

PAL-XFEL beamline status and plans

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PAL-XFEL beamline instruments

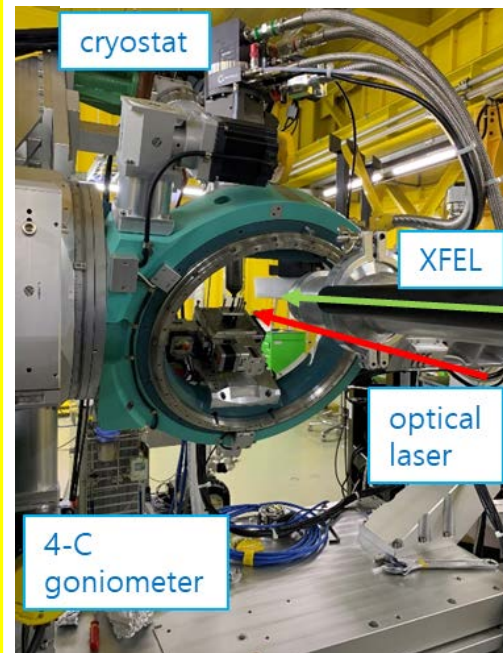
XSS (X-ray Scattering and Spectroscopy)

- Instrumentations**

- Femtosecond X-ray Scattering (FXS)
- Femtosecond X-ray Liquidography (FXL)
- X-ray emission spectroscopies (XES)

- Specifications**

- Focusing optics: Be CRL
- 2-circle and 4-circle diffractometers
- Cryostream cryostat: 40 – 300 K
- Sample chamber for vacuum and gas conditions
- Liquid injector (100 um jet)



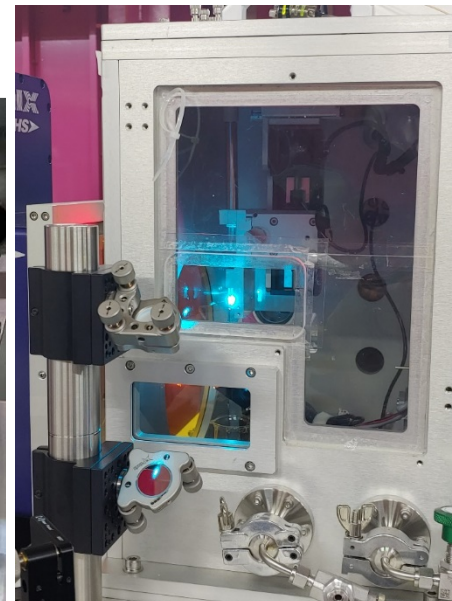
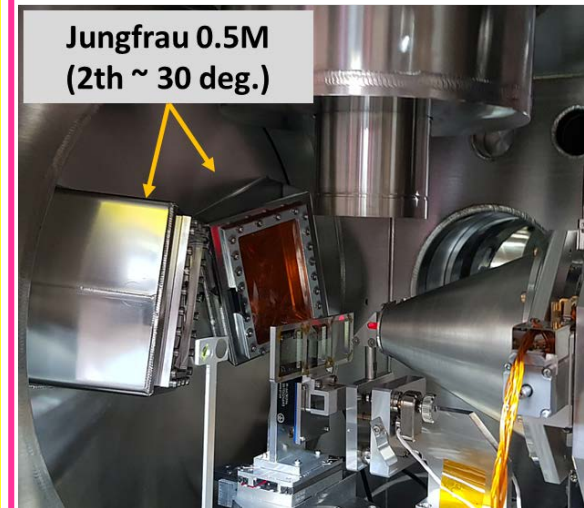
NCI (Nano Crystallography and coherent Imaging) SSS (Soft X-ray Scattering and Spectroscopy)

- Instrumentations**

- Coherent X-ray Imaging / Scattering (CXI)
- X-ray Absorption Near Edge Spectroscopy (XANES)
- Serial Femtosecond Crystallography (SFX)
- Wide angle X-ray scattering (WAXS)

- Specifications**

- Focusing optics: KB mirrors
- Dedicated sample chambers for CXI/SFX/XANES with vacuum or He environment
- tunable nanosecond laser for SFX experiments

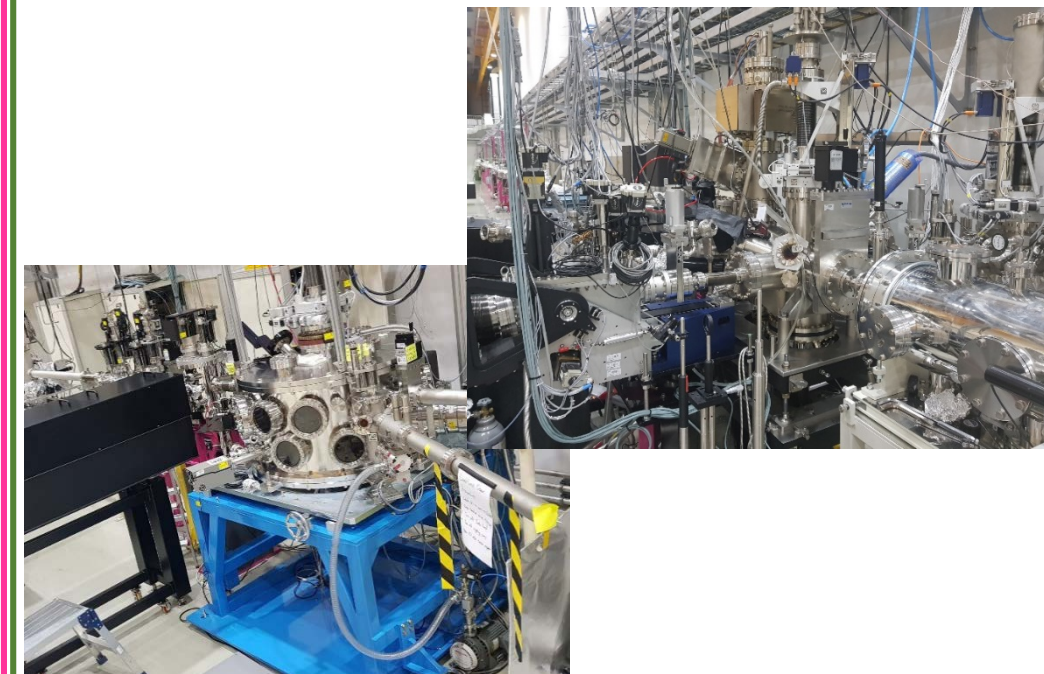


- Instrumentations**

- Resonant Soft X-ray Scattering (RSXS)
- X-ray Absorption/Emission Spectroscopy (XAS/XES)
- Fourier Transform Holography (FTH)

- Specifications**

- 6-axis manipulator with cryostat (RSXS)
- VLS grating for 200 – 1200 eV (XAS/XES)
- Ion/electron time-of-flight (XAS/XES)



Research highlights in 2023

nature chemistry

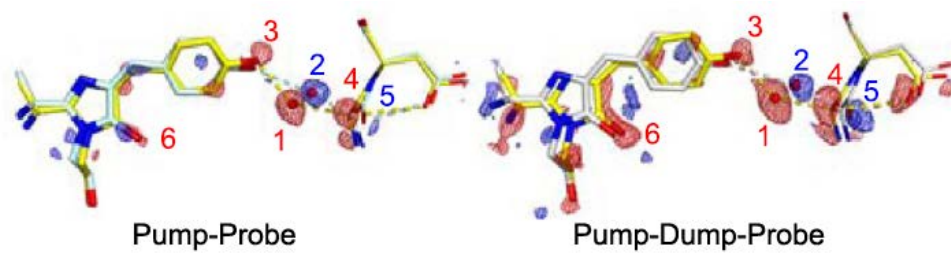


HX-NCI

Article <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41557-023-01275-1>

Optical control of ultrafast structural dynamics in a fluorescent protein

C. D. M. Hutchison *et al.*, *Nat. Chem.* (2023)



- Coherent control of photo-isomerization of protein

nature physics

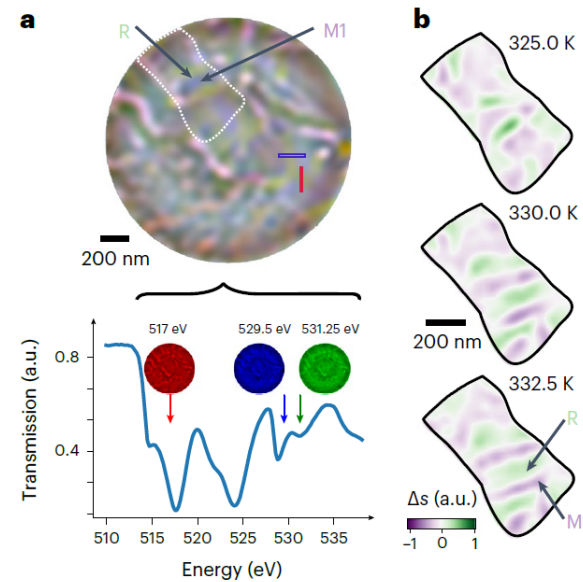


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Article <https://doi.org/10.1038/s41567-022-01848-w>

Ultrafast X-ray imaging of the light-induced phase transition in VO₂

A. S. Johnson *et al.*, *Nat. Phys.* **19**, 215 (2023)



- Real space SX imaging of photo-induced phase transition in VO₂ nanodomains

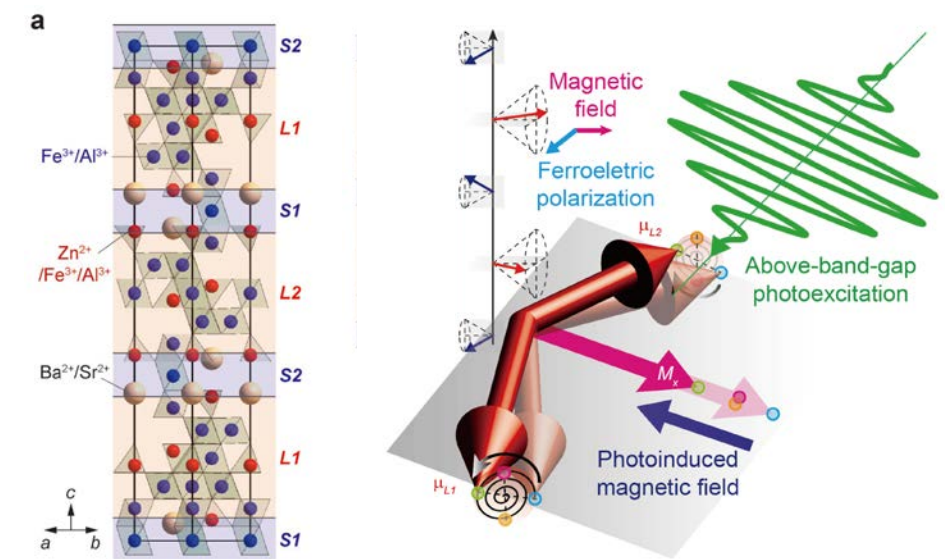
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4D Visualization of a Nonthermal Coherent Magnon in a Laser Heated Lattice by an X-ray Free Electron Laser

H. Jang *et al.*, *Adv. Mater.* (2023)



- Visualization of photo-induced spin waves

Research highlights in 2023

NANO LETTERS

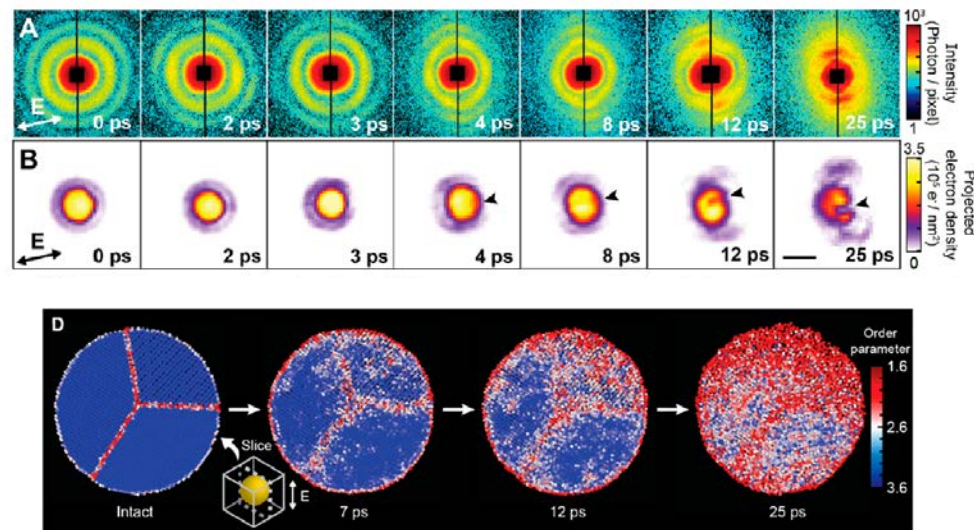
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Letter

Ultrafast Energy Transfer Process in Confined Gold Nanospheres Revealed by Femtosecond X-ray Imaging and Diffraction

J. Shin et al., *Nano Lett.*, **23**, 1481 (2023).



- The ultrafast energy transfer process in the confined nanoparticle system

nature communications

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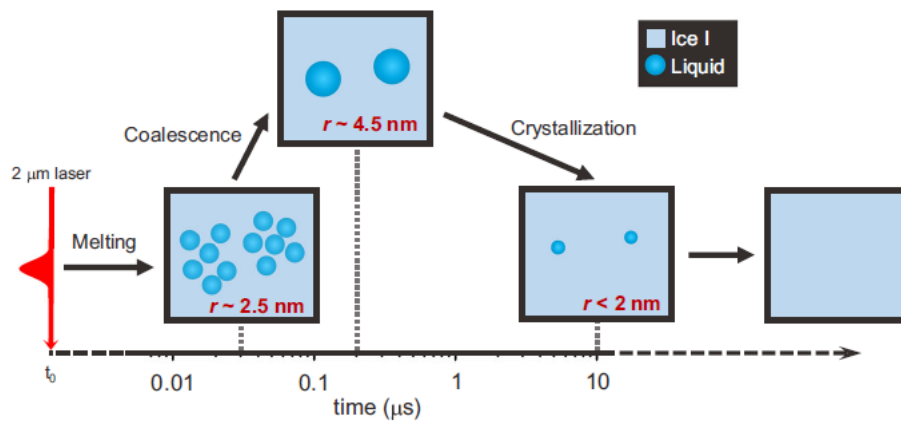


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Melting domain size and recrystallization dynamics of ice revealed by time-resolved x-ray scattering

