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## ***Analysis of diffraction data***

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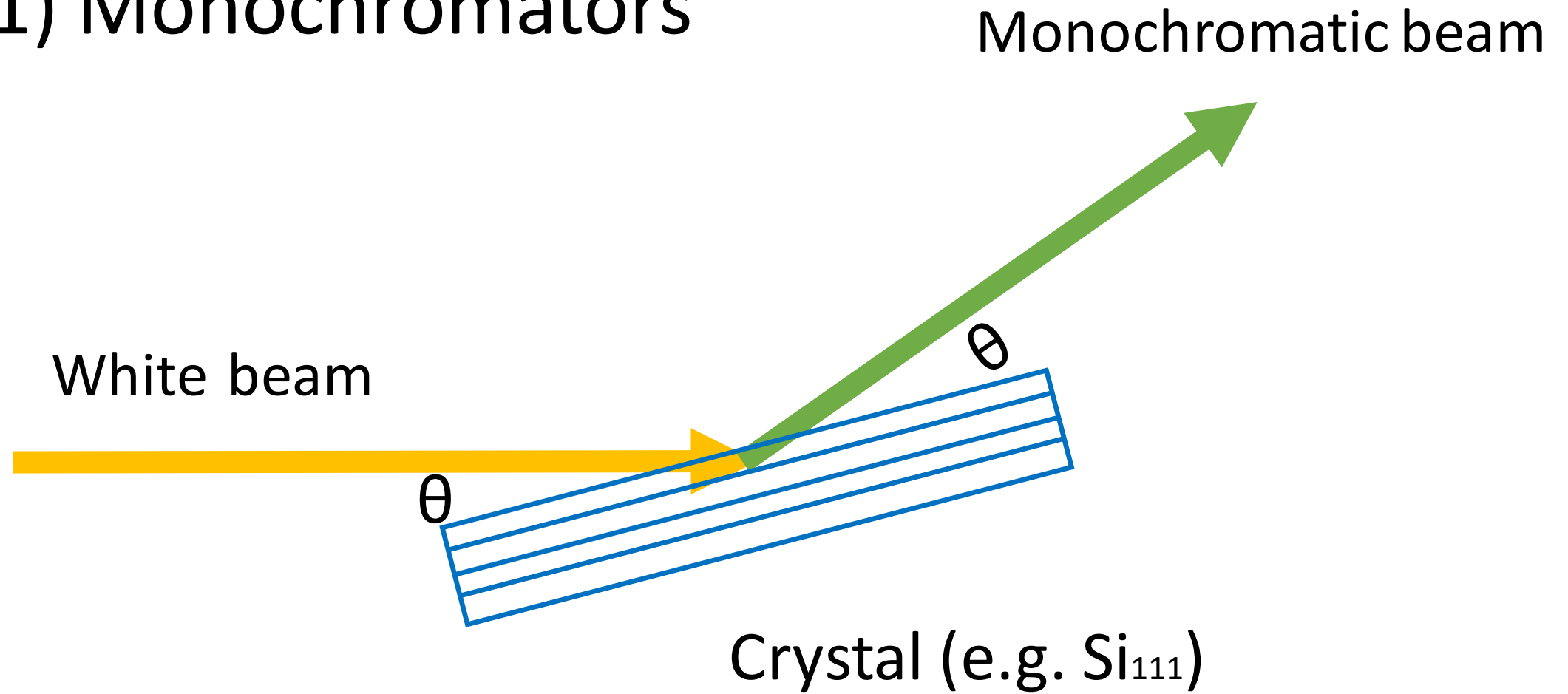
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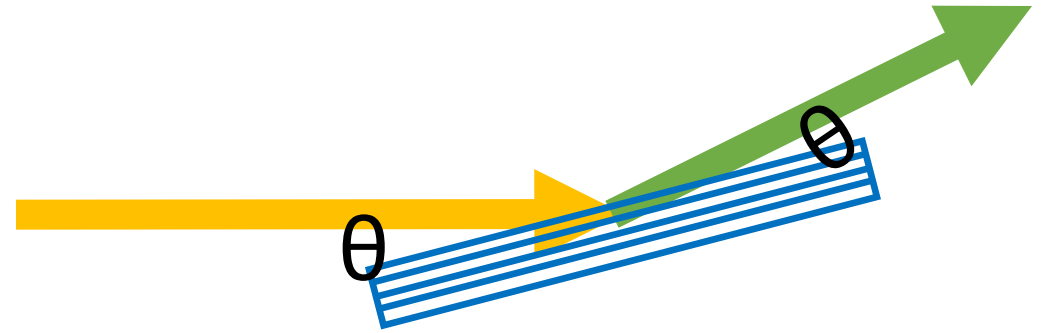
*Crystal structure database  
(American Mineralogist database)*

*Single crystal data reduction  
(multipurpose – inorganic)*

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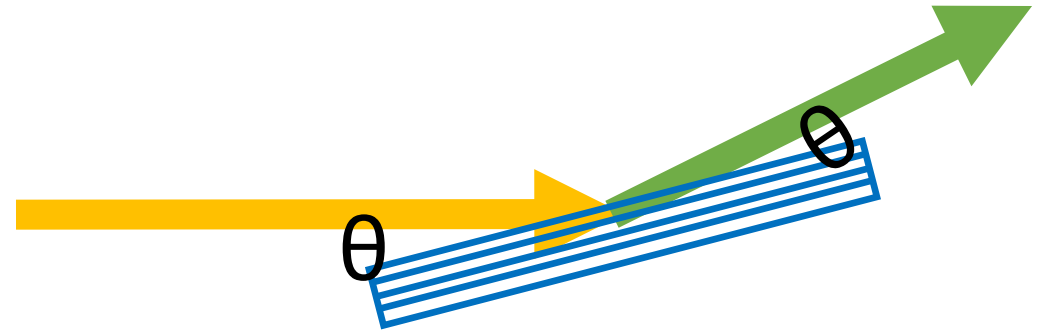


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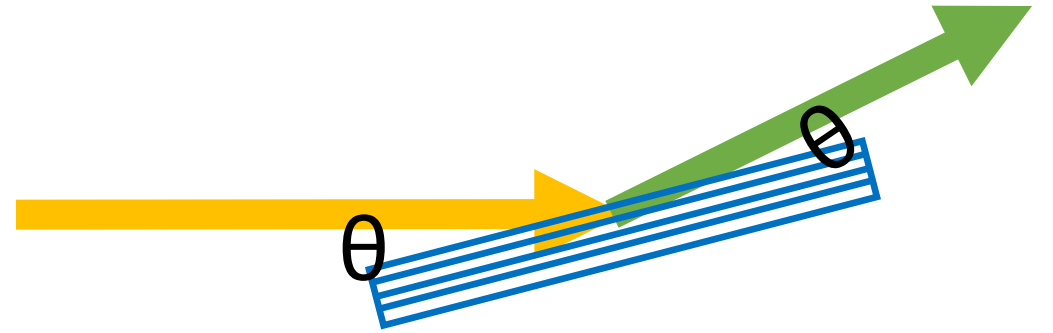
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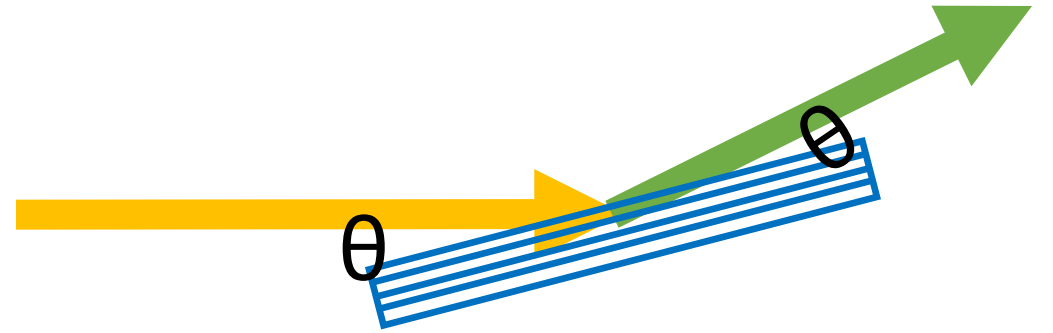
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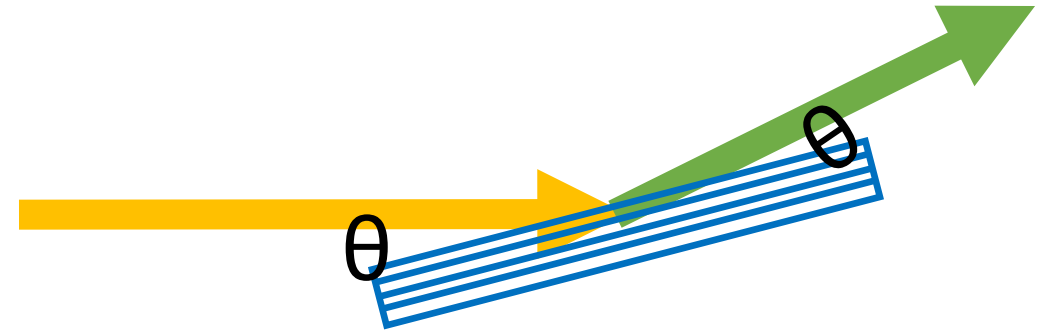
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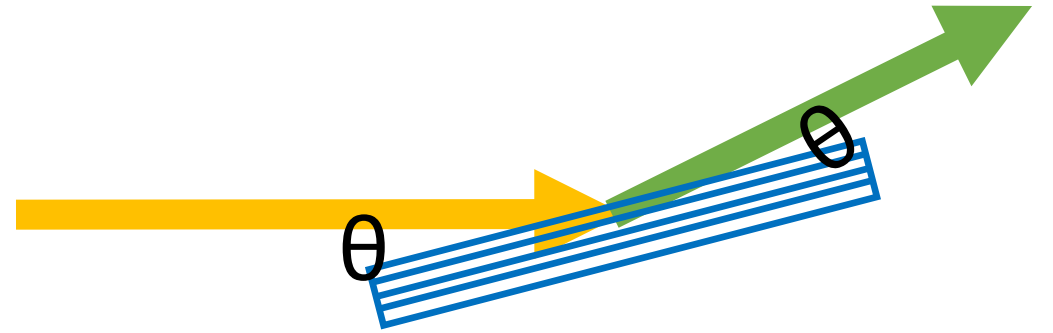
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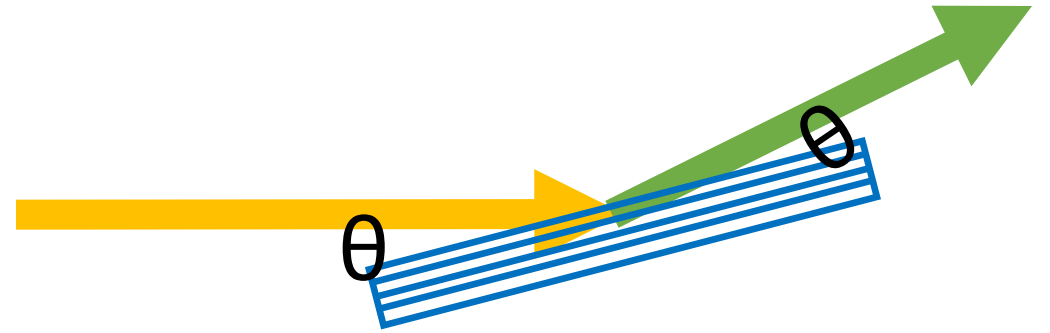
Silicon: cubic,  $a = 5.43102 \text{ \AA}$

