# John Garrett

#### Profile

- \* I am a postdoctoral research assistant in Astrophysics at the University of Oxford. My research is focused on advanced millimetre- and submillimetre-wave receivers for radio astronomy. For my DPhil thesis, I developed a wide bandwidth SIS mixer and a focal plane array at 230 GHz.
- \* I have a strong technical background in:
  - Superconducting detectors: SIS mixer theory, modelling quantum tunnelling effects, and testing SIS devices in cryogenic systems
  - Electrical engineering: RF design, electromagnetic simulations, and low-noise testing
  - Software development: building complex simulation software and analyzing experimental results from SIS mixers
- \* I have published my research in top academic journals, including 4 first author papers. These papers combined have 179 citations.

# Work Experience

#### Postdoc

### Astrophysics, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK

Sep. 2018 – pres.

- \* Projects: Testing a new terahertz receiver system, simulating frequency multiplication in distributed SIS junctions, and developing a focal plane array at 230 GHz.
- \* Publishing the research from my DPhil.

## Education

### DOCTORATE

## DPhil Astrophysics, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK

2014 - 2018

- \* Supervisor: Prof. Ghassan Yassin
- \* Thesis: A 230 GHz Focal Plane Array Using a Wide IF Bandwidth SIS Receiver
  - Developed a wide bandwidth SIS mixer and a  $1 \times 4$  focal plane array
  - Built a software package to simulate SIS mixer operation/performance (online: QMix)
  - Observed star formation in intermediate redshift galaxies using the IRAM 30 m telescope

## Masters

#### MSc Electrical Engineering, University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada

2012 - 2014

- \* Supervisor: Dr. Elise Fear
- \* Thesis: Average Dielectric Property Analysis of Non-Uniform Structures
  - Developed a new technique to estimate the average dielectric properties of complex and non-uniform structures using microwave transmission measurements
  - This can be used to provide a priori information to microwave imaging algorithms
- \* Graduate courses including letter grade: Antenna Design (A+), RFIC Design (A+), Analog IC Design (A), RF Microwave Passive Circuits (A+). GPA: 4.0 / 4.0

### Bachelors

### BSc Electrical Engineering, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Canada

2008 - 2012

- \* Capstone project: Nanowire Metamaterials for Biosensing Applications
- \* Graduated with distinction

Journal Papers

- <u>J. Garrett</u>, B.-K. Tan, F. Boussaha, C. Chaumont, and G. Yassin, "Simulating the Behavior of a 230 GHz SIS Mixer Using Multi-Tone Spectral Domain Analysis," submitted to *IEEE Transactions on Terahertz Science and Technology*.
- <u>J. Garrett</u>, A.W. Pollak, G. Yassin, and M. Henry, "A Compact and Easy to Fabricate E-plane Waveguide Bend," submitted to *IEEE Microwave and Wireless Components Letters*.
- <u>J. Garrett</u>, and G. Yassin, "QMix: A Python package for simulating the quasiparticle tunneling currents in SIS junctions," *Journal of Open Source Software*, vol. 4, no. 35, pp. 1231, Mar. 2019.
- I. Cortzen, J. Garrett, G. Magdis, D. Rigopoulou, F. Valentino, M. Pereira-Santaella, F. Combes, A. Alonso-Herrero, S. Toft, E. Daddi, D. Elbaz, C. Gomez-Guijarro, M. Stockmann, J. Huang, and C. Kramer, "PAHs as tracers of the molecular gas in star-forming galaxies," Monthly Notices of the Royal Astronomical Society, vol. 482, no. 2, pp. 1618–1633, Oct. 2018.
- <u>J. Garrett</u>, and E. Fear, "A New Breast Phantom with a Durable Skin Layer for Microwave Breast Imaging," *IEEE Transactions on Antennas and Propagation*, vol. 63, no. 4, pp. 1693–1700, Jan. 2015.
- <u>J. Garrett</u>, and E. Fear, "Average Dielectric Property Analysis of Complex Breast Tissue with Microwave Transmission Measurements," *Sensors (MDPI)*, vol. 15, no. 1, pp. 1199–1216, Jan. 2015.
- <u>J. Garrett</u>, and E. Fear, "Stable and Flexible Materials to Mimic the Dielectric Properties of Human Soft Tissues," *IEEE Antennas and Wireless Propagation Letters*, vol. 13, pp. 599–602, Mar. 2014.
- J. Bourqui, <u>J. Garrett</u>, and E. Fear, "Measurement and Analysis of Microwave Frequency Signals Transmitted Through the Breast," *International Journal of Biomedical Imaging*, vol. 2012, Article ID 562563, 11 pages, 2012.

