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## **Primer on Radiation Oncology Physics** - Eric Ford 2020-05-04

Gain mastery over the fundamentals of radiation oncology physics! This package gives you over 60 tutorial videos (each 15-20 minutes in length) with a companion text, providing the most complete and effective introduction available. Dr. Ford has tested this approach in formal instruction for years with outstanding results. The text includes extensive problem sets for each chapter. The videos include embedded quizzes and "whiteboard" screen technology to facilitate comprehension. Together, this provides a valuable learning tool both for training purposes and as a refresher for those in practice. **Key Features** A complete learning package for radiation oncology physics, including a full series of video tutorials with an associated textbook companion website Clearly drawn, simple illustrations throughout the videos and text Embedded quiz feature in the video tutorials for testing comprehension while viewing Each chapter includes problem sets (solutions available to educators)

## *Education for Innovation* - 2008-01-01

In *Education for Innovation: Implications for India, China and America*, distinguished thought leaders explore cutting-edge questions such as: Can inventiveness and ingenuity be taught and nurtured in schools and colleges? What are the most effective educational strategies to promote these abilities? How are vibrant economies driven by innovation? What is the relationship between education for innovation and national competitiveness or economic development?

## *BIO2010* - National Research Council 2003-02-13

Biological sciences have been revolutionized, not only in the way research is conductedâ€"with the introduction of techniques such as recombinant DNA and digital technologyâ€"but also in how research findings are communicated among professionals and to the public. Yet, the undergraduate programs that train biology researchers remain much the same as they were before these fundamental changes came on the scene. This new volume provides a blueprint for bringing undergraduate biology education up to the speed of today's research fast track. It includes recommendations for teaching the next generation of life science investigators, through: Building a strong interdisciplinary curriculum that includes physical science, information technology, and mathematics. Eliminating the administrative and financial barriers to cross-departmental collaboration. Evaluating the impact of medical college admissions testing on undergraduate biology education. Creating early opportunities for independent research. Designing meaningful laboratory experiences into the curriculum. The committee presents a dozen brief case studies of exemplary programs at leading institutions and lists many resources for biology educators. This volume will be important to biology faculty, administrators, practitioners, professional societies, research and education funders, and the biotechnology industry.

## **2004 Physics Education Research Conference** - Jeffrey Marx 2005-09-29

The 2004 Physics Education Research (PER) Conference brought together researchers in how we teach physics and how it is learned. Student understanding of concepts, the efficacy of different pedagogical techniques, and the importance of student attitudes toward physics and knowledge were all discussed. These Proceedings capture an important snapshot of the PER community, containing an incredibly broad collection of research papers of work in progress.

## *Exploring Signature Pedagogies* - Regan A. R. Gurung 2009

How do individual disciplines foster deep learning, and get students to think like disciplinary experts? With contributions from the sciences, humanities, and the arts, this book critically explores how to best foster student learning within and across the disciplines.

## **Mastering Physics** - Pearson Prentice Hall 2006-06

## Adapting to a Changing World - National Research Council 2013-07-24

*Adapting to a Changing World* was commissioned by the National Science Foundation to examine the present status of undergraduate physics education, including the state of physics education research, and, most importantly, to develop a series of recommendations for improving physics education that draws from the knowledge we have about learning and effective teaching. Our committee has endeavored to do so, with great interest and more than a little passion. The Committee on Undergraduate Physics Education Research and Implementation was established in 2010 by the Board on Physics and Astronomy of the National Research Council. This report summarizes the committee's response to its statement of task, which requires the committee to produce a report that identifies the goals and challenges facing undergraduate physics education and identifies how best practices for undergraduate physics education can be implemented on a widespread and sustained basis, assess the status of physics education research (PER) and discuss how PER can assist in accomplishing the goal of improving undergraduate physics education best practices and education policy.

