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## EDUCATION

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**Ph.D.**                      **University of Wisconsin - Madison**, Physics  
2005 - 2013              *Probing the Relationship Between Magnetic and Temperature Structures  
with Soft X-Rays on the Madison Symmetric Torus*  
Advisor: Daniel J. Den Hartog

**B.A.**                      **University of California, Berkeley**, Physics & Astrophysics  
1998 - 2002

## TECHNICAL SKILLS

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Computer Programming	C++, IDL, Perl, Python
Databases	MDSPPlus, SQL
Languages	English (native), Mandarin (intermediate), Spanish (proficient)
Software	L <sup>A</sup> T <sub>E</sub> X, Microsoft Office Suite, Vectorworks
Version Control	CVS, Git, GitHub

## HONORS AND AWARDS

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2014 - 2015	Consortium for Verification Technology Postdoctoral Fellowship
2008, 2010, 2011	Hirschfelder Fellowship for Women in Physics, Mathematics, Chemistry
2004	Smithsonian Institution Special Achievement Award
2003	NASA Group Achievement Award - Chandra Mission Planning and Review Subgroup
2001	NSF Research Experience for Undergraduates Fellowship
2000	Cal Space Summer Undergraduate Fellowship

## RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

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2014 - Present	<b>University of Wisconsin - Madison</b> , Engineering Physics Dept. <i>Assistant Scientist, Consortium for Verification Technology</i> <i>Postdoctoral Researcher (2014 - 2015)</i> Using the Cyclus nuclear fuel cycle simulator to identify signatures of material diversion for proliferation. Developing heterogeneous synthetic datasets to develop anomaly detection algorithms.
2008 - 2014	<b>University of Wisconsin - Madison</b> , Physics Dept. <i>Postdoctoral Researcher (2013 - 2014), Madison Symmetric Torus</i> <i>Graduate Research Assistant (2008 - 2013)</i> Quantified impact of impurities on soft x-ray (SXR) transmission of beryllium filters. Developed a double-filter SXR tomography diagnostic to study plasma temperature.

2006 - 2008	<b>University of Wisconsin - Madison</b> , Engineering Physics Dept. <i>Graduate Research Assistant, Pegasus</i> Designed SXR pinhole imaging camera to study magnetic structure.
2002 - 2005	<b>Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics</b> <i>Science Mission Planner, Chandra X-ray Observatory</i> Scheduled observations and wrote programs to maintain daily science operations. Studied observational properties of anomalous X-ray pulsars.
2001	<b>University of Hawaii at Manoa</b> , Institute for Astronomy <i>Research Experience for Undergraduates</i> Used spectral modeling to determine galactic redshifts.
2000	<b>University of California, Berkeley</b> , Space Sciences Lab <i>Cal Summer Science Undergraduate Fellow, SETI</i> Looked for optical extraterrestrial signals using coincidence-counting.

## POLICY EXPERIENCE

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2015	<b>61st Pugwash Conference</b> <i>Co-rapporteur - Nuclear Energy and Nonproliferation</i> Co-wrote the working group summary report on nuclear energy and non-proliferation.
2014	<b>Natural Resources Defense Council</b> <i>Consultant - Energy Policy</i> Wrote a white paper analyzing recent progress at the National Ignition Facility.
2009, 2011, 2013	<b>Union of Concerned Scientists</b> , Summer Symposium <i>Participant - Global Security Policy</i> Presented original research on high-powered microwave anti-satellite weapons.
2009	<b>U.S. Congress Fusion Day</b> , Washington, D.C. <i>Participant</i> Met with representatives to discuss fusion research and US energy policy.

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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2005 - 2006	<b>University of Wisconsin - Madison</b> , Physics Dept. <i>Graduate Teaching Assistant - Introductory Physics</i> Taught discussion, laboratory and exam sessions for 100 students.
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## MENTORING

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2016 - present	Drew Buys, Masters Student (LaFollette School of Public Affairs)
2015 - present	Chris Hoffman, Masters Student (Nelson Institute-Environment and Resources)
2014	Mike Gionet, Undergraduate (Engineering Physics)
2012	Michelle Okoniewski, Masters Student (Engineering Physics)
2011 - 2014	Jay Johnson, Undergraduate (Physics)
2011	Zachary Billey, Ph.D. Student (Physics)
2011	Jessica Rubio, Undergraduate (Engineering Physics)