SELECTED
CONFERENCE
PROCEEDINGS

- B.-K. Tan, <u>J. Garrett</u>, and G. Yassin, "Design of a Compact Multi-Beam Phased Array System with Integrated Planar Power Splitter/Combiner," accepted to present at *The 12<sup>th</sup> UK/Europe-China Workshop on Millimetre-Waves and Terahertz Technologies (UCMMT)*, London, U.K., 2019.
- <u>J. Garrett</u>, F. Boussaha, C. Chaumont, B.-K. Tan, and G. Yassin, "Multi-tone Spectral Domain Analysis of a 230 GHz SIS Device," presented at *The 30<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Space Terahertz Technology (ISSTT)*, Gothenburg, Sweden, 2019.
- <u>J. Garrett</u>, J. Leech, F. Boussaha, C. Chaumont, B. Ellison, and G. Yassin, "A 1×4 Focal Plane Array Using 230 GHz SIS Mixers," in *Proceedings of the 29<sup>th</sup> IEEE International Symposium on Space Terahertz Technology (ISSTT)*, Los Angeles, CA, 2018, pp. 240–244.
- <u>J. Garrett</u>, H. Rashid, V. Desmaris, V. Belitsky, and G. Yassin, "Spectral Domain Simulation of SIS Frequency Multiplication," in *Proceedings of the 28<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Space Terahertz Technology (ISSTT)*, Cologne, Germany, 2017.
- <u>J. Garrett</u>, F. Boussaha, C. Chaumont, B.-K. Tan, and G. Yassin, "A 230 GHz Finline SIS Receiver with Wide IF Bandwidth," in *Proceedings of the 27<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Space Terahertz Technology (ISSTT)*, Nanjing, China, 2016.
- <u>J. Garrett</u>, B.-K. Tan, F. Boussaha, C. Chaumont, and G. Yassin, "A 220 GHz Finline Mixer with Ultra-Wide Instantaneous Bandwidth," in *Proceedings of the 26<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Space Terahertz Technology (ISSTT)*, Cambridge, MA, 2015.
- <u>J. Garrett</u>, and E. Fear, "Average Property Estimation Validation with Realistic Breast Models," in *Proceedings of the 8<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Antennas and Propagation (EuCAP*), The Hague, Netherlands, 2014, pp. 1279–1280.
- <u>J. Garrett</u>, and E. Fear, "A Time- and Temperature-Stable Complex Breast Phantom for Microwave Breast Imaging," in *Proceedings of the 2013 USNC-URSI Radio Science Meeting (Joint with IEEE AP-S Symposium)*, Lake Buena Vista, FL, 2013, pp. 32.

# Scholarships and Awards

SCHOLARSHIPS	<ul> <li>* Clarendon Fund Scholarship &amp; New College Graduate Scholarship <ul> <li>£13,863/year plus all university and college fees for 3.5 years</li> <li>Awarded to top 1.8% of graduate applicants to Oxford</li> </ul> </li> <li>* Alberta Innovates Technology Futures (AITF) Scholarship <ul> <li>Provincial award, \$26,500/year for 2 years</li> </ul> </li> <li>* NSERC Undergraduate Student Research Award (USRA)</li> <li>National award, \$4,500/16 weeks</li> </ul>	2014 - 2018 $2012 - 2014$ $2011$
SELECTED AWARDS	<ul> <li>* ALIS Sir James Lougheed Award of Distinction (Doctoral)</li> <li>Provincial scholarship (1 of 8 yearly): \$20,000</li> <li>* IEEE Antennas and Propagation Pre-Doctoral Research Award</li> <li>International award (1 of 6 yearly): \$1,000 USD</li> </ul>	2015 2013
	Teaching	
TEACHING ASSISTANT	* First Year Electromagnetics, University of Oxford  - Assisting weekly labs (24 hrs./term)	2016 - 2018
	<ul> <li>* Electromagnetic Waves and Applications, University of Calgary         <ul> <li>Planning material, grading, and delivering tutorials and labs (102 hrs./ter</li> </ul> </li> <li>* Electromagnetic Fields and Applications, University of Calgary         <ul> <li>Assisting weekly tutorials, drop-in hours and grading (68 hrs./term)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	2013 – 2014 rm) 2013
	Extracurricular	
Volunteer	<ul> <li>* Stargazing at Oxford (science outreach)</li> <li>* Sports Representative, New College MCR Committee</li> <li>* Volunteer Ski Instructor, Canadian Association for Disabled Skiing</li> </ul>	2014 - 2018 $2015$ $2012 - 2013$
Competitive Athletics	<ul> <li>* New College Rugby Football Club</li> <li>* New College VIII's (rowing)</li> <li>* Calgary Rams Rugby Club</li> <li>* University of Calgary Triathlon Club</li> <li>* University of Alberta Triathlon Club</li> </ul>	2014 - 2018 $2014 - 2015$ $2012 - 2014$ $2013$ $2010 - 2012$