# **Microspectroscopy Beamline**

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## **The Synchrotron World Map**



## as seen from Australia

## **Operating at full speed = 200 mA @ 3 GeV**



# Microspectroscopy beamline – vital statistics

- Energy range 4 keV to 25 keV
- Nanoprobe

100 nm spatial resolution

Elements accessible

atomic number  $\geq$  11, sodium & heavier by XRF atomic number  $\geq$  22, titanium & heavier by XAS

Pt spectrum located in a tumour cell Hambley et al, U Sydney

Measurements

X-ray fluorescence (XRF), X-ray absorption spectra (XAS), µXANES & µEXAFS – spatially resolved

- Information Elemental mapping, chemical state mapping, ppm sensitivity, long & short range structure
- Synchrotron benefits compared to lab source Spot size (0.1-10 μm), energy scanning, intensity/sensitivity





## **Conceptual layout**



BEAMLINE 9 Microspectroscopy



Specified > 90% of theoretical flux at peak 7<sup>th</sup> harmonic, > 85% of theoretical flux in the peak at the 9<sup>th</sup> harmonic.

Tuning Curves for in vacuum 22mm, 90 period, 6 mm minimum gap undulator with 0.83 T max field. Harmonics to 15 are shown. (achieved 0.97 T!)

Brightness 5 keV on 3<sup>rd</sup> harmonic 8.7x10<sup>18</sup> ph/s/0.1%BW/mrad<sup>2</sup>/mm<sup>2</sup>

25 keV on 9<sup>th</sup> harmonic 4.6 x10<sup>15</sup> ph/s/0.1%BW/mrad<sup>2</sup>/mm<sup>2</sup>.

Curves assume zero phase errors but include allowance of 0.1% for energy spread

Phase errors on undulator specified at <2.5 degrees





### **Coherent illumination - van Cittert-Zernike theorem**

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the spatial coherence over a space illuminated by an incoherent extended source is described by the Fourier transform of the intensity distribution over the source  $D = 0.5L^2/c$ 

			Source	Enera			Coh		
	Source Size		Size	у	λ	L	illum	Note	
	1σ (μm)		FWHM (μm)	(keV)	(A)	(m)	Diam (μm)		
Horiz		320	753.536	5	2.48	37	14	Horizontal 320 µm	
Vert		16	37.6768	5	2.48	37	287		
BDA		8	18.8384	5	2.48	20	310	BDA @ 17 m	
Horiz		320	753.536	10	1.24	37	7		
Vert		16	37.6768	10	1.24	37	143	Vertical source size	
BDA		10	23.548	10	1.24	20	124	16 μm	
Horiz		320	753.536	20	0.62	37	4		
Vert		16	37.6768	20	0.62	37	72		
BDA		8	18.8384	20	0.62	20	77		

## **Horizontal diffraction geometry**



Polarization losses? Pi polarization

Acceptance of nanoprobe optics =  $6.7 \mu rad$ Throughput becomes  $5.0 \text{ keV } 50\% \rightarrow 80\%$  $10 \text{ keV } 91\% \rightarrow 99\%$ 





1-1. Optics layout for the small kb only focusing optics mode. Top vertical focusing, bottom horizontal.

## **Horizontal compound focusing**



Optics layout horizontal compound focusing (HCF) mode optics mode. Vertical same as small KB only mode

Optics only horizontal Horizontal focussing mirror

## **Detailed final design**



## **Double multilayer monochromator**

#### Integrated design:

Double Crystal Monochromator & Double Multilayer Monochromator DCM-Si(111): 0.02%  $\Delta$ E/E 1×10<sup>12</sup> ph/s @ 12 keV in 10 µm 4×10<sup>10</sup> ph/s @ 12 keV in 1 µm DMM: 2%  $\Delta$ E/E, 1×10<sup>13</sup> ph/s in 10 µm





## Microprobe focusing optics KB mirrors

 A mirror pair of the Kirkpatrick-Baez geometry will be used for high throughput achromatic studies. Capable of focusing to 1 μm maintaining maximum acceptance.

#### **Fresnel zone plates**

 The beamline will also accommodate and provide the correct coherent illumination to Fresnel zone plates. Capable of focusing to 60 nm for studies requiring sub-micron resolution.





