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Abstract

Noninvasive Magnetic Resonance Temperature Imaging

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Noninvasive thermometry is one of the most difficult techniques in the field of medical imaging. It is especially important for maintaining effectiveness and safety of various thermal therapies. Among several imaging modalities, magnetic resonance (MR) imaging has been the only practical tool for clinical use, since a method using signal phase difference caused by the thermal shift of water proton resonance frequency was proposed. In conjunction with the advanced technologies of thermal therapies such as high intensity focused ultrasound (HIFU), noninvasive MR temperature imaging has been steadily improved. Starting from the background and basic physical principles, this lecture will cover the recent progress, latest topics, and future prospect of MR temperature imaging.

Brief CV

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2006 Research Promotion Award, Japanese Society of Hyperthermic Oncology

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