## **Physics for Scientists and Engineers with Modern Physics** - Douglas C. Giancoli 2008

**Key Message:** This book aims to explain physics in a readable and interesting manner that is accessible and clear, and to teach readers by anticipating their needs and difficulties without oversimplifying. Physics is a description of reality, and thus each topic begins with concrete observations and experiences that readers can directly relate to. We then move on to the generalizations and more formal treatment of the topic. Not only does this make the material more interesting and easier to understand, but it is closer to the way physics is actually practiced. **Key Topics:** INTRODUCTION, MEASUREMENT, ESTIMATING, DESCRIBING MOTION: KINEMATICS IN ONE DIMENSION, KINEMATICS IN TWO OR THREE DIMENSIONS; VECTORS, DYNAMICS: NEWTON'S LAWS OF MOTION , USING NEWTON'S LAWS: FRICTION, CIRCULAR MOTION, DRAG FORCES, GRAVITATION AND NEWTON'S6 SYNTHESIS , WORK AND ENERGY , CONSERVATION OF ENERGY , LINEAR MOMENTUM , ROTATIONAL MOTION , ANGULAR MOMENTUM; GENERAL ROTATION , STATIC EQUILIBRIUM; ELASTICITY AND FRACTURE , FLUIDS , OSCILLATIONS , WAVE MOTION, SOUND , TEMPERATURE, THERMAL EXPANSION, AND THE IDEAL GAS LAW KINETIC THEORY OF GASES, HEAT AND THE FIRST LAW OF THERMODYNAMICS , SECOND LAW OF THERMODYNAMICS , ELECTRIC CHARGE AND ELECTRIC FIELD , GAUSS'S LAW , ELECTRIC POTENTIAL , CAPACITANCE, DIELECTRICS, ELECTRIC ENERGY STORAGE ELECTRIC CURRENTS AND RESISTANCE, DC CIRCUITS, MAGNETISM, SOURCES OF MAGNETIC FIELD, ELECTROMAGNETIC INDUCTION AND FARADAY'S LAW, INDUCTANCE, ELECTROMAGNETIC OSCILLATIONS, AND AC

CIRCUITS, MAXWELL'S EQUATIONS AND ELECTROMAGNETIC WAVES, LIGHT: REFLECTION AND REFRACTION, LENSES AND OPTICAL INSTRUMENTS, THE WAVE NATURE OF LIGHT; INTERFERENCE, DIFFRACTION AND POLARIZATION, SPECIAL THEORY OF RELATIVITY, EARLY QUANTUM THEORY AND MODELS OF THE ATOM, QUANTUM MECHANICS, QUANTUM MECHANICS OF ATOMS, MOLECULES AND SOLIDS, NUCLEAR PHYSICS AND RADIOACTIVITY, NUCLEAR ENERGY: EFFECTS AND USES OF RADIATION, ELEMENTARY PARTICLES, ASTROPHYSICS AND COSMOLOGY

Market Description: This book is written for readers interested in learning the basics of physics.

**Tutorials in Introductory Physics and Homework Package** - Lillian C. McDermott 2001-08

This landmark book presents a series of physics tutorials designed by a leading physics education research group. Emphasizing the development of concepts and scientific reasoning skills, the tutorials focus on common conceptual and reasoning difficulties. The tutorials cover a range of topics in Mechanics, E & M, and Waves & Optics.

**RealTime Physics: Active Learning Laboratories, Module 3** - David R. Sokoloff 2012-01-03

RealTime Physics is a series of introductory laboratory modules that use computer data acquisition tools (microcomputer-based lab or MBL tools) to help students develop important physics concepts while acquiring vital laboratory skills. Besides data acquisition, computers are used for basic mathematical modeling, data analysis, and simulations. There are 4 RealTime Physics modules: Module 1: Mechanics, Module 2: Heat and Thermodynamics, Module 3: Electricity and Magnetism, and Module 4: Light and Optics.