$$1/d^2 = (h^2 + k^2 + l^2)/a^2$$

$$d_{111} = 3.13560 \text{ \AA}$$



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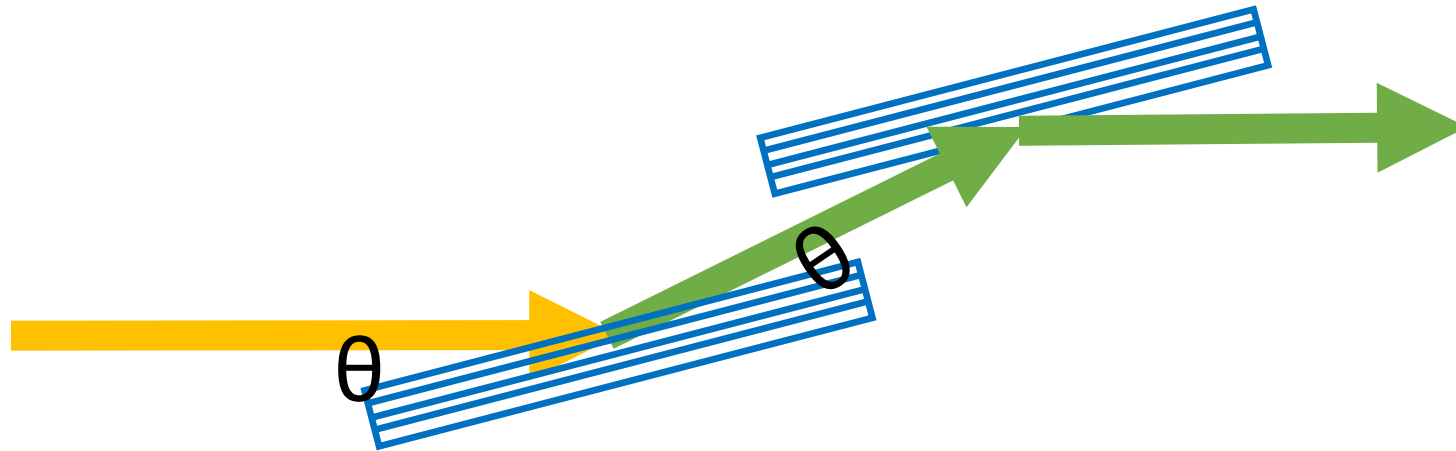
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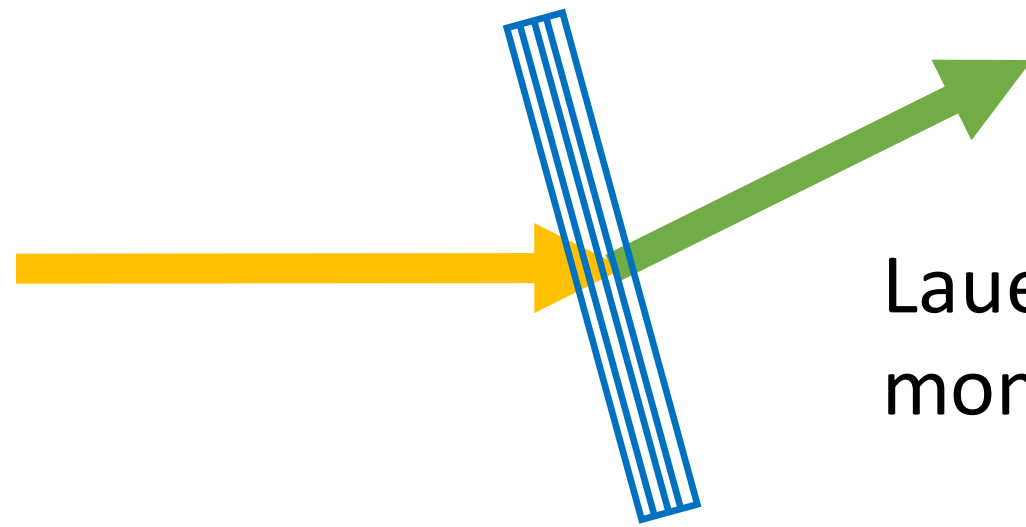
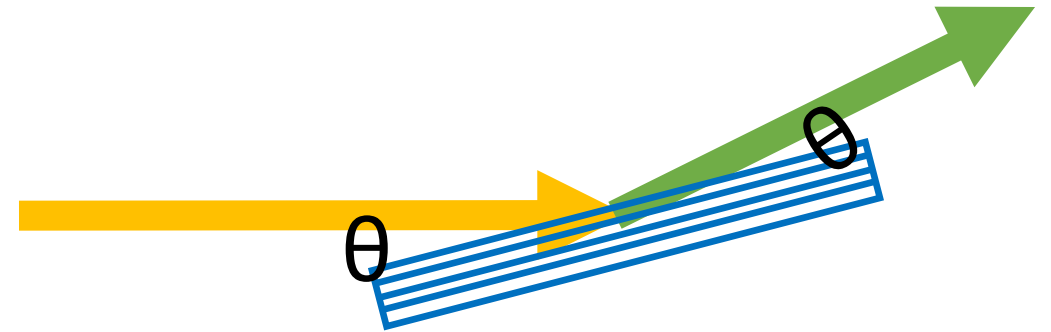
$$\Theta = 3.7786^\circ$$

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Double parallel monochromators

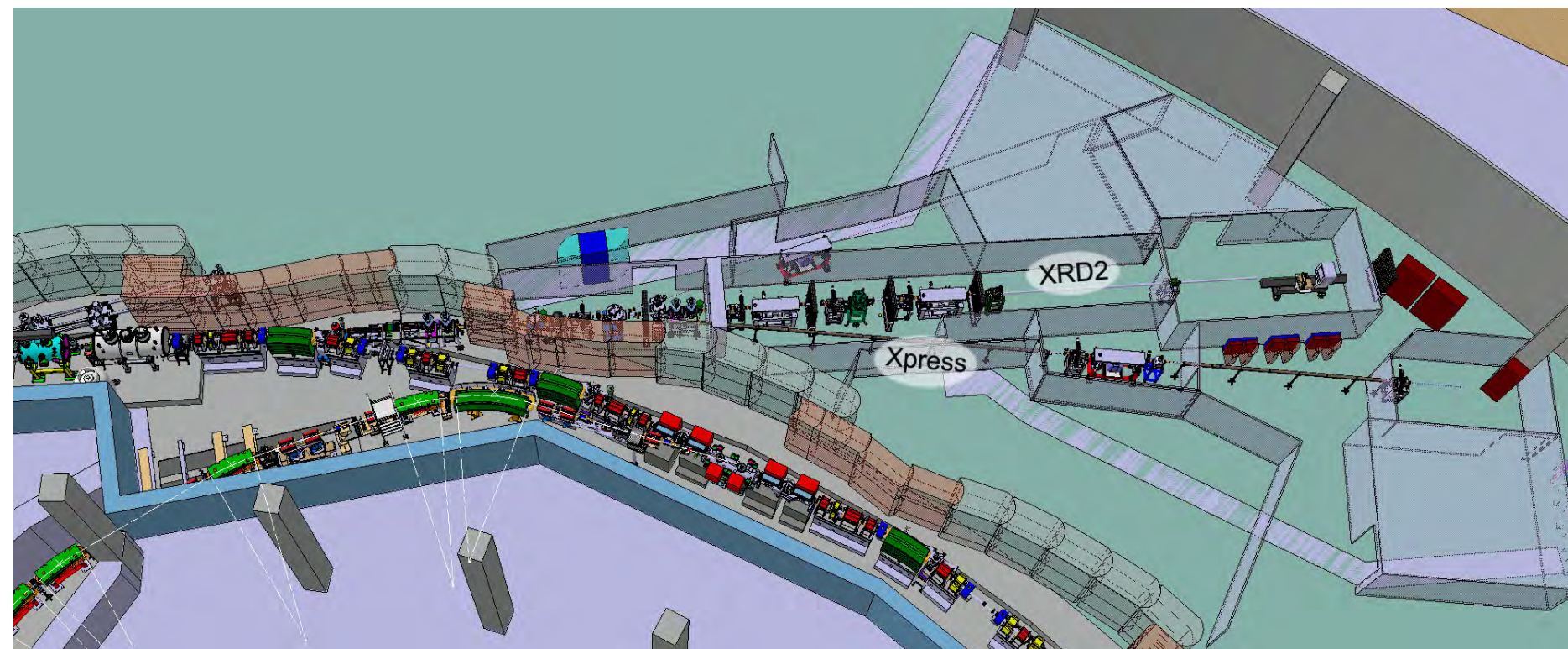
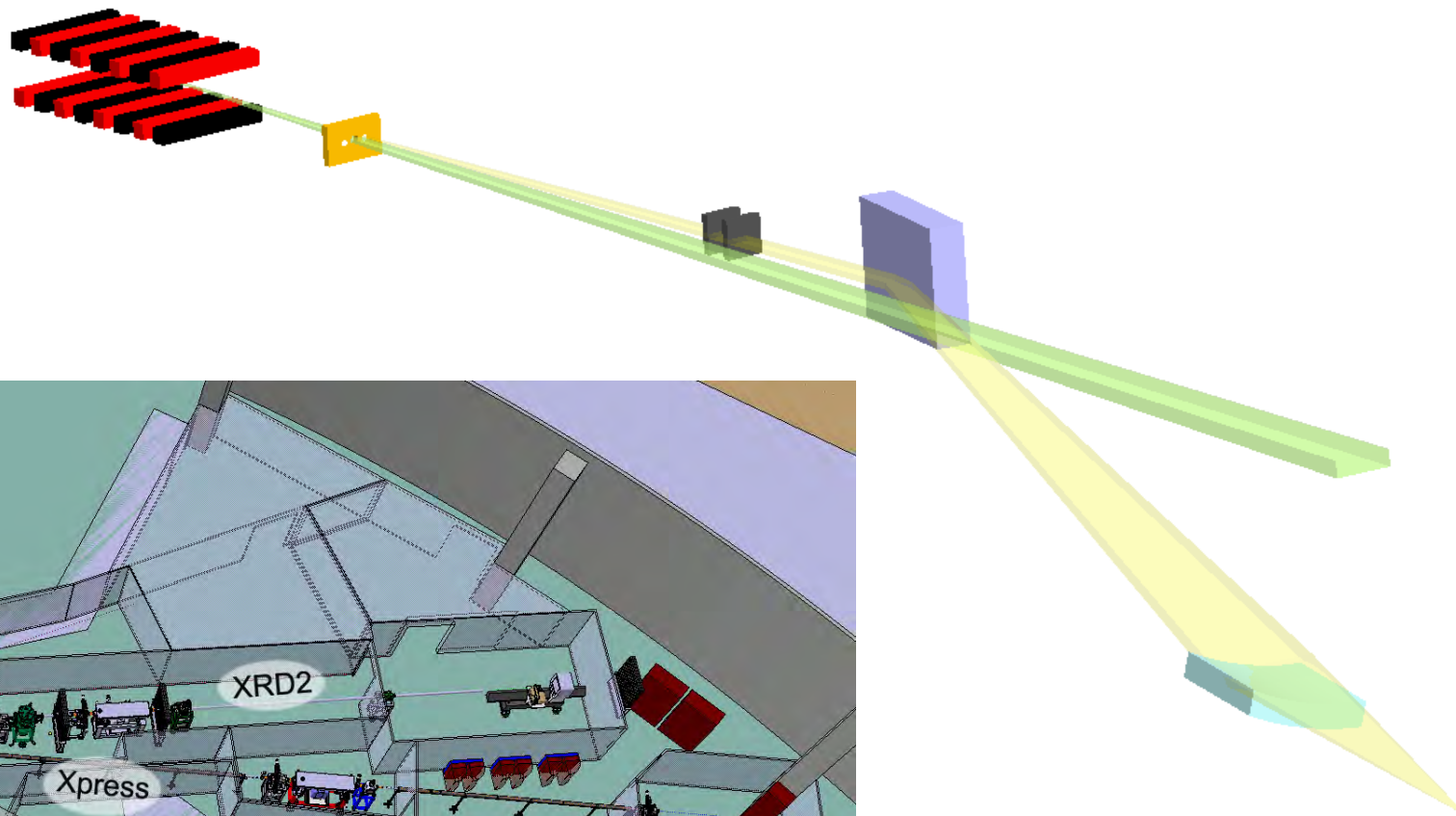
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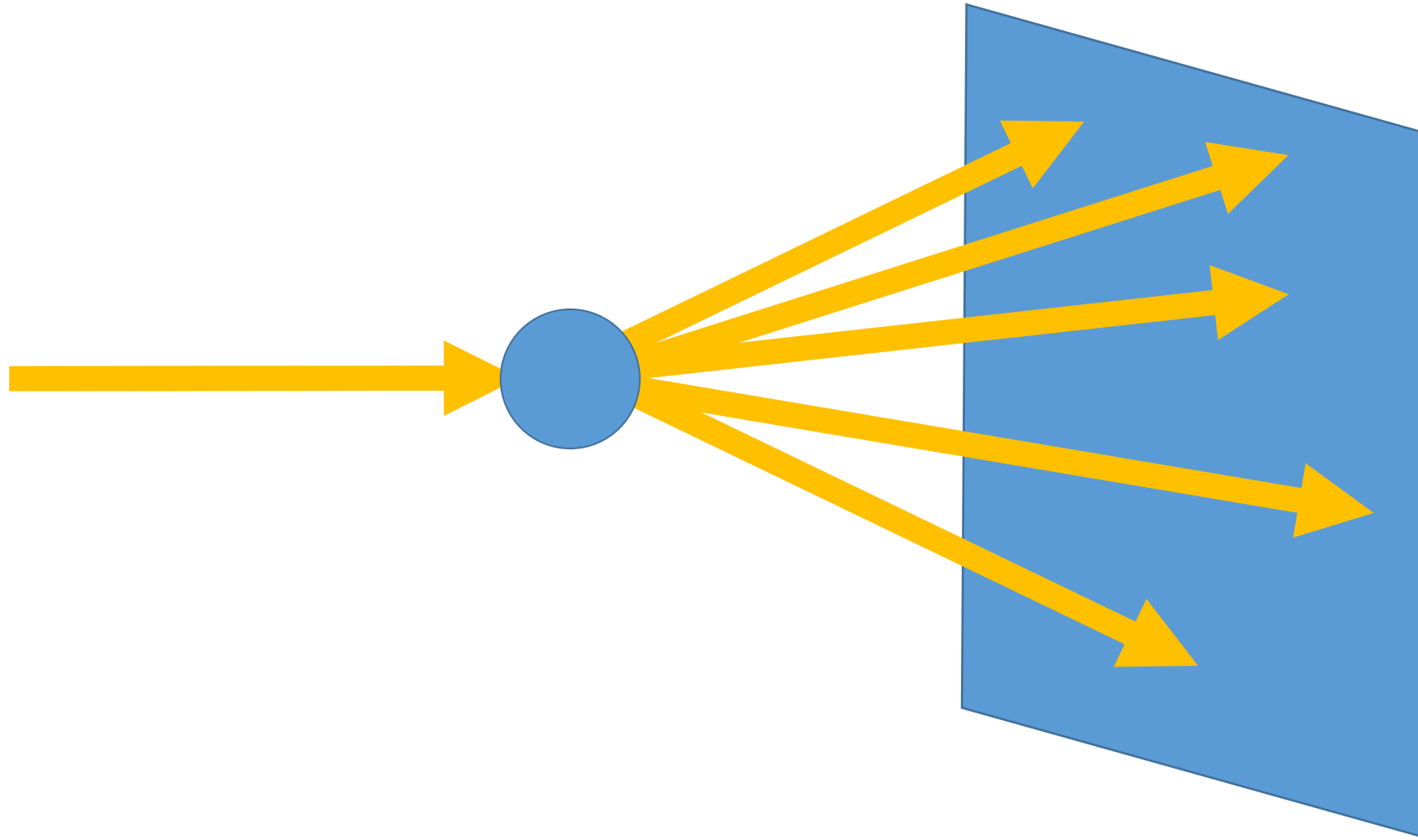
Laue geometry  
monochromator

