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His PhD research was focused on the creation and measurement of entangled photonic states. After completing his PhD in 2006, he joined Telcordia Technologies, where his research focused on making quantum communications more practical for deployment on fiber optical networks. He joined ORNL as a Senior Scientist in 2015 and currently leads ORNL's quantum communications team. Since 2016, he has served as an Associate Editor for Optics Express. He has been awarded the Thomas Alva Edison Patent Award, a National Intelligence Meritorious Unit Citation, two CEO awards, an ORNL Significant Event Award, an ORNL Technology Commercialization Award, and 11 US patents.

Quantum Information Science with Photons

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Nonlinear optics are useful to generate nonclassical states of light. The creation, manipulation and measurement of these photonic states enables optical quantum information science. We will describe quantum entanglement, its generation, and use it in several quantum applications, touching on computing, sensing, and communications. We will describe a recent entanglement-based quantum secret sharing protocol. In addition, we will describe a method that seeks to improve per photon interferometric sensitivity by utilizing parametric amplifiers in place of linear beam splitters. Finally, we will describe recent work on linear optical quantum gates in the frequency domain.