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ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Clinical Associate Professor, Radiation Oncology - Radiation Physics

ADMINISTRATIVE APPOINTMENTS

- Chief of Clinical Physics, Stanford University, (2020- present)
- Chief of Clinical Physics, Loyola University Chicago, (2015-2020)

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Jack Fowler Junior Investigator Award, American Association of Physicist in Medicine (AAPM) (7/28/2008)
- Young Investigator Symposium Award, AAPM Midwest Chapter (4/17/2010)
- Best of Physics Award (co-author), American Society of Therapeutic Radiation Oncology (ASTRO) (10/19/2015)

BOARDS, ADVISORY COMMITTEES, PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

- Secretary, AAPM Midwest Chapter (2018 - 2020)
- Treasurer, AAPM Midwest Chapter (2016 - 2018)
- Board Member At Large, AAPM Midwest Chapter (2014 - 2016)
- Member, American Association of Physicists in Medicine (AAPM) (2009 - present)
- Member, American Society of Therapeutic Radiation Oncology (ASTRO) (2011 - present)
- Member, American College of Radiology (ACR) (2016 - present)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- BS, Bogazici University, Turkey , Physics (2000)
- MS, Bogazici University, Turkey , Biomedical Engineering (2002)
- PhD, University of Southern California , Biomedical Engineering (2007)
- Postdoc, Washington University in St. Louis , Medical Physics (2009)
- Residency, University of Chicago , Medical Physics (2011)

Research & Scholarship

CLINICAL TRIALS

- Performance and Safety of Biology-Guided Radiotherapy Using the RefleXion Medical Radiotherapy System (BIOGUIDE-X), Not Recruiting

Publications

PUBLICATIONS

- **A time- and space-saving Monte Carlo simulation method using post-collimation generative adversarial network for dose calculation of an O-ring gantry Linac.** *Physica medica : PM : an international journal devoted to the applications of physics to medicine and biology : official journal of the Italian Association of Biomedical Physics (AIFB)*
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- **Patient-specific Auto-segmentation on Daily kVCT Images for Adaptive Radiotherapy.** *International journal of radiation oncology, biology, physics*
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- **Framework for Quality Assurance of Ultra-High Dose Rate Clinical Trials Investigating FLASH Effects and Current Technology Gaps.** *International journal of radiation oncology, biology, physics*
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2023
- **Clinical LINAC-based electron FLASH: Pathway for practical translation to FLASH clinical trials: LINAC electron FLASH.** *International journal of radiation oncology, biology, physics*
No, H. J., Wu, Y. F., Dworkin, M. L., Manjappa, R., Skinner, L., Ashraf, M. R., Lau, B., Melemenidis, S., Viswanathan, V., Yu, A. S., Surucu, M., Schüler, E., Graves, et al
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