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## Professional Preparation

2006 B.S. University of California, Berkeley  
2008 S.M. Massachusetts Institute of Technology  
2011 Ph.D. Massachusetts Institute of Technology

## Appointments

2017 - Present Professor, California Institute of Technology  
2011 - 2017 Assistant Professor, California Institute of Technology

## Awards and Honors

2019 Presidential Early Career Award for Scientists and Engineers (PECASE)  
2017 Junior Prize, International Photoacoustic and Photothermal Association  
2017 ASME Bergles-Rohsenow Young Investigator Award in Heat Transfer  
2017 ONR Director of Research Award  
2015 ONR Young Investigator Award  
2013 NSF CAREER Award

## Research Interests

Low noise microwave amplifiers, microwave and millimeter wave instrumentation, quantum-limited measurement, superconducting quantum devices

## Publications

### Submitted papers

1. Choi, A. Y., I. Esho, B. Gabritchidze, J. Kooi, and A. J. Minnich. Characterization of self-heating in cryogenic high electron mobility transistors using Schottky thermometry. *Journal of Applied Physics* (In press) (2021). <https://arxiv.org/abs/2105.11571>.
2. Esho, I., A. Y. Choi, and A. J. Minnich. Theory of drain noise in high electron mobility transistors based on real-space transfer. *arXiv* (2021). <https://arxiv.org/abs/2108.03370>.
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## Refereed Journal Publications

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4. Sun, B. et al. High frequency atomic tunneling yields ultralow and glass-like thermal conductivity in chalcogenide single crystals. *Nature Communications* **11**(1) (2020), 6039. <http://www.nature.com/articles/s41467-020-19872-w>.
5. Cheng, P., N. Shulumba, and A. J. Minnich. Thermal transport and phonon focusing in complex molecular crystals: Ab initio study of polythiophene. *Physical Review B* **100**(9) (2019), 094306. <https://link.aps.org/doi/10.1103/PhysRevB.100.094306>.
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### Refereed Journal Publications (prior to Caltech)

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### Invited Book Chapters

1. Minnich, A. J. “Measuring phonon mean free paths using thermal conductivity spectroscopy”. In: ed. by G. Chen. Annual Review of Heat Transfer. Belsevere, 2012.

### Invited Seminars and Presentations

1. NSF-JST joint workshop on Thermal Transport, Materials Informatics and Quantum Computing, “Low noise transistor microwave amplifiers for quantum computing”; March 24, 2021.
2. IBM QISKIT Seminar, “Finite-temperature dynamics of spin systems on near-term quantum hardware”; March 12, 2021.
3. USC Physics Department, “Non-unitary dynamics of spin systems on near-term quantum hardware”; February 3, 2021.
4. NSF Workshop: New Frontiers in Thermal Transport, “Ultralow noise transistor microwave amplifiers for quantum computing”; December 14, 2020.
5. Purdue Viskanta Fellowship Lecture, “Misbehavin: unusual atoms in solids and extreme thermal transport properties”; December 10, 2020.

6. Advanced Quantum Testbed Seminar, “Finite-temperature dynamics of spin systems on near-term quantum hardware”; August 20, 2020
7. UC Riverside Electrical Engineering Department, “Low-noise transistor microwave amplifiers: towards the quantum noise limit”; November 4, 2019.
8. Quantum LA Workshop, “Quantum imaginary-time evolution, quantum Lanczos and quantum thermal averaging”, Los Angeles, CA; April 30, 2019.
9. MRS Spring Meeting, “Exploring the Upper Limits of Thermal Conductivity in Molecular Crystals”, Phoenix, AZ; April 24, 2019.
10. Kinetic Theory Workshop, “Transport phenomena in solids from first-principles using the linearized Boltzmann equation”, Madison, WI; April 19, 2019.
11. APS March Meeting, “Thermal transport in highly anharmonic crystals from first-principles”, Los Angeles, CA; March 5, 2018.
12. Air Force Research Laboratory, “Heat and charge transport in solids and devices: a first-principles perspective,” Dayton, OH; January 25, 2018.
13. UCLA Chemistry Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Los Angeles, CA; October 23, 2017.
14. **Plenary Award Talk** at International Photothermal and Photoacoustic Association Meeting, “Revealing the microscopic processes that govern heat flow using photothermal experiments,” Bilbao, Spain, July 19, 2017.
15. Materials Research Society Spring Meeting, “Real-time probing of strain enhancement of thermal conductivity in polyethylene films ,” Phoenix, AZ; April 23, 2017.
16. UC Santa Barbara Mechanical Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Santa Barbara, CA; November 7, 2016.
17. Army Research Office Workshop on The Future of Vibration Energy Transfer in Solids and Structures: Needs and Opportunities, “Thermal conductivity and lattice instabilities,” Seattle, WA; October 18, 2016.
18. **Keynote talk** in 2016 Society of Engineering Sciences Conference, “Thermal phonon scattering at interfaces and boundaries: linking atomistic structure and the phonon spectrum,” College Park, MD; October 2, 2016.
19. 2016 Society of Engineering Sciences Conference, “Manipulating near-field and far-field thermal radiation,” College Park, MD; October 2, 2016.
20. Thermal Transport at the Nanoscale Workshop, “The importance of interfaces for thermoelectric energy conversion,” Telluride, CO; June 22, 2016.
21. Purdue University Mechanical Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” West Lafayette, IN; May 13, 2016.
22. Northwestern University Materials Science Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Evanston, IL; April 19, 2016.
23. UIUC Mechanical Science and Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Urbana-Champaign, IL; April 18, 2016.
24. Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Materials Science Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Troy, NY; March 30, 2016.

