



COLLOQUIUM SERIES: Lighting up the brain: Implantable neural probes using wafer-scale integrated photonics

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BIO

Joyce Poon is the Managing Director at the Max Planck Institute of Microstructure Physics, Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering at the University of Toronto, an Honorary Professor in the Faculty of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science at the Technical University of Berlin. She currently serves as a Director-at-Large for Optica (formerly the Optical Society, OSA). She and her team specialize in integrated photonics on silicon. Prof. Poon obtained the Ph.D. and M.S. in Electrical Engineering from Caltech in 2007 and 2003 respectively, and the B.A.Sc. in Engineering Science (physics option) from the University of Toronto in 2002. Recognitions she has received include?

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ABSTRACT

Optical actuation and imaging of genetically targeted neuron types have emerged as powerful tools to map neural circuits. I will present silicon photonic integrated circuits operating in the visible spectrum that substantially miniaturize today's microscopy and fiber optic tools to enable unique multiphysical and multifunctional interfaces to the brain.

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