**2003 Physics Education Research Conference** - Jeffrey Marx 2004-09-09

Papers from an August 2003 conference report on the latest research in physics education. Some specific topics covered include empirical investigations of student understanding, the myth of gender neutrality, using mapped samples to look for sex differences, and students' representational coherence of Newton's first and second laws. Other topics are

**2005 Physics Education Research Conference** - Paula Heron 2006-03-08

The papers included in these proceedings have been peer-reviewed. The 2005 Physics Education Research Conference covered a broad spectrum of current research directions including student learning of specific topics, student attitudes, and the effectiveness of various teaching methods. The emphasis was on undergraduate instruction. The theme of this conference was "Connecting Physics Education Research Teacher Education at All Levels: K-20."

**Tutorials in Introductory Physics** - Lillian C. McDermott 2002

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**Physics for Scientists & Engineers with Modern Physics** - Douglas C. Giancoli 2008

For the calculus-based General Physics course primarily taken by engineers and science majors (including physics majors). This long-awaited and extensive revision maintains Giancoli's reputation for creating carefully crafted, highly accurate and precise physics texts. Physics for Scientists and Engineers combines outstanding pedagogy with a clear and direct narrative and applications that draw the student into the physics. The new edition also features an unrivaled suite of media and online resources that enhance the understanding of physics. This book is written for students. It aims to explain physics in a readable and interesting manner that is accessible and clear, and to teach students by anticipating their needs and difficulties without oversimplifying. Physics is a description of reality, and thus each topic begins with concrete observations and experiences that students can directly relate to. We then move on to the generalizations and more formal treatment of the topic. Not only does this make the material more interesting and easier to understand, but it is closer to the way physics is actually practiced.

**Active Learning: Theoretical Perspectives, Empirical Studies and Design Profiles** - Robert Cassidy 2019-07-11

This book represents the emerging efforts of a growing international network

of researchers and practitioners to promote the development and uptake of evidence-based pedagogies in higher education, at something a level approaching large-scale impact. By offering a communication venue that attracts and enhances much needed partnerships among practitioners and researchers in pedagogical innovation, we aim to change the conversation and focus on how we work and learn together – i.e. extending the implementation and knowledge of co-design methods. In this first edition of our Research Topic on Active Learning, we highlight two (of the three) types of publications we wish to promote. First are studies aimed at understanding the pedagogical designs developed by practitioners in their own practices by bringing to bear the theoretical lenses developed and tested in the education research community. These types of studies constitute the "practice pull" that we see as a necessary counterbalance to "knowledge push" in a more productive pedagogical innovation ecosystem based on research-practitioner partnerships. Second are studies empirically examining the implementations of evidence-based designs in naturalistic settings and under naturalistic conditions. Interestingly, the teams conducting these studies are already exemplars of partnerships between researchers and practitioners who are uniquely positioned as "in-betweens" straddling the two worlds. As a result, these publications represent both the rigours of research and the pragmatism of reflective practice. In forthcoming editions, we will add to this collection a third type of publication -- design profiles. These will present practitioner-developed pedagogical designs at varying levels of abstraction to be held to scrutiny amongst practitioners, instructional designers and researchers alike. We hope by bringing these types of studies together in an open access format that we may contribute to the development of new forms of practitioner-researcher interactions that promote co-design in pedagogical innovation.

**American Journal of Physics** - 2001

**Physics by Inquiry** - Lillian C. McDermott 1995-09-07

A hands-on approach to learning physics fundamentals Physics by Inquiry: An Introduction to Physics and the Physical Sciences, Volume 2 offers a practical lab-based approach to understanding the fundamentals of physics. Step-by-step protocols provide clear guidance to observable phenomena, and analysis of results facilitates critical thinking and information assimilation over rote memorization. Covering essential concepts relating to electrical circuits, electromagnets, light and optics, and kinematics, this book provides beginner students with an engaging introduction to the foundation of physical science.

**Learning and Understanding** - National Research Council 2002-08-06

This book takes a fresh look at programs for advanced studies for high school students in the United States, with a particular focus on the Advanced Placement and the International Baccalaureate programs, and asks how advanced studies can be significantly improved in general. It also examines two of the core issues surrounding these programs: they can have a profound impact on other components of the education system and participation in the programs has become key to admission at selective institutions of higher education. By looking at what could enhance the quality of high school advanced study programs as well as what precedes and comes after these programs, this report provides teachers, parents, curriculum developers, administrators, college science and mathematics faculty, and the educational research community with a detailed assessment that can be used to guide change within advanced study programs.

