# Biographical Sketch - Michael F. Thorpe

## (a) Professional Preparation

University of Manchester	Physics	B.Sc.	1965
University of Oxford	Research in Condensed Matter Theory,	D.Phil.	1968
Brookhaven National Laboratory	Research Associate, Physics Department		1968-1970

#### (b) Appointments

2005-present	Director of the Center for Biological Physics
2003-present	Foundation Professor, Physics & Chemistry and Biochemistry, Arizona State University
1997-2003 1980-1997 1976-1980	University Distinguished Professor Professor Associate Professor, Physics & Astronomy Department, <i>Michigan State University</i>
1974-1977 1970-1974	Associate Professor Assistant Professor, Department of Engineering & Applied Science, <i>Yale University</i>

### (c) Publications

#### **Closely related publications**

A. J. Rader, Brandon M. Hespenheide, Leslie A. Kuhn and M. F. Thorpe *Protein Unfolding: Rigidity Lost* Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences 99, 3540–3545 (2002). <a href="http://physics.asu.edu/mfthorpe/219.pdf">http://physics.asu.edu/mfthorpe/219.pdf</a>

Stephen Wells, Scott Menor, Brandon Hespenheide and M. F. Thorpe *Constrained Geometric Simulation of Diffusive Motion in Proteins* Physical Biology 2, S127-S136 (2005). http://physics.asu.edu/homepages/mfthorpe/237.pdf

Tatyana Mamonova, Brandon Hespenheide, Rachel Straub, M. F. Thorpe and Maria Kurnikova *Protein Flexibility using Constraints from Molecular Dynamics Simulations* Physical Biology 2, S137-147 (2005). <a href="http://physics.asu.edu/homepages/mfthorpe/238.pdf">http://physics.asu.edu/homepages/mfthorpe/238.pdf</a>

Craig Jolley, Stephen A. Wells, Brandon M. Hespenheide, M.F. Thorpe and Petra Fromme *Docking of Photosystem I subunit C using a constrained geometric simulation* J. American Chemical Society 128, 8803 - 8812 (2006) <a href="http://physics.asu.edu/homepages/mfthorpe/242.pdf">http://physics.asu.edu/homepages/mfthorpe/242.pdf</a>

Holger Gohlke and M.F. Thorpe *A Natural Coarse Graining for Simulating Large Biomolecular Motion* Biophysics Journal 9, 2115-2120 (2006) <a href="http://physics.asu.edu/homepages/mfthorpe/244.pdf">http://physics.asu.edu/homepages/mfthorpe/244.pdf</a>

## Other significant publications

D. J. Jacobs and M. F. Thorpe *Generic Rigidity Percolation: The Pebble Game* Phys. Rev. Letts. **75**, 4051–4054 (1995). <a href="http://physics.asu.edu/mfthorpe/175.pdf">http://physics.asu.edu/mfthorpe/175.pdf</a>

Donald J. Jacobs, A.J. Rader, Leslie A. Kuhn and M.F. Thorpe *Protein Flexibilty Predictions using Graph Theory Proteins* **44**, 150–165, (2001). <a href="http://physics.asu.edu/mfthorpe/216.pdf">http://physics.asu.edu/mfthorpe/216.pdf</a>

Valentin A. Levashov, Simon J. L. Billinge and M.F. Thorpe *Density Fluctuations and the Pair Distribution Function* Physical Review B **72**, 024111 (2005). <a href="http://physics.asu.edu/mfthorpe/230.pdf">http://physics.asu.edu/mfthorpe/230.pdf</a>

B.M Hespenheide, D.J. Jacobs and M.F. Thorpe *Structural rigidity in the capsid assembly of cowpea chlorotic mottle virus* J. Phys.:Condens. Matter **16**, S5055–5064 (2004). http://physics.asu.edu/mfthorpe/235.pdf

A. Sartbaeva, S.A. Wells, M.F. Thorpe, E.S. Bozin and S.J.L. Billinge *Geometric modeling of perovskite frameworks with Jahn-Teller distortions: application to cubic manganites* Phys. Rev. Letters. **97**, 065501 (pages 1-4), (2006). <a href="http://physics.asu.edu/mfthorpe/243.pdf">http://physics.asu.edu/mfthorpe/243.pdf</a>

Over 245 articles published in scientific journals, see http://biophysics.asu.edu/conf/admin/list/journals.php

#### (d) Synergistic Activities

My group hosts the flexweb site; software to analyze the flexibility of networks, which features a monthly net-meeting, available online <a href="http://flexweb.asu.edu">http://flexweb.asu.edu</a>.

Patent # 6014449 issued in 2000 to M.F. Thorpe and D. J. Jacobs

Computer Implemented System for Analyzing Rigidity of Substructures within a Macromolecule

Fellow of the American Physical Society and Fellow of the British Institute of Physics.

Member of Sigma Xi, AAAS, American Chemical Society and the European Physical Society.

First North American Editor: Journal of Physics: Condensed Matter. (1995-1998).

Founding General Series Editor of *Fundamental Materials Science*, published annually by Kluwer Academic/Plenum Publishers since 1994 [10 volumes].

Co-organizer and organizer of more than 12 workshops/conferences including three **NATO** – **ASI**'s, many with associated publications –currently organize annual workshop in Tempe every May.

Distinguished Faculty Award from Michigan State University in 1989.

D.Sc. from University of Oxford in 1993.

Monash Distinguished Visiting Professor in 1996.

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