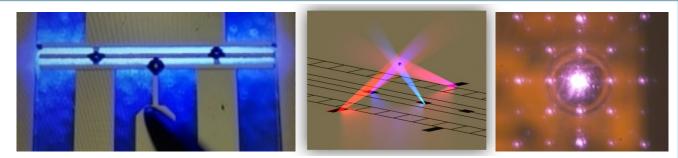




Photonics at Sandia National Laboratories



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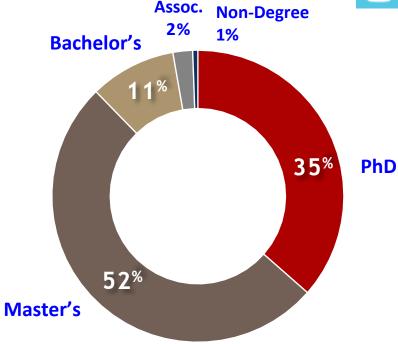


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Sandia National Laboratories Introduction

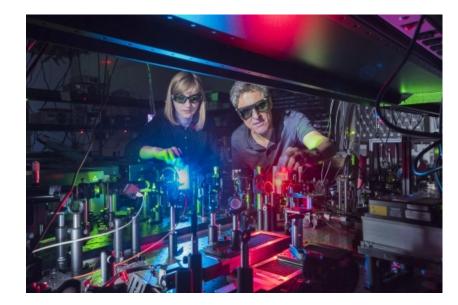
- 12,900 employees
 - 88% in Albuquerque, NM
 - 12% in Livermore, CA
- Sandia is diverse (like Stanford)
 - Multiple experts on every topic
 - 60 Photonics/Optics PhDs
- Sandia sits in the middle of the spectrum
 - Between academia and industry











How Sandia can benefit professors and students today?



Professors:

- Sandia funds collaborative research at \$90k/year for up to 3 years
- **Professors and Students:**
 - Free access to CINT resources
 - Nano-fabrication facilities and staff
 - Compound Semiconductor Epitaxy
 - Imaging FIB/TEM/SEM
 - Nano-beam ion implantation
 - Controlled single-vacancy fabrication

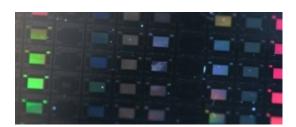
Students:

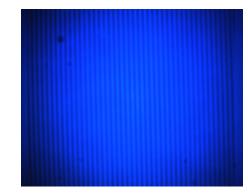
- Well-funded post-doc fellowships
 - Truman and Hruby
- Well-paid internships for collaborative research





Truman Fellowship







Center for Integrated Nanotechnologies (CINT): Open-Access

About CINT:

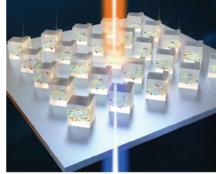
- Free access to staff expertise and equipment for open science
- Two proposal calls per year; proposals for short-term projects are accepted continuously
- Simple 2-page proposal
- Proprietary research is possible with fullcost recovery





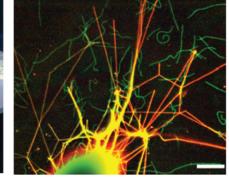
In-Situ Characterization and Nanomechanics

Developing and implementing world-leading capabilities to study the dynamic response of materials and nanosystems to mechanical, electrical, or other stimuli.



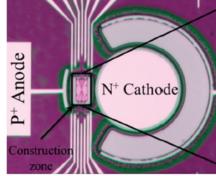
Nanophotonics & Optical Nanomaterials

Synthesis, excitation, and energy transformations of optically active nanomaterials and collective or emergent electromagnetic phenomena (plasmonics, metamaterials, photonic lattices).



Soft, Biological & Composite Nanomaterials
Synthesis, assembly, and

characterization of soft, biomolecular, and composite nanomaterials that display emergent functionality.



Quantum Materials Systems

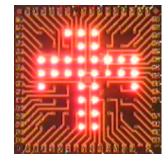
Understanding and controlling quantum effects of nanoscale materials and their integration into systems spanning multiple length scales.



