OISE

Optics in the Southeast

Technical Conference and Tabletop Exhibit

November 12 - 13, 2003
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Photonic Devices, Optical Materials, Micro and Nano Optics
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About OISE

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The School of Optics/CREOL at the University of Central Florida in Orlando will host the 2003 meeting of Optics in the Southeast (OISE) on Wednesday, November 12, and Thursday November 13, 2003. School Director Eric Van Stryland, and faculty member Eric Johnson, are host co-chairs for the meeting.

Optics in the Southeast showcases optics research, programs and other initiatives occurring within universities, companies, laboratories and organizations located in the Southeast Region. The meeting provides a forum wherein optics researchers and industry experts alike can present their latest research. Presentations describing new optics programs, initiatives and directions are encouraged. Presentations by students are welcome.

Descriptions of Technical Conferences

SE01 Nonlinear Optics and Ultrafast Phenomena

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This session is devoted to nonlinear light-matter interactions at all power levels and ultrashort pulse generation, ultrafast measurement techniques and ultrafast phenomena. Both fundamental science and application-oriented submissions are encouraged.

Topics of interest include:

- Optical harmonic and parametric generation
- Nonlinear refraction, absorption and photorefractive effect
• Optical nonlinearities in nanostructured materials
• Optical switching, routing and solitons
• Generation and characterization of ultrashort pulses
• Ultrafast light-matter interactions and spectroscopy
• Laser produced plasmas and X-rays

SE02 Optical Science and Materials

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The field of optical sciences continues to move forward rapidly, as new optical materials are developed and refined. Optical materials research draws on expertise from a variety of disciplines and size regimes from molecular and nano-scale design and self assembly, to optical scale patterning, and even macroscale processing. The integration of optics and electronics presents many new challenges for optical materials researchers. This symposium brings together materials scientists, physicists, chemists and optical engineers to discuss recent advances and challenges in the broad field of optical science and materials.

Papers are solicited in areas that can include, but are not limited to:

• Advances in optical patterning methods: including self-assembly, holography, lithography, CVD / MBE, and Scanning Probe methods (SPM)
• Organic / inorganic-organic hybrid optical materials: OLED's, conjugated polymers, fullerenes, photoresists, novel photorefractive/thermochromic/electrochromic materials
• Photonic crystals
• Inorganic crystalline and amorphous materials, Sol-gels,
specialty optical fibers

- Materials for passive and active optical devices: thin-films, waveguides, photovoltaics, LEDs, lasers, nonlinear optics
- Quantum dots and nanoparticles
- Optoelectronics: materials issues involving integration of optics with electronics

SE03 Photonics, Communications, and Devices

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This conference session is devoted to photonic device technologies, subsystems, network architectures and management for optical communications and networking.

Topics of interest include:

- Passive and active components for optical transport systems
Novel technologies and modulation formats for point-to-point optical transmission
Components for optical networking such as wavelength converters and optical cross connects
Wavelength-routed optical networks
Optical flow-, burst- and packet-switched networks
Fiber-radio systems for wireless networks

SE04 Optics Education

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The past decade has seen tremendous growth in optical science and technology throughout the Southeast, fueled primarily by expansion within the industrial sector. The demand for skilled optics professionals is driving colleges and universities to develop appropriate optics education programs and establish optics research centers that are increasingly supported by local and state government.

This conference seeks to address innovative optics issues relating to:

- University Optics Programs
- Optics Research Centers
- Optics in Industry and Government

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SE05 Micro and Nano-Optics

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This conference session focuses on the design, fabrication and integration of micro and nano-optic components such as diffractive optics, micro-refractive optics, guided wave optics and integration of such devices.

The topics for this session are as follows:

- Design methods for modeling micro and nano-structures
- Fabrication methods for micro and nano-structures, i.e. lithography, direct write, holography, and transfer etching processes
- Heterogeneous integration of devices
- Applications

SE06 Biophotonics

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The emerging field of Biophotonics encompasses the use of advanced optical technologies for investigations in basic biological science, as well as in minimally invasive diagnostic and therapeutic clinical applications. This session will bring together scientists, engineers and clinical researchers from a variety of disciplines who are engaged in the applications of optical sciences and photonics technologies to problems in biomedical science. The scope of this session will range from basic research and instrumentation engineering to clinical studies, with the common thread of ultimate application or immediate relevance to problems in biology, medicine or clinical health care.

Papers are solicited in areas that can include, but are not limited to:

- Photon Migration and Diffuse-Light Imaging
- Confocal, Multiphoton, and Nonlinear Microscopic Imaging
- Optical Coherence Tomography and Coherence Techniques
• Diagnostic Optical Spectroscopy
• Photodynamic Therapy and New Optical Reporters
• Therapeutic Laser Applications and Laser-Tissue Interactions
• Novel Optical Instrumentation for Biomedical Applications
# Conference Agenda

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