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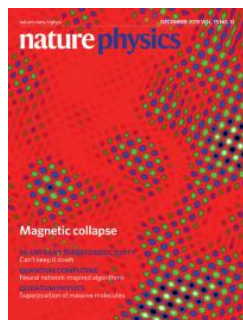
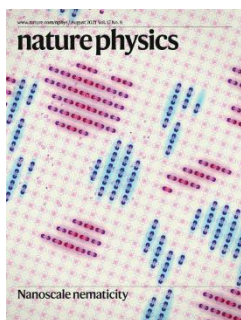
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PUBLICATIONS

Google Scholar [\[Link\]](#) (Lead authorship in: 2 *Nature*, 3 *Nature physics*, 1 *Nature Materials*, 1 *Science Advances*, 1 *Physics Review B*, 1 under review)

1. **He Zhao**[†], et al., "Visualizing the finite-momentum pairing state in $\text{EuRbFe}_4\text{As}_4$ by quasiparticle interference" *under review* (2025)
2. **He Zhao**, et al., "Smectic pair density wave order in $\text{EuRbFe}_4\text{As}_4$ " *Nature* 618, 940–945 (2023) [Link](#)
3. **He Zhao**, et al., "Cascade of correlated electron states in the kagome superconductor CsV_3Sb_5 " *Nature* 599, 216–221 (2021) [Link](#)
4. Hong Li*, **He Zhao***, et al., "Rotation symmetry breaking in the normal state of a kagome superconductor KV_3Sb_5 " *Nature Physics* 18, 265 (2022) [Link](#)



5. **He Zhao**, et al., "Nematic transition and nanoscale suppression of superconductivity in $\text{Fe}(\text{Te}, \text{Se})$ " *Nature Physics* 17, 903–908 (2021), *Cover work* [Link](#)

6. **He Zhao**, et al., "Imaging antiferromagnetic domain fluctuations and the effect of atomic scale disorder in a doped spin-orbit Mott insulator" *Science Advances* 7, eabi6468 (2021) [Link](#)

7. **He Zhao**, et al., "Atomic-scale fragmentation and collapse of antiferromagnetic order in a doped Mott insulator" *Nature Physics* 15, 1267–1272 (2019), *Cover work* [Link](#)

8. **He Zhao**, et al., "Charge-Stripe Crystal Phase in an Insulating Cuprate" *Nature Materials* 18, 103–107 (2019) [Link](#)
9. **He Zhao**, et al., "Superconducting Proximity Effect in a Topological Insulator using $\text{Fe}(\text{Te}, \text{Se})$ " *Physical Review B* 97, 224504 (2018) [Link](#)
10. Bryan Rachmilowitz*, **He Zhao***, et al., "Proximity-Induced Superconductivity in a Topological Crystalline Insulator" *Physical Review B* 100, 241402(R) (2019) [Link](#)

11. Hong Li, **He Zhao**, et al., “Unidirectional coherent quasiparticles from high-temperature rotational symmetry broken phase of AV_3Sb_5 kagome superconductors” *Nature Physics* 19, 637–643 (2023) [Link](#)
12. Hong Li, **He Zhao**, et al., “Manipulation of Dirac band curvature and momentum-dependent g factor in a Kagome magnet” *Nature Physics* 18, 644–649 (2022) [Link](#)
13. Zheng Ren, Hong Li, **He Zhao**, Shrinkhala Sharma, Ziqiang Wang, and Ilija Zeljkovic, “Nanoscale decoupling of structural anisotropy and electronic nematicity in FeSe thin films” *Nature Communications* 12, 10 (2021) [Link](#)
14. Bryan Rachmilowitz, **He Zhao**, et al., “Coulomb Blockade Effects in a Topological Insulator Grown on a High- T_c Cuprate Superconductor” *npj Quantum Materials* 5, 72 (2020) [Link](#)
15. Lianyang Dong, **He Zhao**, Ilija Zeljkovic, Stephen D Wilson, John W Harter. “Bulk superconductivity in via physicochemical pumping of excess iron” *Physical Review Materials* 3, 114801 (2019) [Link](#)
16. Shang Gao, Felix Flicker, Raman Sankar, **He Zhao**, et al., “Atomic-Scale Strain Manipulation of a Charge Density Wave” *PNAS* 115, 6986 (2018) [Link](#)

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Talks

1. “A tale of two Pair Density Wave (PDW) states in an Iron-based superconductor”, Invited talk, Florida State University Dirac Quantum Discussions, **Feb 2025**
2. “A tale of two Pair Density Wave (PDW) states in a magnetic superconductor”, Invited talk, National University of Singapore, **May 2024**
3. “Smectic pair density wave order in a magnetic superconductor”, Invited talk, Session “Recent Developments in Experiment and Theory of Pair Density Waves in Unconventional Superconductors”, American Physical Society, Minneapolis, MN, **March 2024**
4. “A tale of two Pair Density Wave (PDW) states in a magnetic superconductor”, Invited talk, Rutgers University, New Brunswick, **Feb 2024**
5. “A tale of two Pair Density Wave (PDW) states in a magnetic superconductor”, Invited talk, University of Houston, Houston, **Feb 2024**
6. “A tale of two Pair Density Wave (PDW) states in a magnetic superconductor”, Invited talk, University of Texas, Austin, **Feb 2024**
7. “A tale of two Pair Density Wave (PDW) states in a magnetic superconductor”, Invited talk, University of Minnesota, Twin city, **Feb 2024**
8. “A tale of two Pair Density Wave (PDW) states in a magnetic superconductor”, Invited talk, University of Illinois, Chicago, **Feb 2024**
9. “Superconductors coupled to magnets”, Invited talk, Flatiron Institute, Manhattan, NY, **October 2023** (Symposium: Superconductivity)
10. “Visualizing pair density wave order in a magnetic superconductor”, Invited talk, Columbia University, Manhattan, NY, **May 2023** (*Pro-QM Seminar*)

11. "Smectic pair density wave order in $\text{EuRbFe}_4\text{As}_4$ ", Invited talk, Pennsylvania State University, State College, PA, **Jan 2023** (*CAMP Seminar*)
12. "Smectic pair density wave order in $\text{EuRbFe}_4\text{As}_4$ ", APS march meeting, Las Vegas, NV, **March 2023** (Session chair)
13. "Atomic-scale fragmentation and collapse of antiferromagnetic order in a doped Mott insulator", American Physical Society, Denver, CO, **March 2020**
14. "Observation of the Charge-Stripe Crystal Phase in an Insulating Cuprate", American Physical Society, Boston, MA, **March 2019**
15. "Proximity-Induced Superconductivity in a Topological Insulator using an Fe-based Superconductor", American Physical Society, Los Angeles, CA, **March 2018**

Posters

1. [He Zhao](#), Raymond Blackwell, Morgan Thinel, Taketo Handa, Shigeyuki Ishida, Xiaoyang zhu, Akira Iyo, Hiroshi Eisaki, Abhay N. Pasupathy, Kazuhiro Fujita (Gordon Research conference/Seminar, Ventura, CA, May 2023) "Smectic pair density wave in magnetic iron-based superconductor $\text{EuRbFe}_4\text{As}_4$ "
2. [He Zhao](#), Zheng Ren, Bryan Rachmilowitz, John Schneeloch, Ruidan Zhong, Genda Gu, Ziqiang Wang, Ilija Zeljkovic (Gordon Research Conference, Mt. Holyoke College, June 2018) "Observation of the Charge-Stripe Crystal Phase in an Insulating Cuprate"

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- **Reviewer** for: Science, Physical Review Letters, Physical Review B