C. Yang et al., *Nat Comm*, **14**, 3313 (2023).



- Tracking liquid domains during water-ice phase transition

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www.nature.com/emm

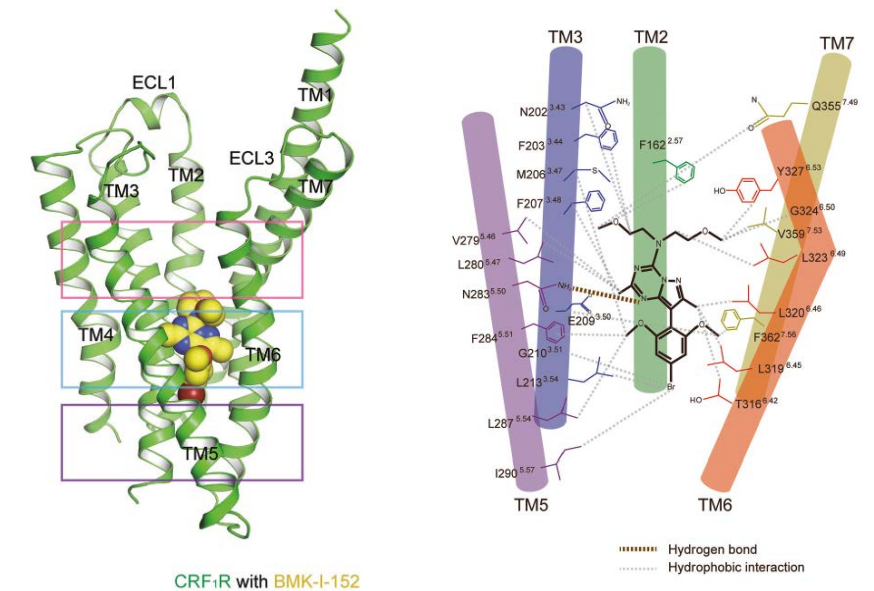
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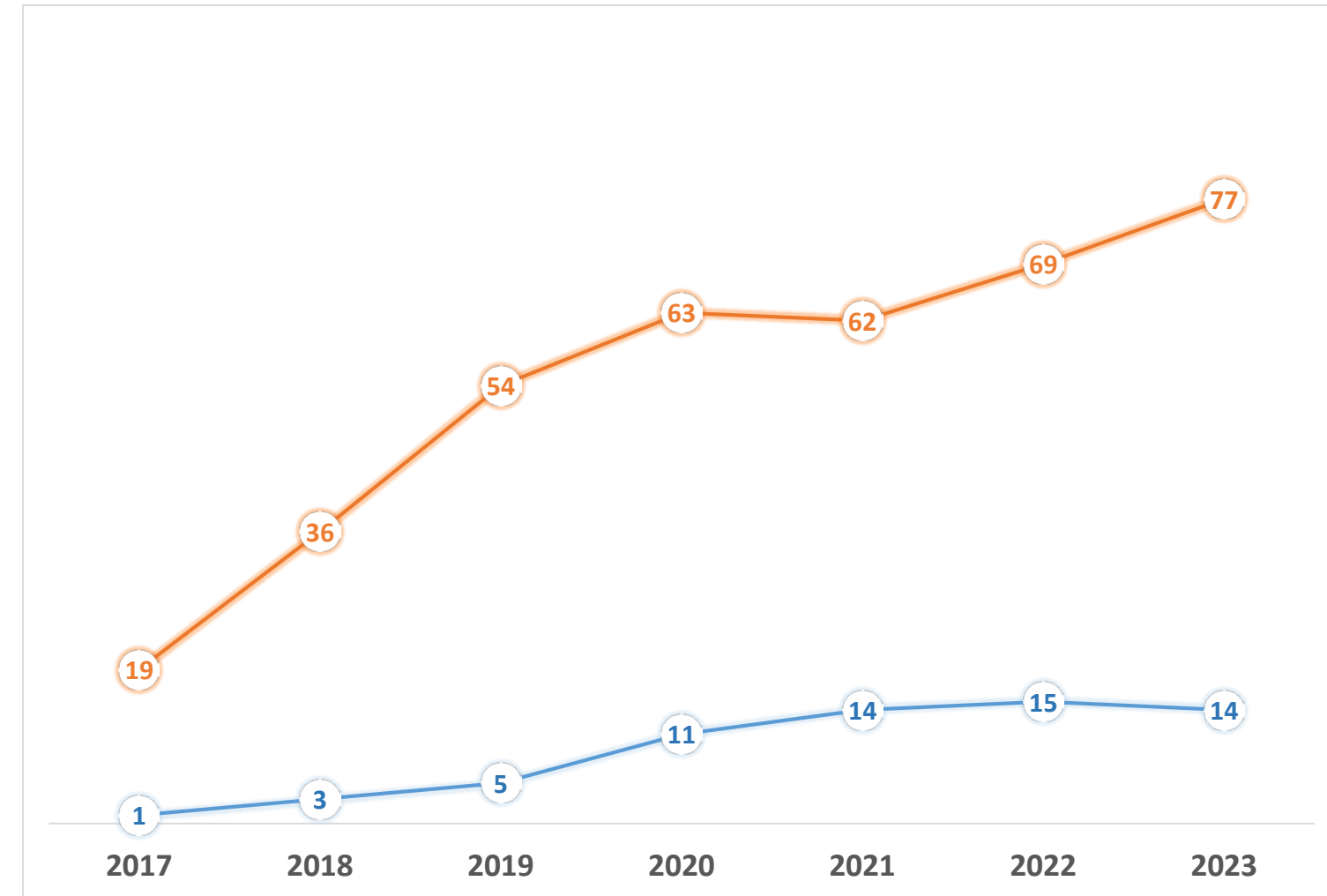
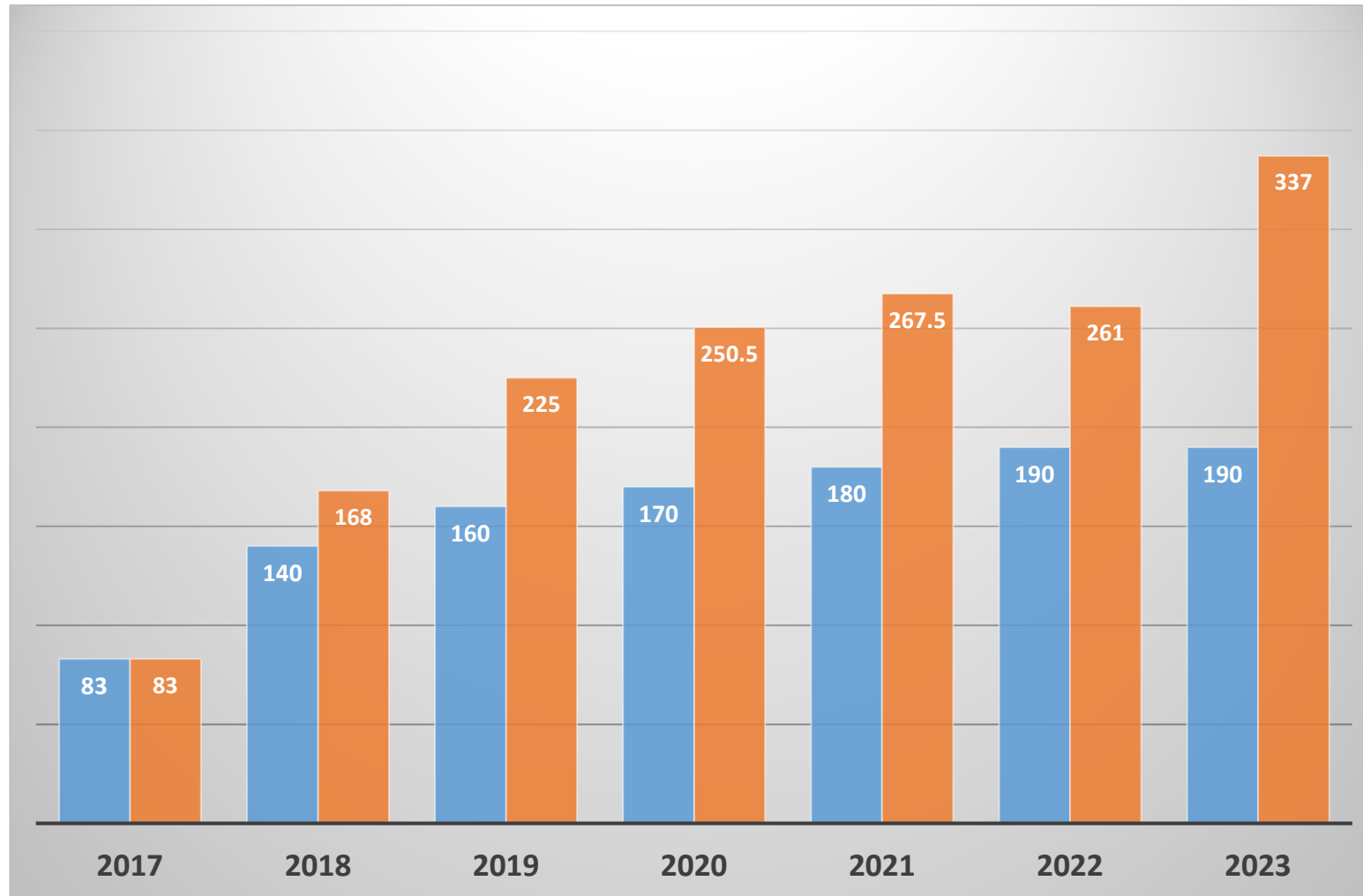
Structure-based drug discovery of a corticotropin-releasing hormone receptor 1 antagonist using an X-ray free-electron laser

H. Kim et al., *Exp. Mol. Med.*, **55**, 2039 (2023).



- Role of hydrogen bond network in the active site of GPCR

PAL-XFEL user operation statistics



■ User operation days
■ Beamtime shifts (1 shift = 12 hours)

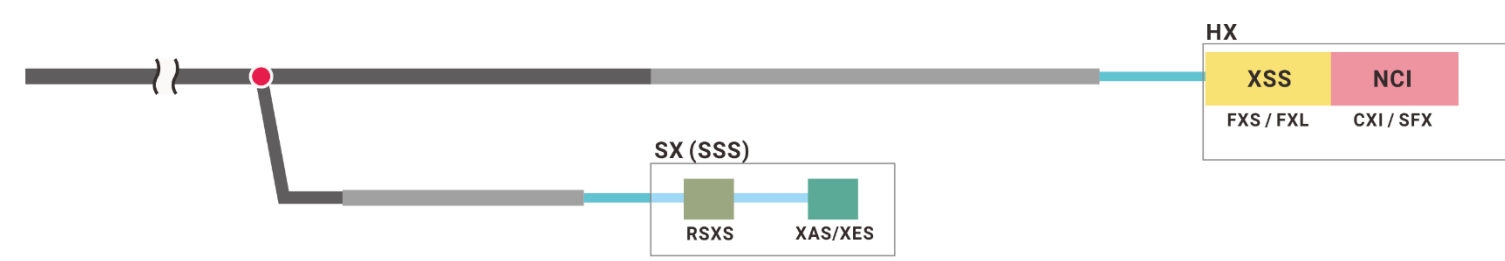
— # of User experiments
— # of User publications

2023 PAL-XFEL beamline operation

Year	User operation	Regular beamtime	R&D beamtime
2023	190 days	140 days (Selected by KOSUA)	50 days (Selected by PAL)

Provided beamtime shifts

Beamtime category	2023-1st	2023-2nd
Regular beamtime (70 days per half year)	HX 82 shifts (24h support 12 days) SX 36 shifts	HX 104 shifts (24h support 34 days) SX 36 shifts
R&D beamtime (1 st half 23 days, 2 nd half 27days)	R&D: 12 days (12 shifts) Beamline M/S: 11 days (17 shifts)	Director's beamtime: 9 days (18 shifts) Potential users: 6 days (12 shifts) New instrumentation: 3 days (6 shifts) Screening beamtime: 2 days (4 shifts) Tutorial beamtime: 0.5 days (1 shift) Beamline M/S: 6.5 days (13 shifts)



Science opportunities at PAL-XFEL

Research topics	HX		SX
	XSS	NCI	SSS
	Instrumentations		
Condensed matter physics and Material sciences	FXS RIXS (RXES) Bragg-CDI	CXI WAXS	RSXS FTH
Thermal / Non-thermal melting dynamics Phase transitions Phonon / Lattice dynamics Spin/Charge/Magnetic properties			
Chemical sciences	FXL	XANES XES	XAS/XES
Bond dissociation / Formation / Isomerization Charge transfer / Recombination / Localization Chemical reaction / Catalytic reaction			
Structural biology and Macromolecular dynamics	.	SFX	.
Protein ternary structure / Active site of enzyme / Ligand binding site Photo-induced / Mixing-induced macromolecular dynamics Structures at a molecular level			

Next science drivers for PAL-XFEL beamline sciences

1. Time-resolved XFEL experiments for condensed matter physics and material sciences

Quantum material research (FXS, RSXS)

Dr. Chun's presentation in PX6

: Finding and controlling hidden physics under specific sample environments

Multiplexing measurement (SAXS + WAXS + XES)

Dr. Nam's presentation in PX7

: Simultaneous measurements from single particle

Development of XFEL imaging techniques

: Dark / Bright field XFEL microscopy

Time-resolved CXI with nanofocusing

Fourier transform holography (SX)

2. Time-resolved XFEL experiments for chemical sciences

Implementing advanced experimental techniques (V2C, HERFD-XANES)

Multiplexing measurement (Scattering + XES)

: Precision measurements unveiling chemical dynamics

Various sample environments (Solid, Solution, Gas, Aerosol, ...)

Dr. Park's presentation in PX8

3. Structural biology and Macromolecular dynamics

Initiation methods other than optical excitation

: Mixing and Injecting system

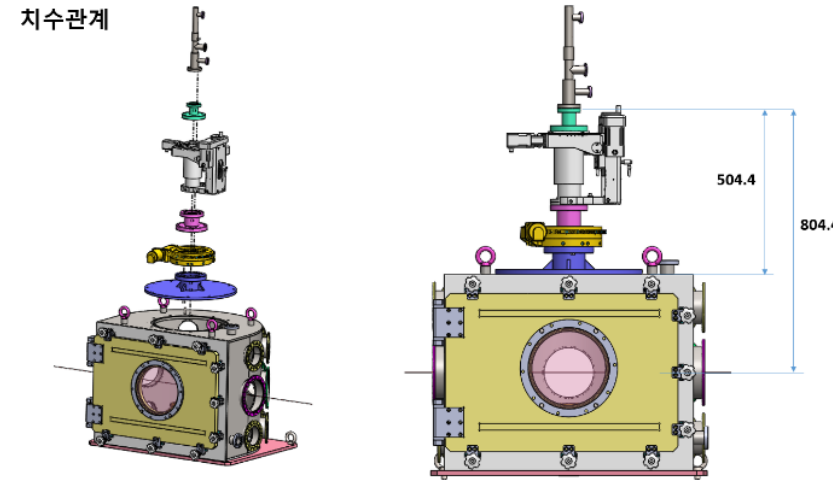
Sample environments for quantum material research at FXS, RSXS

- High T sample holder

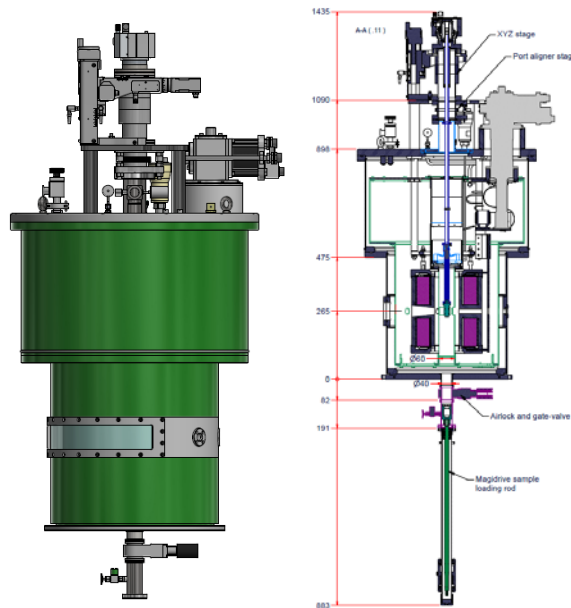


- Cryostream with a goniometer (40 – 300 K)

- Low-temperature diffraction chamber for Tender X-rays in collaboration with Sogang Univ.

