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Her dissertation work was dedicated to a research in the field of biosensors – the development of a biochip, based on new plasmon structures. In present, she continues to work on the topic, developing rapid optical tests for "Point of care" diagnostics.

Her research interests include:

- Plasmonics & biosensor applications
- Plasmonics in fiber optics
- Biochemistry
- Laser ablation immobilization techniques

Reports and conference participation: 12