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BIO

I am an Associate Professor of Radiation Oncology with the Medical Center Line at the Stanford University School of Medicine and a medical physicist certified by the Canadian College of Physicists in Medicine. The main focus of my research effort is the development of novel imaging and image-guidance techniques for cancer related investigations and interventions. As a Medical Physics Faculty at McGill University, I conducted research on free-hand 3D ultrasound-image guidance for radiotherapy simulation and pre-treatment verification. This research resulted in technology licensed and commercialized by Resonant Medical Incorporated, Montreal, CA (currently marketed by Elekta Ltd). Later on as a Senior Physicist with the System Concepts and Innovation team at Siemens Oncology, I contributed to the development of Megavoltage Cone-Beam CT which became a commercial product. At Stanford, I have initiated and led a project on 2D/3D angiography guidance for frameless stereotactic radiosurgery of arteriovenous malformations. This project resulted in clinically used simulation and planning system. I also led a multi-disciplinary research effort (robotics, computer science and medical physics) in collaboration with Philips Ultrasound Investigations on tele-robotic 3D ultrasound for real-time soft tissue guidance concurrent with radiation beam delivery. The expertise and technology that we have developed for 4D ultrasound imaging and analysis have been instrumental in enabling the data acquisition and analysis for an ongoing NIH-R01 funded patient study and other 4D CEUS studies currently ongoing at Stanford.

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

- Associate Professor - University Medical Line, Radiation Oncology - Radiation Physics
- Member, Bio-X
- Member, Stanford Cancer Institute

HONORS AND AWARDS

- Member, Canadian College of Physicists in Medicine (CCPM) (2000)

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION

- M.Sc., Bulgarian National University , Physics (1992)
- PhD, McGill University , Medical Physics (1998)

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LINKS

- Imaging Systems for Radiotherapeutics Group: <http://hristovlab.stanford.edu/>

Research & Scholarship

CURRENT RESEARCH AND SCHOLARLY INTERESTS

Development and integration of X-ray, MRI and US imaging technologies for radiation therapy guidance; Design of synergistic approaches to radiation therapy delivery; Treatment planning optimization and modeling.

CLINICAL TRIALS

- Feasibility 3D Perfusion Ultrasound for Liver Cancer SABR Planning and Response Evaluation, Recruiting
- Pilot 3D Contrast-Enhanced Ultrasound Imaging to Predict Treatment Response in Liver Metastases, Not Recruiting

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- **Increased local tumor control through nanoparticle-mediated, radiation-triggered release of nitrite, an important precursor for reactive nitrogen species.** *Physics in medicine and biology*
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