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BIO

Ago Marinelli is an associate professor of Photon Science and Particle Physics and Astrophysics at the SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory. He received his PhD in physics from the University of California, Los Angeles in 2012 and moved to SLAC shortly after as a post-doctoral research associate. He was a Panofsky Fellow from 2015 to 2019 and joined the SLAC faculty in the fall of 2019.

He is currently the head of the free-electron laser physics department, as well as the leader of the free-electron laser R&D program at SLAC. His research is focused on the physics and applications of X-ray free-electron lasers as well as ultrafast light sources based on advanced particle accelerators.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Associate Professor, Photon Science Directorate
- Associate Professor, Particle Physics and Astrophysics
- Principal Investigator, Stanford PULSE Institute

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Kai Siegbahn Prize, SRI (2024)
- Particle Accelerator Science and Technology Award, IEEE (2024)
- Fellow of the American Physical Society, APS (2023)
- Panofsky Fellowship, SLAC National Accelerator Laboratory (2015-2019)
- Young Investigator Free-Electron Laser Prize, International Free-Electron Laser Conference (2015)
- Outstanding Doctoral Thesis Research in Beam Physics Award, American Physical Society (2015)
- Frank Sacherer Prize, European Physical Society (2014)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- PhD, University of California, Los Angeles , Physics (2012)
- Laurea Magistrale (M.S.), University of Rome, La Sapienza , Engineering Sciences (2007)
- Laurea, University of Rome, La Sapienza , Electrical Engineering (2005)

LINKS

- Google scholar page: https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=6AJit0sAAAAJ&hl=it

Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

My main research interests are the physics and applications of x-ray free-electron lasers. I lead the free-electron laser R&D program at the Linac Coherent Light Source at SLAC, where I employ new accelerator and FEL physics concepts to advance ultrafast X-ray science. Some highlights of my research are the development of attosecond x-ray free-electron lasers, and the use of advanced plasma accelerators for the generation of ultrafast radiation pulses.

Teaching

COURSES

2026-27

- Advanced Topics in Accelerator Physics: APPPHYS 220 (Aut)

2025-26

- Advanced Topics in Accelerator Physics: APPPHYS 220 (Win)
- Electrons and Photons: APPPHYS 201, PHOTON 201 (Spr)

2024-25

- Advanced Topics in Accelerator Physics: APPPHYS 220 (Win)
- Electrons and Photons: APPPHYS 201, PHOTON 201 (Spr)

2023-24

- Electrons and Photons: APPPHYS 201, PHOTON 201 (Spr)
- Synchrotron Radiation and Free Electron Lasers: Principles and Applications.: APPPHYS 325 (Aut)

STANFORD ADVISEES

Doctoral Dissertation Reader (AC)

David Atri Schuller, Aaron Ghrist

Doctoral Dissertation Advisor (AC)

Veronica Guo, Rafi Hessami, Sean Littleton, Csaba Nemeth, Sean O'Tool, Jinseo Park

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **Spectrotemporal Shaping of Attosecond X-Ray Pulses with a Fresh-Slice Free-Electron Laser.** *Physical review letters*
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- **Experimental demonstration of attosecond pump-probe spectroscopy with an X-ray free-electron laser** *NATURE PHOTONICS*

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2024

- **Attosecond coherent electron motion in Auger-Meitner decay.** *Science (New York, N.Y.)*

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- **Tunable isolated attosecond X-ray pulses with gigawatt peak power from a free-electron laser** *NATURE PHOTONICS*

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- **Surface structure of water from soft X-ray second harmonic generation.** *Nature communications*

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- **Attosecond X-Ray Core-Level Chronoscopy of Aromatic Molecules** *PHYSICAL REVIEW X*

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- **Attosecond X-ray sources, methods, and applications at present and future free-electron lasers: tutorial** *ADVANCES IN OPTICS AND PHOTONICS*

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- **The time-resolved atomic, molecular and optical science instrument at the Linac Coherent Light Source. Corrigendum.** *Journal of synchrotron radiation*

  Walter, P., Osipov, T., Lin, M. F., Cryan, J., Driver, T., Kamalov, A., Marinelli, A., Robinson, J., Seaberg, M. H., Wolf, T. J., Aldrich, J., Brown, N., Champenois, et al

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- **Probing Electronic Coherence between Core-Level Vacancies at Different Atomic Sites** *PHYSICAL REVIEW X*

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- **Design and performance of a magnetic bottle electron spectrometer for high-energy photoelectron spectroscopy.** *The Review of scientific instruments*

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