Or single monochromator for  
specific purposes (i.e. two  
beamlines on single source)

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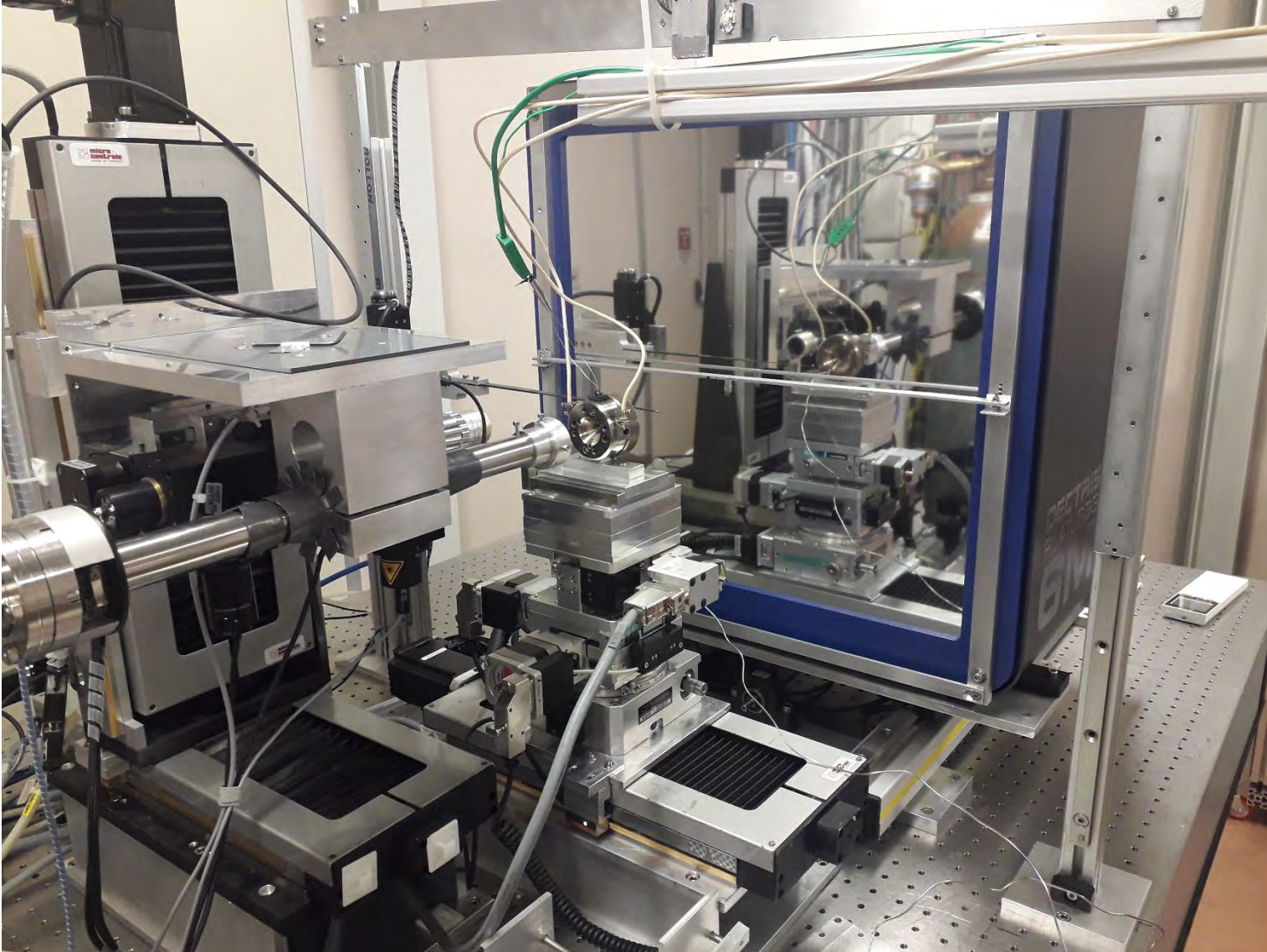


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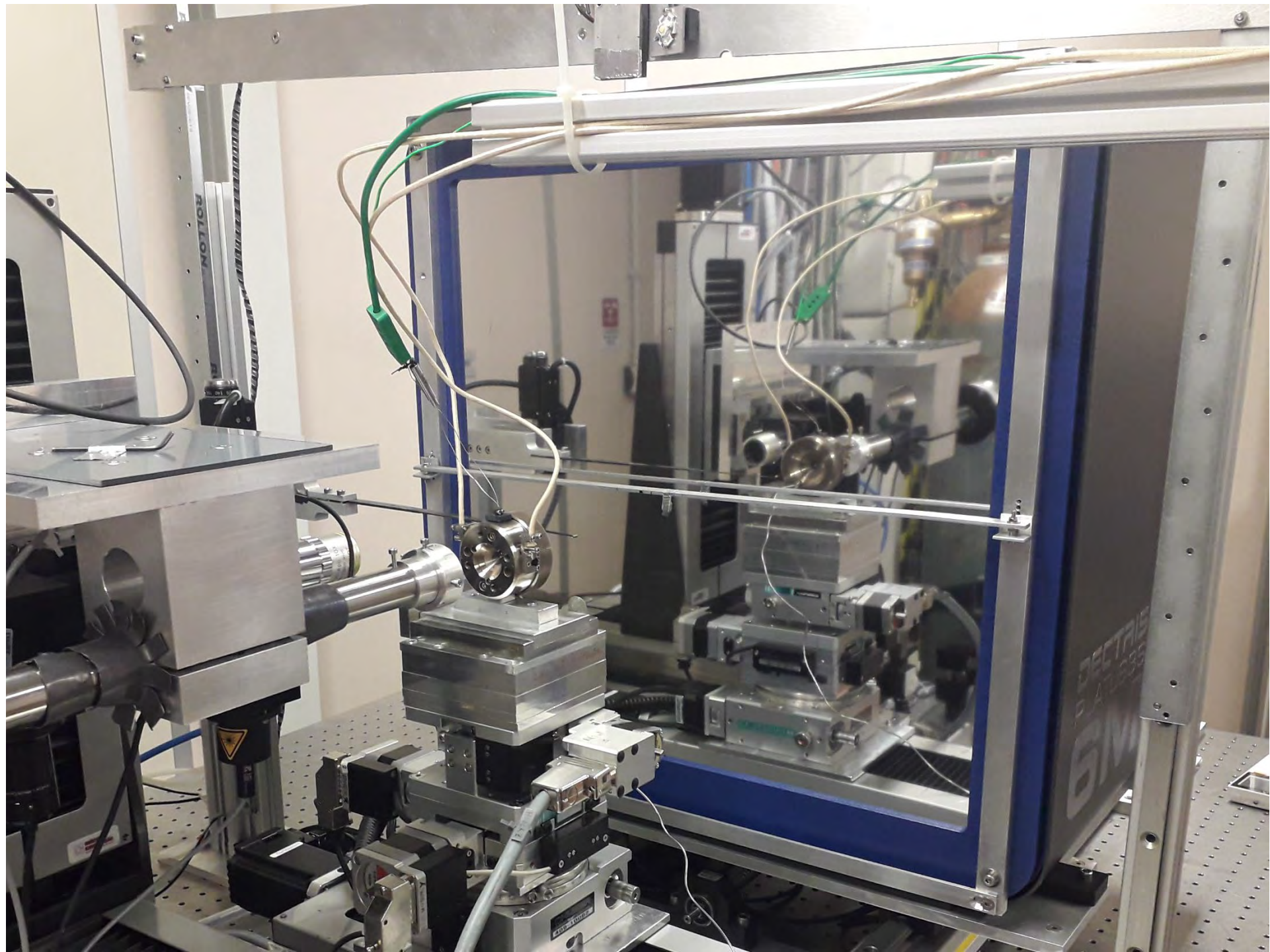


