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## Education

- 2004 Ph.D. Physics, Purdue University  
Thesis: *Scanning Force Microscopy as a Tool for Bioelectronics*  
Major professor: Ron Reifenberger
- 1997 B.S. Mathematics, University of Nevada, Reno

## Professional Experience

- 2007—present Assistant Professor, Department of Physics & Astronomy, University of South Carolina, Columbia, SC.
- 2004—2007 Postdoctoral Fellow at the U.S. Army Research Laboratory. Studying the electrogenic properties of various anaerobic bacteria for use as microbial fuel cells. And investigating the extraction of complete tip-sample interaction potentials from amplitude-feedback Scanning Force Microscopy (SFM).
- 2000—2004 Research Assistant, Physics Department, Purdue University. Investigation of the properties of bacteriorhodopsin, in the form of purple membranes, with the SFM.
- 1997—2000 Teaching Assistant, Physics Department, Purdue University. Taught various recitation/laboratory sessions for Freshman and Sophomore level physics courses.
- 1992—1997 Co-founder, co-owner and co-operator, InterComm Internet Services, Inc., a local Internet Service Provider in Reno, NV. Primarily responsible for system and network administration (maintenance of all servers, networking routers, extensive configuration and programming, etc.). Shared responsibility for day-to-day business operations (management, accounting, sales, etc.).

## Research Interests

Scanning Probe Microscopy, molecular conduction, electrogenic bacteria, bacterial evolution, the physics of life, complex systems, nonequilibrium thermodynamics.

## Publications

9. *Effect of electron mediators on current generation and fermentation in a microbial fuel cell*, C. Sund, S. McMasters. S. Crittenden. L. Harrell. J. Sumner, *Applied Microbiology and Biotechnology* **76** (2007), 561.
8. *Mediating Electron Transfer from Bacteria to a Gold Electrode via a Self-Assembled Monolayer*, S. Crittenden, C. Sund, J. Sumner, *Langmuir* **22** (2006), 9473
7. *Probing Attractive Forces at the Nanoscale Using Higher Harmonic Dynamic Force Microscopy*, S. Crittenden, A. Raman, and R. Reifenberger. *Phys. Rev. B* **72**, (2005), 235422

6. *Soft Lithography Based Micron-scale Electrophoretic Patterning of Purple Membrane*, S. Crittenden, J. Hillebrecht, D. Inerowicz, F. Regnier, R. Birge, and R. Reifenberger. *J. Micromech. Microeng.* **15** (2005), 1494-1497
5. *Scanning Force Microscopy as a Tool for Bioelectronics*, S. Crittenden, Ph.D. Thesis 2004
4. *Enhanced Mass Sensing Using Torsional and Lateral Resonances in Microcantilevers*, L. B. Sharos, A. Raman, S. Crittenden, and R. Reifenberger. *Applied Physics Letters* **84** (2004), 4638-4640.
3. *Force Constancy and its Role on Haptic Perception of Virtual Surfaces*, ACM Transactions on Applied Perception, S. Choi, L. Walker, H. Tan, S. Crittenden, and R. Reifenberger. *Applied Perception* **2** (2005) 89-105.
2. *Humidity Dependent Open-Circuit Photovoltage from a bR/ITO Bioelectronic Heterostructure*, S. Crittenden, S. Howell, R. Reifenberger, J. Hillebrecht, and R. Birge. *Nanotechnology* **14** (2003), 562-565.
1. *Correlating the Location of Structural Defects with the Electrical Failure of Multiwalled Carbon Nanotubes*, P. J. de Pablo, S. Howell, S. Crittenden, B. Walsh, E. Graugnard, and R. Reifenberger. *Applied Physics Letters* **75** (1999), 3941.

