meeting 2009
Active Plasmonics: physics and applications.
- NANOMETA 2009, THE EUROPEAN RESEARCH SOCIETY**, Tirol, Austria
The 1st European Topical Meeting on Nanophotonics and Metamaterials 2009
Active Plasmonic Devices: novel approaches to the generation and manipulation of surface plasmons.

- METAMATERIALS 2008**, Pamplona, Spain
2nd International Congress on Advanced Electromagnetic Materials in Microwave and Optics 2008
 Active Plasmonic Components and Metamaterials.
- PQE, PHYSICS OF QUANTUM ELECTRONICS**, Snowbird, UT, USA
The 38th Winter Colloquium on the Physics of Quantum Electronics 2008
 Plasmons in slit and hole arrays: role of coherence and short range order for modulators and solar cells.
- MATERIALS RESEARCH SOCIETY**, San Francisco, CA, USA
Spring Meeting 2004
 Rare-earth doped silicon nanostructures for Microphotonics.
- EUROPEAN MATERIALS RESEARCH SOCIETY**, Strasbourg, France
Spring Meeting 2002
 Microcavities and electroluminescent devices based on silicon nanocrystals and rare-earth doped nanocrystals.
- SOCIETÀ ITALIANA DI FISICA**, Milano, Italy
LXXXVII Congresso nazionale 2001
 Photoluminescence from silicon nanocrystals and erbium ions.
- COLLOQUIA**
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- UNIVERSITY OF CATANIA**, Catania, Italy
Scuola Superiore di Catania - Invited talk 2013
 Plasmonic Interferometry: Physics and Applications.
 [A video of the full seminar can be viewed here:
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1rsn6yLW3W8>]
- UNIVERSITY OF CATANIA**, Catania, Italy
Department of Physics - Invited talk 2013
 Plasmonic Interferometry for Photovoltaics and Biosensing Applications.
- BROWN UNIVERSITY**, Providence, RI, USA
IMNI Brown Bag Seminars - Invited talk 2012
 Plasmonics: light concentrators and interferometers for ultra-thin-film photovoltaics and biochemical sensing.
- CITY UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK**, New York, NY, USA
CUNY Graduate Center Photonics Colloquium 2010
 Applied Plasmonics for Optical Communications, Energy Harvesting and Sensing Applications.
- BROWN UNIVERSITY**, Providence, RI, USA
Energy Science Seminar - Invited talk 2010
 Plasmonic Interferometers for Energy Harvesting.

- PRINCETON UNIVERSITY**, Princeton, NJ, USA
Department of Electrical Engineering 2009
 Plasmonics for Information, Energy and Environmental applications.
- BROWN UNIVERSITY**, Providence, RI, USA
Invited talk 2009
 Active Plasmonics for Optical Communication, Photovoltaics and Sensing Applications.
- BELL LABS**, Murray Hill, NJ, USA
Invited talk 2009
 Plasmonics: a route toward improved efficiency in thin film solar cells.
- ICFO-THE INSTITUTE OF PHOTONIC SCIENCES**, Barcelona, Spain
ICFO Colloquium 2009
 Active Plasmonics for Optical Communication, Photovoltaics and Sensing Applications.
- UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE**, Newark, DE, USA
ECE Lecturer Series, Electrical and Computer Engineering 2008
 Active Plasmonics for Optical Communication and Photovoltaics.
- KAIST**, Daejeon, Republic of Korea
Department of Physics 2008
 Active plasmonics: ultra low-power all-optical modulators, efficient solar cells, and beyond.
- GEORGIA TECH**, Atlanta, GA, USA
School of Electrical and Computer Engineering 2008
 Active plasmonics: from ultra low-power all-optical modulators to efficient solar cells.
- BOSTON UNIVERSITY**, Boston, MA, USA
ECE Colloquium, Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering 2006
 Si-based microphotonics: light sources and plasmonic devices.