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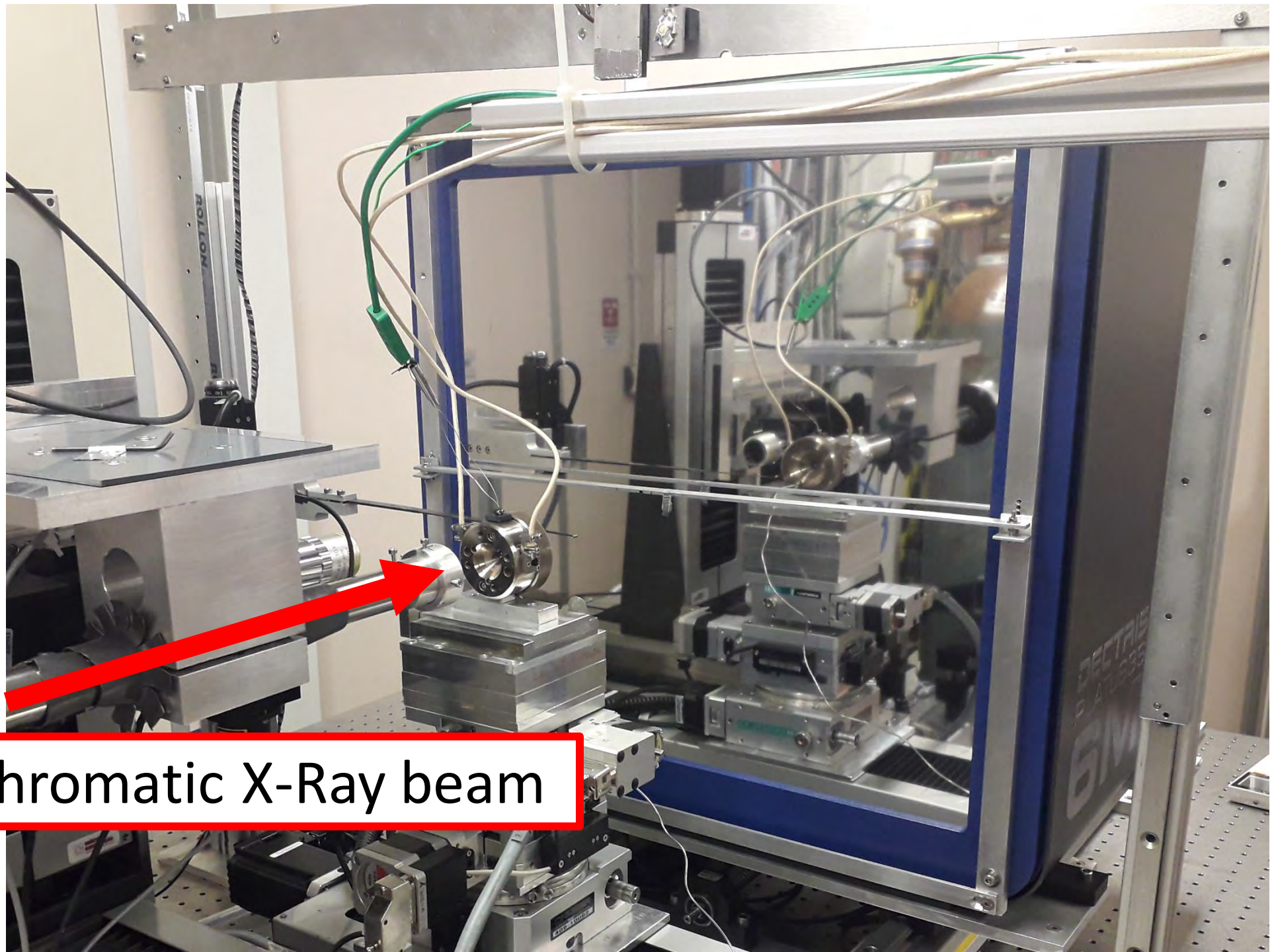


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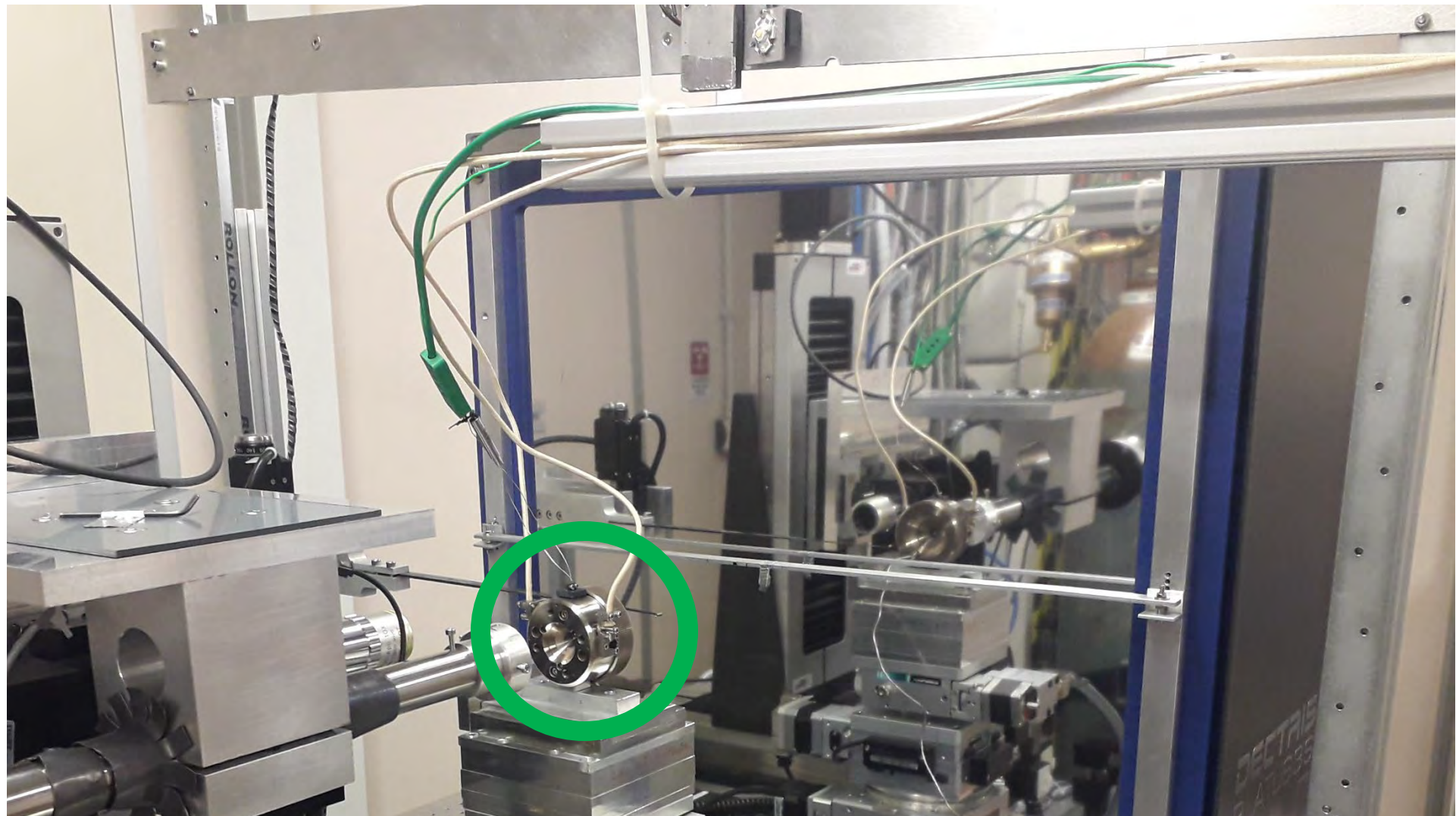






