

## Professor Shuang Zhang BSc,MSc,PhD

Professor of Metamaterials

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### About

Shuang Zhang is a Professor in the school of Physics & Astronomy.

Professor Shuang Zhang has published over 50 research papers in journals including Nature, Nature Physics, Nature Materials, Nature Communications, Physical Review Letters, Nano Letters and Optics Express.

He is the recipient of 2010 IUPAP award in Optics for his pioneering work on optical metamaterials.

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### Qualifications

- PhD in Electrical Engineering, Univ New Mexico, 2005
- MS in Physics, Northeastern Univ (USA) 1999
- BS in Physics, Jilin Univ (China), 1993

### Biography

Professor Shuang Zhang received BS in Physics from Jilin University, Changchun, China, in 1993, MS. in Physics from Northeastern University, Boston, MA, in 1999, and Ph.D in Electrical Engineering from the University of New Mexico, Albuquerque, in 2005.

From December 2005 to August 2006, he was a Postdoctoral Research Fellow at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and from August 2006 to March 2010, he was first a Postdoctoral Research Fellow and later an Assistant Research Engineer at the University of California Berkeley. In March 2010, he took the position of Reader in the School of Physics & Astronomy, University of Birmingham, and was promoted to professor in March, 2013.

Professor Zhang is the recipient of IUPAP (International Union of Pure and Applied Physics) Young Scientist Prize in Optics, 2010 for his research on optical metamaterials.

Professor Zhang's recent work on macroscopic invisibility cloaking of visible light was selected as "top 10 breakthroughs for 2010" by Physics World, "top 100 stories in 2011" by Discover Magazine, and received numerous media coverage including BBC News, Telegraph, Channel 4, ITV, Guardian, Fox News, USA Today, MSNBC.

### Teaching

\* Year 3 Photonics Lab

\* Midlands Physics Alliance (MPAGS) postgraduate module "Nanophotonics and Metamaterials"

### Postgraduate supervision

## Supervision of the following research PhD students in Metamaterials and Plasmonics:

- Mark Lawrence
- Mitchell Kenney
- Yao-Ting Wang
- Biao Yang
- Xueqian Zhang
- Qinghua Guo
- Wenlong Gao
- Naomi Waterman

## Past PhD students:

- Lingling Huang
- Shumei Chen

## Research

### Research Themes

- Optical metamaterials
- Transformation Optics and Invisibility
- Plasmonics
- Nonlinear Optics
- Super-resolution imaging
- Opto-electronics

### Research Activity

Professor Zhang's research has centred on the development of plasmonic devices and optical metamaterials whose electromagnetic properties cannot be obtained from nature materials. His contributions to this field include the design and demonstration of the first bulk optical negative-index metamaterials— fishnet metamaterial, the first mid-infrared magnetic metamaterials and the first terahertz chiral negative index metamaterials, and the first optical invisibility cloak of macroscopic size.

He has also been involved in the development of optoelectronic devices, such as semiconductor distributed feedback lasers, infrared single photon detectors and plasmonic enhanced infrared detectors.

Professor Zhang's current research focuses on the integration of optoelectronics, plasmonics and metamaterials to achieve the active control of the nanophotonic devices, and to investigate new functional photonic materials with exotic optical properties and applications.

## Other activities

Programme co-chair, IEEE Nano, 2012 (Birmingham)

Symposium organizer, MRS, 2013 (San Francisco)

subcommittee member, CLEO/QELS

subcommittee member, Fronter in Optics

Referee for journals including Nature, Science, Nature Materials, Nature Photonics, Nature Communications, Light: Science & Applications, Scientific Reports, Phys. Rev. Lett., Nano Lett., Phys. Rev. B, Appl. Phys. Lett., Opt Lett., Opt. Exp.

## Publications

### Selected publications:

A complete list of my publications is available at [Researcher ID \(http://www.researcherid.com/rid/G-5224-2011\)](http://www.researcherid.com/rid/G-5224-2011) and [google scholar citations \(http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=sepjZ3sAAAAJ&hl=en\)](http://scholar.google.com/citations?user=sepjZ3sAAAAJ&hl=en)

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## Expertise

Metamaterials with optical properties going beyond that of nature materials; plasmonics for controlling light in the nanoscale; transformation of optics and invisibility cloaks; nano-fabrication; optoelectronics

## Media experience

Shuang's work in developing 'invisibility cloaks' was covered extensively in the national press including video content for **the Guardian** (<http://www.guardian.co.uk/science/video/2011/feb/03/scientists-invent-invisibility-cloak-video?INTCMP=SRCH>) and articles in the **Daily Mirror** (<http://www.mirror.co.uk/news/weird-world/2011/02/02/harry-potter-style-invisibility-cloak-built-by-scientists-115875-22893350>) and **Metro** (<http://www.metro.co.uk/news/866472-big-ideas-for-the-future-include-invisibility-cloaks-and-rhubarb-that-prevents-cancer>).

