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X-ray Physics and Digital Imaging for the Study, Preservation and Protection of Cultural Properties

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X-rays have had a leading role in the development of heritage sciences and the conservation of cultural heritage. Currently, the development of MA-XRF systems has further boosted the ability to identify the production techniques of the artifact, thus answering the questions of art historians, archaeologists, and conservators/ restorers. Over the last decade, there has been an acceleration in the development of techniques. Hence, the need to update the state of the art across different sectors into which advanced research in the field of X-rays applied to the diagnostics of cultural heritage can be divided.

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