

## Curriculum Vitae

### Personal Data

Title	Dr.
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### Qualifications and Career

Stages	Periods and Details
Degree programme	<b>MSc</b> – <i>Modern Applications of Mathematics</i> , 2003-2004, University of Bath, United Kingdom <b>MSc</b> – <i>Math. with. Applied Math. and Theo. Phys.</i> , 2000-2003, Imperial College London, United Kingdom
Doctorate	31.07.2008, Prof. Gert van der Heijden, Centre for Nonlinear Dynamics, University College London, United Kingdom
Stages of academic/professional career	2019-Present, Senior Research Scientist, Fraunhofer Institute for Digital Medicine MEVIS, (Prof Tobias Preusser) Bremen <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Thermal ablation modelling</li><li>• Pharmacokinetic modelling of liver function</li><li>• Transcranial ultrasound simulation</li></ul> 2014-2019: Senior Research Scientist, Ultrasound and Underwater Acoustics Group (Prof Bajram Zeqiri) National Physical Laboratory, Teddington, United Kingdom <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Worked on development of proto-type phase-insensitive breast imaging</li><li>• Assessed design of ultrasound systems and generated acoustic fields for clinical imaging and therapy system for regulatory approval using measurement-based simulations of linear and nonlinear fields.</li></ul> 2011-2014: Post-Doctoral Research Associate, Therapeutic Ultrasound Group (Prof. Gail ter Haar), Institute of Cancer Research/Royal Marsden Cancer NHS Foundation Trust, Sutton, United Kingdom. <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Design and implementation of treatment planning software for pre-clinical large phased-array ultrasound transducer for transcostal thermal ablations</li></ul>

	<p>2008-2011: Post-Doctoral Research Associate, Department of Mechanical Engineering (Prof. Eleanor Stride), University College London, United Kingdom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Modelling cavitation activity in tissue during high-intensity focus ultrasound therapy.</li> <li>• Delivered mathematics lectures to engineering students</li> </ul>
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## Supplementary Career Information

### Activities in the Research System

- Teaching:
  - Calculus and Linear Algebra for Graduate Students, Constructor University, Bremen 2025
  - Numerical Methods, Constructor University, Bremen 2024, 2025
  - Numerical Analysis, Jacobs University, Bremen 2022 (now known as Constructor University)
- Standardisation: IEC Technical Committee 87 (Ultrasonics), Working Group 6 (High Pressure) Author New Work Item 62900: “Measurement-based Simulation in Water and Complex Media”. Also, member of parallel national committee BSI EPL/87 (Ultrasonics).

### Supervision of Researchers in Early Career Phases

Prior to moving to Fraunhofer MEVIS, at the National Physical Laboratory I was the industrial supervisor to three PhD students (2018-2019):

- Katherine Baxter: PhD: “Linear and nonlinear wave equation models with power law attenuation”, 2018-2019, Primary Supervisor: Prof. Lehel Banjai, Dept. Mathematics, Heriot-Watt University, United Kingdom, awarded 2022. Software developer at Wood Mackenzie, Edinburgh. Acknowledged in: K. Baker, L. Banjai “Numerical analysis of a wave equation for lossy media obeying a frequency power law”, IMA J. Numer. Anal., 42(3) pp 2083–2117 (2022), doi: 10.1093/imanum/drab028
- Santeri Kaupinmaki: PhD: “Inverse Problems for Ultrasound Computed Tomography of the Breast” 2018-2019. Primary Supervisor: Prof. S. Arridge, Dept. Medical Physics, University College London, United Kingdom,
- Morgan Roberts: PhD: “Ultrasound Computed Tomography of the Breast”. Primary Supervisor: Prof. Ben Cox, Dept. Medical Physics, University College London, United Kingdom

Fraunhofer Institute for Digital Medicine MEVIS:

