



Press release

Maleček awarded SPIE Optics and Photonics Education Scholarship

BELLINGHAM, Washington, USA – 18 May 2021 – **Tomáš Maleček** has been awarded a 2021 Optics and Photonics Education Scholarship by SPIE, the international society for optics and photonics, for their potential contributions to the field of optics, photonics or related field.



Maleček is currently in a 2-year master's program in Optics and Optoelectronics and works with Dr. Martin Veis in the Faculty of Mathematics and Physics at Charles University (Czech Republic).

"Being awarded this SPIE scholarship is an honor and a responsibility. It will very generously assist me in the funding of my master's studies allowing me to realize my full scientific potential in the field of magneto-optics. I am most grateful for this scholarship and I hope it is just the beginning of my scientific career, which would allow me to not only advance our knowledge in magneto-optics but also give back to the SPIE community," said Maleček.

In 2021, the Society is awarding \$298,000 in education scholarships to 78 outstanding SPIE student members, based on their potential contribution to optics and photonics, or a related discipline. Award-winning applicants were evaluated, selected and approved by the SPIE Scholarship Committee, Chaired by SPIE volunteer Kate Medicus.

Through 2020, SPIE has distributed over \$6 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 2021 press releases as they become available go to the [2021 Scholarship Winners page](#) or learn more about [SPIE scholarships](#) on spie.org.

SPIE is the international society for optics and photonics, an educational not-for-profit organization founded in 1955 to advance light-based science, engineering, and technology. The Society serves more than 255,000 constituents from 183 countries, offering conferences and their published proceedings, continuing education, books, journals, and the SPIE Digital Library. In 2020, SPIE provided more than \$5 million in community support including scholarships and awards, outreach and advocacy programs, travel grants, public policy, and educational resources. www.spie.org

###

Media contact:

Stacey Crockett

Media Relations Coordinator, SPIE

+1 360-676-3290

staceyc@spie.org