Monochromatic X-Ray beam

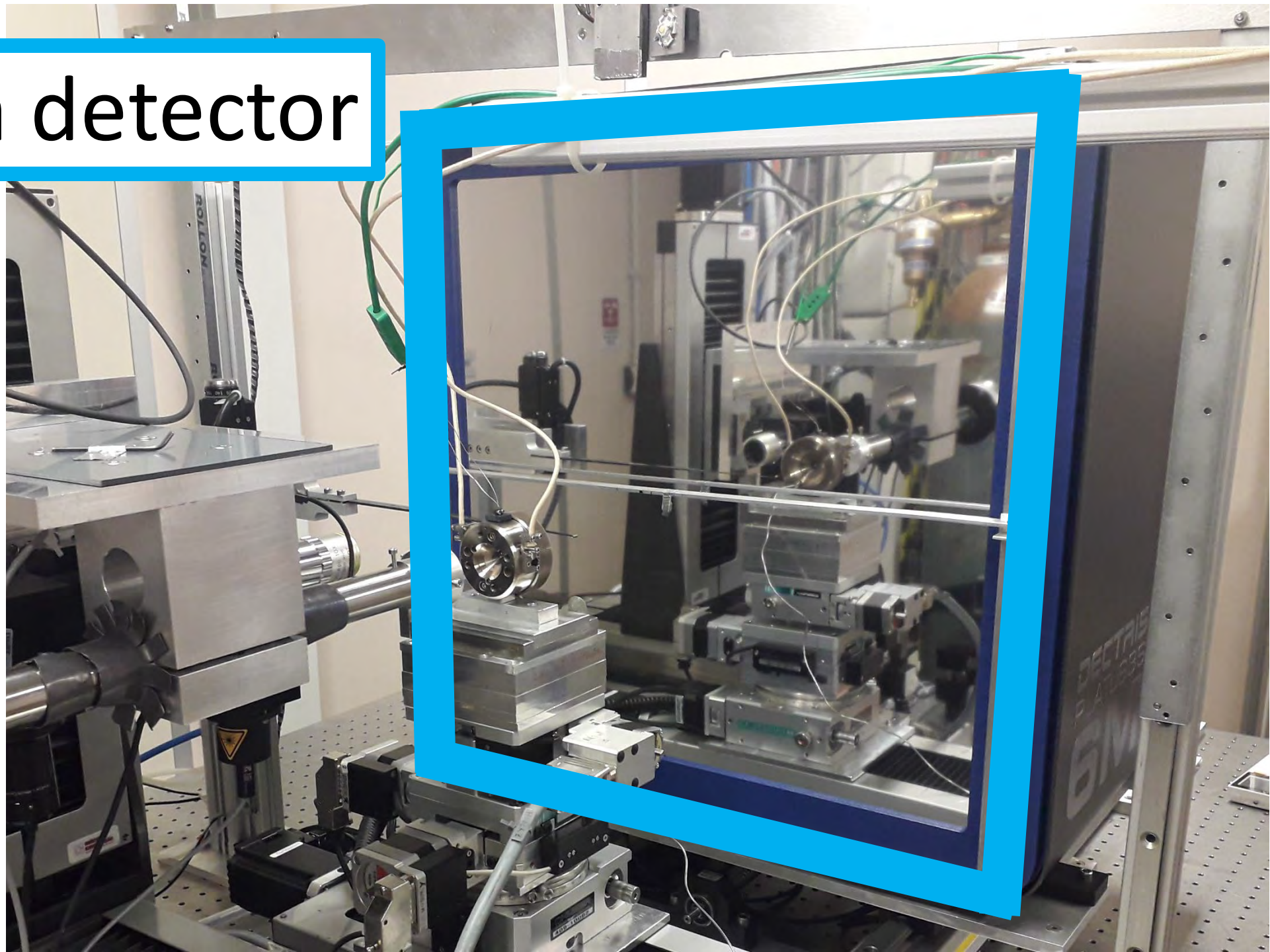




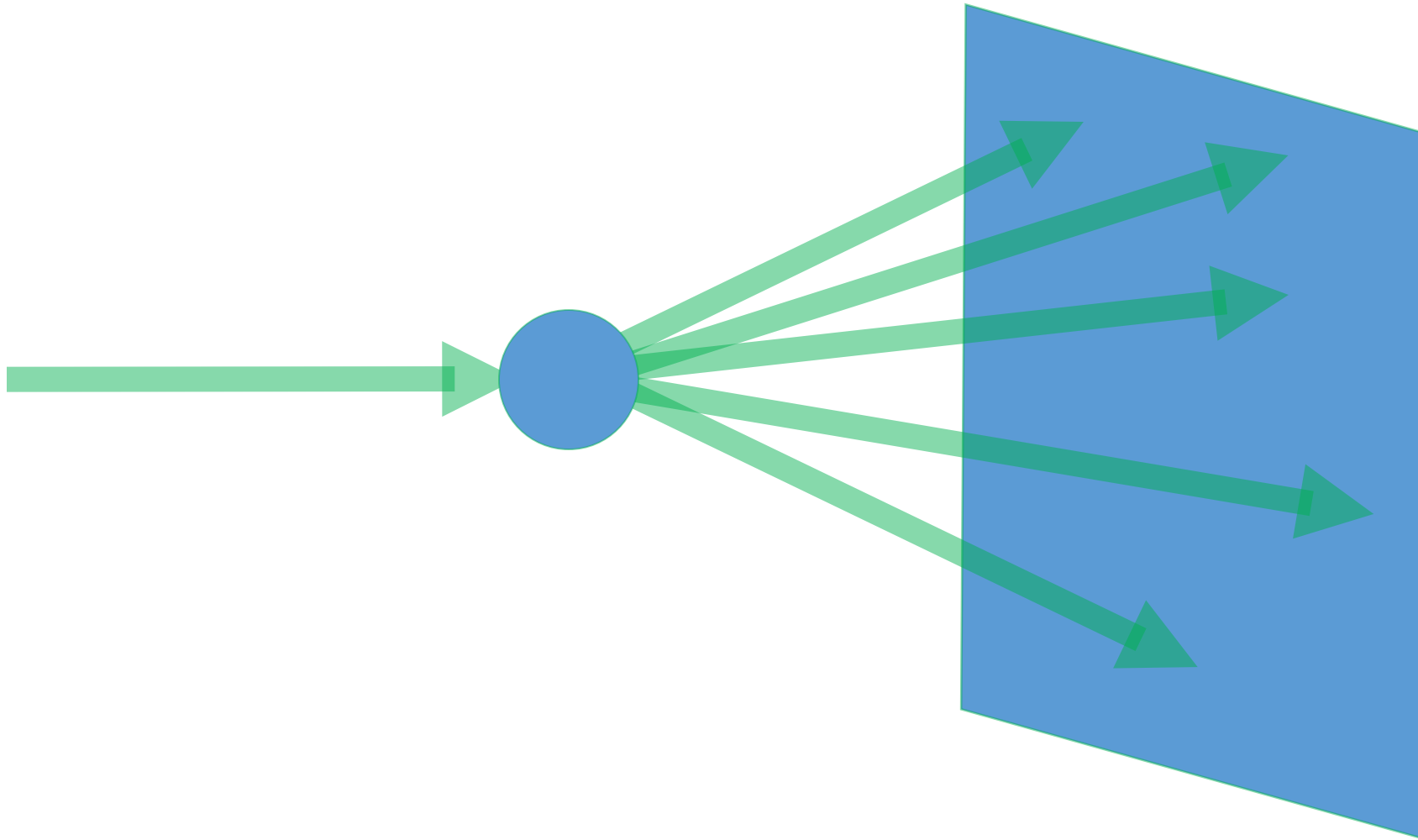
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(High pressure / High temperature Diamond Anvil Cell)



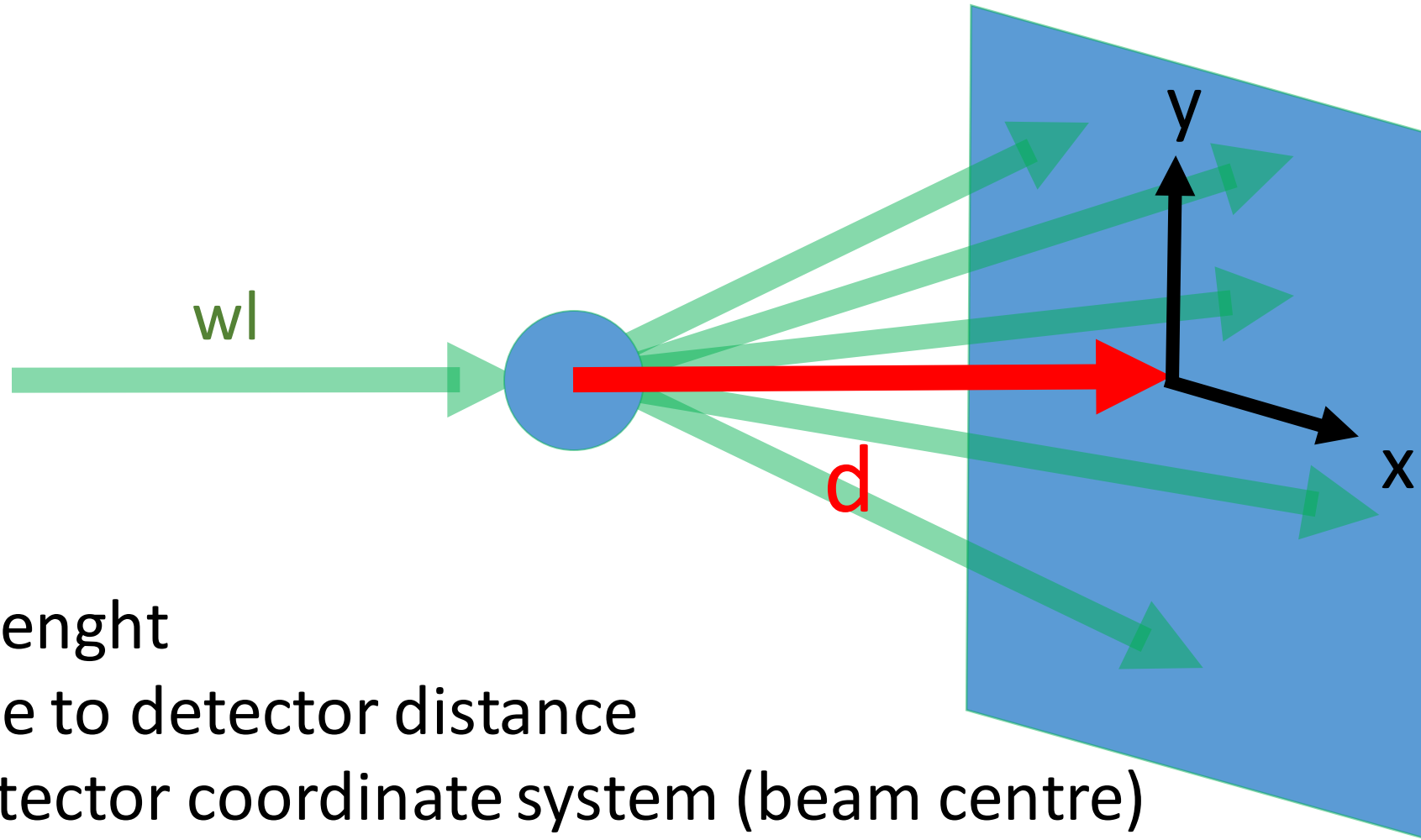
# Area detector



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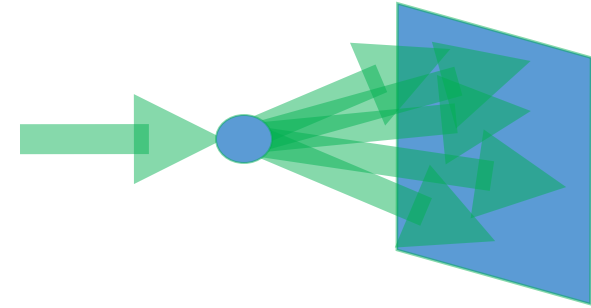
## 1.2) Calibration of beamline parameters



- Wavelength
- Sample to detector distance
- X,Y detector coordinate system (beam centre)
- Detector tilt

# 1.2) Calibration of beamline parameters

- Calibration against a powder (single crystal) reference sample with well known lattice parameter
- Operation normally done by beamline staff, but users should know how to do
- Standards: Silicon, LaB<sub>6</sub>, CeO<sub>2</sub>.....
- Software: FIT2D, Dioptas



# 1.2) Calibration of beamline parameters

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# Fit2D

High Pressure Research

Volume 14, Issue 4-5, 1996, Pages 235-248

## Two-dimensional detector software: From real detector to idealised image or two-theta scan (Article)

Hammersley, A.P., Svensson, S.O., Hanfland, M., Fitch, A.N., Häusermann, D. 

Europ. Synchrt. Radiation Facility, BP 220, 38043 Grenoble Cedex, France

### Abstract

Detector systems introduce distortions into acquired data. To obtain accurate angle and intensity information, it is necessary to calibrate, and apply corrections. Intensity non-linearity, spatial distortion, and non-uniformity of intensity response, are the primary considerations. It is better to account for the distortions within scientific analysis software, but often it is more practical to correct the distortions to produce 'idealised' data. Calibration methods and software have been developed for single crystal diffraction experiments, using both approaches. For powder diffraction experiments the additional task of converting a two-dimensional image to a one-dimensional spectrum is used to allow Rietveld analysis. This task may be combined with distortion correction to produce intensity information and error estimates. High-pressure experiments can introduce additional complications and place new demands on software. Flexibility is needed to be able to integrate different angular regions separately, and to produce profiles as a function of angle of azimuth. Methods to cope with awkward data are described, and examples of the techniques applied to data from high pressure experiments are presented.


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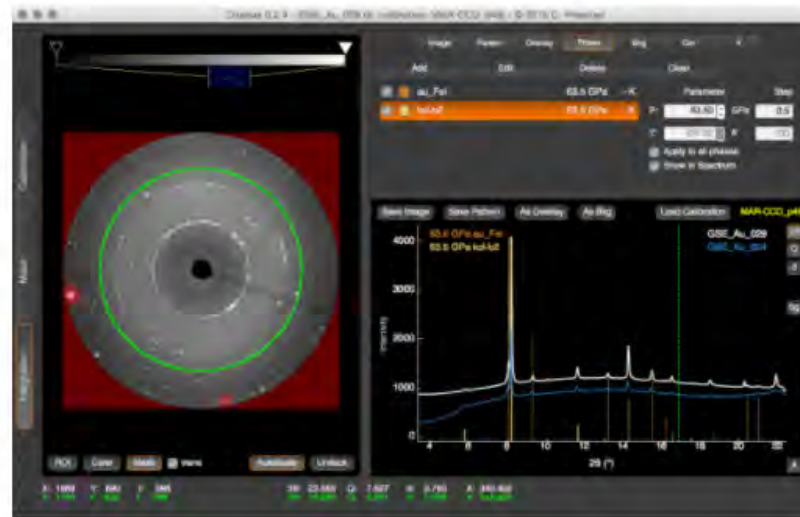
[The critical role of Si doping in enhancing the stability of M<sub>6</sub>C carbides](#)



## Dioptas

Dioptas is a Python-based program for on-the-fly data processing and exploration of two-dimensional X-ray diffraction area detector data. It is specifically designed for the large amount of data collected at XRD beamlines at synchrotrons. Its fast data reduction algorithm and graphical data exploration capabilities make it ideal for online data processing during XRD experiments and batch post-processing of large numbers of images.

Dioptas is written with interactivity and speed in mind while still being as versatile as possible. It employs an algorithm for calibration of any possible detector geometry, features easy-to-use masking tools, and offers very fast data exploration and phase analysis capabilities. The tunable calibration procedure enables the calibration of even the most complex geometries, including very large detector tilts, the primary beam being outside of the image and very spotty diffraction pattern of the calibrant. The main part of the software is the opportunity to interactively explore the 2d image and integrated pattern at the same time. The very fast integration algorithm (around 0.1s for an 2048px X 2048px image), a reliable tunable automatic background subtraction algorithm and the possibility to display phase lines make it a viable tool for realtime processing online at the beamline. Thus, enabling very fast decision making during the course of the experiment.



## Distribution

Dioptas is mainly distributed via an open-source repository at <http://github.com/Dioptas/Dioptas>. However, since some of the required packages can be hard to install on some operating systems by non-expert end-users, we also provide executable packages which can be downloaded by using the link below. Dioptas is cross-platform compatible and has been tested on Windows 7, Windows 8, 10, Mac OS X and Linux Debian systems. Dioptas has a very fast-growing user base and is currently employed for online data processing and post experiment data analysis at CARS(Sectors 13–15, APS), HPCAT (Sector 16, APS), ID27 (ESRF), ID9 (ESRF), ID31 (ESRF) and ECB P02.2 (Petra III). Furthermore, non-high pressure beamlines and in-house laboratories are starting to adapt it.

## Publications

A paper about Dioptas has been published in High Pressure Research:

- Prescher, C., Prakapenka, V.B., 2015. DIOPTAS : a program for reduction of two-dimensional X-ray diffraction data and data exploration. *High Press. Res.* 35:3, 223–230. [link](#)

- Silicon NIST collected at XPRESS beamline (Elettra)
- Pilatus 6M area detector
- Approximate sample to detector distance: 250 mm (from uncalibrated motor position)
- Beam energy: ~ 25 keV (i.e. ~ 0.495 Å)
- Pixel size: 0.172x0.172 mm
- Using Fit2D and Dioptas to calibrate experimental geometry and integrate powder diffraction from samples





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Use of FIT2D implies acceptance of

the " Conditions of Use "

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Note: The text window can

contain important

information !