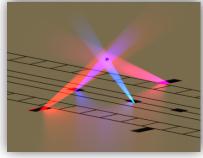
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Overview of Photonics at Sandia

- 60 Photonics PhDs
- Research spectrum matches Stanford
- Facilities/resources are amazing











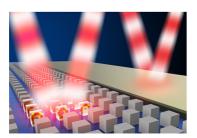


Light-Matter Interaction Using Metamaterials: Linear and Nonlinear Optics 🛅



Combining <u>nanostructures</u> and <u>metamaterials</u> with state-of-the-art compound semiconductors to achieve new behaviors

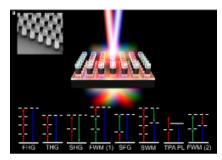
Optical Magnetic Mirror



Enhances light field interactions at the mirror surface for absorbers & emitters

S. Liu et al., Optica 1, 250 (2014)

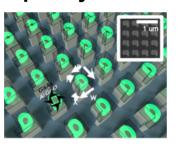
Optical Nonlinear Mixer

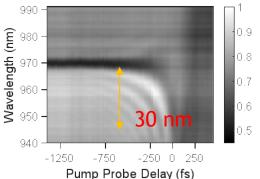


Eleven new frequencies (colors) simultaneously generated using nonlinear mixing

P. Vabishchevich, et al., Nature Communications (2018)

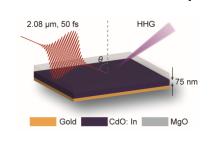
Frequency Conversion in a Time-Variant Metasurface

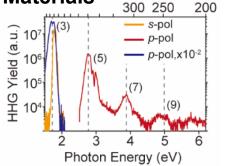




Rapidly varying high Q resonance generates new wavelengths Karl et al, Nano Lett 20, 7052 (2020)

High Harmonic Generation from Epsilon-Near-Zero (ENZ) Materials ^{\(\lambda\)}



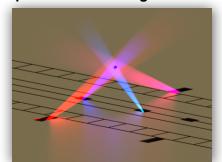


Generation of High Harmonics using a thin film of ENZ material with ~100 times less power than current approaches

Y. Yang, et al., Nature Physics **15**, 1022 (2019)

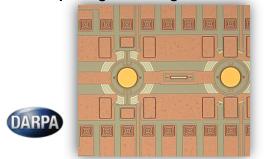
Quantum Integrated Photonics at Sandia

Ion Trap Interface w/ Integrated Photonics



Phys. Rev. X 11, 041033 (2021)

Ion Trap Integrated Single Photon Detectors



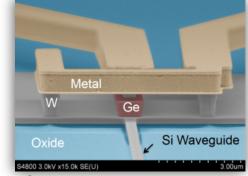
Appl. Phys. Lett. 119, 154002 (2021)

10 Gb/s Cryogenic Optical Modulator



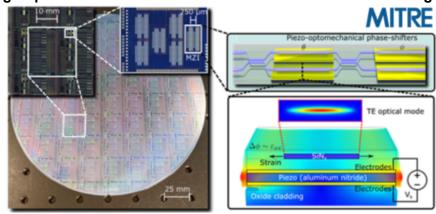
Optica 4, 374 (2017)

Ge Single Photon Detector



Optics express 25, 16130 (2017)

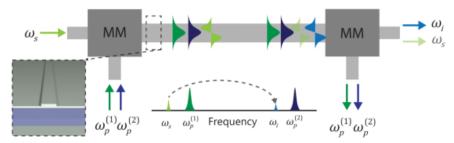
High Speed Piezo-Electric Photonic Control at Visible Wavelengths



Nat. Photonics 16, 59-65 (2022)

Quantum Frequency Conversion

Nonreciprocal frequency conversion



Phys. Rev. Lett. 127, 253603 (2021)

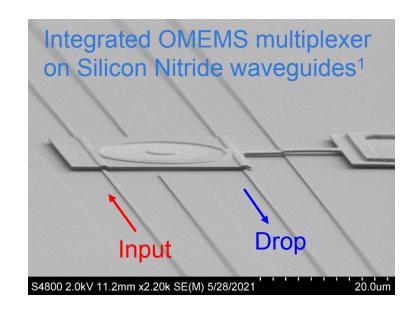
Many Post-Doc & Collaborative Opportunities – Reach out to:

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Michael Gehl (meehl@sandia.gov) Nils Otterstrom (ntotter@sandia.gov)

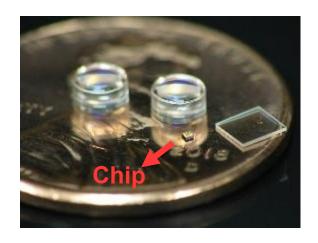
Optomechanics and Optical MEMS for Sensing and Communication