5. RESEARCH GRANTS

A. CURRENT GRANTS

2014-2015 Seed Award, *Multispectral Photoplethysmography for 3D Imaging and Quantitative Assessment of Blood Flow and Oxygen Content in Bone*

PI: Domenico Pacifici. Co-PI: Roy Aaron.

Award amount: \$80,000. Total period covered: 06/01/14-05/30/15.

2013-2015 JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation), *Plasmonic Interferometry: A New Tool for Real-Time Detection of Insulin*

Co-PI: Domenico Pacifici. PI: G. Tayhas R. Palmore.

Award amount: \$1,000,000. Total period covered: 06/01/13-05/31/15.

2013-2014 Seed Award, *Solar Power By Optical Frequency Rectification With Plasmonic Concentrators Coupled to Junctions of Doped Mott Insulators*

Co-PI: Domenico Pacifici, Gang Xiao, Vladan Mlinar. PI: Brad Marston.

Award amount: \$80,000. Total period covered: 07/01/13-06/30/14.

2012-2015 NSF-CBET, *Multispectral plasmonic interferometry: a new tool for high-throughput, real-time detection of cytokines*

PI: Domenico Pacifici. Co-PI: G. Tayhas R. Palmore.

Award amount: \$593,999. Total period covered: 03/01/12-03/01/15.

2012-2015 NSF-DMR, *Germanium nanostructures for efficient silicon-compatible optoelectronics*

PI: Domenico Pacifici. Co-PI: Alexander Zaslavsky.

Award amount: \$400,000. Total period covered: 06/01/12-06/01/15.

2012-2012 ONR, *2012 Lester Eastman Conference (LEC) on High Performance Devices to be held at Brown University 7 – 9 August 2012*

PI: Domenico Pacifici.

Award amount: \$19,999.90. Total period covered: 07/15/12-21/06/13.

2011 FOUNDATION BLANCEFLOR BONCOMPAGNI-LUDOVISI AWARD, Stockholm, Sweden.

PI: Salvatore Cosentino (Visiting Student in Pacifici's Group).

Award amount: SEK75,000. Total period covered: 9/01/11-4/30/12.

2011-2012 DORIS M. AND NORMAN T. HALPIN PRIZE FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY SENIOR CAPSTONE PROJECTS

PI: Christian Franck, Co-PI: Domenico Pacifici. Award recipient: Anastassia Astafieva

Award amount: \$750 student prize; \$2,500 research fund. Total period covered: 10/14/11-5/01/12.

B. PROPOSALS COMPLETED

2010 SALOMON AWARD, Brown University, *High-throughput, polychromatic, compact interferometric sensor array for label-free detection of chemical and biological analytes.*

PI: Domenico Pacifici.

Award amount: \$15,000. Total period covered: 1/19/10-6/30/11.

C. PROPOSALS SUBMITTED

DOE Early Career Award, *Quasiperiodic plasmonic concentrators for high-efficiency energy conversion in ultra-thin film solar cells*

PI: Domenico Pacifici.

Award amount: \$750,000. Total period covered: 06/01/13-01/31/18.

ENI (Ente Nazionale Idrocarburi) AWARD 2012, Renewable and Non-Conventional Energy Prize (Upon invitation)

Quasiperiodic Plasmonic Concentrators for High Efficiency Energy Conversion in Thin Film Solar Cells

PI: Domenico Pacifici.

Award amount: Euros 200,000. Total period covered: 02/01/12-01/31/15.

EPA-SBIR, *Nanophotonic devices for a miniaturized dioxin sensor*

PI: Edel Minogue (Ryon Technologies). Co-PI: Domenico Pacifici, Joseph D. Geiser

Award amount: \$26,342. Total period covered: 03/01/12-08/31/12.

RI STAC, *Nanophotonic Devices for Miniaturized Environmental Sensors*

PI: Domenico Pacifici. Co-PI: Joseph D. Geiser, Edel Minogue (Ryon Technologies)

Award amount: \$70,000. Total period covered: 01/01/12-12/31/12.

