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## EDUCATION

Georgia Institute of Technology	Atlanta, GA
Ph.D. in Electrical and Computer Engineering   Optics	August 2018
M.S. in Materials Science and Engineering   Polymer Science	Dec 2015
University of Rochester	Rochester, NY
B.S. in Chemical Engineering	May 2012

## RESEARCH INTERESTS

Metamaterials, Photonics, Data Science, Nonlinear Optics, Optogenetics, Active Polymers

## AWARDS & DISTINCTIONS

2019	Sigma Xi: Best PhD Thesis Award
2018	Materials Research Society: Graduate Student Award
2018	ECE Graduate Research Assistant Excellence Award
2017	AFRL Data Science Minority Leaders: Research Collaboration Program
2017	IEEE Photonics Travel Grant
2016	SPIE Outreach Grant, 'Day of Light' Workshop
2016	Intel Fellowship
2016	Sigma Xi: Best Master's Thesis Award
2016	Outstanding Service to Georgia's Community Award
2016	GEM Fellowship: Oak Ridge National Labs Sponsored (Offer Declined)
2015	American Physical Society FGSA Travel Grant
2013	NSF Graduate Research Fellowship (NSF GRFP)
2013	GoSTEM Fellowship, awarded twice
2012	GEM Fellowship: DuPont Sponsored
2011	Best poster award at Trends in Nanotechnology Conference
2010	Continuing Scholarship Recipient, Jr. & Sr. Year
2010	Xerox Research Fellow
2010	Ronald E. McNair Post-Baccalaureate Scholar
2009	David T. Kearns Scholarship for Leadership and Diversity
2008	Undergraduate Portable Research Grant
2008	Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award
2008	Rush Rhees Scholarship for Academic Excellence

## JOURNAL PUBLICATIONS

500 citations, h-index of 11

20. S. Lan, X. Zhang, M. Taghinejad, Sean P. Rodrigues, K.-T. Lee, Z. Liu, W. Cai, "Metasurfaces for near-eye augmented reality," *ACS Photonics*, Vol. 6, 864-870 (2019) [[Link](#)]
19. M. Taghinejad, H. Taghinejad, Z. Xu, K.-T. Lee, Sean P. Rodrigues, J. Yan, A. Adibi, T. Lian, W. Cai, "Ultrafast control of phase and polarization of light expedited by hot-electron transfer," *Nano Letters*, Vol. 18, 5544-5551 (2018) [[Link](#)]