## SERVICE

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2015	Article Reviewer, <i>Review of Scientific Instruments</i>
2015	Engineering Career Panelist - Edgewood College, WI
2015	Organized Local Screening for “The Man Who Saved The World”, UW Madison
2008 - 2009	Graduate Representative - Climate and Diversity Committee, UW Physics
2008 - 2009	Co-Chair -Sea Kayaking Interest Group, Wisconsin Union Hoofers Outing Club
2006 - 2007	Graduate Representative - Graduate Program Committee, UW Physics
2004 - 2005	Mentor - 6th and 7th Grade, Cambridge Science Clubs for Girls Program
2003	Mentor - NSF Research Experiences For Undergraduates, Harvard University

## PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

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2015	American Nuclear Society Member
2007 - 2013	American Physical Society (APS) Member
2013	Union of Concerned Scientists Global Security Professional Meeting, Segni, Italy
2008	APS Opportunities in Energy Research Workshop, New Orleans, Louisiana
2003	NASA X-Ray Astronomy School, Wallops Island, Virginia

## INVITED TALKS

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### *Modeling Material Diversion with the Cyclus Fuel Cycle Simulator*

Oct 2015	International Student Young Pugwash Meeting Nagasaki, Japan
Apr 2015	Union of Concerned Scientists Global Security Webinar Series

### *Defining the Threat of High-Powered Microwave Weapons in Space*

Jul 2011	Union of Concerned Scientists Summer Symposium on Science and World Affairs King's College, London, England
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### *High Powered Microwave Weapons - Political Fantasy or the Future of Space Warfare?*

Feb 2011	CISAC Research Seminar on International Security, Natural Science and Social Science, Stanford University
Feb 2011	Science, Technology, Engineering and Policy Group Seminar, UC Berkeley
Jul 2009	Union of Concerned Scientists Summer Symposium on Science and World Affairs Fudan University, Shanghai, China

### *Soft X-ray Tomography on MST*

Oct 2009	Plasma Physics Seminar, Consorzio RFX, Padua, Italy
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## REFEREED TECHNICAL PUBLICATIONS

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J.J. Kollner, M.R. Cianciosa, J. Boguski, J.K. Anderson, J.D. Hanson, B.E. Chapman, D.L. Brower, D.J. Den Hartog, W.X. Ding, J.R. Duff, J.A. Goetz, **M.B. McGarry**, L.A. Morton, E.B. Parke, “3D Equilibrium Solutions for a Current-Carrying Reversed-Field Pinch Plasma with a Close-Fitting Conducting Shell”, *Phys. Plasmas*, **23**, 032508 (2016)

K.D. Huff, M.J. Gidden, R.W. Carlsen, R.R. Flanagan, **M.B. McGarry**, A.C. Opatowsky, E.A. Schneider, A.M. Scopatz, P.P.H. Wilson, “Fundamental Concepts in the Cyclus Fuel Cycle Simulator Framework”, *Adv. Eng. Softw.*, **94**, 46 (2016)

M. Galante, L. Reusch, D.J. Den Hartog, P. Franz, J. Johnson, **M.B. McGarry**, M. Nornberg, H. Stephens, “Determination of  $Z_{eff}$  by Integrating Measurements from X-ray tomography and Charge Exchange Recombination Spectroscopy”, *Nuc. Fusion*, **55**, 123016 (2015)

J. Sarff, A. Almagri, J. Anderson, M. Borchardt, W. Capecchi, D. Carmody, K. Caspary, B. Chapman, D. Den Hartog, J. Duff, S. Eilerman, A. Falkowski, C. Forest, M. Galante, J. Goetz, D. Holly, J. Koliner, S. Kumar, J. Lee, D. Liu, K. McCollam, **M. McGarry**, V. Mirnov, L. Morton, S. Munaretto, M. Nornberg, P. Nonn, S. Oliva, E. Parke, M. Pueschel, J. Reusch, J. Sauppe, A. Seltzman, C. Sovinec, D. Stone, D. Thuecks, M. Thomas, J. Triana, P. Terry, J. Waksman, G. Whelan, D. Brower, W. Ding, L. Lin, D. Demers, P. Fimognari, J. Titus, F. Auremma, P. Franz, R. Lorenzini, E. Martinez, B. Momo, P. Piovesan, M. Puiatti, M. Spolaore, D. Terranova, P. Zanca, V. Davydenko, A. Ivanov, S. Polosatkin, N. Stupishin, D. Spong, D. Craig, H. Stephens, R. Harvey, M. Cianciosa, J. Hanson, B. Breizman, M. Li, L. Zheng, “Overview of Results from the MST Reversed Field Pinch Experiment”, *Nuc. Fusion*, **55**, 104006 (2015)

**M.B. McGarry**, P. Franz, D.J. Den Hartog, J.A. Goetz, “Effect of Beryllium Filter Purity on X-ray Emission Measurements”, *Plasma Phys. Contr. F.*, **56**, 125018 (2014)

