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Main Research Fields

Laser cooling and trapping of atoms and ions, high resolution spectroscopy, quantum information technologies with atoms, ions, electrons and solids, more than 200 publications with >18k citation in total and h=62

Scientific Career and International Experience

Since 2017	Member of the Australian Cluster of Excellence CQC2T
Since 2012	PI in the Cluster of Excellence PRISMA at Johannes Gutenberg-University, Mainz, Germany
Since 2010	Full Professor of Experimental Quantum Optics and Atomic Physics at Johannes Gutenberg-University Mainz & PI at Helmholtz Institute Mainz
2005-2010	Full Professor of Experimental Physics, Institute for Quantum Information Processing at the University of Ulm
2001	Habilitation and University Lecturer, University of Innsbruck, Austria
1995-1996	Research Assistant with R. Blatt, University of Innsbruck
1992-1995	Postdoctoral Research Assistant with S. Haroche, Lab. Kastler Brossel École Normale Supérieure, Paris
1992	Research Assistant, MPQ Garching
1989-1992	PhD student with T. Hänsch, MPQ Garching
1989	Diploma in Physics at the Technical University of Munich and MPI for Quantum Optics (MPQ) in Garching with G. Rempe, H. Walther
1986	Study of Physics, Technical University of Munich
1985-1986	Study of Physics, Friedrich-Wilhelm University of Bonn
1983-1984	Study of Physics, Ruhr-University of Bochum

Memberships and Academic Functions

Since 2020	Spokesperson for the Mainz node of the SFB-306
Since 2018	Member of Vorstandsrat der Deutschen Physikalischen Gesellschaft
2017	Organization of ITAMP workshop Quantum Thermodynamics, Harvard
2016/17	Local organization Spring Meeting of the German Phys. Society Mainz
2016	Panel member of QUTEGA
2014	Organization of ECTI conference Mainz
2013	Organization of QION 2013 Benasque
2009 - 2011	Organization of the Spring Meetings for the German Physical Society
1999/2000	Organization of international conferences ICOLS99, ICAP2000
2013 - 2016	Coordination of the European Integrated Project SIQS
2009 - 2013	Coordinator of the European Integrated Project AQUITE
2005 - 2010	Ulm Spokesperson of the TRR21
Since 2010	Member in quantum repeater network by German Federal Ministry of Education and Research (BMBF)
2010 - 2017	Panel member for ERC starting/consolidation
2011 - 2013	Vice-head of the quantum optics section of the German Physical Society
2009 - 2011	Head of the German Physical Society for the section quantum optics and photonics
2008 - 2009	Dean of students for the Physics Department, Univ. Ulm
2006-08/2009-10	Faculty Vice-Dean, Univ. Ulm

Editorial Work

PRL divisional editor (until 2021), J. Mod. Phys. editorial board member, EPJD Editorial board (until 2016) and Appl. Phys. B Special Issues

Scholarships, Awards and Honours

2003	Rudolf Kaiser Award
1997	Innovation Award by the Tyroler Sparkasse
1993	Helmholtz Award for high precision measurements of fundamental constants by the Deutsche Physikalische Bundesanstalt Braunschweig

Grants and Funding

- German Science Foundation in several individual research projects within Forschergruppen and Schwerpunktprogramme
- Subprojects within Sonderforschungsbereiche TR-49, TR-21, TR-306,
- German-French project, German-Israel project (GIF and DIP)
- PI in Mainz cluster of excellence PRISMA
- PI in Melbourne/Sidney cluster of excellence CQC2T
- The Bundesministerium für Wissenschaft und Forschung (German Federal Ministry for Education and Research) within Quantum Technologies: IQUAN, TRAPS, EVAQS, QRX, QLINKS, ATIQ, ...
- The Volkswagen Foundation
- The European commission in several FET open and proactive initiatives
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List of publications

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- 214) S. Richter, S. Wolf, J. von Zanthier, F. Schmidt-Kaler,
Imaging trapped ion structures via fluorescence cross-correlation detection
Phys. Rev. Lett. 126, 173602 (2021)
- 213) Martin Drechsler, Sebastian Wolf, Christian T. Schmiegelow, F. Schmidt-Kaler,
Optical super-resolution sensing of a trapped ion's wave packet size (2021),
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- 212) A. Husson et. al. (GBAR collaboration),
A pulsed high-voltage decelerator system to deliver low-energy antiprotons,
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