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## Calibration Parameters

## Start values

Distance: 200.000 mm Wavelength: 0.334400 Å 

Polarization: 0.990

Pixel width: 79 µm

Pixel height: 79 µm

Calbrant: LaB6

Rotate +90

Rotate -90

Flip horizontal

Flip vertical

Reset transformations

## Peak Selection

Current Ring Number: 1

 automatic increase automatic peak search single peak search

Search size: 10

Undo

Clear All Peaks

## Refinement Options

 automatic refinement use mask transparent

Peak Search Algorithm: Masif

Delta 2Th: 0.1

Intensity Mean Factor: 3.00

Intensity Limit: 55000

Number of rings: 15

## Distortion Correction

Load Spinefile

None

pyFAI Parameters

Fit2d Parameters

Calibrate

Refine

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Load Calibration

Save Calibration

# Integration of sample XRPD

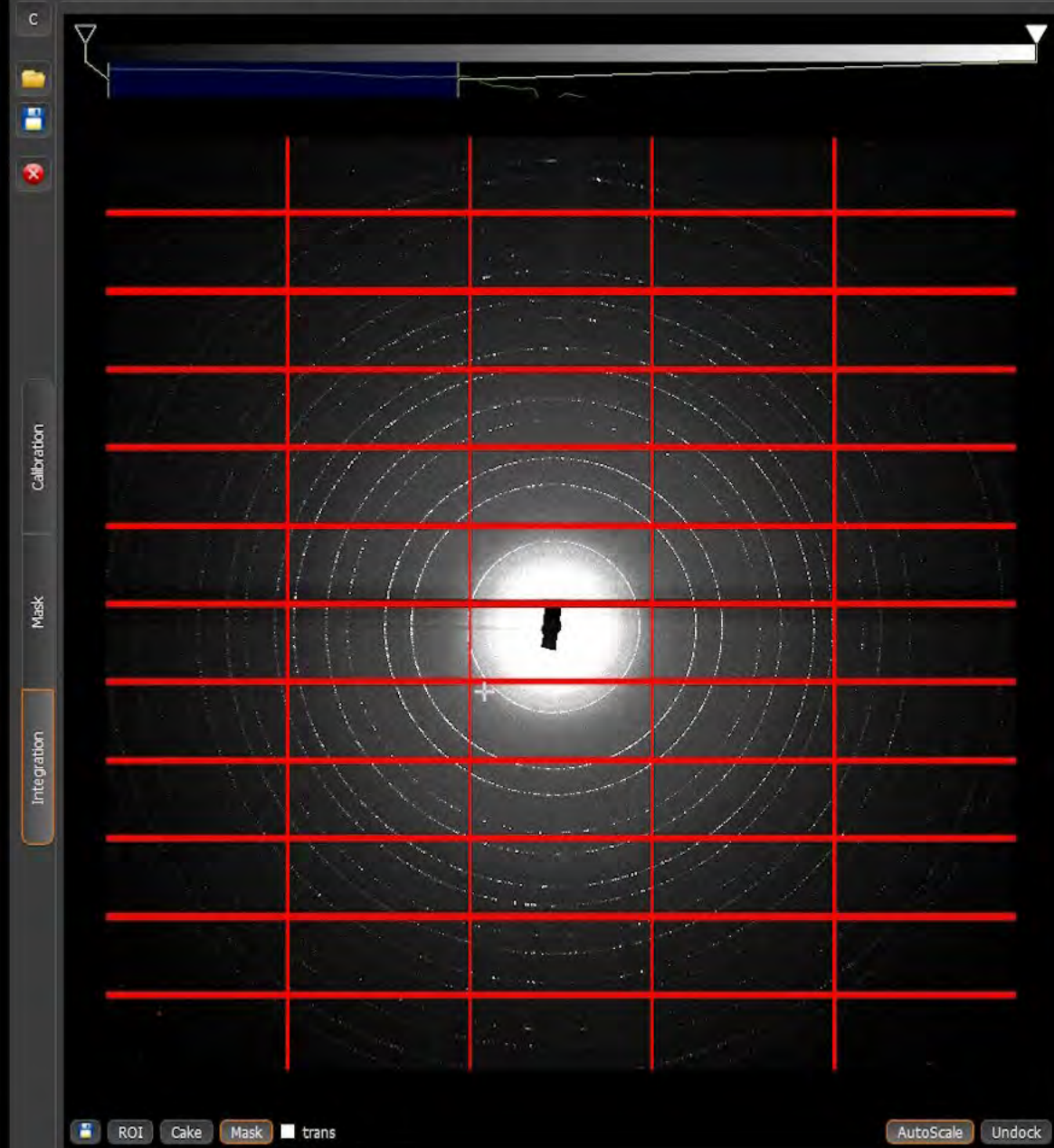


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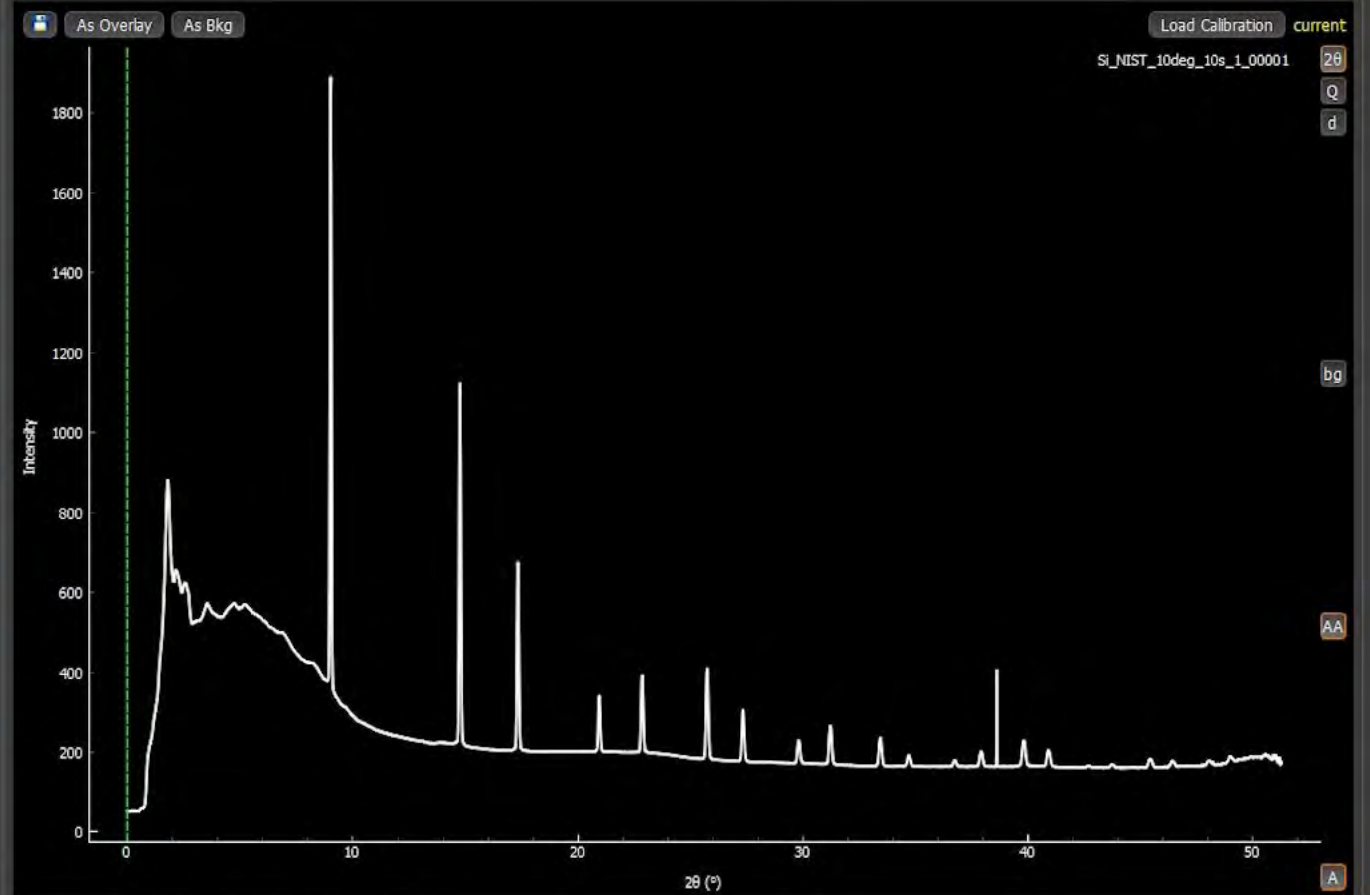
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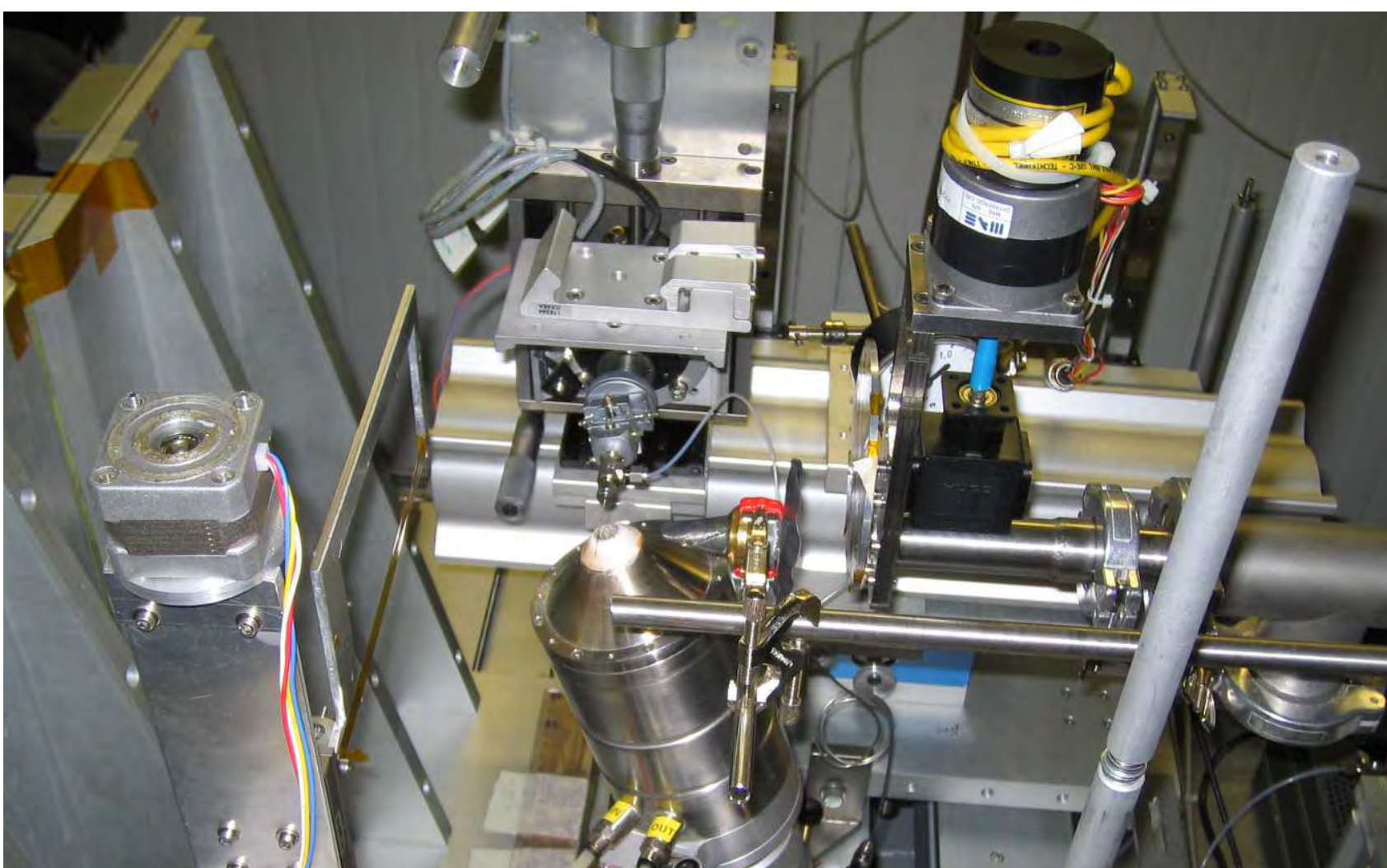
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## 1.3) Use of unit cell volume for determination of bulk properties: thermal expansion