### **Presentations, Proceedings, & Posters**

24. *Electrogenic Bacteria: Microbial Fuel Cells & Chemoelectric Biosensors*, Molecular Conduction Workshop, Purdue University, July 2007, **S. Crittenden**, J. Sumner, C. Sund. Invited talk.
23. *Electrogenic Bacteria & Nonlinear Scanning Force Microscopy Cantilever Dynamics*, Northwestern University, March 2007, **S. Crittenden**.
22. *Electrogenic Bacteria & Nonlinear Scanning Force Microscopy Cantilever Dynamics*, Kansas State University, February 2007, **S. Crittenden**.
21. *Electrogenic Bacteria & Nonlinear Scanning Force Microscopy Cantilever Dynamics*, Southern Illinois University, February, March 2007, **S. Crittenden**.
20. *Electrogenic Bacteria & Nonlinear Scanning Force Microscopy Cantilever Dynamics*, Michigan Technological University, February 2007, **S. Crittenden**.
19. *Electrogenic Bacteria & Nonlinear Scanning Force Microscopy Cantilever Dynamics*, University of South Carolina, January, March 2007, **S. Crittenden**.
18. *Optical System Harmonic Distortion in Scanning Force Microscopes* (poster), Frontiers in Scanning Probe Microscopy Workshop, Purdue University, October 2006, **S. Crittenden**.
17. *Rapid Screening of Microbial Fuel Cell Components*, 42<sup>nd</sup> Power Sources Conference, June 2006, **S. Crittenden**, J. Sumner, C. Sund.
16. *Rapid Screening of Microbial Fuel Cell Components*, Electrochemical Society Annual Conference, May 2006, **S. Crittenden**, J. Sumner, C. Sund.
15. *Biomaterials & Scanning Force Microscopy*, Materials Science Department, University of North Texas, May 2006, **S. Crittenden**. (Invited talk)
14. *Intrinsic Harmonic Distortion of Atomic Force Microscopy Cantilever Position Detection Methods*, ASME International Mechanical Engineering Congress and Exposition, November 2005, **S. Crittenden**. (Invited talk and proceedings paper)

13. *Microbial Fuel Cells: A Biotechnological Approach to Power Generation*, American Chemical Society National Meeting, December 2005, **J. Sumner**, S. Crittenden.
12. *Van der Waals and Electrostatic Force Imaging with Higher Harmonic Noncontact Scanning Force Microscopy*, MRS Fall Meeting, November, 2004, **S. Crittenden**, A. Raman, and R. Reifenberger.
11. *Van der Waals and Electrostatic Force Imaging with Higher Harmonic Noncontact Scanning Force Microscopy*, Workshop on Advanced Dynamic AFM Methods, October, 2004, Tres Cantos, Spain, **R. Reifenberger**, S. Crittenden, A. Raman.
10. *Imaging at Higher Harmonics & Bending Modes with a Scanning Force Microscope*, Purdue University, February 16, 2004, **S. Crittenden**, S. Hu, A. Raman, R. Reifenberger.
9. *Investigating Issues in Biomolecular/Semiconductor Device Applications*, Army Research Laboratory, November 2003, **S. Crittenden**, R. Reifenberger.
8. *Investigating Issues in Biomolecular/Semiconductor Device Applications* (Poster), International Symposium on Clusters and Nano-Assemblies, November 2003, **S. Crittenden**, J. Hillebrecht, S. Hu, A. Raman, R. Birge, R. Reifenberger.
7. *Protein-Based Bioelectronic Heterostructures*, Wake Forest University, October 2003, **S. Crittenden**, R. Reifenberger.
6. *Protein-Based Bioelectronic Heterostructures*, University of Ohio, Akron, October 2003, **S. Crittenden**, R. Reifenberger.
5. *Protein-Based Bioelectronic Heterostructures* (Poster), Trends in Nanotechnology 2003, November 2003, **S. Crittenden**, S. Hu, A. Raman, R. Reifenberger.
4. *Effects of Internal Resonance on the Nonlinear Dynamics of Tapping Mode AFM Microcantilevers*, American Control Conference, June 2003, **S. Hu**, A. Raman, S. Crittenden, R. Reifenberger.
3. *Patterned Electrophoretic Deposition of Purple Membrane*, American Physical Society, March 2003, **S. Crittenden**, S. Howell, J. Hillebrecht, R. Birge, R. Reifenberger.
2. *Bacteriorhodopsin for Hybrid Biological-Semiconductor Devices* (Poster), Nanotech 2003, **S. Crittenden**, S. Howell, J. Hillebrecht, R. Reifenberger, R. Birge.
1. *Bacteriorhodopsin as an Active Component in Hybrid Biomolecular-Semiconductor Electronics* (Poster), Nanobiology 2001, **S. Crittenden**, S. Budy, K. Wise, R. Reifenberger, R. Birge.

## Awards

ORAU Postdoctoral Fellowship

ASEE Postdoctoral Fellowship

Outstanding Poster, Trends in Nanotechnology  
2003

## Professional Societies

American Association for the Advancement of Science

American Chemical Society

American Physical Society

American Society of Microbiology

Biophysical Society

Electrochemical Society

Materials Research Society