- Sandeep Gyawali: MSc: “Extending Composite Finite Element Method for PDE Problems with Geometric Uncertainties” (2022). Primary Supervisor: Prof. Tobias Preusser, (Jacobs University Bremen). Now a scientific software developer at TechsoMed GmbH, Bremen

## Scientific Results

### Category A

1. C. A. Neizert, H. N. C. Do, M. Zibell, C. Rieder, D. Sinden, S. M. Niehues, J. L. Vahldiek, K. S. Lehmann, F. G. M. Poch “Three-dimensional assessment of vascular cooling effects on

hepatic microwave ablation in a standardized ex vivo model” *Sci. Rep.* 12 p. 17061 (2022).  
doi: 10.1038/s41598-022-21437-4

- A unified experiment and modelling analysis describing the importance of influence of vascular on thermal ablation.
- 2. P. C. Guillemin, D. Sinden, Y. M’Rad, M. Schwenke, J. Le Guevelou, J. Uiterwijk, O. Lorton, M. Scheffler, P.-A. Poletti, J. Jenne, T. Zilli, R. Salomir “A novel concept of transperineal focused ultrasound transducer for prostate cancer local deep hyperthermia treatments” *Cancers* 15(1) p. 163 (2023). doi: 3390/cancers15010163
  - Designed and performed patient specific simulations of acoustic and thermal fields from novel thermal ablation device. Results were validated against experimental data.
- 3. D. Hyun, A. Wiacek, S. Goudarzi, S. Rothl bbers, A. Asif, K. Eickel, Y. C. Eldar, J. Huang, M. Mischi, H. Rivaz, D. Sinden, R. J. G. van Sloun, H. Stroh , M. A. L. Bell “Deep learning for ultrasound image formation: CUBDL evaluation framework and open datasets” *IEEE Trans. Ultrason. Ferroelectr. Freq. Control* 68(12) 3466-3483 (2021). doi: 10.1109/TUFFC.2021.3094849
  - Paper presents open-source, standardisation, open source, reproducible and reliable data in order to enable researchers to benchmark machine learning algorithms against test cases.
- 4. K. Heimes, M. Evers, T. Gerrits, S. Gyawali, D. Sinden, T. Preusser, L. Linsen “Studying the effect of tissue properties on radiofrequency ablation by visual simulation ensemble analysis” *VCBM 2022: Eurographics Workshop on Visual Computing for Biology and Medicine*. doi: 10.2312/vcbm.20221187
  - Creation of clinically relevant case studies for visualisation of uncertainties associated with variability of tissue properties.
- 5. K.J. Pahk, P. G lat, D. Sinden, D. K. Dhar, N. Saffari “Numerical and experimental study of mechanisms involved in boiling histotripsy” *Ultrasound Med. Biol.* 43(12) 2848-2861 (2017).  
doi: 10.1016/j.ultrasmedbio.2017.08.938
  - Performed simulations of nonlinear acoustic simulations which lead to boiling histotripsy. Validated against experiments to show utility of simulations as a treatment planning tool.
- 6. D. Sinden, G. ter Haar “Dosimetry implications for correct ultrasound dose deposition: uncertainties in descriptors, planning and treatment delivery” *Transl. Cancer Res.* 3(5) 459-471 (2014).  
doi: 10.3978/j.issn.2218-676X.2014.10.02
  - Outlined sources of uncertainty and potential mitigations for successful clinical delivery of thermal therapy by therapeutic ultrasound.

## Category B

Developer of open-source acoustic simulator k-wave-python

## Academic Distinctions

- Member of winning team for IEEE IUS 2020 Challenge on Beamforming using Deep Learning (CUBDL) for paper “Improving image quality of single plane wave ultrasound via deep learning based channel compounding”
- Presentation from paper “Studying the effect of tissue properties on radiofrequency ablation by visual simulation ensemble analysis” received honourable mention at Eurographics Workshop on Visual Computing for Biology and Medicine 2022.

## Other Information

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