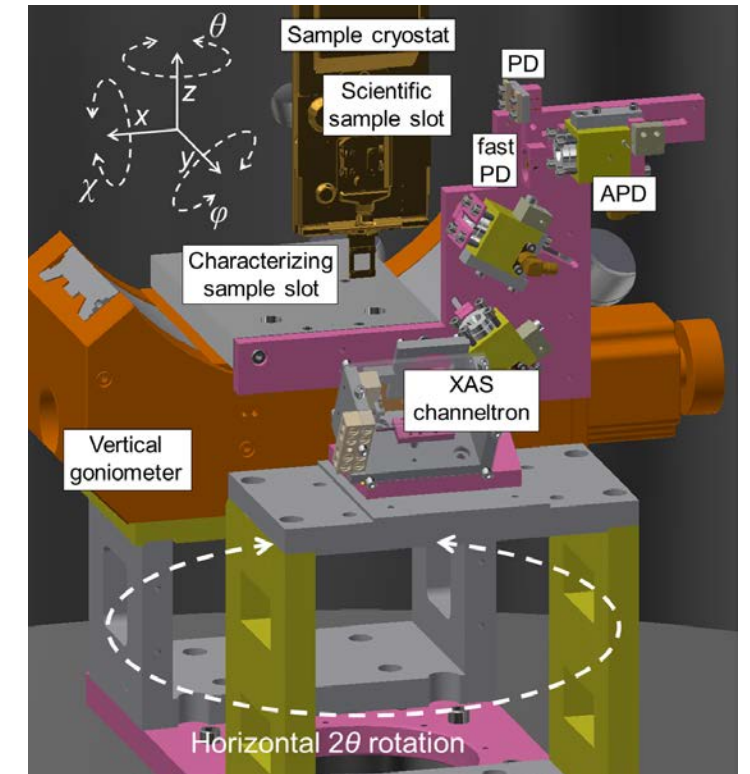


- Low temperature/High Magnetic field (9 T, 4 K) collaboration with PSC

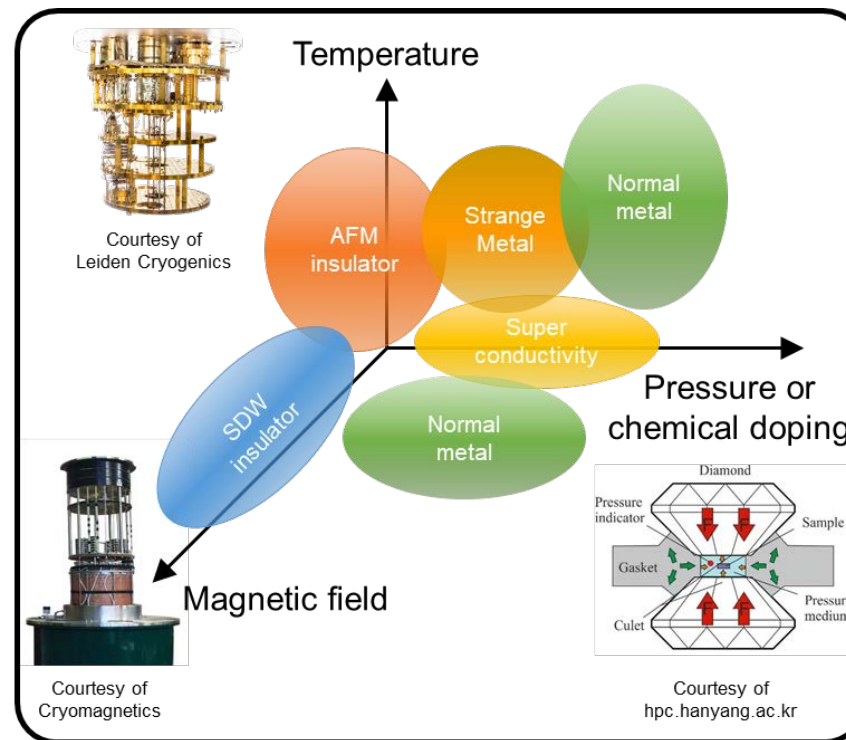


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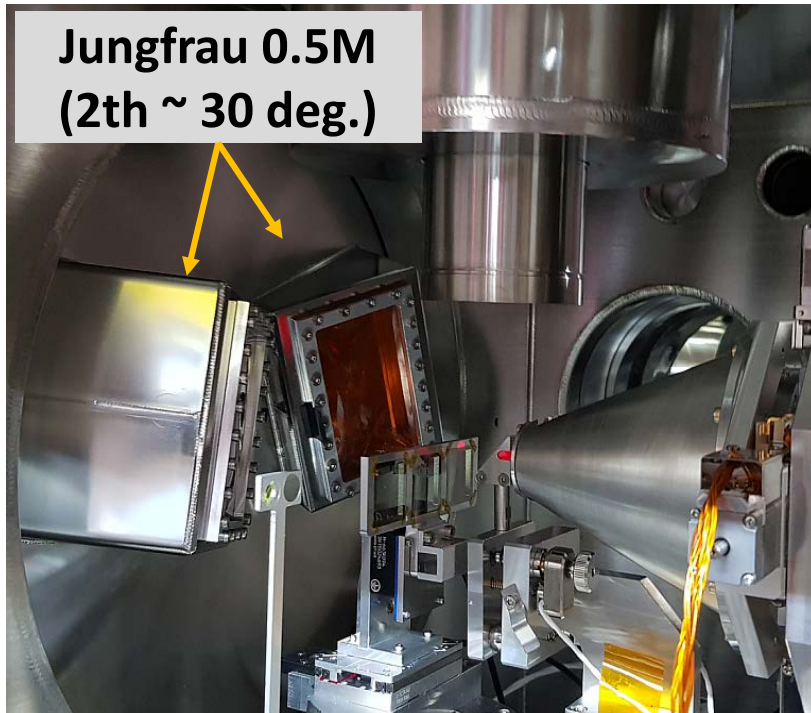
- RSXS sample environments



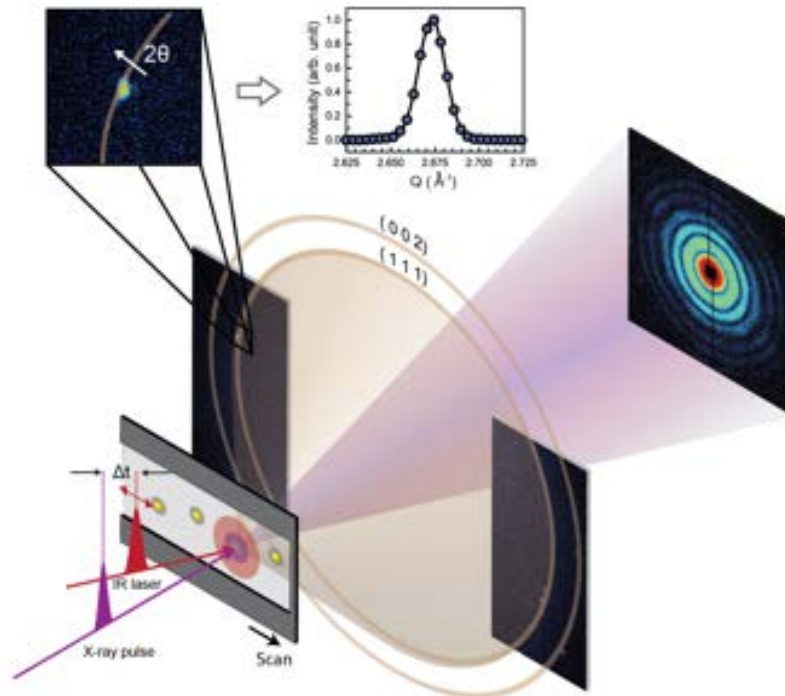
- 6-axis cryostat manipulator
- Base $T_{\text{sample}} \sim 20$ K (liquid helium)
- Avalanche photodiode detector 0-D point detector
- Horizontal linear polarized X-ray
- Horizontal sample (θ) and detector (2θ) rotation (π -polarization configuration)
- Plan: Controllable magnetic field
- 2D detector (AXIS)
- Pump option (THz, Mid-IR)



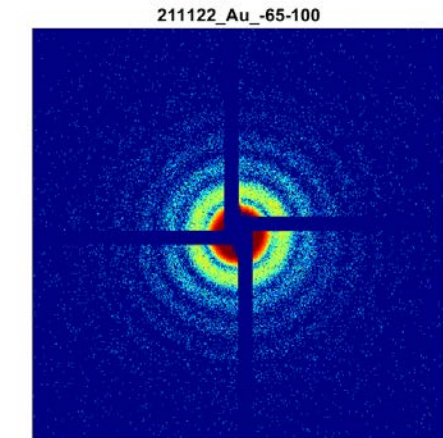
Multiplexing CXI experiment



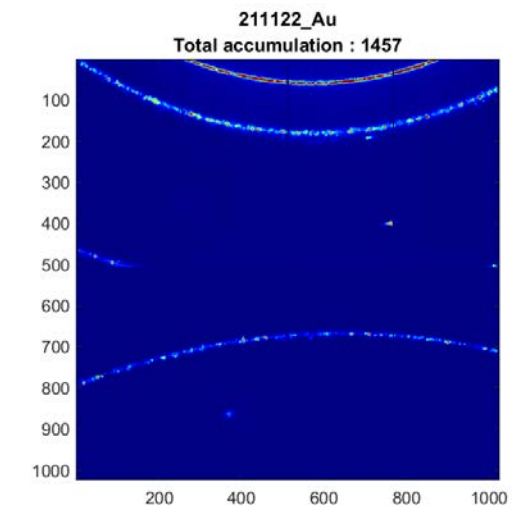
- ❖ **Multi-probe by a single X-ray pulse**
 - **SAXS: morphological information at nanoscale resolution**
 - JUNGFRAU 4M
 - **WAXS: atomic-scale structural information**
 - Two 0.5M Jungfrau detectors
 - Two-theta is fixed; $30 \pm 7^\circ$
 - azimuth angle: $\sim 38\%$ covered by two detectors
 - JUNGFRAU 5M with center hole
 - **XES: electronic structure**
 - Von Hamos spectrometer : Si(111) and Si(220)
 - 0.5M Jungfrau detector
 - acceptable 2θ range: $45 \sim 61^\circ$
 - JUNGFRAU 0.5M



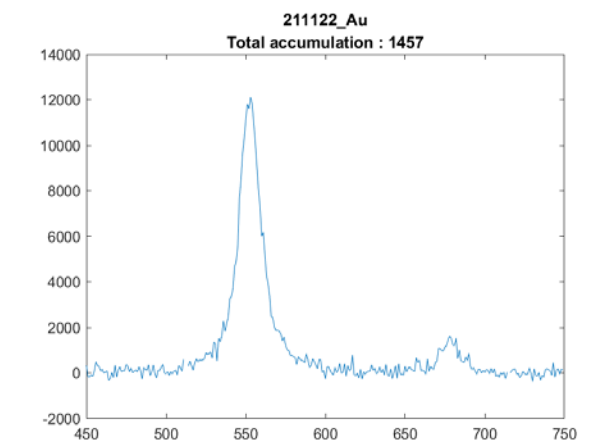
SAXS



WAXS



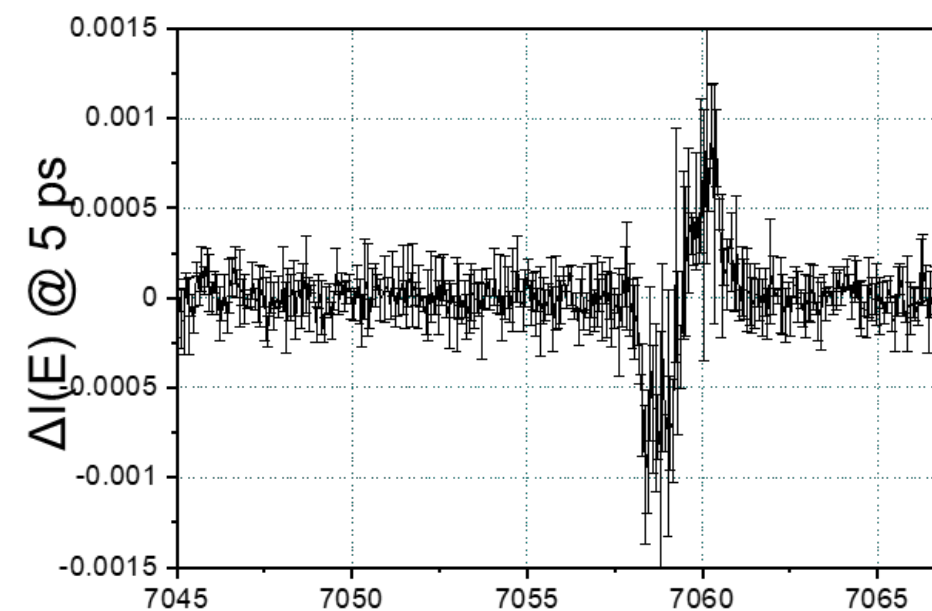
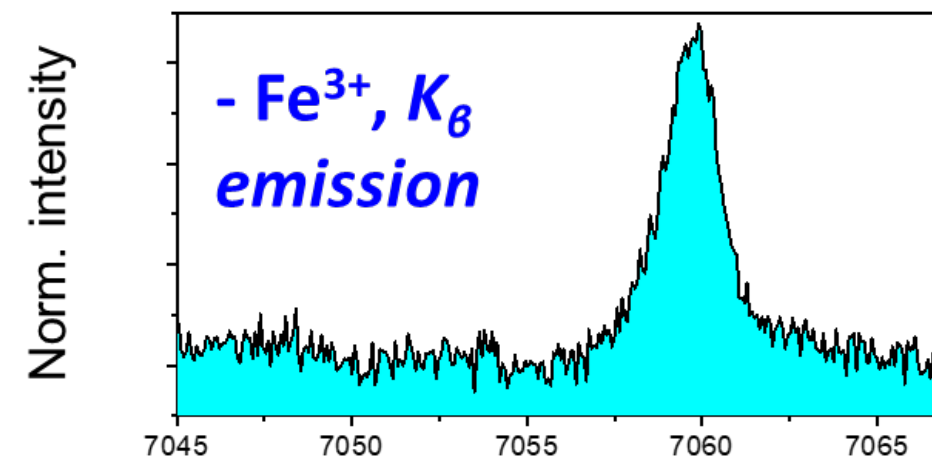
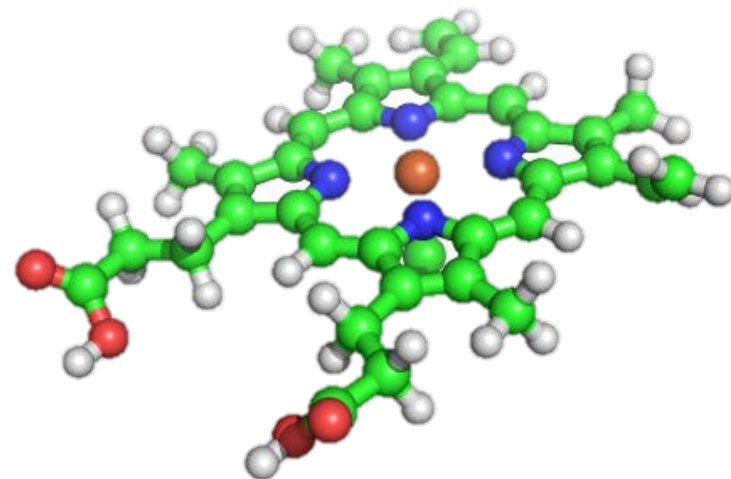
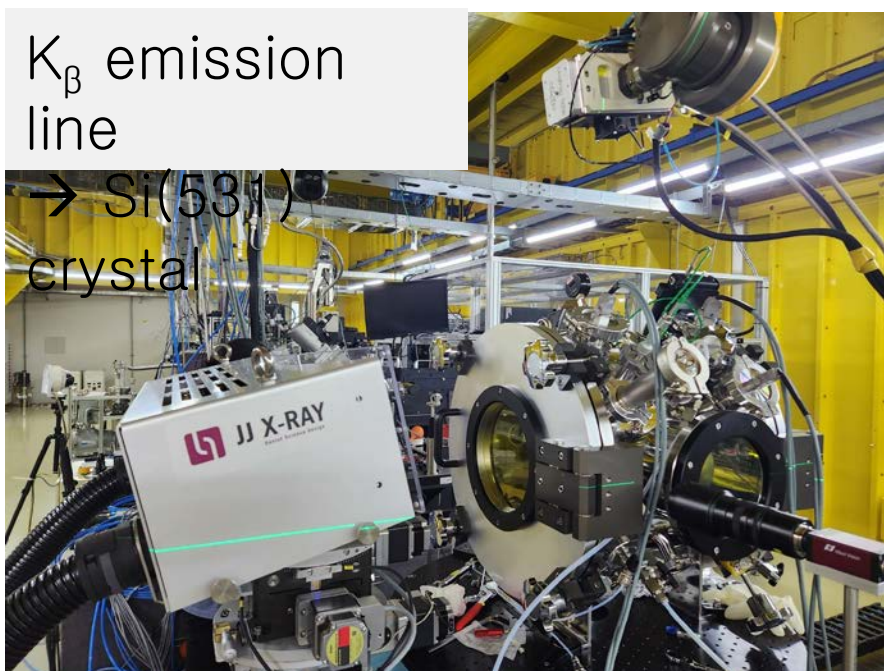
XES



fs X-ray emission spectroscopy to reveal a hidden spin state

Courtesy of Prof. T. W. Kim at Mokpo univ.