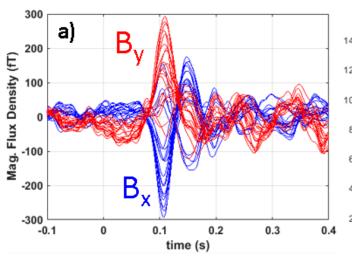


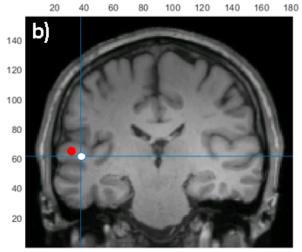


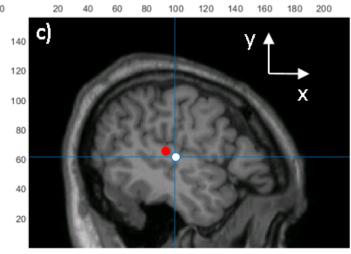
- Goal: Build micro/nano-scale sensors and actuators with performance enhanced by optical MEMS
- Diverse team of Physicists and engineers in photonics, lasers, MEMS etc
- Looking for anyone interested in quantum-limited measurements, MEMS and optical MEMS, high Q micro-cavities, or microfabrication. Post-doc posting #682483 on www.sandia.gov/careers
- 1) Ruyack, Alexander R., et al. "Compact, Pull-in-Free Electrostatic MEMS Actuated Tunable Ring Resonator for Optical Multiplexing." *FiO*, 2021.
- 2) A. J. Grine *et al.*, "Optomechanical spring effect readout in resonant micro-optical Sagnac gyroscopes design and scaling analysis," *OMN*, 2017.

Magnetoencephalography with Optically Pumped Magnetometers:









Magnetic Shield

Auditory stimulation 1000 Hz tone, every 1 to 1.5 s 456 trials

White dot: OPM location

Red dot: SQUID MEG location



5-sensor, 20-channel array

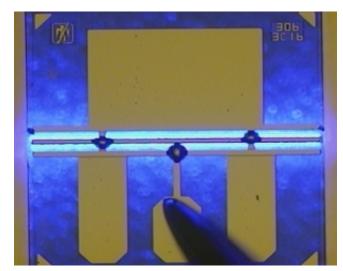


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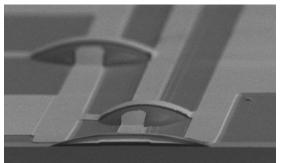
Semiconductor lasers span the visible spectrum for quantum apps



InGaN 455nm laser

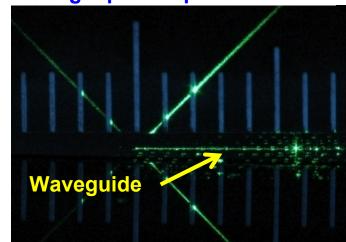


SEM of fabricated 455nm laser



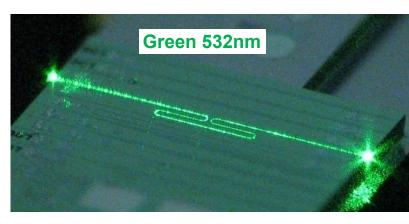


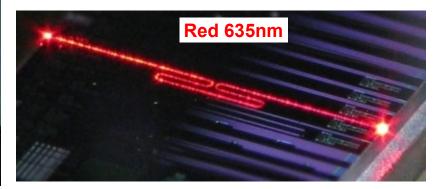
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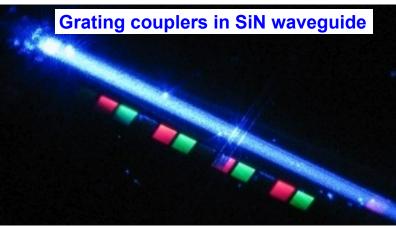






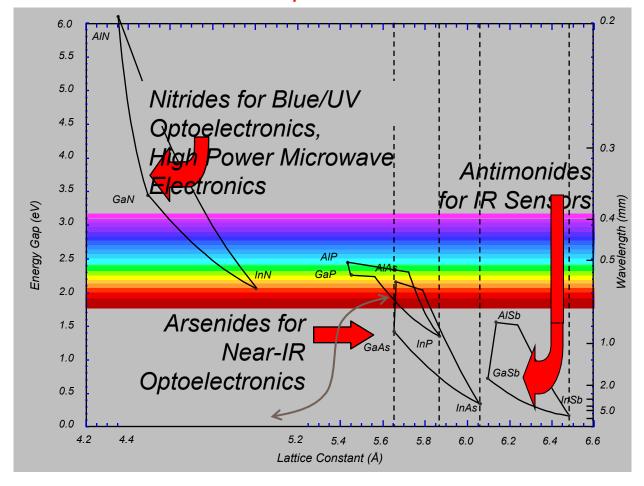




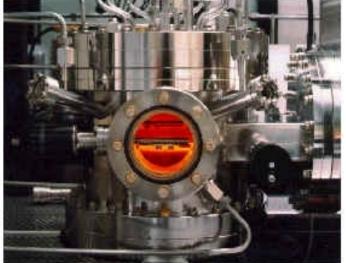


Compound semiconductor epitaxy

Sandia Grows the Full Spectrum of III-V Materials



10 MOCVD/MBE growth reactors







InGaP PL