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Thermal expansion: } \alpha &= 1/V (\partial V / \partial T) \\ &= \partial \ln V / \partial T\end{aligned}$$

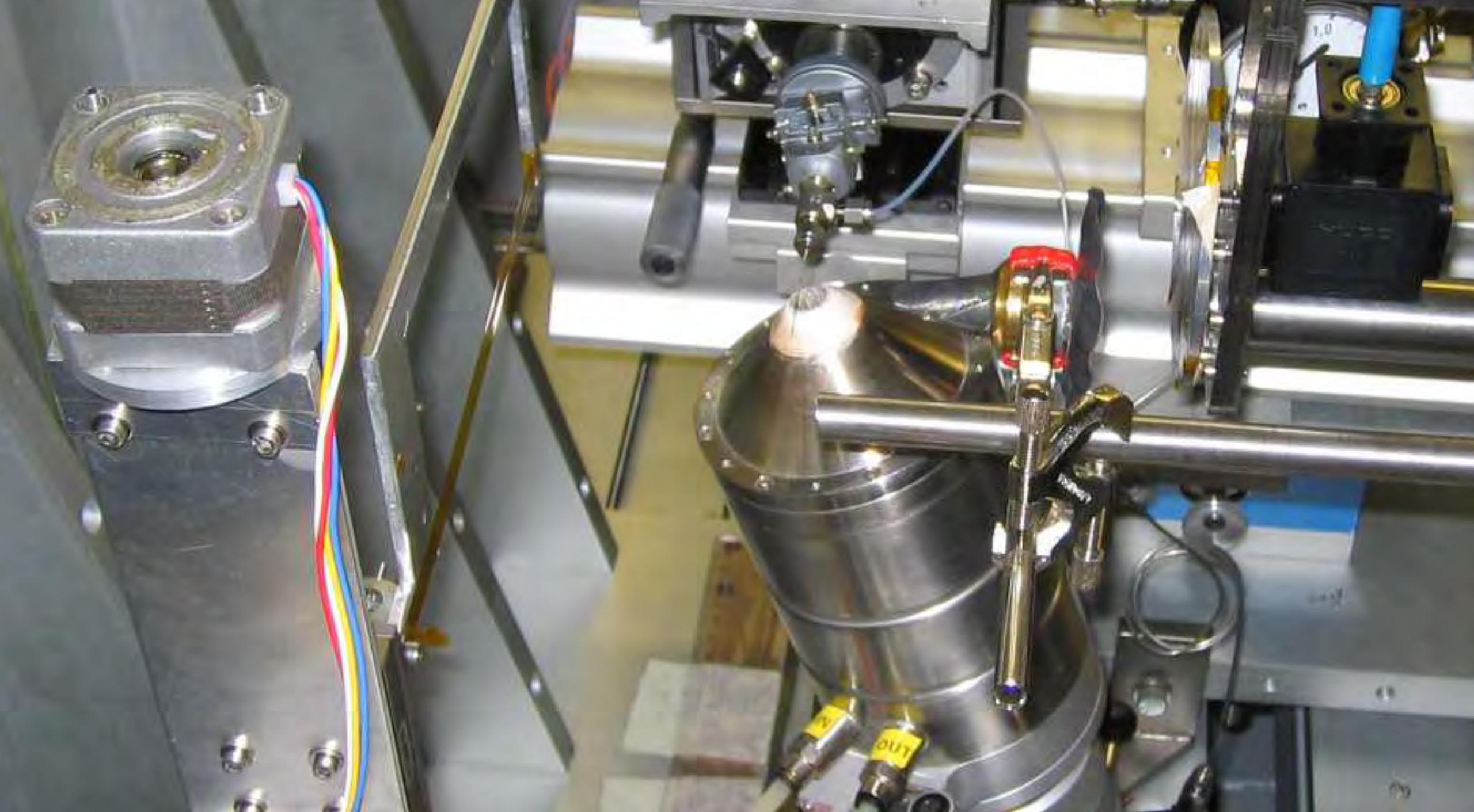
Determination of unit cell volume at different temperatures



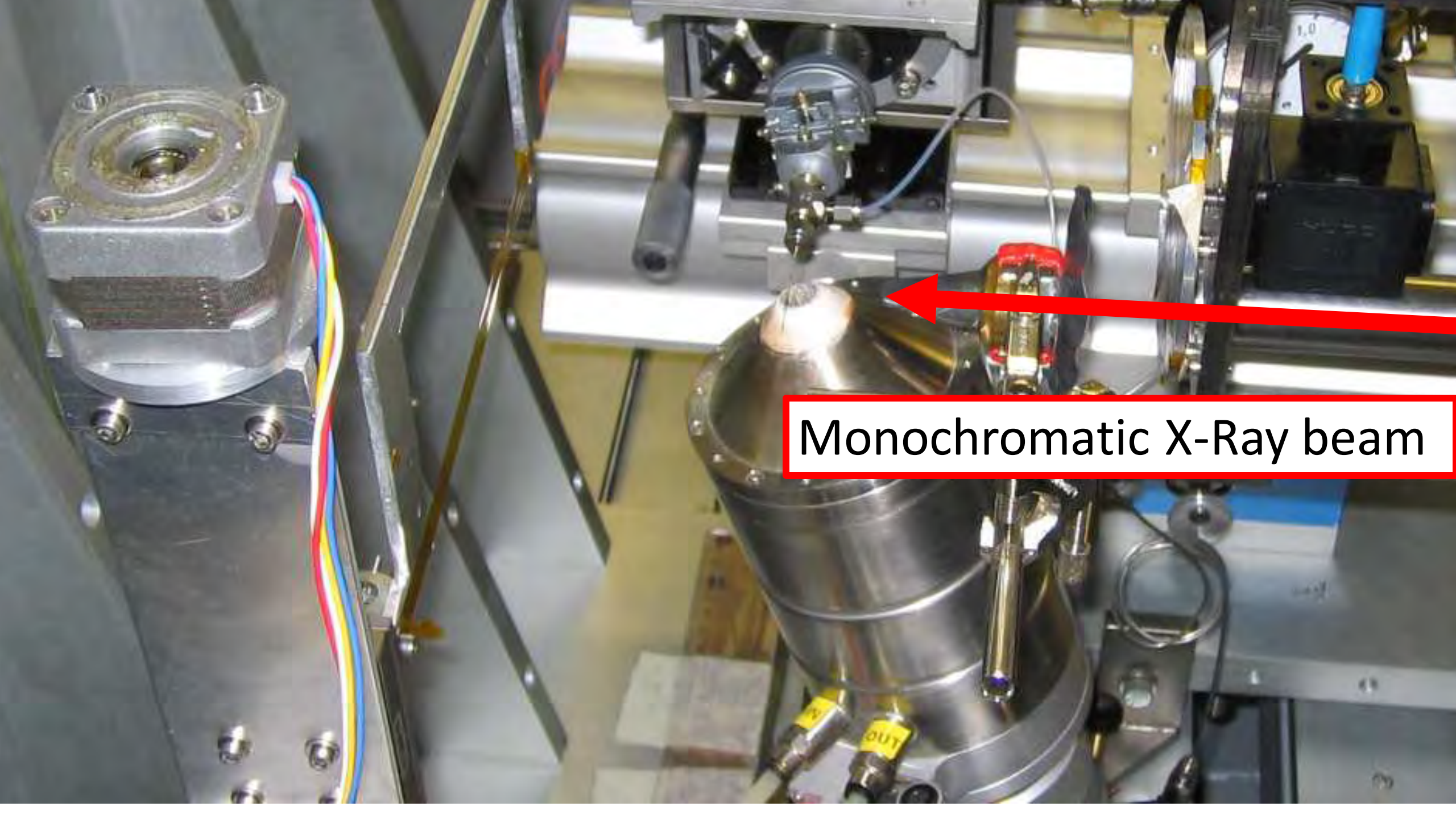


«Hystorical» (2005) beamline setup for HT X-ray powder diffraction @ GILDA beamline (CRG beamline – ESRF, now LISA beamline)