Setup in XSS hutch (side view)



	Strong	Weak
XAS	Sensitive to redox state Easy to measure	Hard to identify spin state
XES	Sensitive to spin state	Hard to measure transient signal

X-ray energy (keV)

Fourier transform holography (SX)

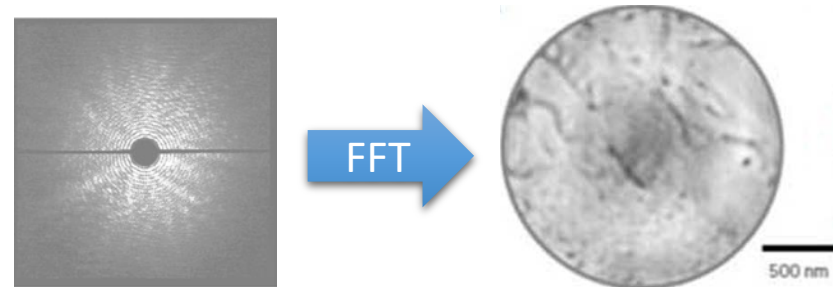
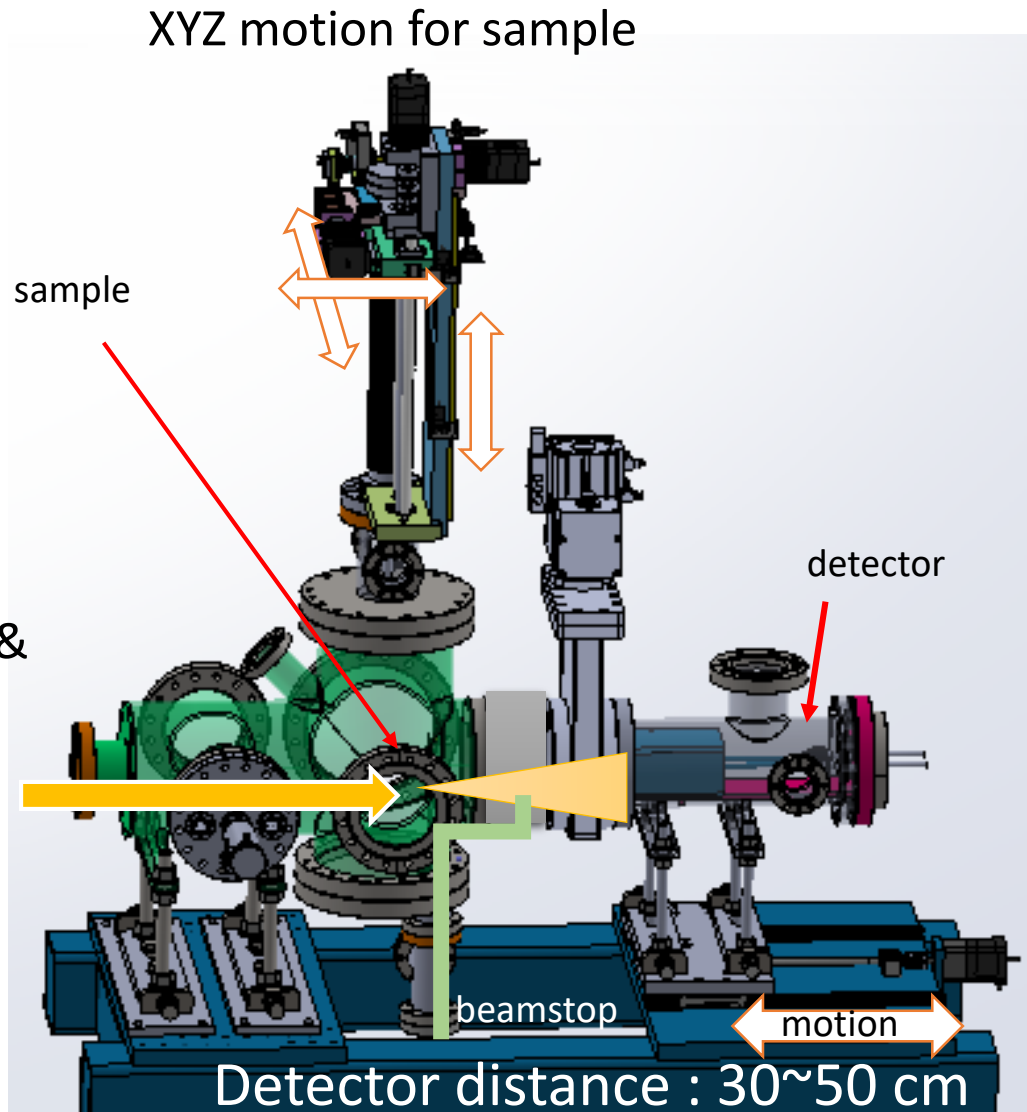
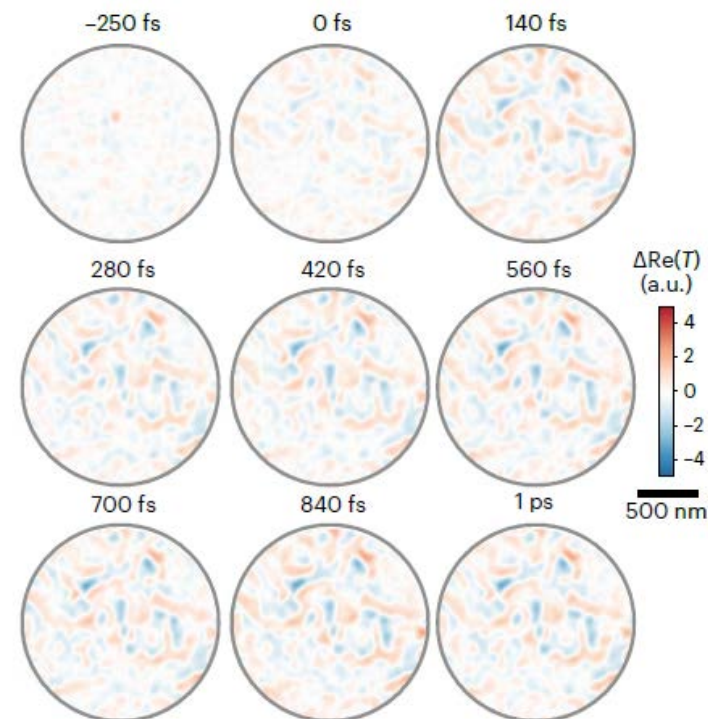
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Time-resolved soft X-ray image
(Spectroscopic imaging)

Sample temperature: RT~150 °C

Spatial resolution: <100 nm
Temporal resolution: ~150 fs

Electromagnet and low-temperature
sample stage will be introduced later.



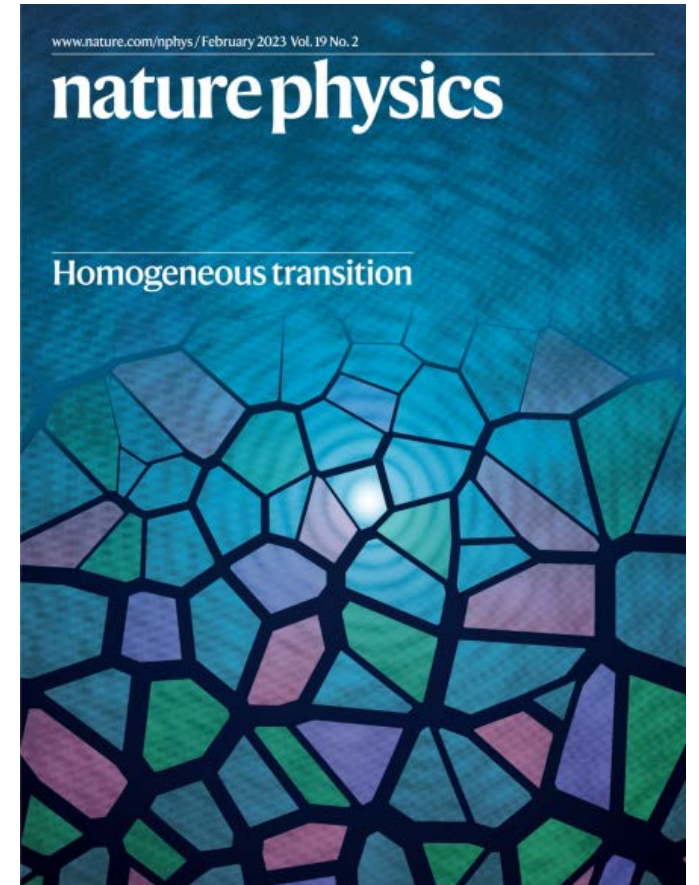
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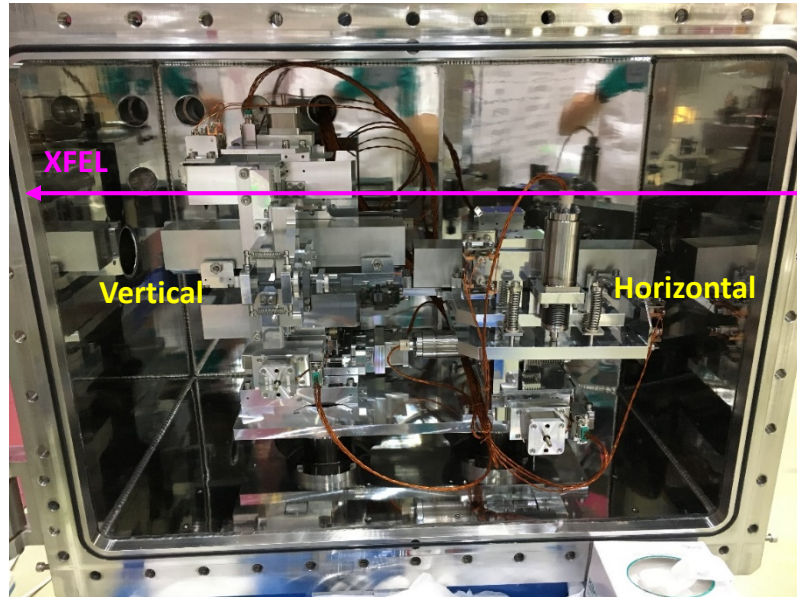


Light-induced insulator-to-metal phase transition dynamics in VO₂ by FTH

Johnson et al., Nature Physics **19**, 215 (2023)

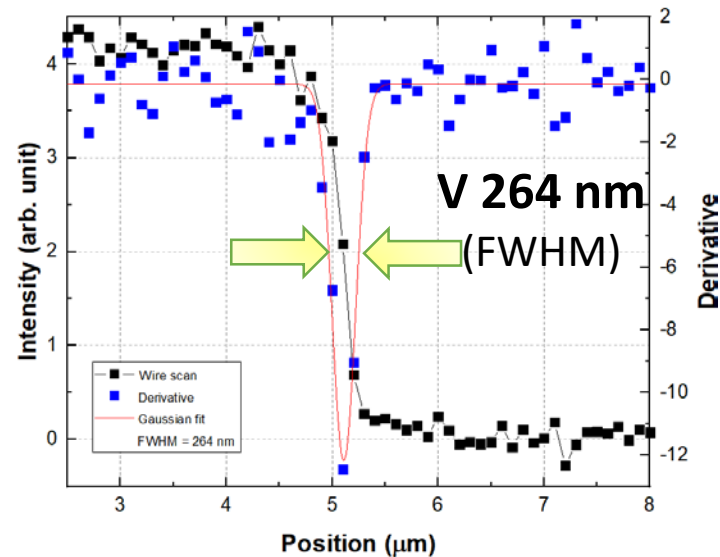
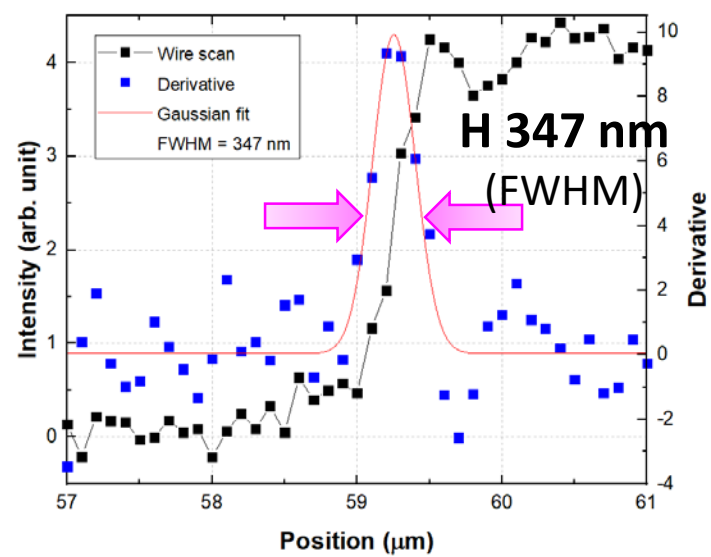
X-ray optics update

Nano-focused KB mirror (HX/SX)



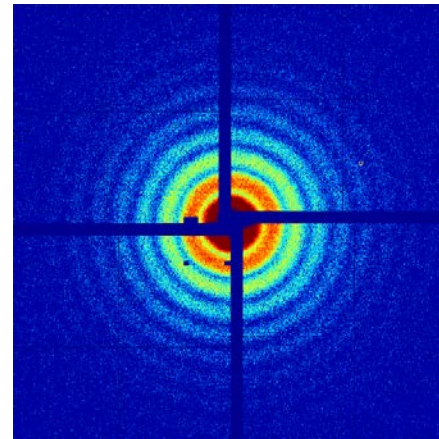
- Coating: Ir (50 nm), non-coated (Quartz)
- Focal length: 910mm (H), 600 mm (V)
- Working distance: 450 mm

Focused beam profiles @ 9.5keV



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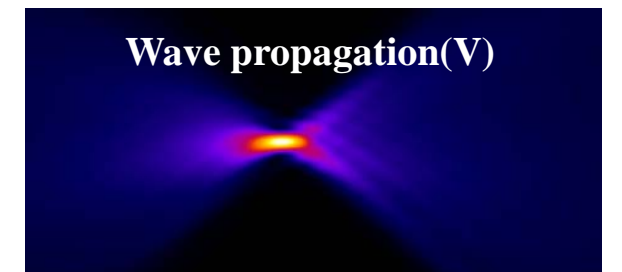
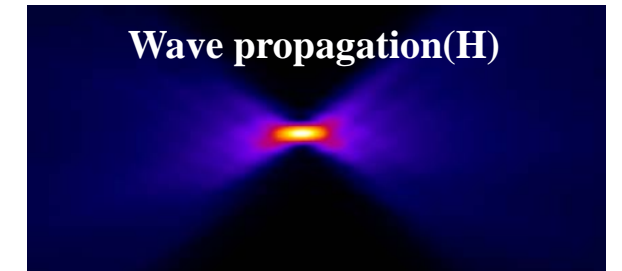
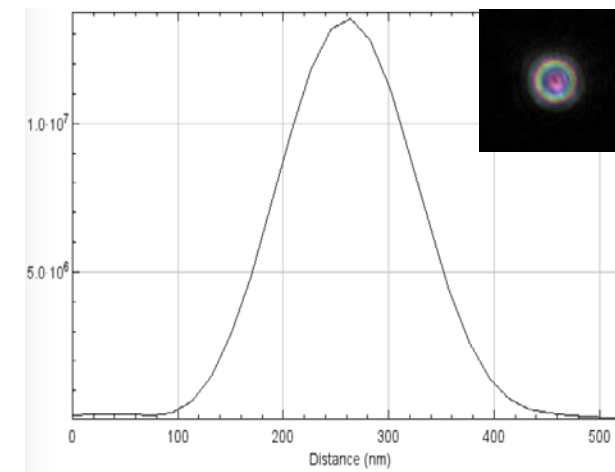
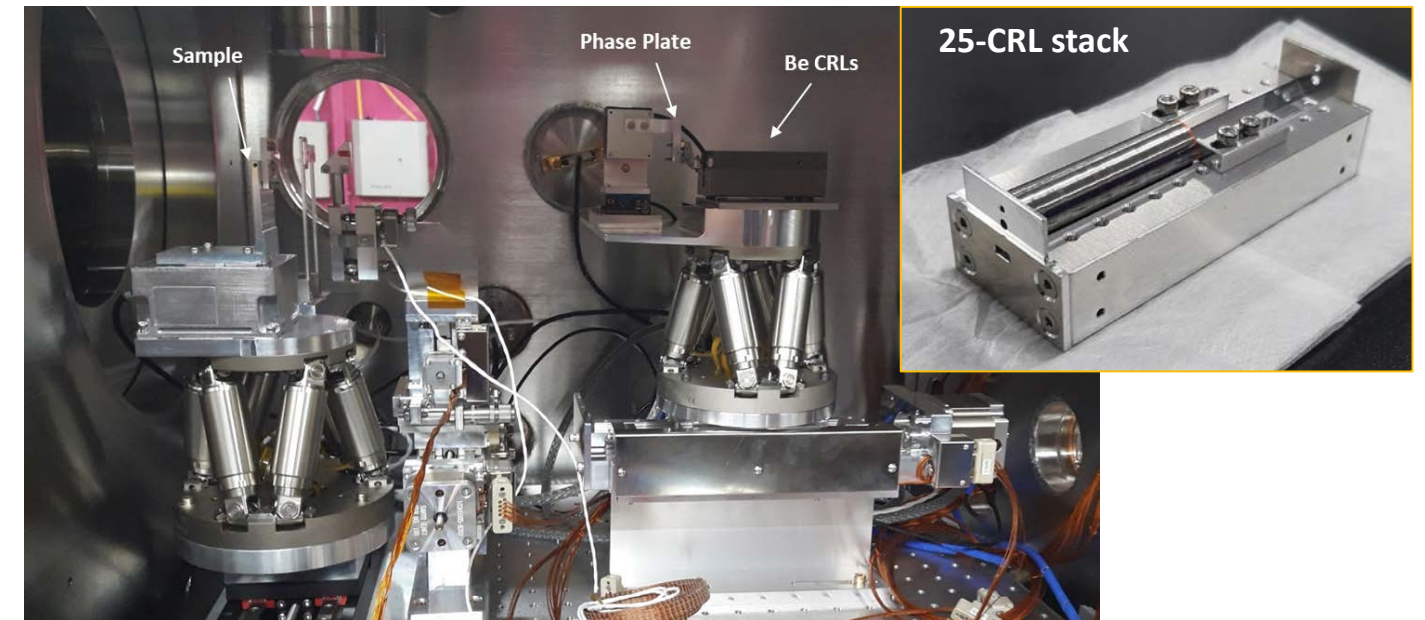
Diffraction image from 50 nm Gold nanoparticle