**M.B. McGarry**, P. Franz, D.J. Den Hartog, J.A. Goetz and J. Johnson, “Note: Effect of Photodiode Aluminum Cathode Frame on Spectral Sensitivity in the Soft X-ray Energy Band”, *Rev. Sci. Instrum.*, **85**, 096105 (2014)

L.M. Reusch, M.E. Galante, P. Franz, J.R. Johnson, **M.B. McGarry**, H.D. Stephens, and D.J. Den Hartog, “An integrated data analysis tool for improving measurements on the MST RFP”, *Rev. Sci. Instrum.*, **85**, 11D844 (2014)

J.S. Sarff, A.F. Almagri, J.K. Anderson, M. Borchardt, D. Carmody, K. Caspary, B.E. Chapman, D.J. Den Hartog, J. Duff, S. Eilerman, A. Falkowski, C.B. Forest, J.A. Goetz, D.J. Holly, J.-H. Kim, J. King, J. Ko, J. Koliner, S. Kumar, J.D. Lee, D. Liu, R. Magee, K.J. McCollam, **M. McGarry**, V.V. Mirnov, M.D. Nornberg, P.D. Nonn, S.P. Oliva, E. Parke, J.A. Reusch, J.P. Sauppe, A. Seltzman, C.R. Sovinec, H. Stephens, D. Stone, D. Theucks, M. Thomas, J. Triana, P.W. Terry, J. Waksman, W.F. Bergerson, D.L. Brower, W.X. Ding, L. Lin, D.R. Demers, P. Fimognari, J. Titus, F. Auremma, S. Cappello, P. Franz, P. Innocente, R. Lorenzini, E. Martinez, B. Momo, P. Piovesan, M. Puiatti, M. Spolaore, D. Terranova, P. Zanca, V. Belykh, V.I. Davydenko, P. Deichuli, A.A. Ivanov, S. Polosatkin, N.V. Stupishin, D. Spong, D. Craig, R.W. Harvey, M. Cianciosa, J.D. Hanson, “Overview of results from the MST reversed field pinch experiment”, *Nucl. Fusion*, **53**, 104017 (2013)

**M.B. McGarry**, P. Franz, D. J. Den Hartog, J. A. Goetz, M. A. Thomas, M. Reyfman and S. T. A. Kumar, “High-performance double-filter soft x-ray diagnostic for measurement of electron temperature structure and dynamics”, *Rev. Sci. Instrum.*, **83**, 10E129 (2012)

**M.B. McGarry**, P. Franz, D.J. den Hartog, J.A. Goetz, “A New Double-Foil Soft x-ray Array to Measure Te on the MST Reversed Field Pinch”, *Rev. of Sci. Instrum.*, **81**, 10,10E516 (2010)

G.D. Garstka, E.A. Unterberg, D.J. Battaglia, M.W. Bongard, N.W. Eidietis, R.J. Fonck, M.J. Frost, **M.B. McGarry**, A.C. Sontag, B.J. Squires, G.R. Winz “Attainment of high normalized current by current profile manipulation in the pegasus toroidal experiment”, *J. Fusion Energ.*, **27**, 20 (2008)

**M.B. McGarry**, B.M. Gaensler, V.M. Kaspi, S.M. Ransom, S. Veljkovic, “X-Ray Timing, Spectroscopy, and Photometry of the Anomalous X-Ray Pulsar Candidate CXOU J010043.1-721134” *Astrophys. J. Lett.*, **627**, L137 (2005)

P.J. Green, J.D. Silverman, R.A. Cameron, D.-W. Kim, B.J Wilkes, W.A. Barkhouse, A. LaCluyz, D. Morris, A. Mossman, H. Ghosh, J.P. Grimes, B.T. Jannuzi, H. Tananbaum, T.L. Aldcroft, J.A. Baldwin, F.H. Chaffee, A. Dey, A. Dosaj, N.R. Evans, X. Fan, C. Foltz, T. Gaetz, E.J. Hooper, V.L. Kashyap, S. Mathur, **M.B. McGarry**, E. Romero-Colmenero, M.G. Smith, P.S. Smith, R.C. Smith, G. Torres, A. Vikhlinin, D.R. Wik “The Chandra Multi-wavelength Project: Optical Follow-up of Serendipitous Chandra Sources” *Astrophys. J. Suppl. S.*, **150**, 1, 43 (2004)