**MSCEIS 2019** - Lala Septem Riza 2020-07-30

The 7th Mathematics, Science, and Computer Science Education International Seminar (MSCEIS) was held by the Faculty of Mathematics and Natural Science Education, Universitas Pendidikan Indonesia (UPI) and the collaboration with 12 University associated in Asosiasi MIPA LPTK Indonesia (AMLI) consisting of Universitas Negeri Semarang (UNNES), Universitas Pendidikan Indonesia (UPI), Universitas Negeri Yogyakarta (UNY), Universitas Negeri Malang (UM), Universitas Negeri Jakarta (UNJ), Universitas Negeri Medan (UNIMED), Universitas Negeri Padang (UNP), Universitas Negeri Manado (UNIMA), Universitas Negeri Makassar (UNM), Universitas Pendidikan Ganesha (UNDHIKSA), Universitas Negeri Gorontalo

(UNG), and Universitas Negeri Surabaya (UNESA). In this year, MSCEIS 2019 takes the following theme: "Mathematics, Science, and Computer Science Education for Addressing Challenges and Implementations of Revolution-Industry 4.0" held on October 12, 2019 in Bandung, West Java, Indonesia. *RealTime Physics: Active Learning Laboratories, Module 1* - David R. Sokoloff 2011-11-15

The authors of RealTime Physics Active Learning Laboratories, Module 1: Mechanics, 3rd Edition - David Sokoloff, Priscilla Laws, and Ron Thornton - have been pioneers in the revolution of the physics industry. In this edition, they provide a set of labs that utilize modern lab technology to provide hands-on information, as well as an empirical look at several new key concepts. They focus on the teaching/learning issues in the lecture portion of the course, as well as logistical lab issues such as space, class size, staffing, and equipment maintenance. Issues similar to those in the lecture have to with preparation and willingness to study.

*Understanding Physics* - Cummings 2006-07

Market\_Desc: · Students of Physics Special Features: · A narrative style that supports student learning-Rather than fragmenting the text with sidebars, extra boxes, and examples, this text presents a smooth expository flow that facilitates understanding. Critical examples (sample problems) are positioned as Touchstone Examples.· Emphasis on observation and experimentation-The experimental evidence for many of the physical laws and relationships discussed in the narrative have been presented in graphical form.·

Incorporates active learning-The story line is reinforced by the use of Reading Exercises that help students focus on thoughtful reading of the text sections in each chapter.· Alternative problem selections-Based on the authors' knowledge of research on student learning difficulties, these new problems require careful qualitative reasoning and explicitly connect conceptual understanding to quantitative problem solving. In addition, estimation problems, video analysis problems, and 'real life' problems add to student understanding.· Presentations that are known to be associated with common student confusions have been rewritten and clarified. Some topics have been rearranged (especially the introduction of the New Mechanics Sequence) to provide a more pedagogically coherent learning path and story line.· The Physics Suite-a resource of integrated educational materials, which promote the use of guided activities to help students construct their learning and use modern technology, in particular computer-assisted data acquisition and analysis (CADAA). The materials of the Suite can be used independently, but their approach, philosophy, and notation are coherent. Instructors can easily adopt one or more parts of the Suite when convenient and appropriate. Physics Suite materials that can be used to complement the text, include: Teaching Physics with the Physics Suite (Redish); Real Time Physics (Thornton, Laws, Sokoloff); Interactive Lecture Demonstrations (Sokoloff, Thornton); Workshop Physics (Laws); Tutorials In Introductory Physics (McDermott, et al); Physics by Inquiry (McDermott et al); The Activity Based Physics Tutorials (Redish et al); The Understanding Physics Video CD for Students; The Physics Suite CD. About The Book: Built on the foundations of Halliday, Resnick, and Walker's FUNDAMENTALS OF PHYSICS 6e, this text is designed to work with interactive learning strategies that are increasingly being used in physics instruction (for example, microcomputer-based labs, interactive lectures, etc.). In doing so, it incorporates new approaches based upon Physics Education Research (PER), aligns with courses that use computer-based laboratory tools, and promotes Activity Based Physics in lectures, labs, and recitations.