- X-ray: 5 keV
- Focus size: 500 nm (H) x 650 nm (V)

Nano-focused CRL (portable)

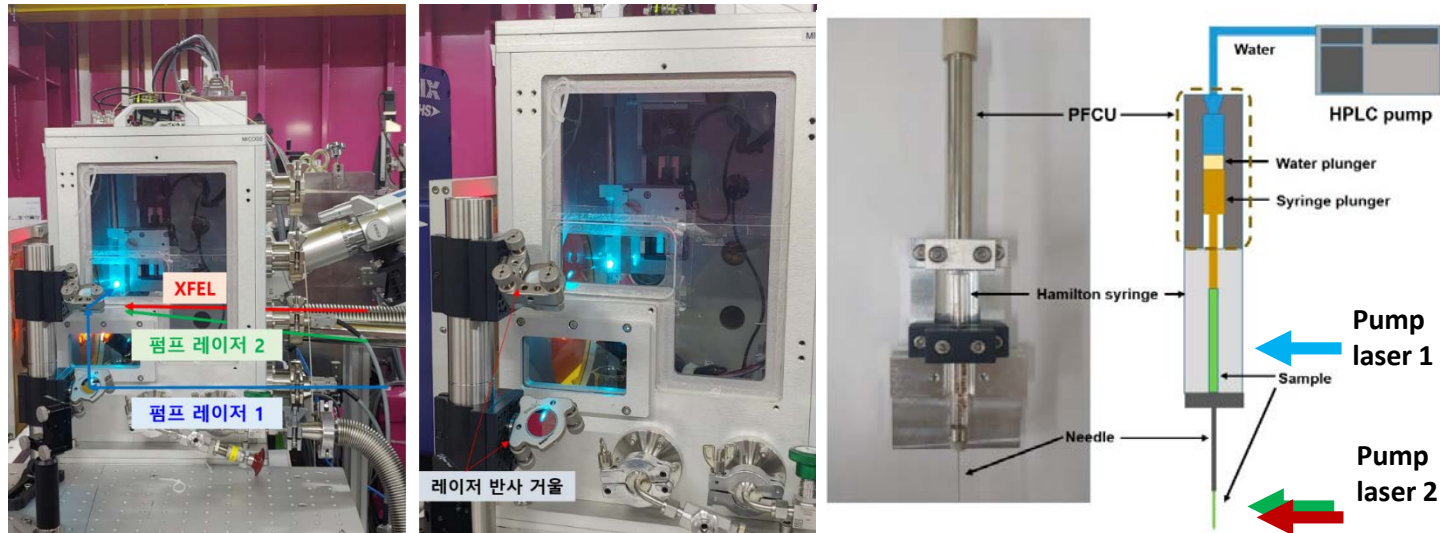
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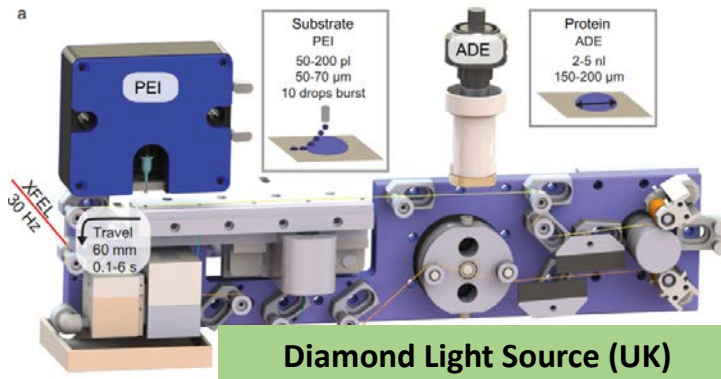
Energy	Focal length	Spot Size	Effective Aperture	Transmission
10.0 keV	300 mm	160~180 nm	258 μm	0.5

Sample deliveries for Macromolecular dynamics

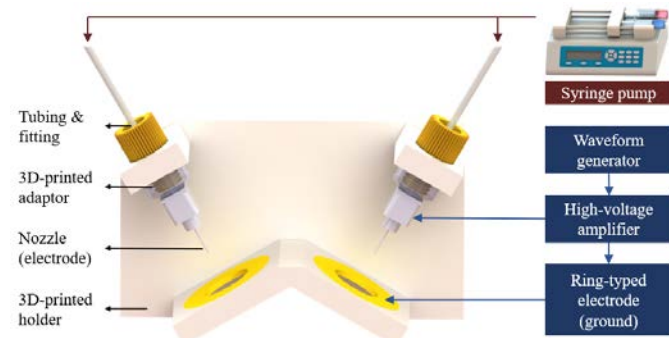
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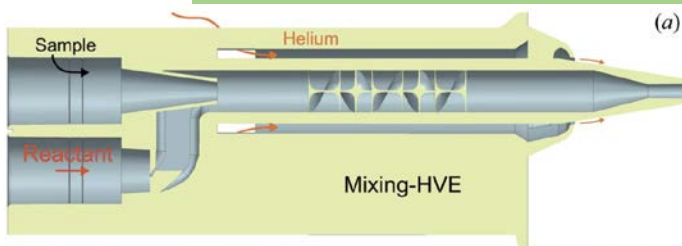
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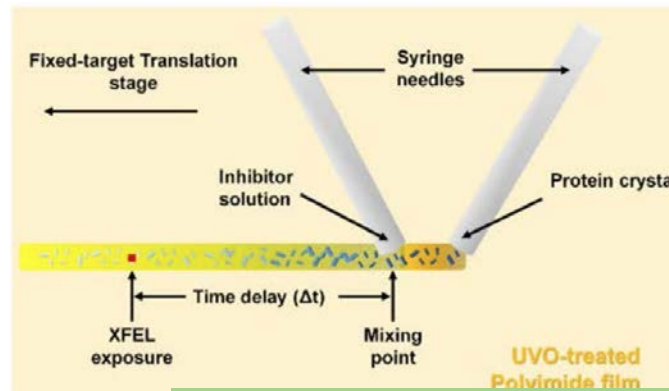
Diamond Light Source (UK)



Soongsil University (Korea)



European-XFEL (Germany)



POSTECH (Korea)

❖ Photo-induced dynamics

- Optical laser pump (& dump)
- Photo-induced structure changes
- Users from ASU, LBNL, Imperial College London, SwissFEL, etc.

❖ Molecular reaction dynamics

- Solution mixing and X-ray probe
- Ligand binding @ active sites
- Enzyme reactions
- Drug target
- Collaboration: Diamond Light Source, European-XFEL, etc.

Sample handling strategies for SFX

Liquid injection

- **Conventional techniques (phase 1)**
 - GDVN liquid jet injection (PSD)
 - LCP injection (CMD)
- **Miscellaneous**
 - Direct injection with Hamilton syringe (MLV syringe)

Fixed target

- **Stage based control (phase 2)**
 - 2D fixed target: micro-mesh
 - 1D fixed target: micro-tubing

Mixing injection

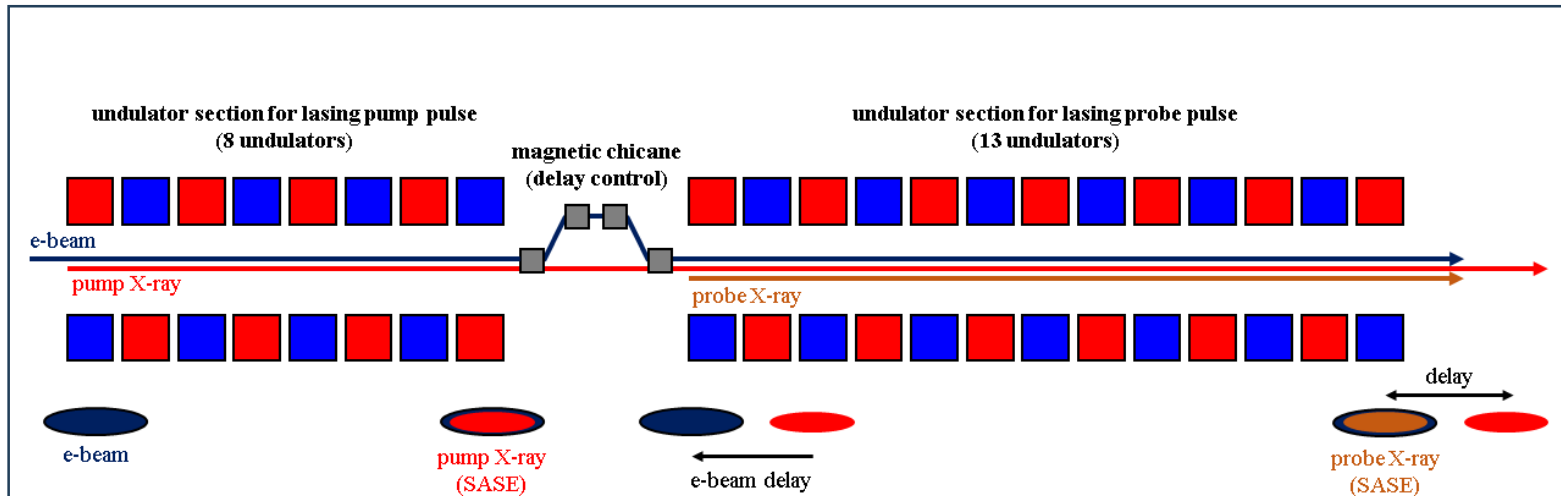
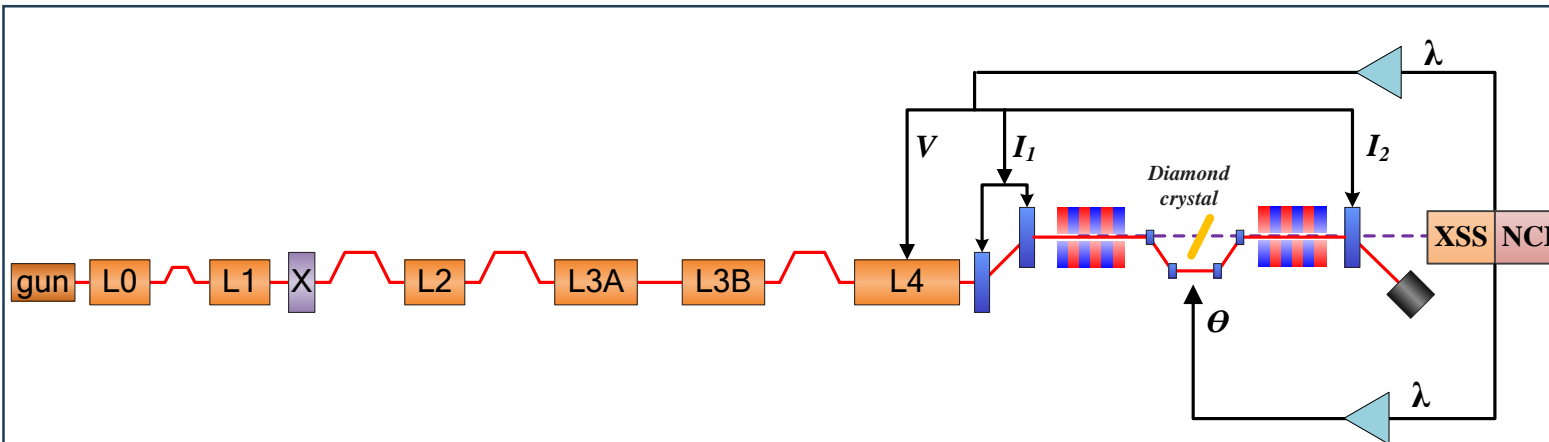
- **Membrane proteins (LCP)**
 - Mixing-High viscosity extruder
→ Mixing-HVE injector
 - Collaboration with European-XFEL SEC group
- **Soluble proteins**
 - Aperture-based mixing device (Si-chip with multi windows)
 - Under development

Experimental applications of advanced FEL modes at PAL-XFEL

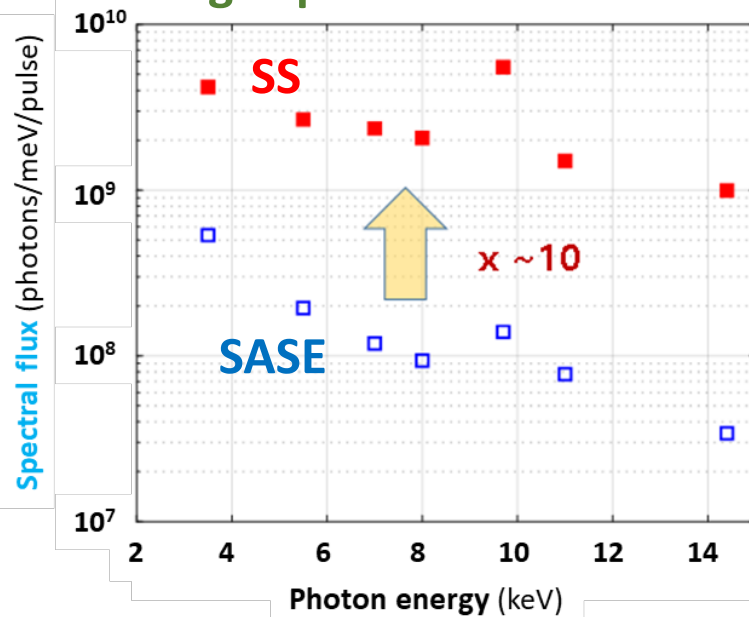
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Hard X-ray self-seeding

