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COVER IMAGE
By Vasco Tenner and Dirk Boonzajer Flaes. It shows the intensity and phase of the laser beam emitted by a surface-plasmon laser operating in the B-mode of a hexagonal metal hole array at distances from the sample ranging from $1\,\mu\mathrm{m}$ (left bottom) to $300\,\mu\mathrm{m}$ (right top). The images are based on the intensity and phase measurements shown in Fig. 6.4 and propagated numerically to the desired distance with a Fresnel propagator. The colors encode the local phase of the $j = \pm 3$ component of the beam. Every image is scaled in order to create an esthetical ensemble.

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The mountains are calling and I must go.

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