*Teacher Education in Physics* - David Elliott Meltzer 2011-12-31

The Physics Teacher Education Coalition (PhysTEC) is proud to bring together the first published collection of full-length peer-reviewed research papers on teacher education in physics. We hope that this work will help institutions consider ways to improve their education of physics and physical science teachers, and that research in this field can continue to grow and challenge or support the effectiveness of practices in K-12 teacher education.

*Journal of Geoscience Education* - 1996

*A Guide to Introductory Physics Teaching* - Arnold B. Arons 1990-01-24

A guide to teaching introductory physics, from high school to calculus-based college courses, this instructional tool presents systematic observations based upon research into how physics students come to learn and understand physical concepts, models and lines of reasoning. Includes many examples of test questions and homework problems.

*Understanding and Reducing College Student Departure* - John M. Braxton 2011-10-07

Student departure is a long-standing problem to colleges and universities. Approximately 45 percent of students enrolled in two-year colleges depart during their first year, and approximately one out of four students departs from a four-year college or university. The authors advance a serious revision of Tinto's popular interactionist theory to account for student departure, and they postulate a theory of student departure in commuter colleges and universities. This volume delves into the literature to describe exemplary campus-based programs designed to reduce student departure. It emphasizes the importance of addressing student departure through a multidisciplinary approach, engaging the whole campus. It proposes new models for nonresidential students and students from diverse backgrounds, and suggests directions for further research. Academic and student affairs administrators seeking research-based approaches to understanding and reducing student departure will profit from reading this volume. Scholars of the college student experience will also find it valuable in defining new thrusts in research on the student departure process.

*College Physics* - Ron Hellings 2017-04-06

An algebra-based physics text designed for the first year, non-calculus college course. Although it covers the traditional topics in the traditional order, this book is very different from its often over-inflated competitors. This textbook is a ground-breaking iconoclast in this market, answering a clear demand from physics instructors for a clearer, shorter, more readable and less expensive introductory textbook.

*College Teaching and the Development of Reasoning* - Robert G. Fuller 2009-10-01

This book is intended to offer college faculty members the insights of the development of reasoning movement that enlighten physics educators in the late 1970s and led to a variety of college programs directed at improving the reasoning patterns used by college students. While the original materials were directed at physics concepts, they quickly expanded to include other sciences and the humanities and social sciences. On-going developments in the field will be included. The editors have introduced new topics, including discussions of Vygotsky's ideas in relation to those of Piaget, of science education research progress since 1978, of constructivist learning theory applied to educational computer games and of applications from anthropology to zoology. These materials are especially relevant for consideration by current university faculty in all subjects.

*Tutorials in Introductory Physics: Homework* - Lillian C. McDermott 2002

A set of instructional materials intended to supplement the lectures and textbook of a standard introductory physics course

*Science Learning and Instruction* - Marcia C. Linn 2011-05-20

Science Learning and Instruction describes advances in understanding the nature of science learning and their implications for the design of science instruction. The authors show how design patterns, design principles, and professional development opportunities coalesce to create and sustain effective instruction in each primary scientific domain: earth science, life science, and physical science. Calling for more in depth and less fleeting coverage of science topics in order to accomplish knowledge integration, the book highlights the importance of designing the instructional materials, the examples that are introduced in each scientific domain, and the professional development that accompanies these materials. It argues that unless all these efforts are made simultaneously, educators cannot hope to improve science learning outcomes. The book also addresses how many policies, including curriculum, standards, guidelines, and standardized tests, work against the goal of integrative understanding, and discusses opportunities to rethink science education policies based on research findings from instruction that emphasizes such understanding.