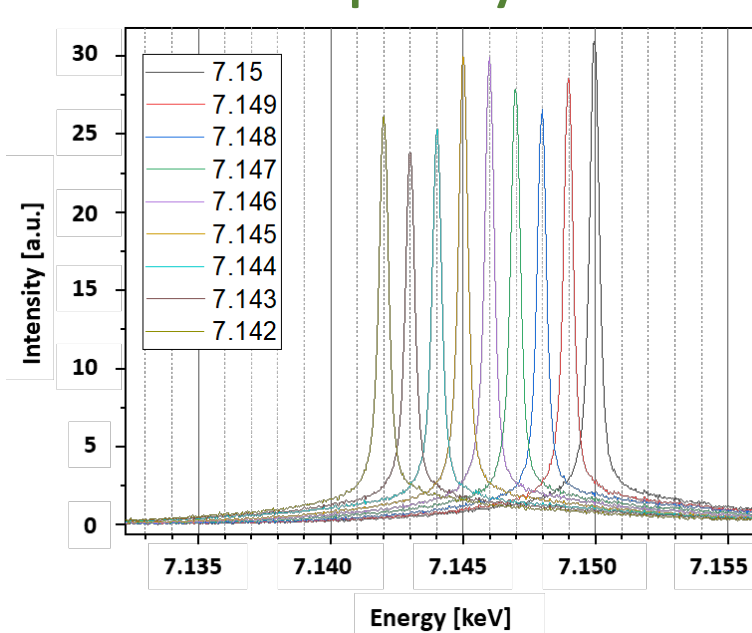
Two-color FEL generation



High spectral flux

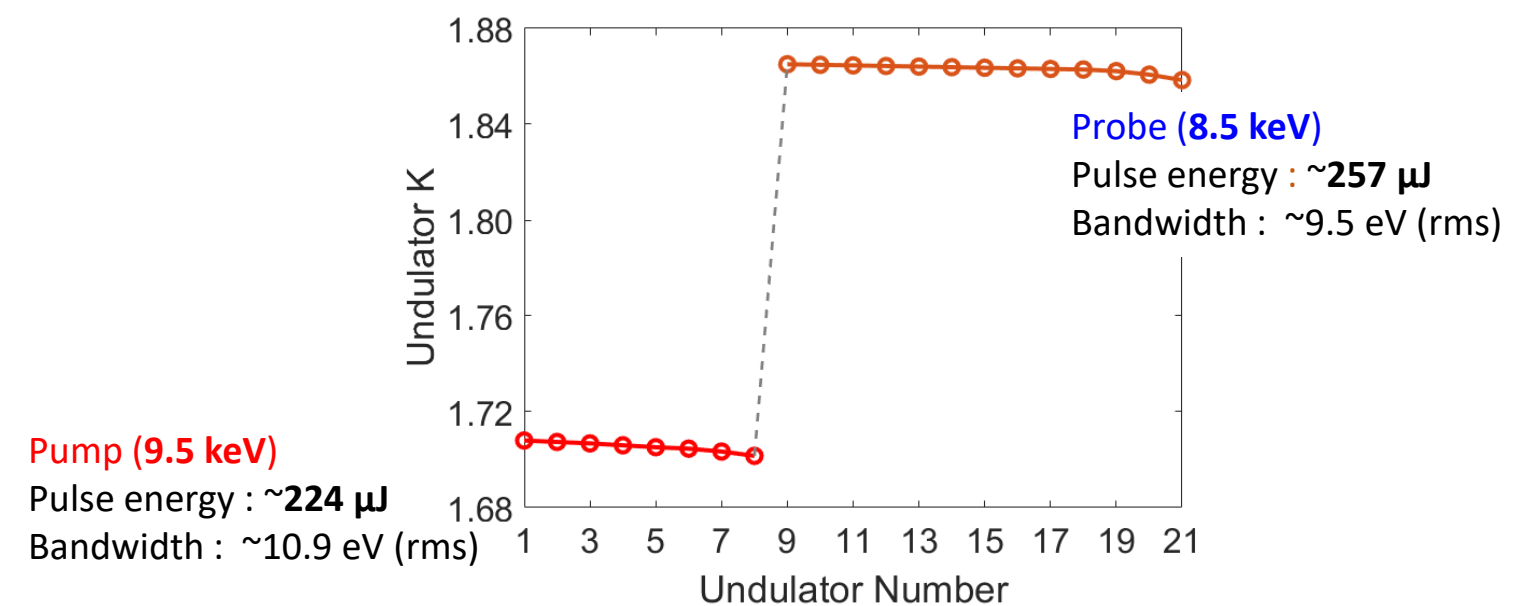


E-scan capability



- SASE bandwidth (FWHM) = 27 eV
- Self-seeding bandwidth (FWHM) = **0.22 eV**

- Averaged pulse energy: **~850 μJ**
- FEL Pulse duration = ~ 20 fs



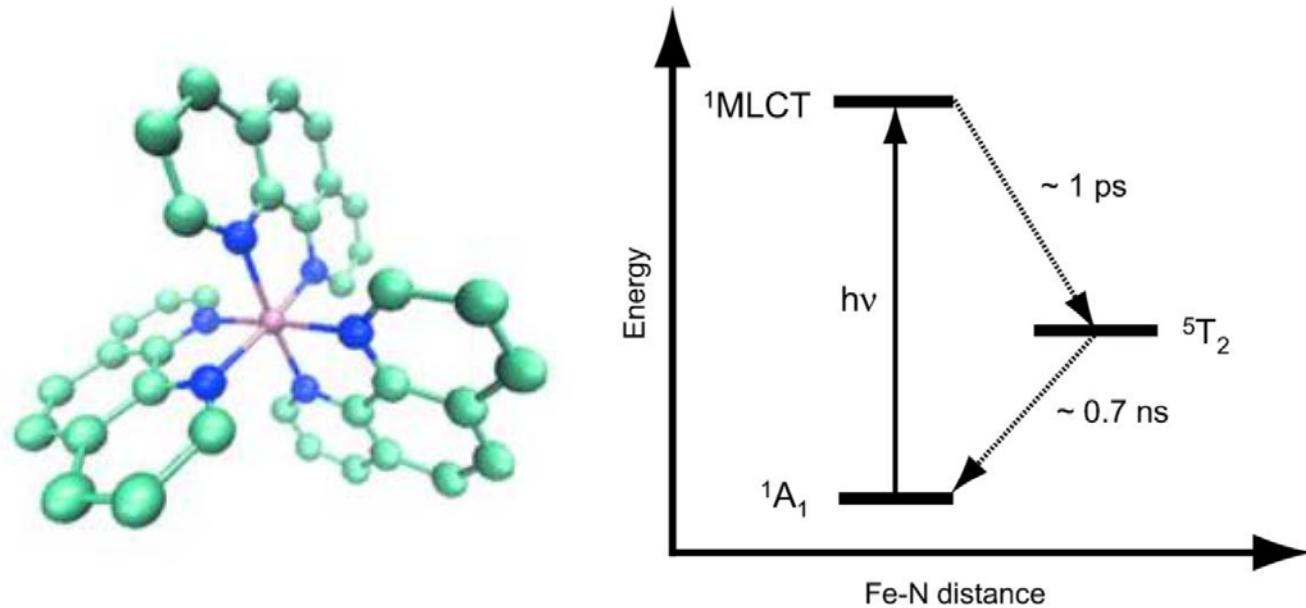
Pump (9.5 keV)
 Pulse energy : ~224 μJ
 Bandwidth : ~10.9 eV (rms)

Probe (8.5 keV)
 Pulse energy : ~257 μJ
 Bandwidth : ~9.5 eV (rms)

- 9.5 keV pump + 8.5 keV probe
- Delay between two pulses up to 120 fs

Time-resolved XANES using Self-seeded FEL

Spin-crossover complex: photo-activated spin state conversion



Experimental condition

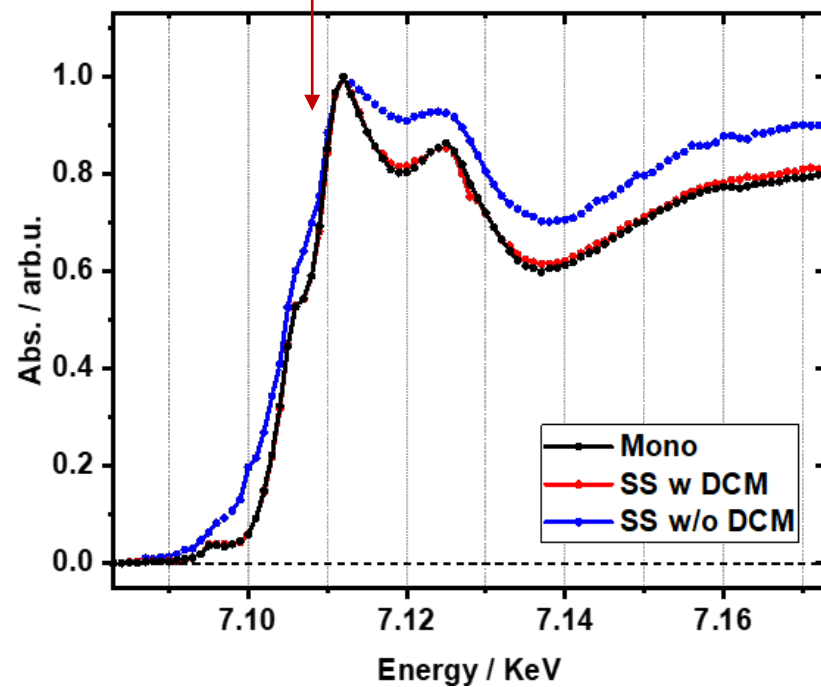
- Sample : 50 mM Fe(phen)₃Cl₂ in water (150 μm nozzle)
- pump laser : 400 nm (100 mJ/cm²)
- X-ray : 7.09~7.17 keV (E-scan) , ~39 μm² (FWHM)

SS beam (w/ DCM) shows 25 % better S/N than SASE.

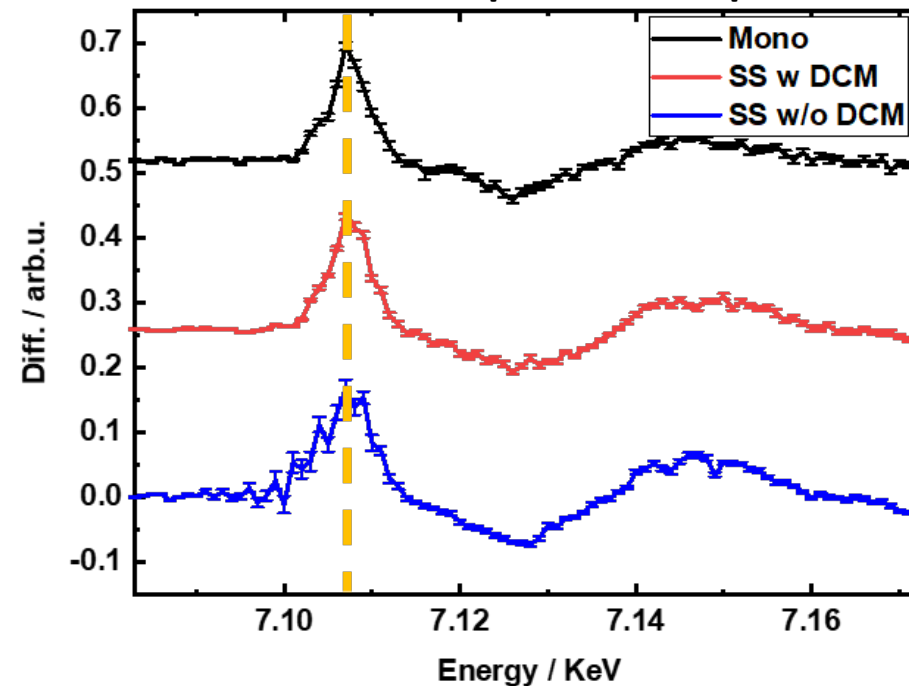
Ready to support tr-XAS experiments using SS (>5 keV)

Future plan : HERFD-XANES

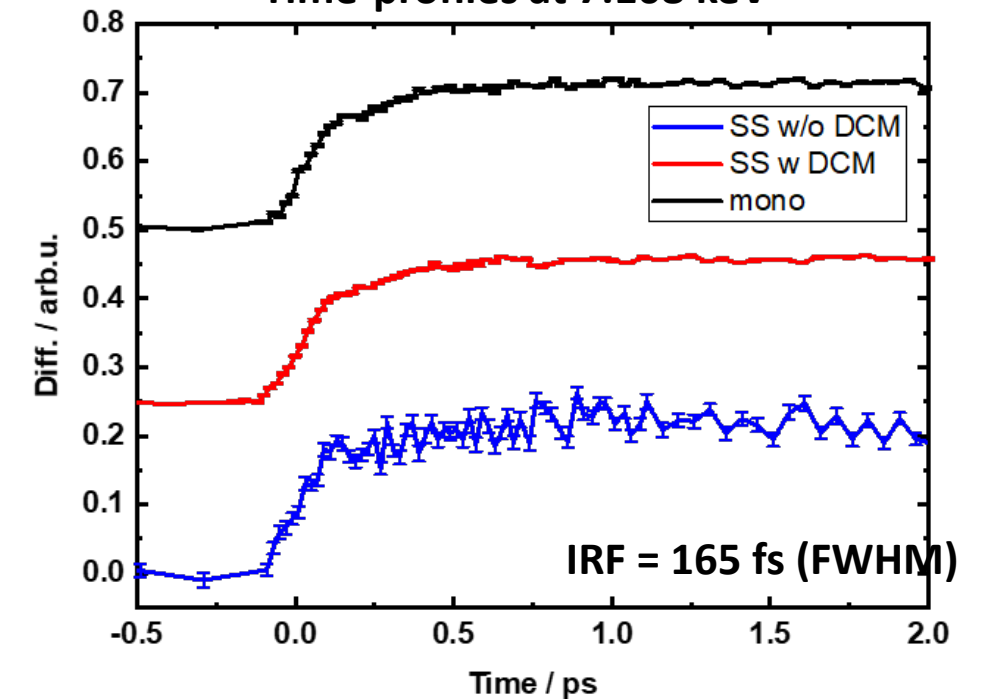
Effects of SASE background on XAS spectrum



Difference spectra at 50 ps



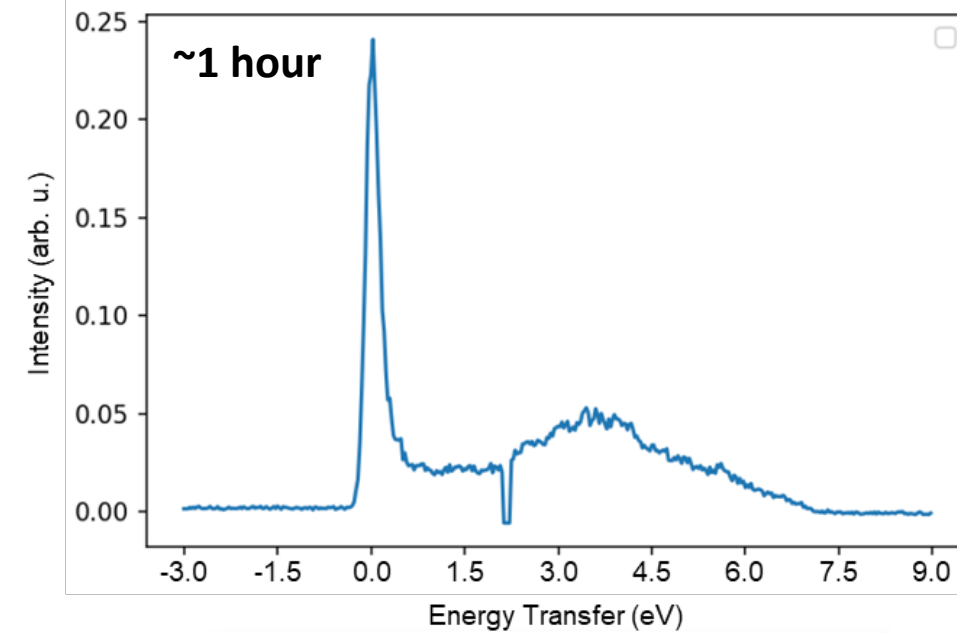
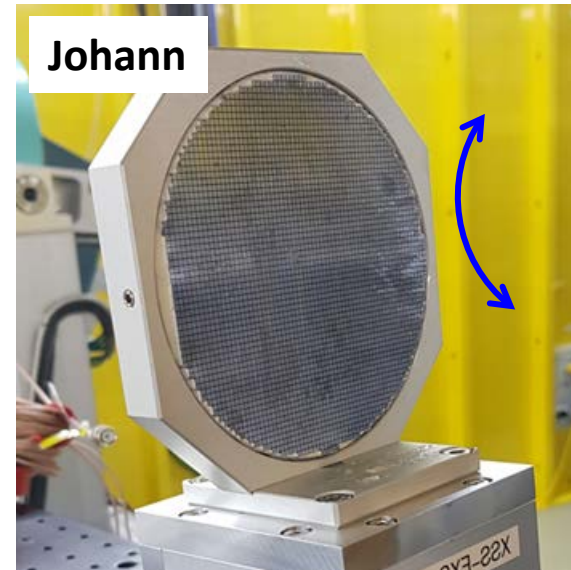
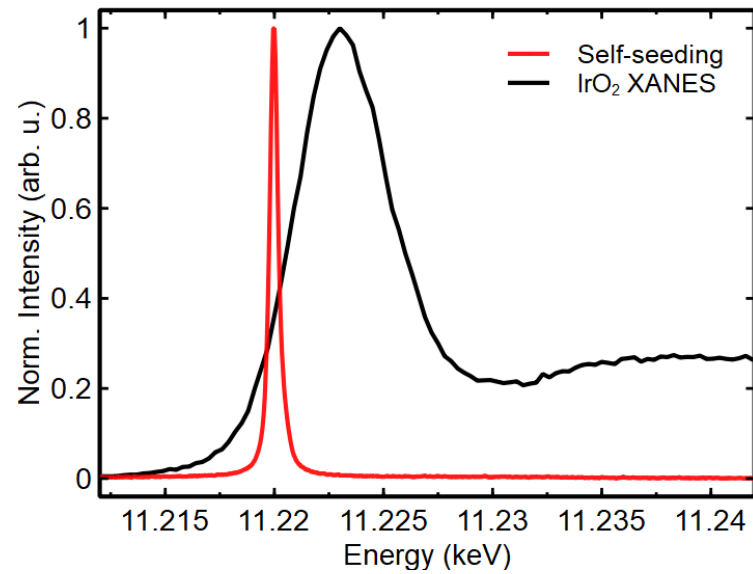
Time-profiles at 7.108 keV