NSF-SBIR, *Plasmonic-Enhanced Rydberg Spectroscopy for Real-time Air-pollutant Monitoring*

PI: Joseph D. Geiser (Ryon Technologies). Co-PI: Domenico Pacifici, Edel Minogue

Award amount: \$50,000. Total period covered: 07/01/12-12/31/12.

6. SERVICE

A. To THE UNIVERSITY

- Committee Member, Development of New Website for the School of Engineering, Brown University (2009-2011)
- Committee Member, Proposal for a new Institute for Energy Science, Brown University, Proposal Co-author (2009-2011)
- Proposal reviewer, School of Engineering, Brown University (2010).
- Instructor, Nanoscale Fabrication and Characterization Workshops, Brown University Microelectronics and Electron Microscopy Facilities, March-April 2010, Providence, RI (Organizer: Prof. R. Zia, Instructors: Prof. D. Pacifici, Prof. R. Zia, Eng. M. Jibitsky, Eng. A. McCormick)
- Graduate Research Application Screening, Brown University, School of Engineering.
- Organizer, "Electronic and Photonics" seminar series, Brown University, School of Engineering (2009-2011)
- Graduate Students Preliminary Examination, Participant. (2009-2011)
- Developed a new course, "The Physics of Solar Cells," at the undergraduate and graduate levels.
- Revamped a junior-level "Design and Fabrication of Semiconductor Devices" course with focus on semiconductor solar cell fabrication.
- Member and contributor, "Science Friday" meetings, STEM faculty group co-sponsored by the Sheridan Center for Teaching and Learning and the Science Center at Brown University.
- Run for the Faculty Executive Committee (FEC), junior faculty slate (2010)

B. To THE PROFESSION

- Organizing Committee Member, Joint Fall Meeting of the New England Sections of the APS and the AAPT, Nanobiophysics in the 21st Century, October 2010, Brown University
- Program Committee Member, Photonics and Phononic Crystal Materials and Devices, OPTO SPIE Photonics West, January 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012.
- International Program Committee Member, IASTED International Conference on Solar Energy (SOE 2010, 2011), Banff, Alberta, Canada (2010, 2011)
- Selected as Local Arrangements Chair, IEEE Biennial Lester Eastman Conference on High Performance Devices, to be held at Brown University in August 2012
- Reviewer, Pilot Funding for New Research (Pfund) (2009)
- Reviewer, Science Center programs of the U.S. Department of State, U.S. Civilian Research and Development Foundation (CRDF) (2010)
- Reviewer, NSF panel evaluating photonic proposals submitted to the ECCS Division (2011-2012)
- Reviewer, NSF panel evaluating proposals submitted to the DMR Division (2012)
- Reviewer, DOE Office of Science Graduate Fellowship (SCGF) Program's 2012
- Peer Reviewer for the following journals: Nature Photonics, NanoLetters, Optics Letters, Optics Express, Physical Review Letters, Applied Optics, Physical Review B, Journal of the Optical Society of America, Applied Physics Letters, Solid State Electronics.

C. To THE COMMUNITY

- Speaker, Engineers Week 2010, Brown University, Talk on "Engineering of Photography" (February 2010). Showcased photographs and personal point of view in photography.

- Teaching outreach, Presented a talk on “The Power of The Sun” (with solar cell demos) at the Martin Luther King (MLK) Elementary Science Conference (June 2010), organized within the GK-12 program at Brown University. Served as judge for the Science fair at MLK.
- Organizer of guided tours and solar cell demos for elementary school students.
- Lab Tour Training for Staff Members of the School of Engineering (2013).

7. ACADEMIC HONORS & AWARDS

BROWN UNIVERSITY

Research Seed Funding

2014

Created to help faculty compete more successfully for large-scale, interdisciplinary, multi-investigator grants.

BROWN UNIVERSITY

Henry Merritt Wriston Fellowship

2013

“For his contributions to excellence in teaching and for the devotion to the intellectual development of both graduate and undergraduate students.”