18. Z. Liu, D. Zhu, Sean P. Rodrigues, K.-T. Lee, W. Cai, "Generative model for the inverse design of metasurfaces," *Nano Letters*, Vol. 18, 6570-6576 (2018) [[Link](#)]
17. M. Taghinejad, H. Taghinejad, Z. Xu, Y. Liu, Sean P. Rodrigues, K.-T. Lee, T. Lian, A. Adibi, W. Cai, "Hot-electron assisted femtosecond all-optical modulation in plasmonics," *Advanced Materials*, 1704915 (2018) [[Link](#)]
16. J. Cai, Z. Zhu, P. F. A. Alkemade, E. van Veldhoven, Q. Wang, H. Ge, Sean P. Rodrigues, W. Cai, W.-D. Lim, "3D Volumetric energy deposition of focused helium ion beam lithography: visualization, modeling, and applications in nanofabrication," *Advanced Materials Interfaces* 1800203 (2018) [[Link](#)]
15. Z. Liu, Sean P. Rodrigues, W. Cai, "Simulating the ising model with a deep convolutional generative adversarial network," arXiv:1710.04987 (2017) [[Link](#)]
14. Sean P. Rodrigues, S. Lan, L. Kang, Y. Cui, P. W. Panuski, S. Wang, A. M. Urbas, W. Cai, "Intensity-dependent modulation of optically active signals in a chiral metamaterial," *Nature Communications*, Vol. 8, 14602 (2017) [[Link](#)]
13. L. Kang\*, Sean P. Rodrigues\*, M. Taghinejad\*, S. Lan, K.T. Lee, Y. Liu, D. Werner, A. M. Urbas, W. Cai, "Preserving Spin States upon Reflection: Linear and Nonlinear Responses of a Chiral Meta-Mirror," *Nano Letters*, Vol. 17, 7102-7109 (2017) [[Link](#)]
12. S. Lan, Sean P. Rodrigues, M. Taghinejad, and W. Cai, "Dark plasmonic modes in diatomic gratings for plasmoelectronics," *Laser & Photonics Reviews*, Vol. 11, 1600312 (2017) [[Link](#)]
11. N. Zhang, W. Sun, Sean P. Rodrigues, K. Wang, Z. Gu, S. Wang, W. Cai, S. Xiao, Q. Song, "Highly Reproducible Organometallic Halide Perovskite Microdevices Based on Top-Down Lithography," *Advanced Materials*, Vol. 29, 1606205 (2017) [[Link](#)]
10. S. Lan, Sean P. Rodrigues, Y. Cui, L. Kang, W. Cai, "Electrically tunable harmonic generation of light from plasmonic structures in electrolytes," *Nano Letters*, Vol. 16, No. 8, 5074-5079 (2016) [[Link](#)]
9. S. Lan, Sean P. Rodrigues, L. Kang, W. Cai, "Visualizing optical phase anisotropy in black phosphorus," *ACS Photonics*, Vol. 3, No. 7, 1176-1181 (2016) [[Link](#)]
8. S. Lan, L. Kang, D. T. Schoen, Sean P. Rodrigues, Y. Cui, M. L. Brongersma, W. Cai, "Backward phase-matching for nonlinear optical generation in negative-index materials," *Nature Materials*, Vol. 14, No. 8, 807-811 (2015) [[Link](#)]
7. L. Kang, S. Lan, Y. Cui, Sean P. Rodrigues, Y. Liu, D. H. Werner, W. Cai, "An active metamaterial platform for chiral responsive optoelectronics," *Advanced Materials*, Vol. 27, No. 29, 4377-4383 (2015) [[Link](#)]
6. Sean P. Rodrigues, "Invisible," *Science*, Vol. 348, No. 6241, 1307-1308 (2015) [[Link](#)]
5. Sean P. Rodrigues, W. Cai, "Nonlinear optics: Tuning harmonics with excitons," *Nature Nanotechnology*, Vol. 10, No. 5, 387-388 (2015) [[Link](#)]
4. Sean P. Rodrigues, Y. Cui, S. Lan, L. Kang, W. Cai, "Metamaterials enable chiral-selective enhancement of two-photon luminescence from quantum emitters," *Advanced Materials*, Vol. 27, No. 6, 1124-1130 (2015) [[Link](#)]
3. L. Kang, Y. Cui, S. Lan, Sean P. Rodrigues, W. Cai, "Electrifying photonic metamaterials for tunable nonlinear optics," *Nature Communications*, Vol. 5, 4680 (2014) [[Link](#)]

2. Sean P. Rodrigues, S. Lan, L. Kang, Y. Cui, W. Cai, "Nonlinear imaging and spectroscopy of chiral metamaterials," *Advanced Materials*, Vol. 26, No. 35, 6157-6162 (2014) [[Link](#)]
1. Y. Cui, L. Kang, S. Lan, Sean P. Rodrigues, W. Cai, "Giant chiral optical response from a twisted-arc metamaterial," *Nano Letters*, Vol. 14, No. 2, 1021-1025 (2014) [[Link](#)]

#### INVITED TALKS

1. *Physics X Seminar*, U. S. Army Aviation and Missile Research Development and Engineering Center (AMRDEC), Huntsville, AL, Jul. 5, 2018

#### CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS

9. Sean P. Rodrigues, S. Lan, L. Kang, Y. Cui, P. W. Panuski, S. Wang, A. M. Urbas, W. Cai, "Modulating optically active signals in a chiral metamaterial with varied input intensities," *IEEE Photonics Conference*, WG2, Orlando, FL, Oct. 1 – Oct. 5, 2017
8. Sean P. Rodrigues, S. Lan, L. Kang, Y. Cui, P. W. Panuski, S. Wang, A. M. Urbas, W. Cai, "Intensity-dependent modulation of optically active signals in a chiral metamaterial," *SPIE Photonics West Optoelectronic Materials and Devices*, 10112-10, San Francisco, CA, Jan. 28 – Feb. 2, 2017
7. Sean P. Rodrigues, L. Kang, S. Lan, Y. Cui, Y. Liu, D. Werner, W. Cai, "A chiral metamaterial for chiral responsive optoelectronic transduction," *Conference on Lasers and Electro-Optics (CLEO)*, FW4A.6, San Jose, CA, June 5 – June 10, 2016
6. Sean P. Rodrigues, Y. Cui, S. Lan, L. Kang, W. Cai, "Achiral nanoprobe extract chiral signals from within chiral metamaterials," *Conference on Lasers and Electro-optics (CLEO)*, FTh3D.2, San Jose, CA, June 5 – June 10, 2016
5. Sean P. Rodrigues, Y. Cui, S. Lan, L. Kang, W. Cai, "Enhancing optical signals of chiral metamaterials via nonlinear excitation" *2015 Materials Research Society (MRS) Fall Meeting*, HH2.03, Boston, MA Nov. 29 – Dec 03, 2015
4. L. Kang, S. Lan, Y. Cui, Sean P. Rodrigues, Y. Liu, D. H. Werner, W. Cai, "An active metamaterial platform for chiral responsive optoelectronics," *2015 Materials Research Society (MRS) Fall Meeting*, GG11.02, Boston, MA Nov. 29 – Dec 03, 2015
3. Sean P. Rodrigues, Y. Cui, L. Kang, S. Lan, W. Cai, "Giant chiral active responses from nanoengineered metallic arcs," *IEN User Science and Engineering Review*, Atlanta, Jun 6, 2014
2. Sean P. Rodrigues, W. Zhou, T.W. Odom, "Interaction between dipole emitters and 2D plasmonic nanoparticle arrays," *Trends in Nanotechnology*, Spain, 11/21-11/25, 2011 (Poster)  
-Recipient of "Best Poster Award"
1. Sean P. Rodrigues, K. Savino, M. Z. Yates, "Cationic substitution of hydroxyapatite for hydrogen fuel cell application"  
2011 *National Conference for Undergraduate Research*, Ithaca, NY, 3/31-4/2  
2011 *Xerox Research Fellows Symposium*, Rochester, NY, 7/31  
2010 *Energy for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Symposium*, Rochester, NY, 10/11

#### RESEARCH & DESIGN EXPERIENCE

<i>Toyota Motor Engineering &amp; Manufacturing North America</i>	Ann Arbor, MI
Electronics Research Senior Scientist	2012-Ongoing
Lead projects relating to the advancement of display and LIDAR technologies	
<b>Electrical and Computer Engineering</b> , <i>Georgia Institute of Technology</i>	Atlanta, GA
Graduate Research Fellow	2012-Ongoing

Investigating metamaterial structures in pursuit of enhanced nanoscale optoelectronic devices. Progressing research in the realm of chiral metamaterial structures.

**Materials Science and Engineering, Georgia Institute of Technology** Atlanta, GA  
Master's Student 2012-2014  
Harnessed polarization selective functionality of chiral metamaterials for nonlinear signal generation and enhancement of asymmetric optical properties.

**DuPont, Central Research & Development** Wilmington, DE  
Research Associate 2012  
Analytical separations of byproduct streams created from the production of a renewably sourced biomaterial.

**Department of Optical Engineering, University of Rochester** Rochester, NY  
Research Assistant, Dr. Lukas Novotny 2011 - 2012  
Redesigned the fabrication process of gold-pyramidal nanoprobe for applications in near field optical spectroscopy including high resolution single molecule imaging.

**Materials Science & Engineering Center, Northwestern University** Evanston, IL  
Research Experience for Undergraduates, Dr. Teri W. Odom 2011  
Characterized and tuned the interaction between a plasmonic nanoparticle array and a dipole emitting dye for application as a distributed feedback laser.