Hard X-ray RIXS, RXES using Self-seeded FEL

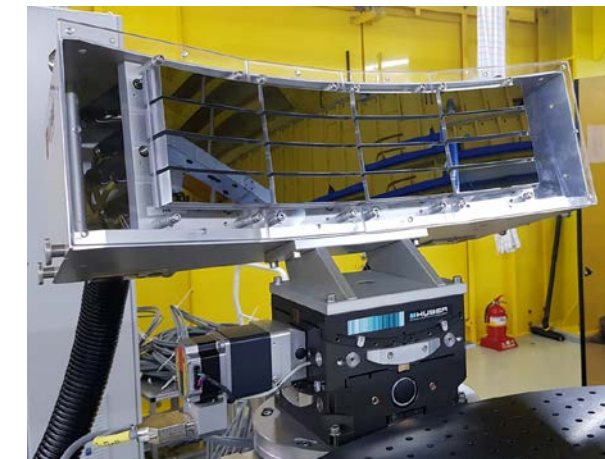
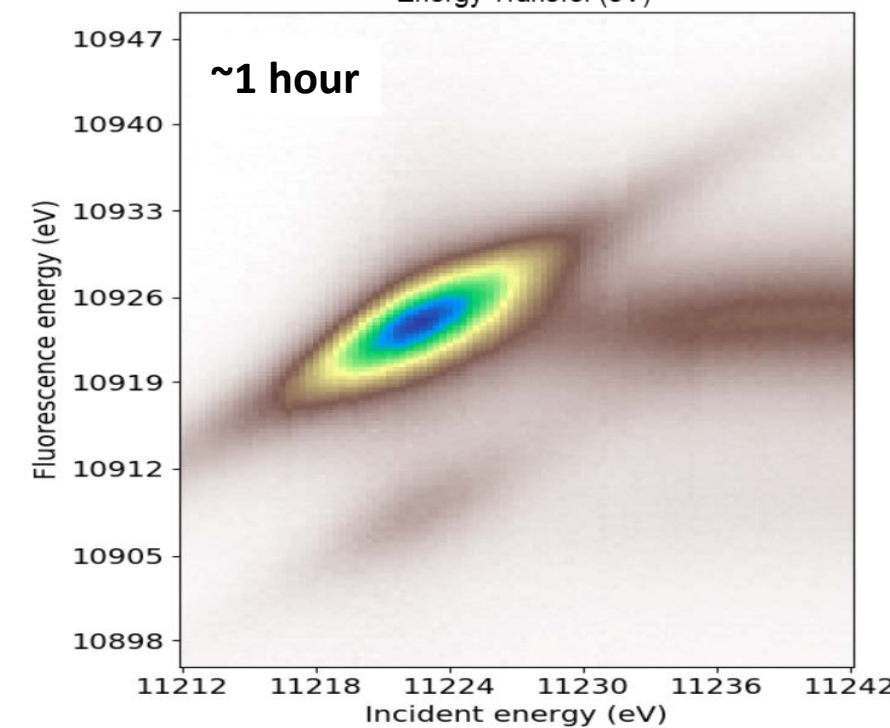
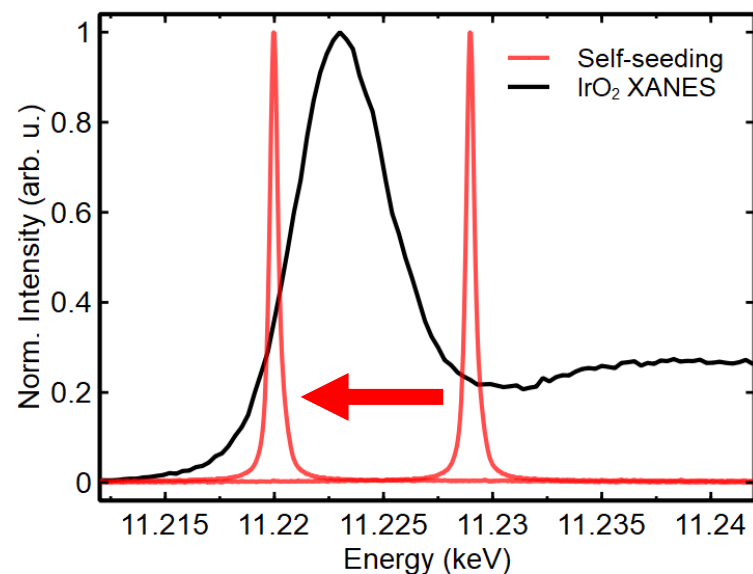
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1) RIXS: Incident energy **fixed**, Bragg angle **scanned**



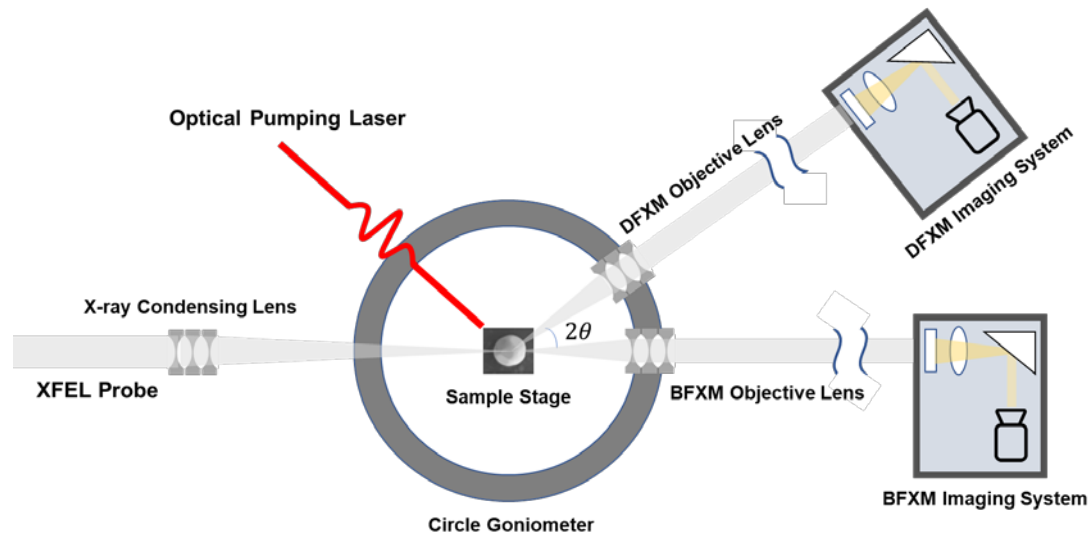
Johann-type (scanning)
- Crystal: 3 x Si(111), (220)

2) RXES: Incident energy **scanned**, Bragg angle **fixed**

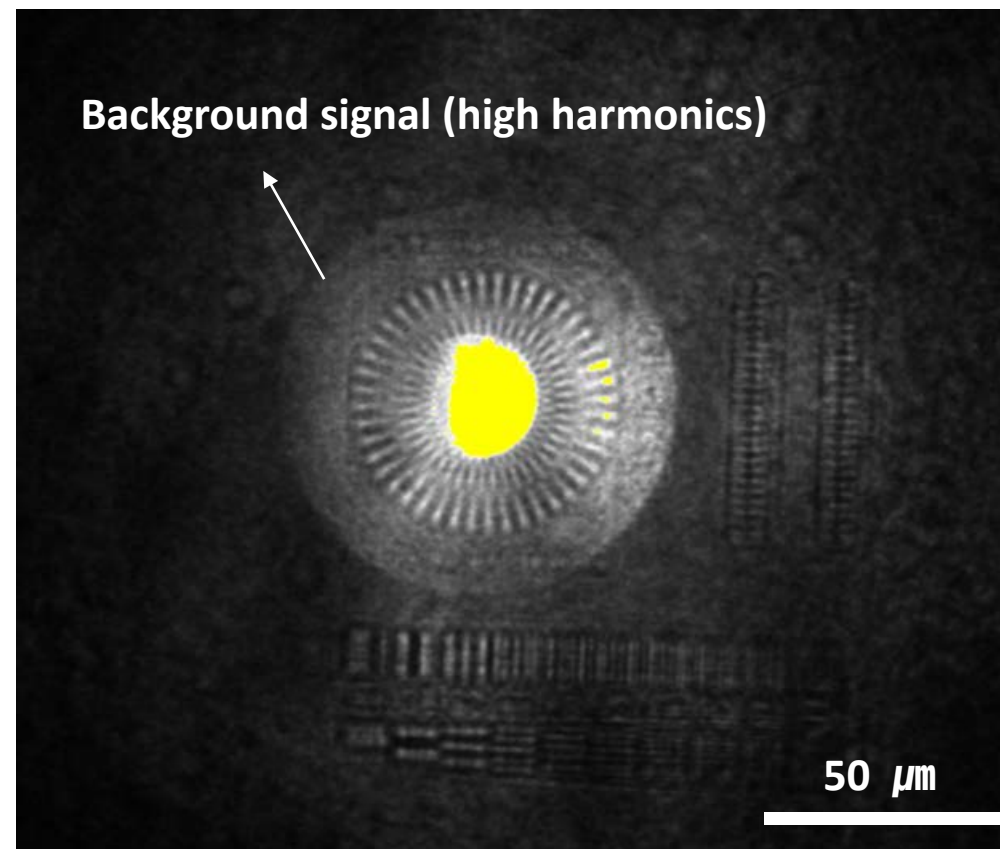


Von Hamos-type (dispersive)
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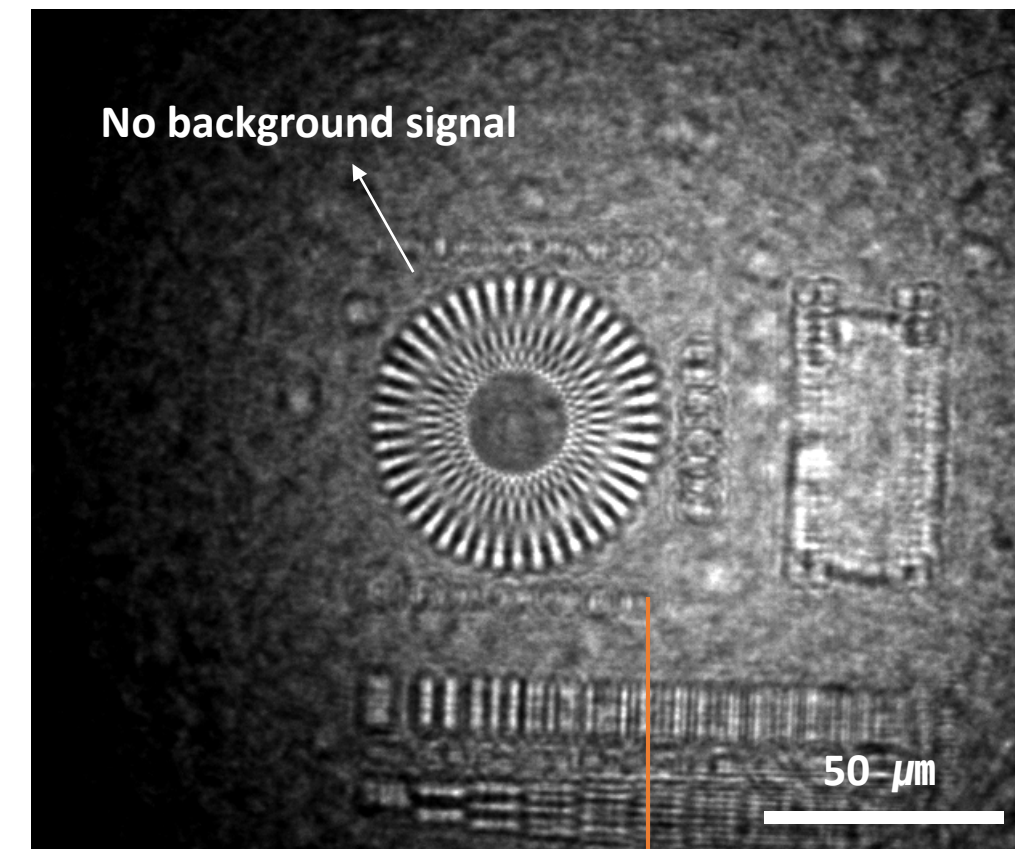
X-ray microscopy with self-seeding beam



✓ Pink beam

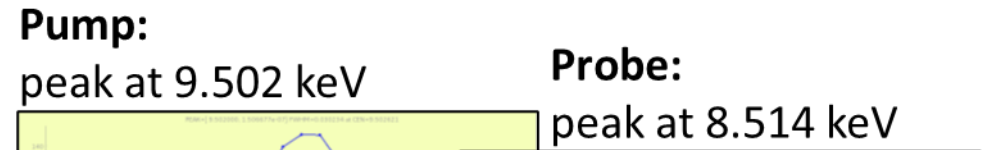
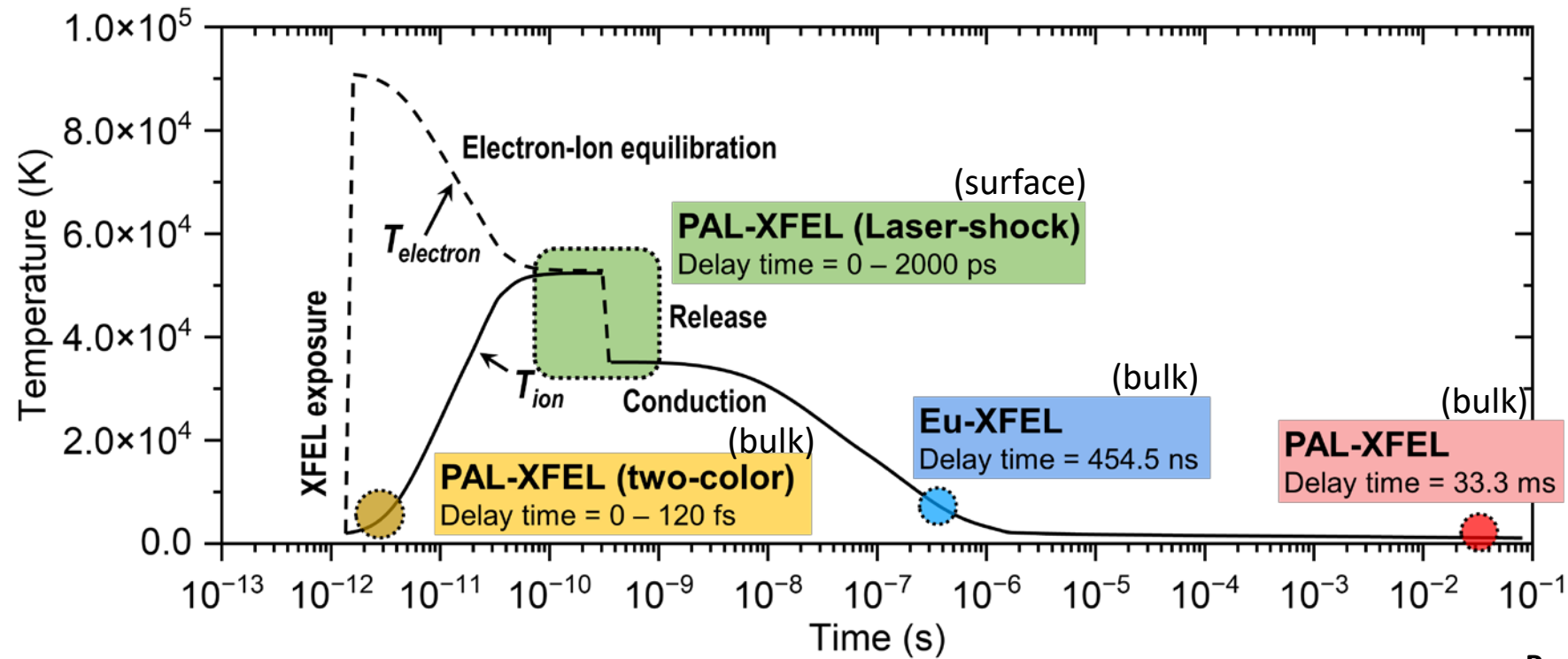