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BROWN UNIVERSITY 's SCHOOL OF ENGINEERING AND TAU BETA PI

Dedicated Faculty Award

2012

“For enriching the undergraduate education experience. Selected for demonstrating superior teaching, dedication, and involvement both in and out of the classroom.”

BROWN UNIVERSITY

Richard B. Salomon Faculty Research Award

2010

Established to support excellence in scholarly work by providing funding for selected faculty research projects deemed to be of exceptional merit.

STMICROELECTRONICS, Catania, Italy

Best Ph.D. Thesis Award

2004

Award for the best Ph.D. thesis performed in collaboration with industry. STMicroelectronics is a global leader in developing and delivering system-on-chip and semiconductor solutions across the spectrum of microelectronics.

ACCADEMIA GIOENIA, Catania, Italy

Best Master of Science Thesis Award

2001

The Accademia Gioenia is a research society founded in 1824 that includes Italian scientists, like Nobel laureate Rita Levi Montalcini, as honorary members. The academy promotes the studies of natural phenomena in order to contribute to the progress of science.

RESEARCH DISTINCTIONS

- In a team effort with two Professors at the Rhode Island School of Design (RISD), i.e. Prof. Laura Briggs and Prof. Jonathan Knowles, Prof. Pacifici proposed developing, manufacturing, and marketing Solar Sail, an affordable, easily replicable, textile photovoltaic system. The Brown-RISD team was among five finalists to be recognized by the 2013 Rhode Island Foundation Innovation Fellows selection committee for the projects' merit and commercialization potential.
- Honorable Mention for Tech Innovation from the National Collegiate Inventors and Innovators Alliance (NCIIA) for the SPIT'nIT technology (Surface Plasmon Interferometric Technology for non-Invasive Testing of glucose in saliva), May 2012
- Research featured in **Nature Photonics**, "Research Highlights," vol. 6, p. 139 (2012)
- Paper selected for the March 28, 2011 issue of Virtual Journal of Nanoscale Science & Technology - "Plasmonic concentrators for enhanced light absorption in ultrathin film organic photovoltaics," published in Applied Physics Letters 98, 113112 (2011).
- Research featured in **Nature Photonics**, "Research Highlights," vol. 3, pp. 4-5 (2009)
- Research featured in **Nature Photonics**, "News & Views," vol. 1, p. 368 (2007)
- Research featured in **Nature Physics**, "Research Highlights," vol. 3, p. 443 (2007)
- Article selected by **Nature Photonics** for the "First Year (2007) Highlights," (2007)
- Article featured as "Cover story" in **Nature Photonics**, vol. 1, N. 2 (2007)

8. TEACHING

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| ENGN 1680: Design and Fabrication of Semiconductor Devices Enrollment: 10 Students. | Spring 2013 |
| ENGN 0510: Electricity and Magnetism Enrollment: 116 Students. | Fall 2012 |
| ENGN 1931A: The Physics of Solar Cells Enrollment: 19 Students. | Spring 2012 |
| ENGN 2980: Special Projects, Reading, Research and Design Enrollment: 3 Graduate Students (Jing Feng, Patrick Flanigan, Pei Liu). | Spring 2012 |
| ENGN 0510: Electricity and Magnetism Enrollment: 127 Students. | Fall 2011 |
| ENGN 1970: Independent Studies in Engineering Enrollment: 1 Undergraduate Student (Kaan Gunay). | Fall 2011 |
| ENGN 2980: Special Projects, Reading, Research and Design Enrollment: 2 Graduate Students (Jing Feng, Patrick Flanigan). | Fall 2011 |
| PHYS 2980: Research in Physics Enrollment: 2 Graduate Students (Pei Liu, Zhen Ye). | Fall 2011 |
| ENGN 1680: Design and Fabrication of Semiconductor Devices Enrollment: 15 Students. | Spring 2011 |

ENGN 1970: Independent Studies in Engineering

Spring 2011

Enrollment: 5 Undergraduate Students (Tim Dingman, Kaan Gunay, Vihang Mehta, Aminy Ostfeld, Natalie Serrino).

