

## ASTROPHYSICS SEMINAR SERIES

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"The Large Millimeter Telescope: Recent Progress and New Results"

Monday, February 3, 2014
Refreshments at 3:15pm in CAS 500
Talk begins at 3:30pm in CAS 502

## Abstract:

The Large Millimeter Telescope is a collaborative project between the University of Massachusetts at Amherst and the country of Mexico, represented by the Instituto Nacional de Astrofisica, Optica, y Electronica (INAOE), to build a 50m diameter, millimeter-wave telescope. At this time, the inner 32m diameter of the telescope's primary reflector has been completed; it is under full active control to allow compensation of the surface shape for gravitational deformations. The telescope is currently in an "Early Science" phase of commissioning and operation using two instruments: the Redshift Search Receiver, an ultra-wideband receiver/spectrometer for extragalactic observations and redshift measurements in the 3mm atmospheric window; and AzTEC, a 144-pixel continuum camera for 1.1mm observations. This talk will review the current status of the telescope and its instruments and present some recent observations.