25. Hume-Rothery Award Symposium, TMS 2016 Annual Meeting, “Experimental Studies of Mode-resolved Thermal Phonon Transport Properties,” Nashville, TN; February 16, 2016.
26. Stanford University Materials Science Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Stanford, CA; January 8, 2016.
27. Materials Research Society Fall Meeting, “The importance of interfaces for thermoelectric energy conversion,” Boston MA; December 3, 2015.
28. UC Riverside Electrical Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Riverside, CA; Oct 19, 2015.
29. **Keynote lecture** in thermal management session, Materials Science and Technology 2015, “Exploring the limits of heat dissipation in electronic devices,” Columbus, OH; October 5, 2015.
30. University of Minnesota Mechanical Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Minneapolis, MN; September 30, 2015.
31. Carnegie Mellon Mechanical Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Pittsburgh, PA; September 11, 2015.
32. American Chemical Society Meeting, Physics Division, “The importance of interfaces for thermoelectric energy conversion,” Boston, MA; August 17, 2015.
33. Northrop Grumman Nanomaterials Workshop, “Nanotrusses as multifunctional materials,” Redondo Beach, CA; July 6, 2015.
34. Northrop Grumman Photonics group, “Photonic structures for engineering thermal radiation,” Redondo Beach, CA; June 25, 2015.
35. Toyota Research Institute North America Thermal Management workshop, “Multilayer thermal switch,” Ann Arbor, MI; June 9, 2015.
36. Massachusetts Institute of Technology Mechanical Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Cambridge, MA; May 6, 2015.
37. “Nanomaterials for Energy” Gordon Conference, “Exploring heat conduction in nanomaterials for energy,” Ventura, CA; February 25, 2015.
38. Rutgers University Mechanical Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” New Brunswick, NJ; January 21, 2015.
39. Materials Research Society Fall Meeting, “Understanding and engineering the MFP spectrum,” Boston MA; December 1, 2014.
40. ASME International Conference and Exhibition, Panel on measuring phonon MFPs, Montreal, Canada, November 19, 2014.
41. Northrop Grumman Nanophotonics workshop, “Photonic structures for engineering thermal radiation,” Redondo Beach, CA; October 14, 2014.
42. University of California, Berkeley Mechanical Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Berkeley, CA; September 11, 2014.
43. 8th US-Japan Joint Seminar on Nanoscale Transport Phenomena, “Understanding and measuring the phonon MFP spectrum,” Santa Clara, CA; July 14, 2014.



44. University of California, Santa Barbara Materials Science Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Santa Barbara, CA; June 6, 2014.
45. Center for Phononics and Thermal Energy Science, Tongji University, Shanghai, China; “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” May 31, 2014.
46. University of California, San Diego Mechanical Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” La Jolla, CA; May 12, 2014.
47. Boeing Research and Technology, El Segundo, CA; “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” March 27, 2014.
48. APS March Meeting, Denver, CO; “Heat under the microscope: uncovering the microscopic processes of phonon heat conduction,” March 7, 2014.
49. University of California, Irvine Mechanical Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Los Angeles, CA; February 28, 2014.
50. Yonsei University, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Seoul, South Korea; February 13, 2014.
51. University of Southern California Electrical Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Los Angeles, CA; January 22, 2014.
52. University of California, Los Angeles Mechanical Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Los Angeles, CA; January 10, 2014.
53. University of California, Santa Barbara Thermoelectrics group, “Understanding and Engineering Phonons for Thermoelectric Energy Conversion,” Santa Barbara, CA; December 10, 2013.
54. University of Washington Mechanical Engineering Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Seattle, WA; November 5, 2013.
55. University of Oregon Chemistry Department, “Heat under the microscope: understanding the microscopic processes that govern thermal transport,” Eugene, OR; November 4, 2013.
56. WE Heraus Invited Seminar, “Understanding and Engineering Phonons for Thermoelectric Energy Conversion,” Bad Honnef, Germany; April 10, 2013.
57. Materials Research Society Spring Meeting, Symposium V, “The Theory and Practice of Measuring Phonon Mean Free Paths,” San Francisco, CA; April 4, 2013.
58. Boeing Research and Technology, El Segundo, CA; “Understanding and Engineering Phonons for Thermoelectric Energy Conversion,” March 29, 2013.
59. Dow Chemical, “Exploring Nanoscale Heat Transfer for Energy Applications,” Midland, MI; February 21, 2013.
60. UC Riverside Materials Science and Engineering Department, “Understanding and Engineering Phonons for Thermoelectric Energy Conversion,” Riverside, CA; Jan 16, 2013.

### Professional Affiliations

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## Professional Activities and Service

- **Reviewer:** Science, Nature, Nature Materials, Nature Nanotechnology, Nature Communications, Scientific Reports, Physical Review Letters, RSC Advances, ACS Nano, Nano Letters, Journal of Applied Physics, Applied Physics Letters, Physical Review B
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