D. Werthimer, D. Anderson, C.S. Bowyer, J. Cobb, E. Heien, E.J Korpela, M.L. Lampton, M. Lebofsky, G.W. Marcy, **M.B. McGarry**; D. Treffers “Berkeley Radio and Optical SETI Program: SETI@home, SERENDIP, and SEVENDIP”, *SPIE Proceedings of the Third International Conference on Optical SETI*, **4273** (2001)

## POLICY PUBLICATIONS

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**M.B. McGarry**, “Integrating Nuclear Science and Policy for a New Generation”, Web blog post, *All Things Nuclear*, Union of Concerned Scientists, 18-Feb (2016)  
<http://allthingsnuclear.org/guest-commentary/integrating-nuclear-science-and-policy-for-a-new-generation>

C. Harrington & **M.B. McGarry** “Rapporteur’s Report: Civilian Nuclear Energy, Energy Resources, and International Cooperation (Working Group 7)”, *61st Pugwash Conference on Science and World Affairs* (2015)  
<https://pugwashconferences.files.wordpress.com/2015/10/wg7-report.pdf>

**M.B. McGarry** and L. Grego, “High Powered Microwave Weapons in Space - Defining the Threat” *Science and Global Security*, submitted Nov 18 (2015)

**M.B. McGarry** & P.P.H. Wilson “Modeling Material Diversion with the Cyclus Nuclear Fuel Cycle Simulator,” *61st Pugwash Conference on Science and World Affairs*, available upon request (2015)  
<http://pugwash.org/2015/10/20/61st-pugwash-conference-nagasaki-1-5-november-2015/>

**M.B. McGarry** “The National Ignition Facility High-Foot Campaign: A New Approach to Ignition?” *Natural Resources Defense Council*, submitted June 16 (2014)

## OTHER PUBLICATIONS

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**M.B. McGarry**, “Probing the relationship between magnetic and temperature structures with soft x-rays on the Madison Symmetric Torus” *Ph.D. Dissertation - Physics*, University of Wisconsin-Madison (2013)

## CONFERENCE POSTERS

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**2015** “Survey of Cyclus Application for Non-proliferation”  
**M.B. McGarry**, P.P.H Wilson,  
*Consortium for Verification Technology*, 2nd Annual Workshop, No. 4

**2015** “Agent-Based Modeling of Open and Clandestine Fuel Cycle Facilities”  
**M.B. McGarry**, P.P.H Wilson,  
*University & Industry Technical Interchange*, Consortium for Verification Technology

**2013** “SXR Double-Foil Measurements of Electron Temperature and Impurity Structures on MST”

**M.B. McGarry**, P. Franz, D.J. den Hartog, J.A. Goetz, J. Johnson,

*American Physical Society, Division of Plasma Physics*, 55rd Annual Meeting, No. CP8.00094

**2011** “Electron Temperature Measurement on MST Using SXR Brightness”

**M.B. McGarry**, P. Franz, D.J. den Hartog, J.A. Goetz,

*American Physical Society, Division of Plasma Physics*, 53rd Annual Meeting, No. BP9.00101

**2010** “An Upgraded Soft X-Ray Tomography Diagnostic to Measure Electron Temperature on MST”

**M.B. McGarry**, P. Franz, J.A. Goetz, D.J. den Hartog,

*American Physical Society, Division of Plasma Physics*, 52nd Annual Meeting, No. PP9.061

**2009** “Two-Color SXR Tomography on MST”

**M.B. McGarry**, J.A. Goetz, D.J. den Hartog, P. Franz

*American Physical Society, Division of Plasma Physics*, 51st Annual Meeting, No. TP8.053

**2008** “Multicolor SXR Tomography on MST”

**M.B. McGarry**, J.A. Goetz, D.J. den Hartog, B.E. Chapman, Franz, P., Bonomo, F., Marrelli, L.

*American Physical Society, Division of Plasma Physics*, 50th Annual Meeting, No. NP6.050

**2007** “An Upgraded Soft X-ray Pinhole Camera for Current Profile Measurements on the Pegasus Toroidal Experiment”

**M.B. McGarry**, M.J. Frost, G.R. Winz, A.C. Sontag,

*American Physical Society, Division of Plasma Physics*, 49th Annual Meeting, No. TP8.113

**2004** “A Closer Look at a Possible New Anomalous X-Ray Pulsar”

**M.B. McGarry**, B.M. Gaensler, S. Veljkovic, V.M. Kaspi, S.M. Ransom,

*American Astronomical Society*, Meeting 204, No. 74.11

**2003** “Simulating the Origin and Evolution of Accreting Millisecond X-Ray Pulsars”

**M.B. McGarry**, J.S. Heyl

*American Astronomical Society*, Meeting 203, No. 53.10