



Photonics Theme

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Photonics is a key theme in SUPA, with ~100 core photonics academics working in Scottish physics departments:

- Dundee > 5
- UWS ~ 10
- Glasgow > 10
- Heriot Watt > 30
- St Andrews > 17
- Strathclyde > 30

A further ~ 100 post-doctoral researchers, 250 doctoral students.



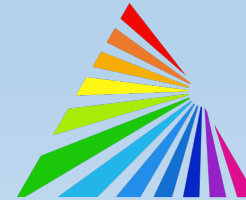
Training networks

EPSRC Centres for Doctoral Training

Applied Photonics

(£4.5m, funded to Feb. 2023)

Heriot Watt University (lead), Universities of **Dundee, Glasgow, St Andrews, and Strathclyde**
23 industrial partners, including Fraunhofer CAP



**Centre for
Doctoral Training
in Applied Photonics**

Integrative Sensing and Measurement

(£4.9m, funded to Oct. 2021)

University of Glasgow (lead) and the **University of Edinburgh**
Industrial, research and international partners



Optical Medical Imaging

(£4.5m, funded to Oct. 2022)

University of Edinburgh (lead) and the **University of Strathclyde**



Horizon 2020 Marie Skłodowska-Curie Innovative Training Network

Collective effects and optomechanics in ultra-cold matter (ColOpt)

University of Strathclyde (co-ordinator), **University of Glasgow** and 7 other academic partners
€3.9M, Jan 2017



Training networks

2019 funding successes for EPSRC Centres for Doctoral Training in Photonics

EPSRC Centre for Doctoral Training in Industry-Inspired Photonic Imaging, Sensing and Analysis (£5.1 m, starts Oct. 2019, ends March 2028)

Heriot Watt University (lead), Universities of Dundee, Edinburgh, Glasgow, St Andrews, and Strathclyde

17 industrial partners, including Fraunhofer CAP

EPSRC and SFI Centre for Doctoral Training in Photonic Integration and Advanced Data Storage (£4.2 m, starts Oct. 2019, ends March 2028)

Queen's University Belfast (lead) with University of Glasgow

Industrial, research and international partners



Research Output

With selected highlights



Research output

SUPA Photonics impact since the last IAC

> 100* papers in top-ranking multidisciplinary and field specific journals, including:

High impact interdisciplinary journals

- Nature: 1
- Nature Communications: 14
- Scientific Reports: 12
- Science: 1
- Science Advances: 1

High impact physics journals

- Physical Review Letters: 21
- Physical Review A: 33
- Applied Physics Letters: 16
- Nano Letters: 4

High impact field-specific journals

- Nature Photonics: 3
- Nature Physics: 2
- ACS Photonics: 9
- Optica: 11
- Laser & Photonics Reviews: 3
- Journal of Biophotonics: 4
- Biomedical Optics Express: 8
- Optics Express: 42
- Optics Letters: 13

***Minimum** numbers based on a literature search.

University of Glasgow

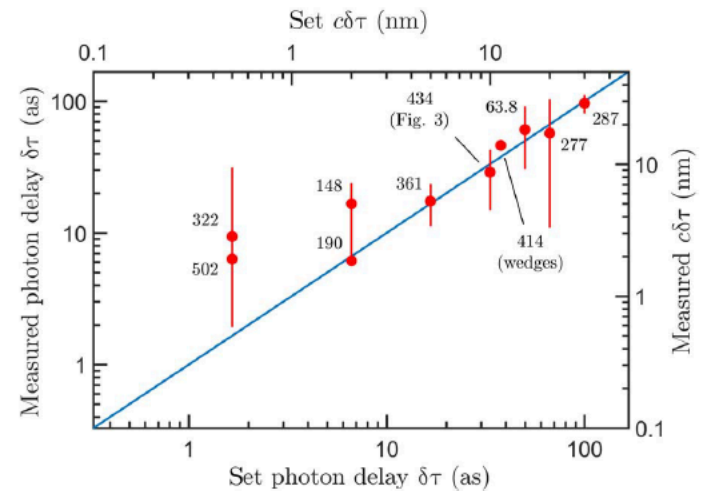
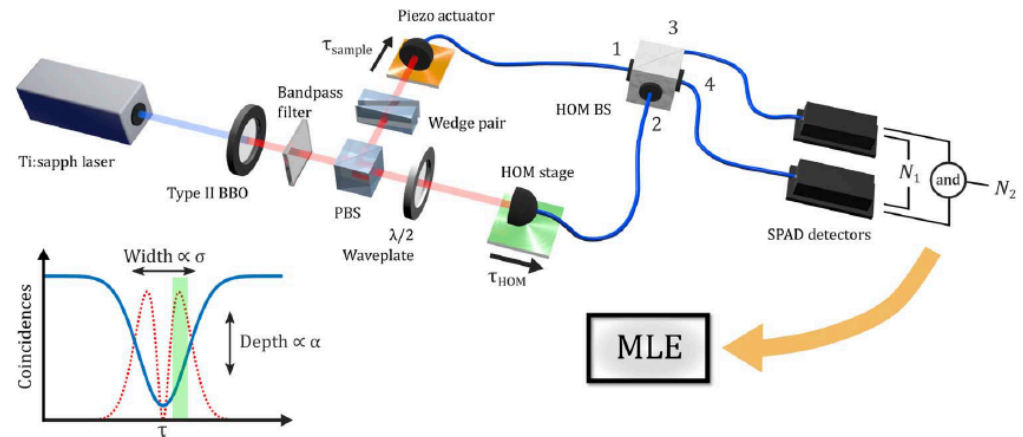
Strong activities in *fundamental optics* (e.g. Padgett, Barnett, Courtial, Franke-Arnold, Faccio) and *optical instrumentation* (e.g. Harvey & Taylor)