*Successful Science and Engineering Teaching* - Calvin S. Kalman 2017-10-11  
The intent of this book is to describe how a professor can provide a learning environment that assists students in coming to grips with the nature of science and engineering, to understand science and engineering concepts, and to solve problems in science and engineering courses. The book is based upon articles published in *Science Educational Research* and which are grounded in educational research (both quantitative and qualitative) performed by the author over many years.

*Announcer* - American Association of Physics Teachers 2003

**Tutorials in Radiotherapy Physics** - Patrick N. McDermott 2016-08-19

The Topics Every Medical Physicist Should Know *Tutorials in Radiotherapy Physics: Advanced Topics with Problems and Solutions* covers selected advanced topics that are not thoroughly discussed in any of the standard medical physics texts. The book brings together material from a large variety of sources, avoiding the need for you to search through and digest the vast research literature. The topics are mathematically developed from first principles using consistent notation. Clear Derivations and In-Depth Explanations The book offers insight into the physics of electron acceleration in linear accelerators and presents an introduction to the study of proton therapy. It then describes the predominant method of clinical photon dose computation: convolution and superposition dose calculation algorithms. It also discusses the Boltzmann transport equation, a potentially fast and accurate method of dose calculation that is an alternative to the Monte Carlo method. This discussion considers Fermi–Eyges theory, which is widely used for electron dose calculations. The book concludes with a step-by-step mathematical development of tumor control and normal tissue complication probability models. Each chapter includes problems with solutions given in the back of the book. Prepares You to Explore Cutting-Edge Research This guide provides you with the foundation to read review articles on the topics. It can be used for self-study, in graduate medical physics and physics residency programs, or in vendor training for linacs and treatment planning systems.

*Physics Education Research* - Michael Eric Burnside 2002

Conference on the Introductory Physics Course - Robert Resnick 1997

This collection of papers from educators around the world explores the state-of-the-art in teaching physics. Marking the retirement of Robert Resnick from RPI, a conference was held on teaching physics. This book contains the complete papers from a conference marking the retirement of Robert Resnick from RPI and offers a grand tour of the field.

Pedagogy in Higher Education - Gordon Wells 2013-11-18

What can Cultural Historical Activity Theory (CHAT) contribute to the solution of the problems facing higher education today? This edited volume brings together the work of an international group of scholars and researchers to address this important question. Drawing on contemporary interpretations of CHAT, the contributors take on a wide range of issues, ranging from pedagogy to administration and from teacher preparation to university outreach. An introduction presents the key principles of CHAT. Subsequent chapters address such issues as effective ways of teaching large undergraduate classes, providing support for struggling writers or for students with disabilities, opening up opportunities for students from historically underserved communities, preparing students for the professions, and building bridges between higher education and the wider community. Readers with an interest in higher education will encounter ideas in these chapters that will prompt them to rethink their role in preparing today's students for tomorrow's challenges.

The Craft of Zeus - John Scheid 2001

In this dazzling commentary on Greek and Roman myth and society, weaving emerges as a metaphor rich with possibility. From rituals symbolizing the cohesion of society to the erotic and marital significance of weaving, this lively book defines the logic of one of the central concepts in Greek and Roman thought.