**Department of Chemical Engineering, University of Rochester** Rochester, NY  
Xerox Undergraduate Research Fellow, Dr. Matthew Yates 2010  
Designed and implemented experiments to create a dense hydroxyapatite based film by substitution of its unit cell with various cations for application as an electrolyte within a fuel cell.

**University of Rochester Biodiesel** Rochester, NY  
Lab Technician and Project Leader 2009 - 2011

**Department of Dermatology, University of Rochester Medical Center** Rochester, NY  
Technical Assistant, Laboratory of Dr. Alice Pentland 2008 - 2009

## INVITED WORKSHOPS

- 2018 São Paulo School of Advanced Science (SPSAS), XVI Jorge André Swieca School on Nonlinear and Quantum Optics, São Paulo, Brazil
- 2017 NSF Engineered Living Systems Workshop, University of Illinois Urbana Champaign
- 2014 NextProf Future Faculty Workshop, University of Michigan

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2015 **Center for Engineering Education and Diversity, Georgia Tech**  
Created and led capstone projects for HS students to model a human heart
- 2013-2015 **Meadowcreek High School, via GoSTEM Fellowship**  
Engineering club advisor and high school teacher, for 2 years
- 2014 **Center for Education Teaching and Learning, Georgia Tech**  
Teacher for materials science summer session
- 2010-2011 **Department of Chemistry, University of Rochester**  
Workshop Leader: Chemical Concepts, Practices and Systems II, for 2 years
- 2010-2011 **Department of Chemical Engineering, University of Rochester**  
Teaching Assistant: Chemical Process Analysis, for 2 years

## ACADEMIC MEMBERSHIPS

2016-P	Sigma Xi	2013-P	IEEE Etta Kappa Nu Member
2016-P	SPIE	2011-P	MRS Member

## LEADERSHIP ROLES

2013-15	<b>ECE Ambassadors</b> Graduate Liaison
2011	<b>Wake Forest Elevator Business Competition</b>
2010-11	<b>Residential Advisor</b>
2010   2009	<b>UR Rotaract</b> President   Secretary
2006-09	<b>Waterfront Director, Lifeguard   Mass Hospital School</b>
2006	<b>Eagle Scout</b>

## MEDIA COVERAGE

"New mirror reflects light differently than conventional mirrors," *Phys.org*, November 13, 2017 [[Link](#)]

"K-12 Students Take Part in "A Day of Light" Workshop," *Georgia Tech*, May 2, 2017 [[Link](#)]

"Metamaterial shows non-linear optical activity," *Electronics Weekly*, April 11, 2017 [[Link](#)]

"Chiral metamaterial produces record optical shift under incremental power modulation," *Georgia Tech*, March 1, 2017.

See Also: *LaserFocusWorld*, *Newswise*, *Nanowerk*, *NSF*, *Air Force Research Labs*, *EurekAlert!*, *Phys.org*, *Photonics.com*, *ECN*, *Technology.org* [[Link](#)]

"Metamaterial breaks records as power modulates," *Controlled Environments*, March 1, 2017

"ECE Faculty, Staff, and Students Honored at the 2016 Roger P. Webb Awards Program," *Georgia Tech*, April 27, 2016 [[Link](#)]

"Intel Participates in Georgia Tech Diversity Activities Over MLK Weekend," *Georgia Tech*, January 20, 2016 [[Link](#)]

"Nonlinear optical metamaterial has opposite refractive indices," *Laser Focus World*, June 17, 2015 [[Link](#)]

"Nonlinear mirrors' bizarre properties could prove valuable for optical technology," *Tech Times*, June 17, 2015 [[Link](#)]

"Theory turns to reality for nonlinear optical metamaterials," *Georgia Tech*, June 15, 2015,  
See also: *Newswise*, *EurekAlert!*, *Nanowerk* [[Link](#)]

"Center of Success," *Rochester Review*, April 15, 2014,