#### Integrated KB mirrors and zone plate optics



## Interaction of X-rays with matter



### **Applications: biological &** environmental sciences





#### SPECTROMICROSCOPY-**A Tool for Environmental Sciences**

**High spectral and** spatial resolution makes synchrotron-based spectromicroscopy well suited for environmental applications. JÜRGEN THIEME UNIVERSITY OF GÖTTINGEN (GERMANY)

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Trace metal mapping and speciation

nvironmental science is an extremely diverse field that impacts many facets of science, industry, and everyday life. Because of the complexity of environmental processes and the many mutual interactions involved, competence is required in more than one area of expertise, and a multidisciplinary approach is often necessary. The experts in geochemistry, hydrology, microbiology, and atmospheric and soil sciences, to name a few, are essential in this regard. For example, the complex roles of carbon, nitrogen, phosphorus, and sulfur cycles in the environment are incompletely understood, as are their mutual interactions. Similarly, our knowledge of uptake and metabolism of environmental contaminants by biological organisms is far from complete. Elemental transport, redox reactions, microbial activity, and anthropogenic influences all affect these processes. Knowledge of each individual piece of the puzzle contributes to a better understanding of the overall picture.

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# Australian Synchrotron Strations

## Microspectroscopy What killed Beethoven?

Using synchrotron light to analyse six strands of Beethoven's hair, US scientists discovered 100 times the safe level of lead.

The result showed his deafness, other illnesses and death were likely to have been caused by lead poisoning.





X-ray Fluorescence Intensity from Pb in Hair



#### Characterise at the crime scene - safeguarding Australia

## **Forensics**

Extremely small samples from crime scenes can be analysed using synchrotron technology.







## **Pollution Control**

Air pollution control strategies are very expensive so it's important to target the right sources.



Airborne particles can be "fingerprinted" to identify their source - and dealt with !



# Australian Synchrotron 9 **A Legendary Cold Case** Phar Lap's hair was analysed for heavy metals **Outer Root** Hair **Skin Level Hair Bulb** Sheath **Zinc** Arsenic High arsenic consistent with a large amount of arsenic

ingested in the champion's last 30 hours of life

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## **Spectromicroscopy examples**



Chemical analysis: Integrated Reduced ⇔ Oxidized

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J. Prietzel, J. Thieme, U. Neuhäusler, J. Susini, I. Kögel-Knabner, EJSS 54(2003) 1-11

## **Spectromicroscopy examples**



#### 50×50 μm<sup>2</sup>, 400×400 pixels, 125 nm, 0.5 sec dwell/pixel, full spectrum @ a pixel



# Australian research example: Speciation and distribution of phosphorus in fertilized soil

- In calcareous soils of southern Australia the agronomic efficiency of P fertilizers is strongly dependent on the form of fertilizer
- Liquid technical grade monoammonium phosphate (TG-MAP) was 4 to 15 times more effective in increasing the grain yield of wheat than granular MAP
- Similar results were obtained when a number of fluid and granular products were compared in both greenhouse and field studies
- Chemical and physical factors in combination cause fluid fertilizers to be more efficient than similar granular products
  - Soil diffusion of P from granular products is more limited than when P is supplied with fluid fertilizers
  - may be the result of an increase precipitation in or around P fertilizer granules,
- Specific mechanisms responsible for the differential response are still poorly understood.

## Australian Synchrotron **P** μXANES: identifying the forms of P in soil





#### 5 μm

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75 nm pixels



#### Fine scale fluorescence maps show elemental associations with P

# P Ka min: 16, row P Ka row Mg K ray P Ka row P Mg K ray

# **Mg Phosphates?**





#### **AI Phosphates?**



## Organic phosphates?

Diffuse phosphorus not associated with Mg, Na, Al or Si may be organic materials like cell walls



## Australian Synchrotron Elemental mapping and spectroscopy Effingham Inlet Oxic Site Surface Sediment

Polyphosphates occur in submicron scale blobs - similar to those found in bacterial cells

Polyphosphates seen primarily in Effingham oxic surface sediments and rarely in anoxic sediments 20 microns



# X-ray fluorescence map and spectra of marine sediment

Red = phosphorus Blue = aluminum Green = magnesium



# Diagenetic transformation of polyphosphate to apatite

Diaz et al Science, in press





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50 msec dwell Emperor pyrite 800 x 500 10 μm pixel acquisition time in 5.5 hours

