

# Master QLMN (Quantum, Light, Materials and Nano Sciences)

## Proposition de stage / Internship proposal

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### Titre du stage **Light emission by inelastic tunneling assisted by resonant nano antennas**

When applying a voltage  $V$  between two metals separated by a transparent insulating dielectric with a thickness on the order of 2-4 nm, light can be emitted at frequency lower than  $eV/h$  where  $h$  is Planck's constant by inelastic tunnel effect. This emission process has many attractive features: it can be implemented at nanoscale is controlled electrically, it can be modulated at high frequency, the emission frequency can be tuned.

We have developed recently an improved version of this effect using resonant plasmonic antennas [1-3] so that the signal is enhanced and the emission frequency is selected. However, elastic tunneling is still the dominant tunnel mechanism so that the efficiency of the emission process in terms of emitted photons per electron is very low. The purpose of the internship is to reduce drastically the elastic tunneling. Two different approaches will be studied and implemented.

The internship is theoretical. It is based on a quantum modeling of the current fluctuations and a classical modeling of light emission in a nanophotonics environment. It can be followed by a PhD which is both theoretical and experimental. Experiments include STM and AFM measurements, microscopy and spectroscopy at ambient and low temperature.

The global project is a joint project with C2N in charge of sample design and fabrication, LPS in charge of transport in tunnel junctions and ISMO in charge of near-field characterization.

1. Antenna surface plasmon emission by inelastic tunneling, Cheng Zhang, Jean-Paul Hugonin, Anne-Lise Coutrot, Christophe Sauvan, François Marquier, Jean-Jacques Greffet, Nature Commun. (2019) doi.org/10.1038/s41467-019-12866-3
2. Surface Plasmon Polaritons Emission with Nanopatch Antennas: Enhancement by Means of Mode Hybridization, C. Zhang, J. Hugonin, J.J. Greffet, C. Sauvan, ACS Photonics 6, 11, 2788 (2019). <https://doi.org/10.1021/acsp Photonics.9b00797>
3. Electrical generation of visible surface plasmon polaritons by a nanopillars antenna array, C. Zhang, J.-P. Hugonin, A.-L. Coutrot and J.-J. Greffet, APL Photonics 6, 056102 (2021) <https://doi.org/10.1063/5.0046013>

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<b>Ce stage pourra-t-il se prolonger en thèse ? Possibility of a PhD ? : YES</b>			
<b>Si oui, financement de thèse envisagé ou acquis / financial support for the PhD ? YES</b>			
Financement acquis / Secured funding		Nature du financement /Type of funding	
Financement demandé / Requested funding	X	Nature du financement /Type of funding	ANR