

Candidate Information

Position: Senior Research Fellow in Integrated Photonic Design

School/Department: Ctre for Nanostructured Media

Reference: 22/109754

Closing Date: Monday 2 May 2022 Salary: £42,149 per annum

Anticipated Interview Date: Week commencing 16 May 2022

Duration: Available until 30 November 2026

JOB PURPOSE:

Direction of Integrated Photonic Design within and beyond Smart Nano NI.

MAJOR DUTIES:

Teaching:

- Contribute through limited teaching such as undergraduate project supervision or short courses within the EPSRC-SFI Centre for Doctoral Training within own research specialism.
- 2. Be responsible for practical work where applicable, and advise students on techniques.

Research:

- To lead on the establishment of the Integrated Photonics Design activity within Smart Nano NI.
- 2. To lead on the delivery the integrated photonics design R&D activities within/across the programme work packages.
- 3. To lead on the development of research and development strategy and delivery in the design of integrated photonics.
- 4. Deliver and sustain an associated research activity leading to a high quality (≥3.0*) research outputs profile.
- 5. Identify and develop opportunities to develop impact case studies arising from integrated photonics research.
- 6. Develop research proposals and to secure research and development contracts in research specialism to support self (and possibly a group of colleagues).
- 7. Disseminate research findings at appropriate national and international technical events and conferences.
- 8. Within research project, take the lead in setting research objectives and programme of implementation.
- 9. Direct, coach and develop more junior research staff and technical support where appropriate.
- 10. Ensure that research projects are completed on time and within budget.

Administration/Contribution to the Community:

- 1. Contribute to the School's outreach strategy by developing external links.
- 2. Develop links with relevant research groups, industries and external bodies to encourage technology transfer opportunities and create opportunities for future research projects.
- 3. Carry out designated administrative duties.

ESSENTIAL CRITERIA:

- 1. A relevant degree with a PhD completed in a relevant subject.
- 2. A high academic standing with a growing reputation in research within subject specialism assessed through outputs and achievements.
- 3. Knowledge of semiconductor physics, optical materials, and nonlinear optics.
- 4. Demonstrated expertise in one or more of photonic light sources, waveguides and plasmonic devices.
- 5. Demonstrated expertise in integrated photonics simulation, design, and testing, for either passive or active devices.
- 6. Experience in developing or using software for device performance simulations using, for example, COMSOL, Matlab/Simulink, FDTD codes etc.

- 7. Experience performing original research, demonstrated through a record of invention, original publications in top-tier journals, and conference papers and presentations.
- 8. Ability to devise, advise on and manage related research programmes.
- 9. Experience, achievement and growing reputation in the discipline, reflected in relevant national committee memberships and/or involvement in national research events.
- 10. Ability to communicate complex information effectively.
- 11. Supervise research projects of undergraduate and post graduate students.
- 12. Ability to manage resources.
- 13. Demonstrable intellectual ability.
- 14. Ability to supervise work of others in research team.

DESIRABLE CRITERIA:

- 1. 2-8 years post PhD background in optical physics and integrated photonics.
- 2. Holds a current independent research fellowship in the area of photonics.
- 3. Experience of working in collaboration with industry stakeholders.
- 4. Experienced in the simulation, design, and layout of integrated photonic devices and circuits.
- 5. Evidence of knowledge of photonic device fabrication workflows.
- 6. A high sense of commercial awareness, with knowledge and experience of procedures involving filing a patent and licence agreement.
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- 8. Ability to secure grants/contracts independently or as a leader of a section in major projects.
- 9. Evidence or experience of working with or developing industry collaborative projects/programmes.