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ABSTRACT (57)

A quantum atomic receiving antenna includes: a probe laser; a coupling laser; an atomic vapor cell that includes: a spherically-shaped or parallelepiped-shaped atomic vapor space and Rydberg antenna atoms that undergo a radiofrequency Rydberg transition to produce quantum antenna light from probe light such that an intensity of the quantum antenna light depends on an amount of radiofrequency radiation received by the Rydberg antenna atoms, the quantum antenna light including a strength, direction and polarization of the radiofrequency radiation; and a quantum antenna light detector in optical communication with the atomic vapor cell.

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