Next generation x-ray microspectroscopy: Fluorescence tomography and



Au

## 6 ms/pixel = 2000 X 2000 pixels in 6.7 hours



XANES image stack collected at 20 photon energies, each with 300 x 300 pixels at a dwell time of 10 ms could be achieved in 5 hours

5 ms dwell, 6 hours total scan time! Fe-Y-Cu RGB composite (1500 x 2624 pixels, 13 x 21 mm<sup>2</sup>)





## Fluorescence tomography



## **Detectors: Differential Phase Contrast**

#### Why phase contrast?







## **Phase contrast imaging**





#### Trials @ APS 2-ID-B

- 2 msec dwell, sub-msec achievable
- Diatom @ 1790 eV fly scan
- 25 nm pixel, 1000 X 1000 pixels, 40 min
- Xradia 50 nm zone plate



### Phase contrast imaging - intermediate energy



## **DPC** tomography



#### Hard x-ray example - differential phase contrast



#### ABS

#### DPC

#### VLM

Scans of a cardiac myocyte, taken at 10 keV incident X-ray energy at 2-ID-E: ABS absorption contrast image showing mostly salt deposits that remained from sample preparation, note beam noise and intensity fluctuations DPC differential phase contrast - visualizes the biological structure of the cell VLM visible light micrograph of the same cell DPC image gives significantly better representation of the biological mass of the specimen than the absorption contrast, and self normalizes against intensity fluctuations, ideal for fast fly scans

## Advantages

## Simultaneous Availability Of Contrast Modes

- Silica spheres 1 µm diameter or less
- Differential phase contrast filters out intensity fluctuations of the source!



# How to correlate element distribution with biological structure ?

Hard X-ray microscopy: great sensitivity for medium/high Z elements,

but mapping of biological mass and structure (mostly C,N,H) difficult: very low photoelectric absorption (hard x-rays !) very low fluorescence yield Zn fluorescence

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Are these the same striations ???

#### at the same time:

• exact correlation of elemental maps with biological structure critical !!

#### Visible light micrograph



# Differential Phase Contrast (DPC) for hard X-ray microscopy

detect phase contrast in addition to absorption contrast

- for fast scans for targeting
- to acquire structural, C-based information from the specimen



Here, striations in heart muscle cells due to sarcomere pattern are well visible We will use DPC routinely to locate cells and low contrast samples

Differential Phase Contrast to co-localize structure with elemental content & acquire fast overview scans in scanning microprobes

to visualize cell structure in hard X-ray microscopy, use phase contrast instead of absorption, e.g., for scanning probe: differential phase contrast

bottom: elemental maps of myocyte acquired using the exact coordinates from the preview scan. Scan time: 10h right: Targeting scan of a cardiac myocyte, acquired in **15 min**. The DPC image shows striations caused by the regular arrangement of myofilaments. Inset: total fluorescence yield gives a preview of elemental content





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## **Initial Beamlines**

1.	High-throughput protein crystallography	3-BM1	5–23 keV	
2.	Protein microcrystal & small molecule	3-ID	5.5–20 keV	
3.	Powder X-ray diffraction	10-BM1	4–37 keV	(0.41-3.1 Å)
4.	Small and wide angle X-ray scattering	13-ID	5.5–20 keV	
5.	X-ray absorption spectroscopy	12-ID	4–65 keV	
6.	Soft X-ray spectroscopy	14-ID	0.1–2.5 keV	
7.	Vacuum ultraviolet (VUV)	ID	10–350 eV	
8.	Infrared spectroscopy	1-BM	0.001–1 eV	(2-10,000 cm <sup>-1</sup> )
9.	Microspectroscopy	5-ID	4.5–20 keV	
10.	Imaging & medical therapy	8-ID	10–65 keV	
11.	Microdiffraction and fluorescence probe	BM	4–37 keV	
12.	Circular dichroism	BM	2–10 eV	
13.	Lithography	BM	2–25 keV	

ID = Insertion Device

BM = Bending Magnet



TOP: Samples are previewed in the light microscope. Potentially interesting areas are then fast-scanned in the microprobe (e.g. 300x300 micron area scan of a human brain tissue section, acquired in 45 min), DPC shows specimen structure, and TFY gives elemental content preview. Based on this, a target area for slow steps scans is chosen.

BOTTOM: elemental maps of a selected 50x50 micron area, acquired in 3h using slow step scan modes. The P maps shows several cell nuclei.