SCIENCE ADVANCES | RESEARCH ARTICLE

OPTICS

Attosecond-resolution Hong-Ou-Mandel interferometry

Ashley Lyons,^{1,2} George C. Knee,³ Eliot Bolduc,¹ Thomas Roger,¹ Jonathan Leach,¹ Erik M. Gauger,¹ Daniele Faccio^{1,2*}

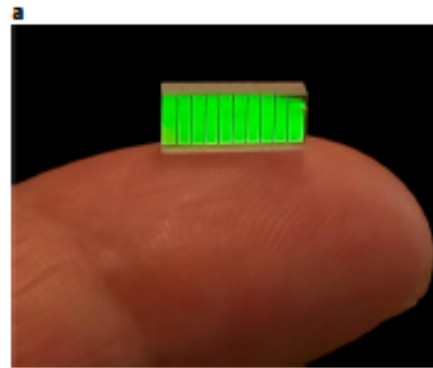
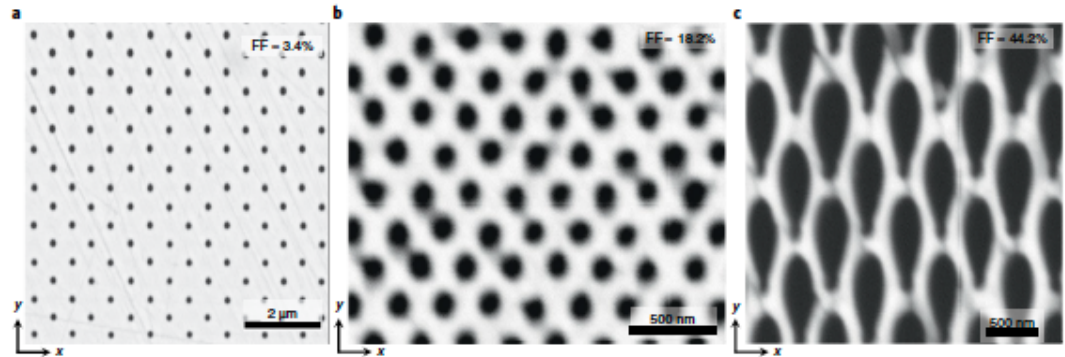


Heriot Watt University

Strong activities *quantum and ultrafast science and nonlinear optics* (e.g. Reid, Andersson, Gerardot, Kar, Buller, Ferrera, Cataluna, Travers) *laser manufacturing* (e.g. Hand & Esser)

Three-dimensional femtosecond laser nanolithography of crystals

Airán Ródenas^{1*}, Min Gu², Giacomo Corrielli¹, Petra Paiè¹, Sajeev John³, Ajoy K. Kar⁴ and Roberto Osellame¹



University of St Andrews

Strong activities in *biophotonics*,
semiconductor optoelectronics,
quantum optics, *nano-photonics*
(e.g. Dholakia, Samuel, Turnbull,
Brown, Di Falco, Gather & Koenig)

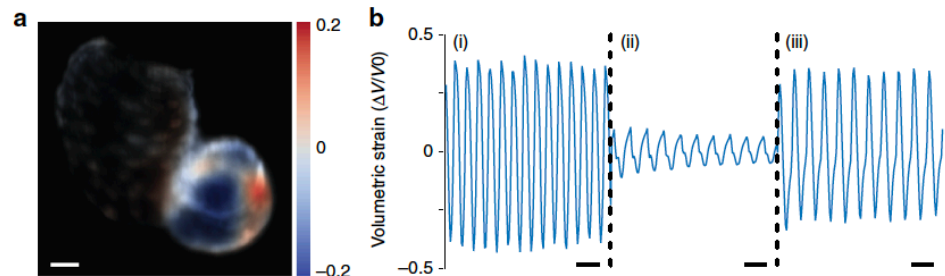
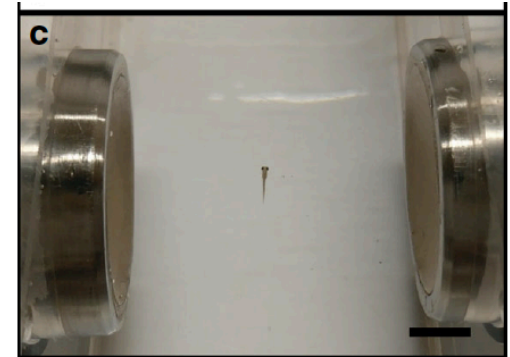
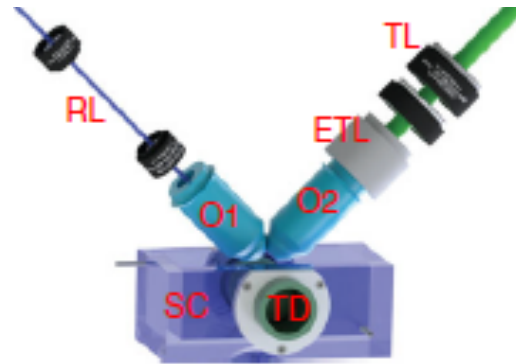
ARTICLE

