The Applied Optics Group's a normal calendar January December 23







Advancing Optics and Photonics Worldwide



FEBRUARY 2022

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As one of the lab's post-docs, my day is pretty varied (and at times totally unpredictable!) - I can be found working on the systems supporting my current research projects (OCT* imaging applied to Biosciences, Ophthalmology, Forensic Sciences, Agriculture...), but equally supporting the AOG's wonderful researchers, in particularly those just getting started in their research journeys.



MARCH 2022





My goal is to provide clinicians the means to detect cancer at an early stage, where <u>successful treatment rates</u> increase significantly. Which is why I am developing a multi-modal (combining Opto-Acoustic Microscopy with Optical Coherence Tomography*), non-invasive imaging system with advanced diagnostic capabilities.





I am working to help biologists selecting animal/human embryos that have the best chances of developing! To do so, I am developing an OCT* imaging system to see them in 3 dimensions. I also look for tools to probe their stiffness, because it can tell a lot about the embryos' odds of survival! My research could help future parents to have a child with improved *in vitro* fertilisation (IVF)!

APRIL 2022

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MAY 2022

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*Optical Coherence Tomography (OCT) is an imaging technique that uses low-coherence light to capture micrometer-resolution, two-and three-dimensional images from within optical scattering media



The International Day of Light is celebrated on the 16th May each year, the anniversary of the first successful operation of the laser in 1960 by physicist and engineer, Theodore Maiman. This day is a call to strengthen scientific cooperation and harness its potential to foster peace and sustainable development.





Optica is a professional association of individuals and companies with an interest in optics and photonics. It publishes journals, and organizes conferences and exhibitions. In 2019 it had about 22,000 members in more than 100 countries, including 300 companies. They provide support for the creation of student chapters such as ours at the University of Kent in Canterbury. We organize outreach activities, conferences and more... Take a look into our chapter by scanning the QR code!



JUNE 2022

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Like my colleagues, I am working with OCT, to which I add a range of functional applications like *Doppler flow* (to detect the speed of moving particles) and <u>Gabor fusion</u> (to get a sharp image across a long distance). I am in charge of the NETLAS, a European network on innovative laser development! Several students of our research group belong to this network!





In my research, I want to allow ophthalmologists to take very fast scans of the retina – leaving you no time to blink! For that, we generate very short pulses of light which changes color in time.

These colors are in the infra-red, so they are invisible! But your phone can see them, like on this picture, where it shines in pink.

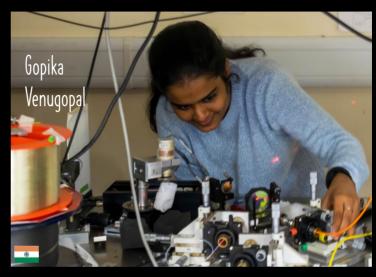


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		India	national day!			



My research is on developing a swept source (a source that changes color very fast) for Optical coherence tomography using diffraction based tuning methods with mechanical scanners. Currently working on swept sources using galvanometric scanners at 850 nm (near infrared).



SEPTEMBER 2022

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In my research I work with Optical Fibre Bundles. These are thin and flexible light pipes which can be used to obtain images and videos from confined spaces. I am working to develop an OCT system, with the intention of finding applications in Endoscopy, Embryology, and Botany.





Hey! It's me! I'm developing super-cool lasers for different purposes, with the special feature of sweeping from one colour to another colour!.

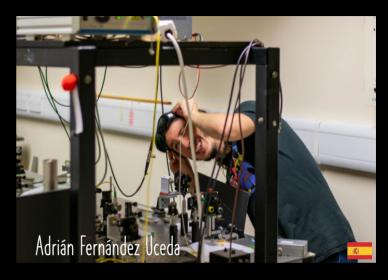


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NOVEMBER 2022

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Most of our research is meant to be applied to a living organism, but if we want to study them in-vivo, sometimes they won't stay put! My research focuses on compensating that movement. It requires tons of alignment, which can be hard to see, so if you raise the power, don't forget the goggles!





Merry Christmas!



DECEMBER 2022

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Xmas tree in the lab!





The Applied Optics Group (AOG) develops advanced optical systems for imaging and sensing, with applications in medicine, science and industry. One of our core strengths is in Optical coherence tomography (an imaging technique to see inside objects in 3 dimensions) for medical imaging, alongside research interests in adaptive optics, microscopy, endoscopy, photoacoustics and spectroscopy.

JANUARY 2023

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