**Teaching at Its Best** - Linda B. Nilson 2010-04-20

**Teaching at Its Best** This third edition of the best-selling handbook offers faculty at all levels an essential toolbox of hundreds of practical teaching techniques, formats, classroom activities, and exercises, all of which can be implemented immediately. This thoroughly revised edition includes the newest portrait of the Millennial student; current research from cognitive psychology; a focus on outcomes maps; the latest legal options on copyright issues; and how to best use new technology including wikis, blogs, podcasts, vodcasts, and clickers. Entirely new chapters include subjects such as matching teaching methods with learning outcomes, inquiry-guided learning, and using visuals to teach, and new sections address Felder and Silverman's Index of Learning Styles, SCALE-UP classrooms, multiple true-false test items, and much more. Praise for the Third Edition of *Teaching at Its Best* "Everyone veterans as well as novices will profit from reading *Teaching at Its Best*, for it provides both theory and practical suggestions for handling all of the problems one encounters in teaching classes varying in size, ability, and motivation." Wilbert McKeachie, Department of Psychology, University of Michigan, and coauthor, *McKeachie's Teaching Tips* "This new edition of Dr. Nilson's book, with its completely updated material and several new topics, is an even more powerful collection of ideas and tools than the last. What a great resource, especially for beginning teachers but also for us veterans!" L. Dee Fink, author, *Creating Significant Learning Experiences* "This third edition of *Teaching at Its Best* is successful at weaving the latest research on teaching and learning into what was already a thorough exploration of each topic. New information on how we learn, how students develop, and innovations in instructional strategies complement the solid foundation established in the first two editions." Marilla D. Svinicki, Department of Psychology, The University of Texas, Austin, and coauthor, *McKeachie's Teaching Tips*

**The Changing Role of Physics Depts. in Modern Universities** - Redish 1998-07-09

Annotation The proceedings of the August 1996 conference, arranged in two volumes, focus on the physics baccalaureate as passport to the workplace; physics courses in service of students in other sciences and engineering; and the physics department's responsibility in pre- and in-service education of teachers. Issues include the changing goals of physics courses, the impact of physics education research on instruction, and applications of modern technologies. Volume 1 contains the presentations and poster papers; volume 2 contains description of 18 sample classes. No index. Annotation c. by Book News, Inc., Portland, Or.

**Discipline-Based Education Research** - National Research Council 2012-08-27

The National Science Foundation funded a synthesis study on the status, contributions, and future direction of discipline-based education research (DBER) in physics, biological sciences, geosciences, and chemistry. DBER combines knowledge of teaching and learning with deep knowledge of discipline-specific science content. It describes the discipline-specific difficulties learners face and the specialized intellectual and instructional resources that can facilitate student understanding. *Discipline-Based Education Research* is based on a 30-month study built on two workshops held in 2008 to explore evidence on promising practices in undergraduate science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) education. This book asks questions that are essential to advancing DBER and broadening its impact on undergraduate science teaching and learning. The book provides empirical research on undergraduate teaching and learning in the sciences, explores the extent to which this research currently influences undergraduate instruction, and identifies the intellectual and material resources required to further develop DBER. *Discipline-Based Education Research* provides guidance for future DBER research. In addition, the findings and recommendations of this report may invite, if not assist, post-secondary institutions to increase interest and research activity in DBER and improve its quality and usefulness across all natural science disciplines, as well as guide instruction and assessment across natural science courses to improve student learning. The book brings greater focus to issues of student attrition in the natural sciences that are related to the quality of instruction. *Discipline-Based Education Research* will be of interest to educators, policy makers, researchers, scholars, decision makers in universities, government agencies, curriculum developers, research sponsors,

and education advocacy groups.

*Research on Physics Education* - E.F. Redish 2004-08-09

Physics Education research is a young field with a strong tradition in many countries. However, it has only recently received full recognition of its specificity and relevance for the growth and improvement of the culture of Physics in contemporary Society for different levels and populations. This may be due on one side to the fact that teaching, therefore education, is part of the job of university researchers and it has often been implicitly assumed that the competences required for good research activity also guarantee good teaching practice. On the other side, and perhaps more important, is the fact that the problems to be afforded in doing research in education are complex

problems that require a knowledge base not restricted to the disciplinary physics knowledge but enlarged to include cognitive science, communication science, history and philosophy. The topics discussed here look at some of the facets of the problem by considering the interplay of the development of cognitive models for learning Physics with some reflections on the Physics contents for contemporary and future society with the analysis of teaching strategies and the role of experiments the issue of assessment and cultural aspects. Information is also given on the organizations involved in connecting various aspects of Physics Education: the International Commission on Physics Education, the European Physical Society and the European Physics Education Network.