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Gomółka awarded SPIE Optics and Photonics Education Scholarship

BELLINGHAM, Washington, USA — **Grzegorz Gomółka** has been awarded a 2023 Optics and Photonics Education Scholarship by SPIE, the international society for optics and photonics, for potential contributions to the field of optics, photonics, or related field.



Gomółka is a PhD student in the Fiber Optics Group at Wrocław University of Science and Technology (Poland). His research is supervised by Professor Michał Nikodem and is focused on the applications of hollow-core optical fibers in laser gas spectroscopy. He is an active participant in the local SPIE Student Chapter. "What I particularly value about SPIE," said Gomółka, "is that it brings us together to freely share knowledge and experience in optics and photonics and provides great professional development opportunities. By being involved with SPIE, I really feel

that I can make a difference."

In 2023, the Society is awarding \$293,000 in education scholarships to 72 outstanding SPIE Student Members, based on their potential contribution to optics and photonics, or a related discipline. Awardwinning applicants were evaluated, selected, and approved by the SPIE Scholarship Committee, chaired by SPIE Senior Member Brian Primeau.

Since the program began, SPIE has distributed more than \$7 million dollars in individual scholarships. This ambitious effort reflects the Society's commitment to education and to the next generation of optical scientists and engineers around the world.

To view other 2023 scholarship press releases as they become available, please visit the <u>2023</u> Scholarship Winners page or learn more about <u>SPIE scholarships</u> on spie.org.

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