Abstract: Organic Light Emitting Devices (OLEDs) are now used in commercial products, and Quantum-dot LEDs (QLEDs) are expected to follow suit in the next 3-5 years. As the technology of organic and hybrid semiconductors moves from the lab to the marketplace, certain fundamental limitations and technological challenges related to their performance, reliability and manufacturing become increasingly more important and create new opportunities for research. In this seminar a brief introduction to OLEDs and QLEDs will be provided, and some of the current challenges and new research opportunities will be highlighted. Some of our research activities in both areas will also be briefly presented.

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