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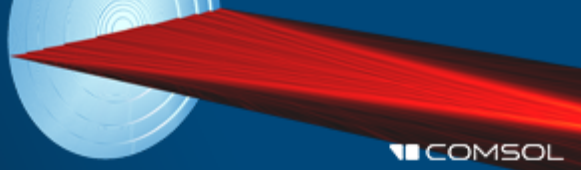
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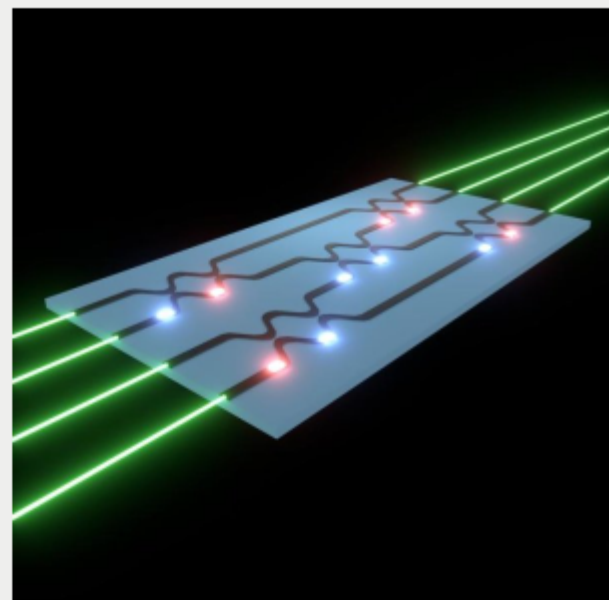
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Researchers have shown that it is possible to train artificial neural networks directly on an optical chip. The research demonstrates that an optical circuit can perform a critical function of an electronics-based artificial neural network, and that it could enable less expensive, faster, and more energy-efficient ways to perform tasks such as speech or image recognition.



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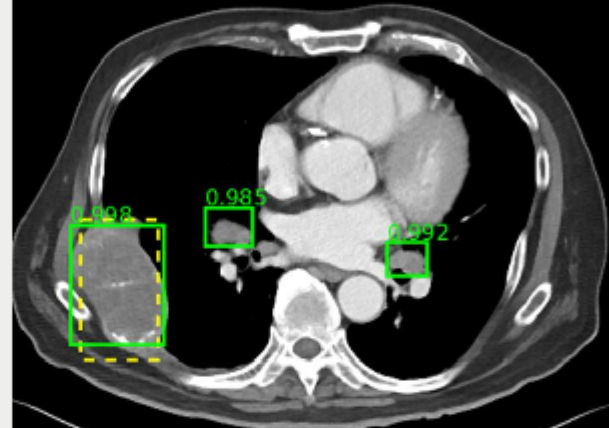
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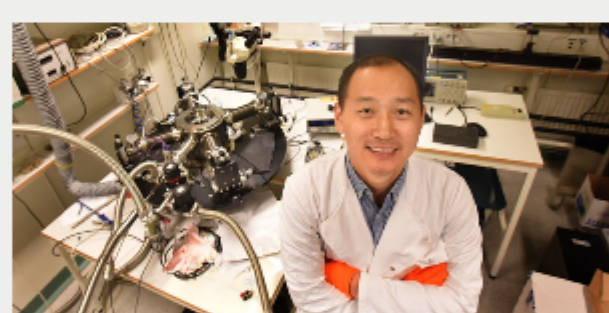
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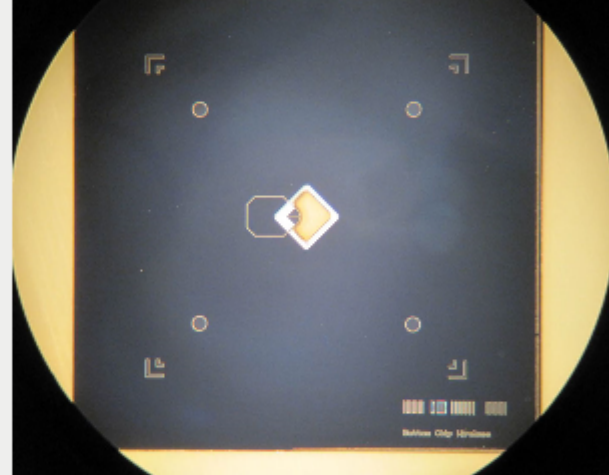
Twenty-five researchers from seven research institutes in Europe, the U.S., and China have collaborated to draw up rules for designing high-efficiency organic solar cells. The design rules, which challenge some previously held ideas, have been published in Nature Materials.



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Device Could Provide Quantum-Compatible Link Between Microwave and Optical Domains

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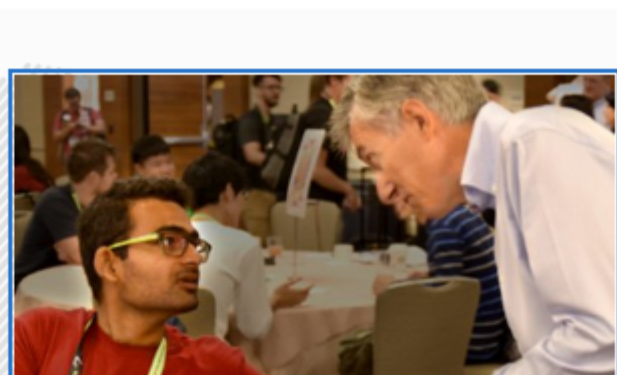
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