✓ Seeded beam



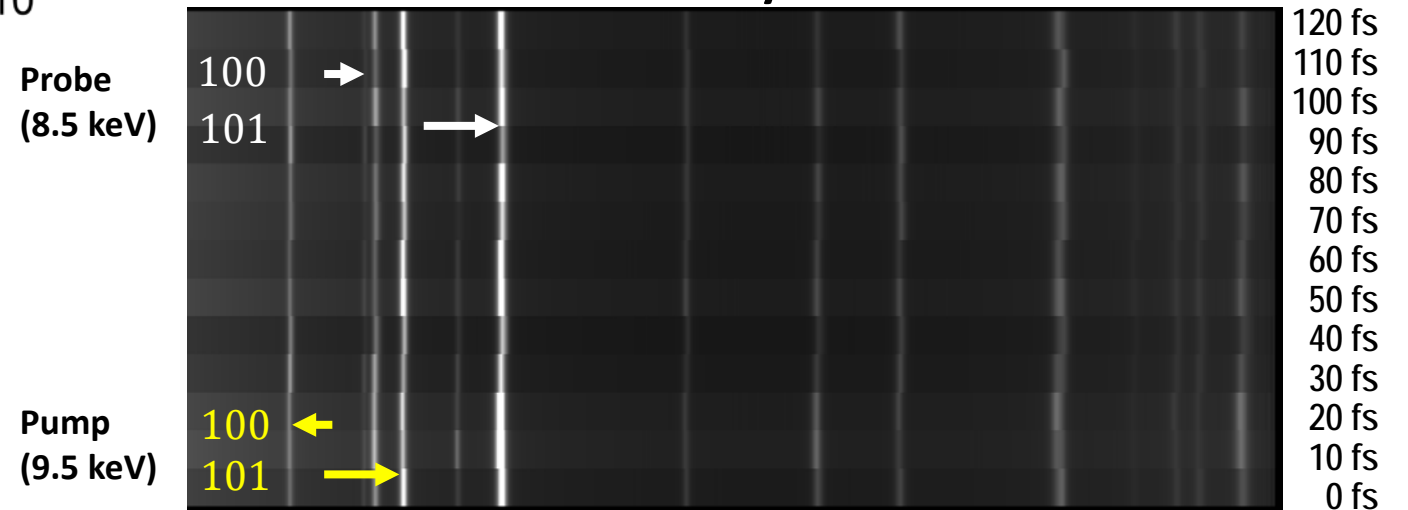
- Bright Field X-ray Microscopy Image at E=10keV (without DCM)
 - CRLs objective lens : 37 EA (with radius of curvature 50um)
 - magnification: x21
 - seed-beam shows much better signal-to-noise ratio

Observing ultrafast structural change in metals by two-color XFELs

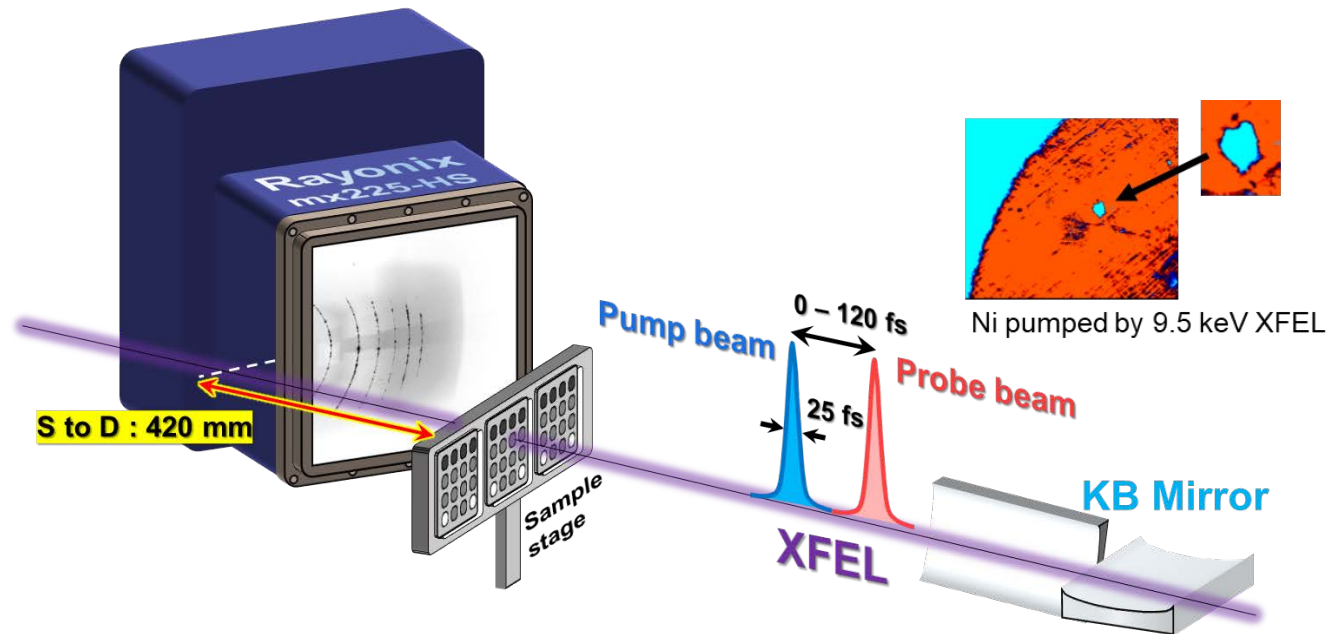


XFEL:
Photon energy: 9.5 keV pump, 8.5 keV probe
Pulse duration: 25 fs

Diffraction of Ti with **delay time**



- No noticeable changes in time
- Requires a longer time delay in the range of ps ~ ns scale

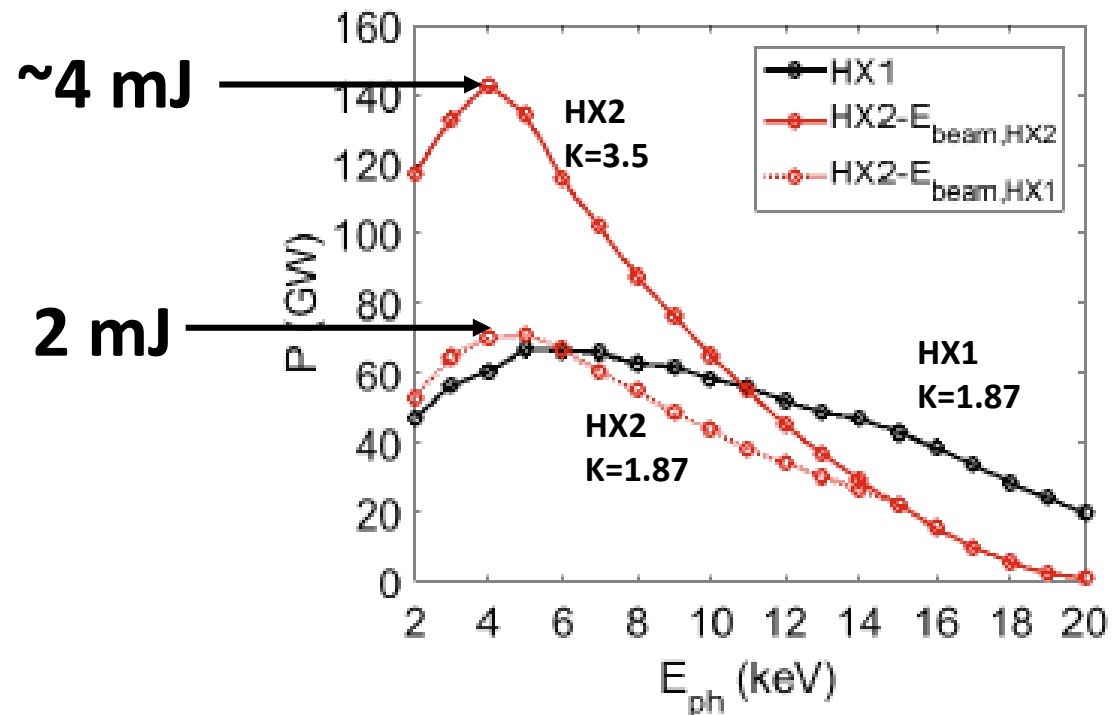


2nd Hard X-ray undulator line of PAL-XFEL

Construction plan for 2nd Hard X-ray undulator line of PAL-XFEL

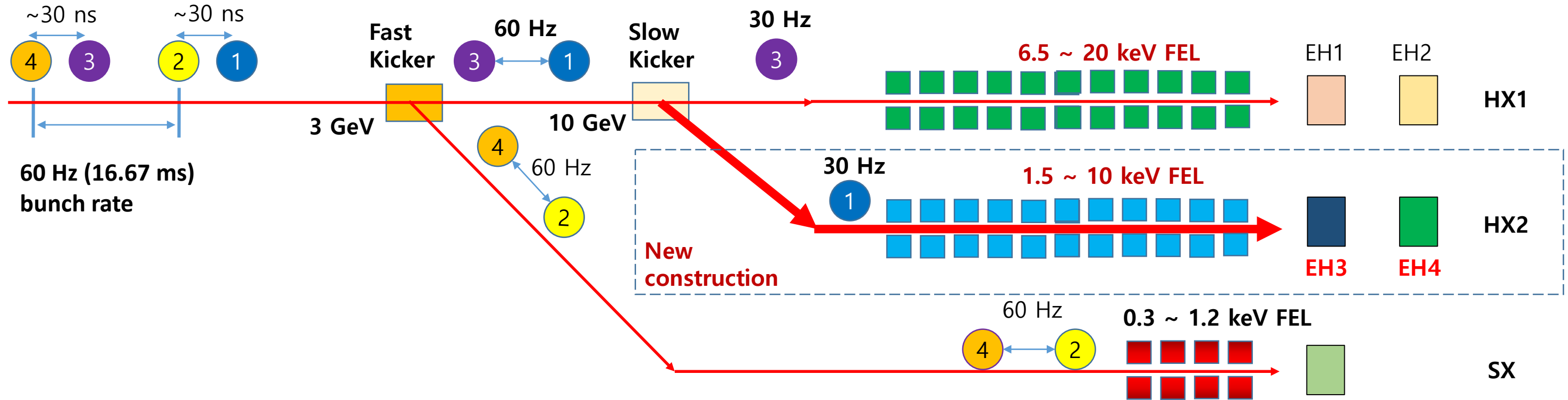


	HX1	HX2	SX1
Undulator period, mm	26	35	35
Undulator K (max)	1.87	3.5	3.5
FEL photon energy, keV	6.5 ~ 20	2.0 ~ 10.0	0.3 ~ 1.2
Specialized range, keV	9~15 keV (> 1 mJ)	2 ~ 8 keV (> 3 mJ)	



- 20 undulator units & 2 experimental hutches (HX2)
- HX2 undulator parameter will be the same as SX1
- 2 – 20 keV photon energies are available both on HX1 & HX2 (Specialized range is different.)

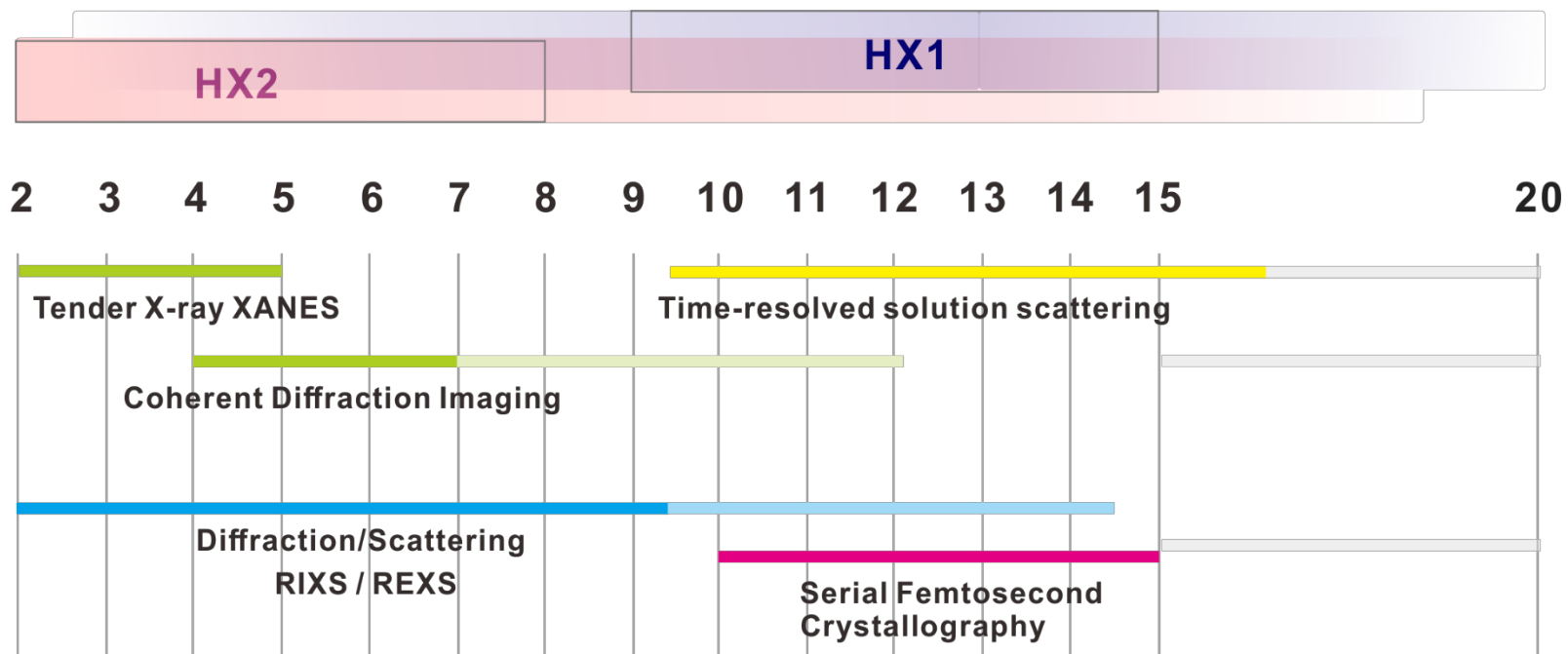
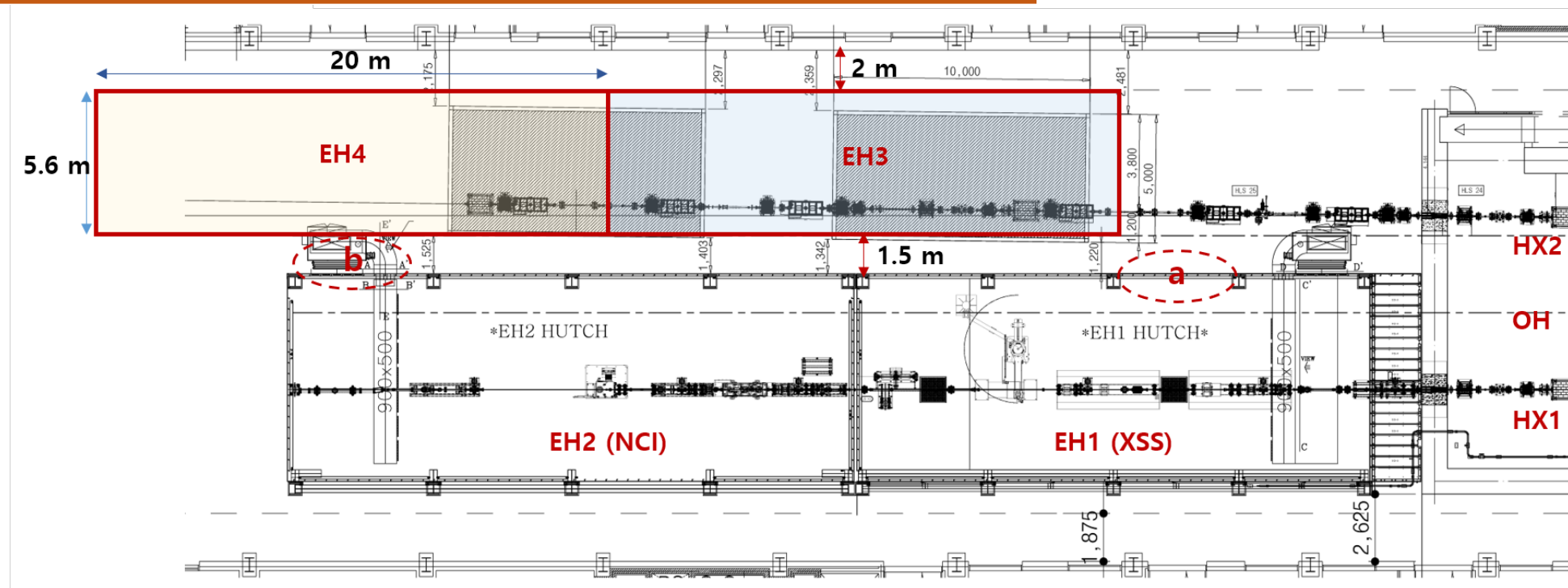
The ultimate effect of building HX2



➤ HX2 allows...

- An increased acceptance rate of HX user experiments with higher user demand.
(Broaden XFEL user base and Attracting new users)
- Dedicated and specialized science programs of the PAL-XFEL.
- To operate 3 independent FEL lines (HX1, HX2 & SX) through the multi-beamline operation mode.
(Increased user beamtimes of all FEL lines as a result)

Plans for the HX hutches and instrumentations with HX2



- Distributing experimental techniques in 4 hutches based on the photon energies
- HX1/HX2 simultaneous operation
- Construction period, including commissioning (estimated) : 3 years without HX1 shutdown

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