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## Phase Sensitive X-ray Imaging for Cancer Diagnosis

12: 30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, March 22, ATRC 102

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Liu is a leading researcher in medical imaging. His current research projects include phase sensitive x-ray imaging for breast cancer diagnosis and optical

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## Seminar abstract

Radiography is one of the important imaging techniques in medicine. Conventional radiography is principally based on x-ray tissue attenuations. However, x-ray contrast can also be obtained from phase-changes. Several advanced methods are currently under investigation to image phase variations. Among them, the in-line phase sensitive x-ray imaging technique has demonstrated its clinical potential, as it can be implemented with polychromatic sources. The in-line phase-sensitive x-ray imaging measures the Laplacian of phase, leading to improved feature visualizations through edge enhancement. Furthermore, the technique allows the retrieval of tissue's phase map, potentially enables quantitative tumor characterization. In this presentation, the basic principles of medical x-ray imaging will be introduced. The development of innovative phase-sensitive x-ray imaging prototypes; as well its clinical applications in breast cancer diagnosis will be discussed.

Food provided at 12 P.M. - 12:30 P.M. Food reservation can be made at the ES202 front desk one week prior to each seminar.



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