ENGN 2980: Special Projects, Reading, Research and Design

Spring 2011

Enrollment: 1 Graduate Student (Jing Feng).

PHYS 2980: Research in Physics

Spring 2011

Enrollment: 2 Graduate Students (Pei Liu, Zhen Ye).

ENGN 0510: Electricity and Magnetism

Fall 2010

Enrollment: 88 Students.

ENGN 2980: Special Projects, Reading, Research and Design

Fall 2010

Enrollment: 1 Graduate Student (Jing Feng).

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Fall 2010

Enrollment: 1 Graduate Student (Pei Liu).

ENGN 1970: Independent Studies in Engineering

Fall 2010

Enrollment: 2 Undergraduate Students (Timothy Dingman, Vihang Mehta).

ENGN 1931A: The Physics of Solar Cells

Spring 2010

Enrollment: 13 Students.

ENGN 0510: Electricity and Magnetism

Fall 2009

Enrollment: 112 Students.

- Currently, advisor of **six graduate students**: Pei Liu, Jing Feng, Patrick Flanigan, Peng Zhang, Son T. Le, and Vince Siu. (Peng Zhang and Son T. Le co-advised with Prof. A. Zaslavsky, and Vince Siu co-advised with Prof. G. Tayhas R. Palmore).
- and **six undergraduate students** (Kaan Gunay, Matthew Breuer, Abigail Plummer, Drew Morrill, Emily Toomey, and Oussama Fadil).

Graduate Research Advisor for:

1. Pei Liu, Ph.D. in Physics (2010-present)
2. Jing Feng, Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering (2010-present)
3. Patrick Flanigan, Ph.D. in Electrical Engineering (2011-present)
4. Son T. Le, Ph.D. in Physics, co-advised with Prof. Alexander Zaslavsky (2010-present)
5. Zhen Ye, Ph.D. in Physics (Jan.-Dec. 2011)
6. Peng Zhang, Ph.D. in Physics, co-advised with Prof. Alexander Zaslavsky (2012-present)
7. Vince Siu, Ph.D. in Biomedical Engineering, co-advised with Prof. G. Tayhas R. Palmore (Graduated, 2013)

Undergraduate Senior Honors Thesis Advisor for:

1. Alec Roelke, Computer Engineering (2009-2012)
2. Aminy Ostfeld, Electrical Engineering (2009-2011)

3. Tim Dingman, Engineering-Physics (2010-2011)
4. Kaan Gunay, Mechanical Engineering (2011-2013)
5. Drew Morrill (2012-2013) "Leallyn B. Clapp Prize for Outstanding Senior Honors Thesis in Chemical Physics."

Visiting Graduate Student Advisor for:

1. Salvatore Cosentino (University of Catania, Summer 2010, Fall 2011, Spring 2012)

Undergraduate Teaching and Research Awards (UTRA):

1. Abigail Plummer, 2012 Summer UTRA
2. Kaan Gunay, 2012 Summer UTRA
3. Alec Roelke, 2011 Summer UTRA
4. Stephen Palazola, 2011 Summer UTRA
5. Aminy Ostfeld, 2010 Summer UTRA
6. Natalie Serrino, 2010 Fall UTRA

Other Undergraduate Awards:

1. Aminy Ostfeld, 2010 Tau Beta Pi Scholarship
2. Anastassia Astafieva, 2011-2012 Doris M. and Norman T. Halpin Prize for Interdisciplinary Senior Capstone Projects
3. Kaan Gunay, recipient of the 2012 Maurice R. Seguin Winter Stipend
4. Abigail Plummer, winner of the 2014-2015 Astronaut Scholarship Foundation's Scholarship

Host for Visiting Scientist:

1. Robert J. Walters, Integrated Plasmonics Corporation (2012)

Advisor for the following high school students who performed research in the Pacifici Labs:

1. Michael Zaslavsky (Summer internship, 2012)
2. Clayton Inman (Summer internship, 2012, 2013)