<https://doi.org/10.1038/s41467-019-08514-5>

OPEN

Light sheet microscopy with acoustic sample confinement

Zhengyi Yang^{1,9}, Katy L.H. Cole², Yongqiang Qiu^{3,10}, Ildikó M.L. Somorjai^{4,5}, Philip Wijesinghe^{1,6,7}, Jonathan Nylk¹, Sandy Cochran³, Gabriel C. Spalding^{1,8}, David A. Lyons² & Kishan Dholakia¹



University of Strathclyde

Strong activities in *quantum optics*, (e.g. Riis, Kuhr, Daley, Haller, Arnold, Griffin), *nonlinear photonics* (e.g. Oppo, Ackemann, Yao), *quantum theory of light* (e.g. Jeffers), *optoelectronic devices* (e.g. Dawson, Strain), *advanced lasers* (e.g. Kemp), and *neurophotonics* (Mathieson).



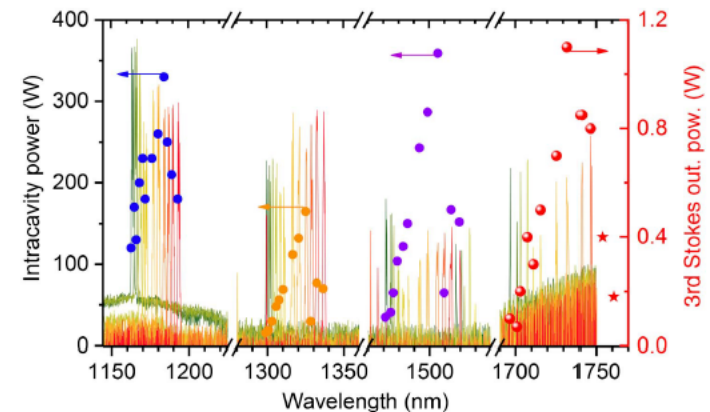
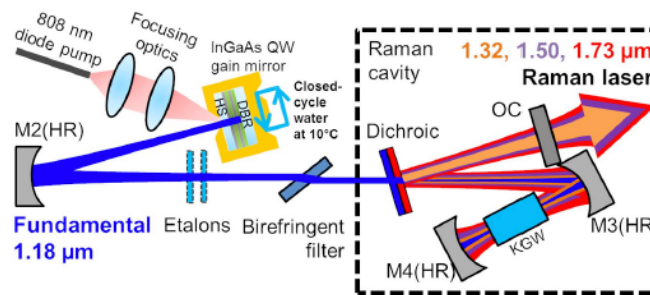
Cascaded crystalline Raman lasers for extended wavelength coverage: continuous-wave, third-Stokes operation

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Photonics Grants

>£20M in project grants awarded since last IAC

(this does not include numerous grants and PhD projects with individual values <£100k)



Grant income

- **Andrea Di Falco (St And's):** ERC Consolidator: All Optical Manipulation of Photonic Metasurfaces for Biophotonic Applications in Microfluidic Environments (ERC, 2m Euros)
- **Mehul Malik (HWU):** Putting Chaos to Work: Multi-Photon Entanglement in Complex Scattering Media (EPSRC Fellowship, £1.2m)
- **Cristian Bonato (HWU):** MOSQUITO: MOBILE Spin-based QUANTUM INFORMATION sTORage (EPSRC Fellowship, £1.2m)
- **Gerald Buller (HWU):** Single Photons - Expanding the Spectrum (SPEXS) (EPSRC programme grant, £5.3 m)
- **John Marsh (Glasgow – Eng.):** Optically controlled THz phased array antennas (EPSRC, £1.2 m)
- **Mark Bradley (Edinburgh – Chem.):** EPSRC IRC Proteus - Multiplexed 'Touch and Tell' Optical Molecular Sensing and Imaging - Lifetime and Beyond (EPSRC, £3.9m)
- **Kev Dhaliwal (Edinburgh – Medical School):** IRC Next Steps Plus: Photonic Pathogen Theranostics - Point-of-care image guided photonic therapy of bacterial and fungal infection (EPSRC, £1.1m)

- **Daniele Faccio:** RAEng Chair in Emerging Technologies “Artificial intelligence and quantum-inspired imaging”



- **Keith Mathieson:** RAEng Chair in Emerging Technologies “Neural interfaces for the understanding and treatment of neurodegenerative conditions”

