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Section A: Paper Submission Information

Paper/Abstract ID	116
Paper title	Listening with Light: Acoustic sensing over live fibre networks using Coherent Optical Transceivers
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The submitted manuscript details fibre acoustic sensing using polarisation and phase data extracted from a coherent optical transceiver. While this technology has been used for sub-Hertz seismic and tsunami sensing, its use in human acoustic range (20Hz-20Khz) , as detailed in this paper, is novel.

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