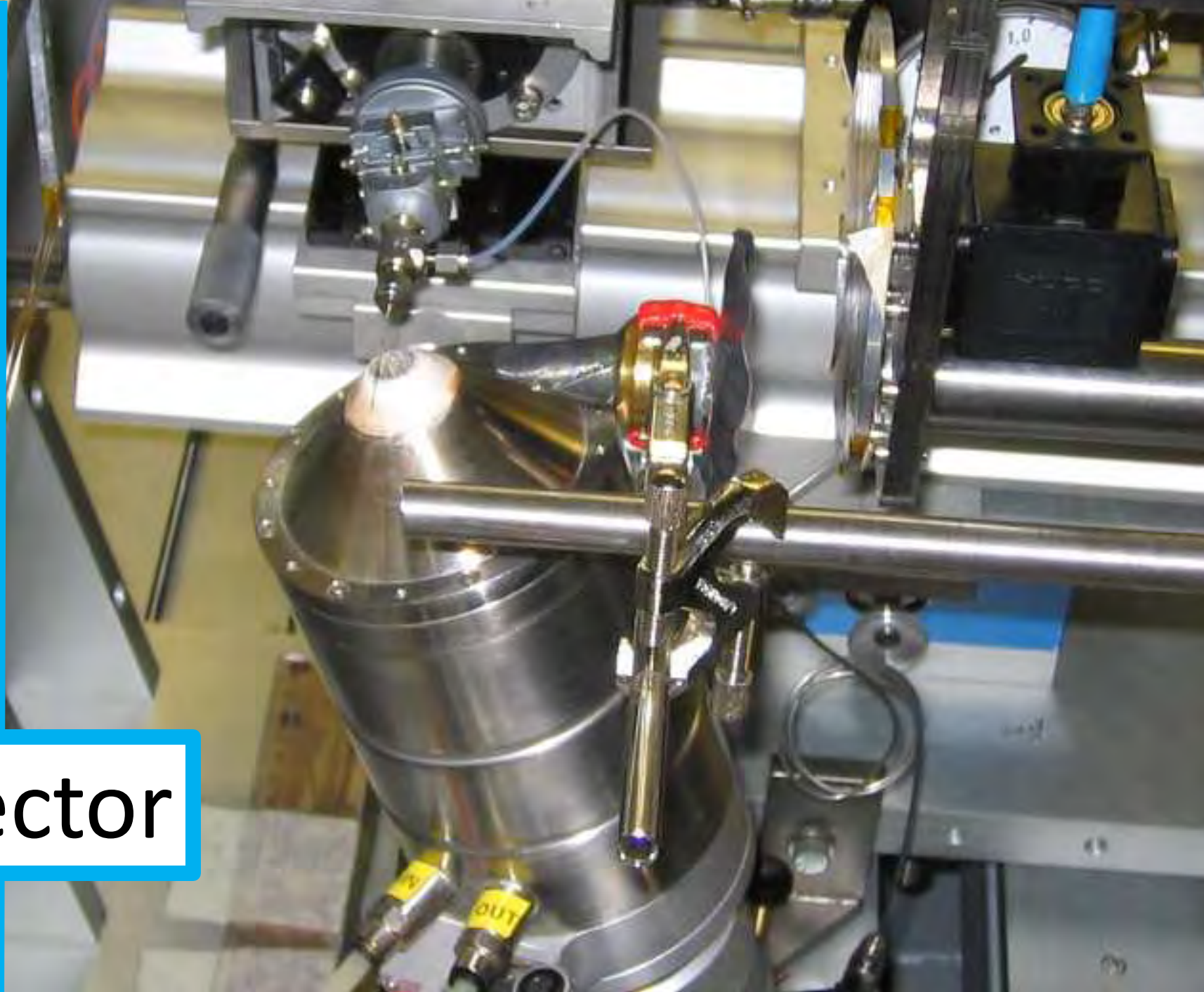






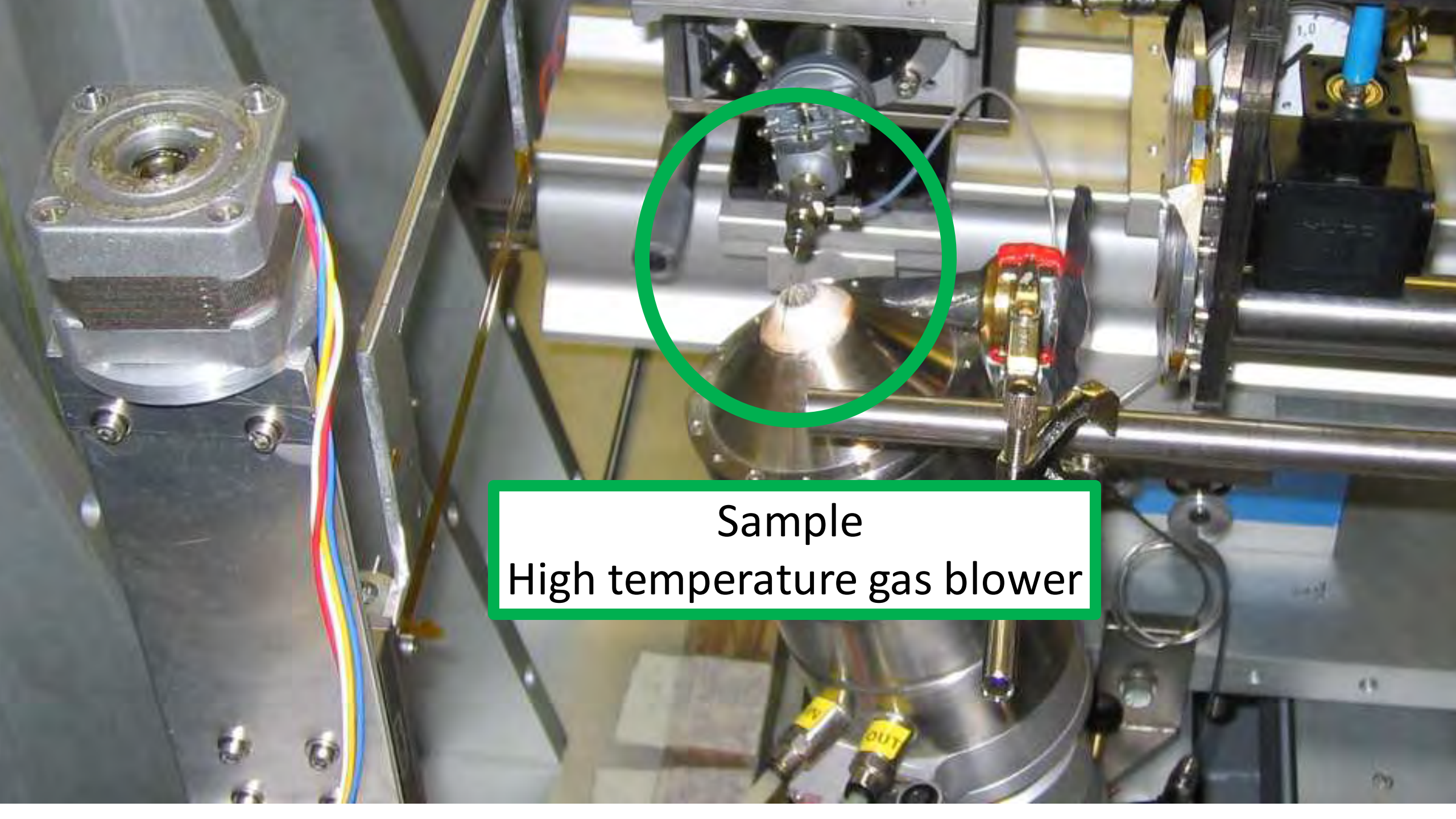
Monochromatic X-Ray beam





Area detector





Sample  
High temperature gas blower



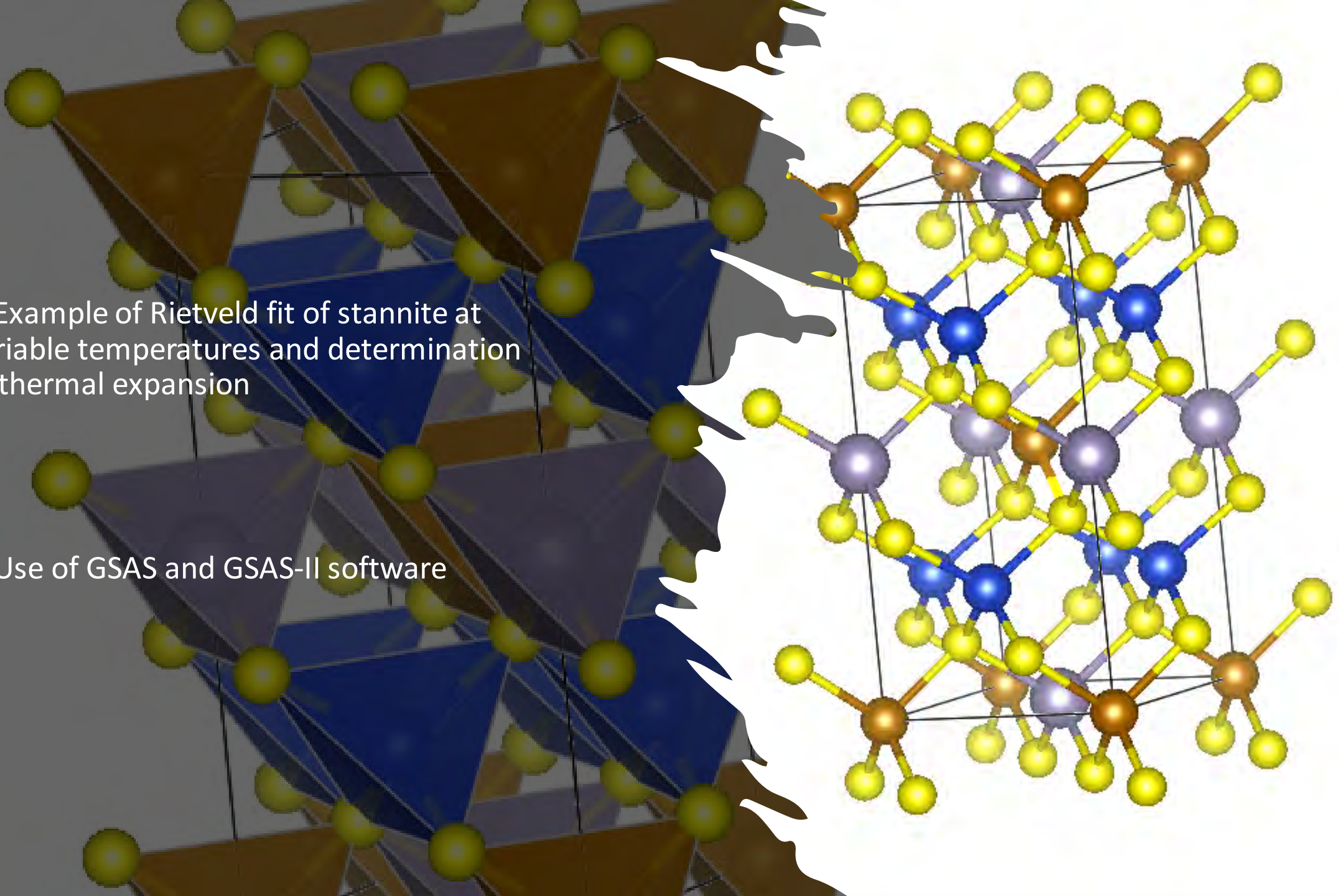
# Example: thermal expansion of stannite, $\text{Cu}_2\text{FeSnS}_4$

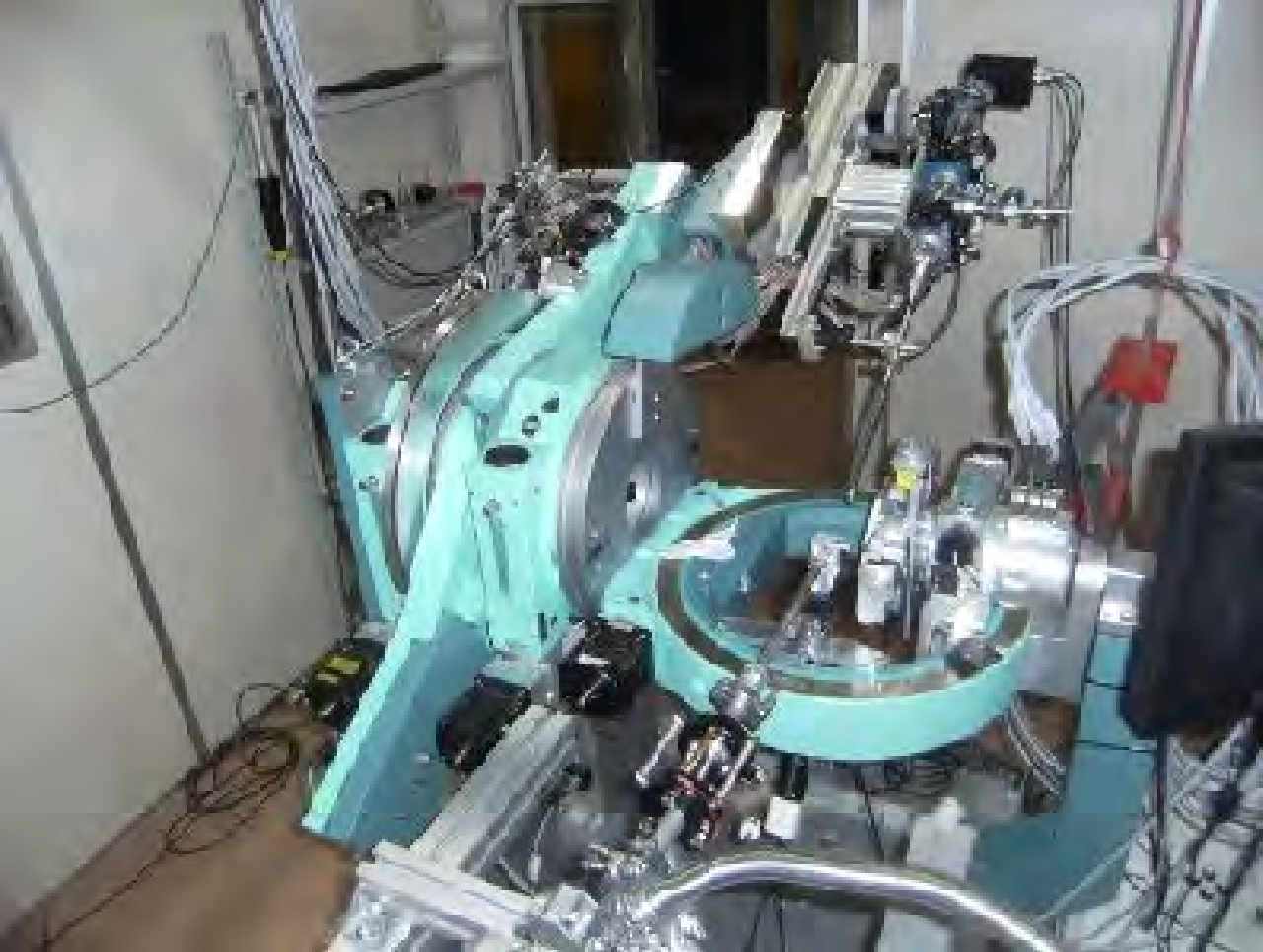


- Ore mineral for tin, together with cassiterite  $\text{SnO}_2$
- Important structure in material science together with kesterite,  $\text{Cu}_2\text{ZnSnS}_4$  (for photovoltaic application)
- In the last decade increase of publication on synthesis of these materials. The knowledge of structural behaviour as function of temperature, chemistry, etc... is relevant for stabilization of phases with specific properties

- Example of Rietveld fit of stannite at variable temperatures and determination of thermal expansion

- Use of GSAS and GSAS-II software

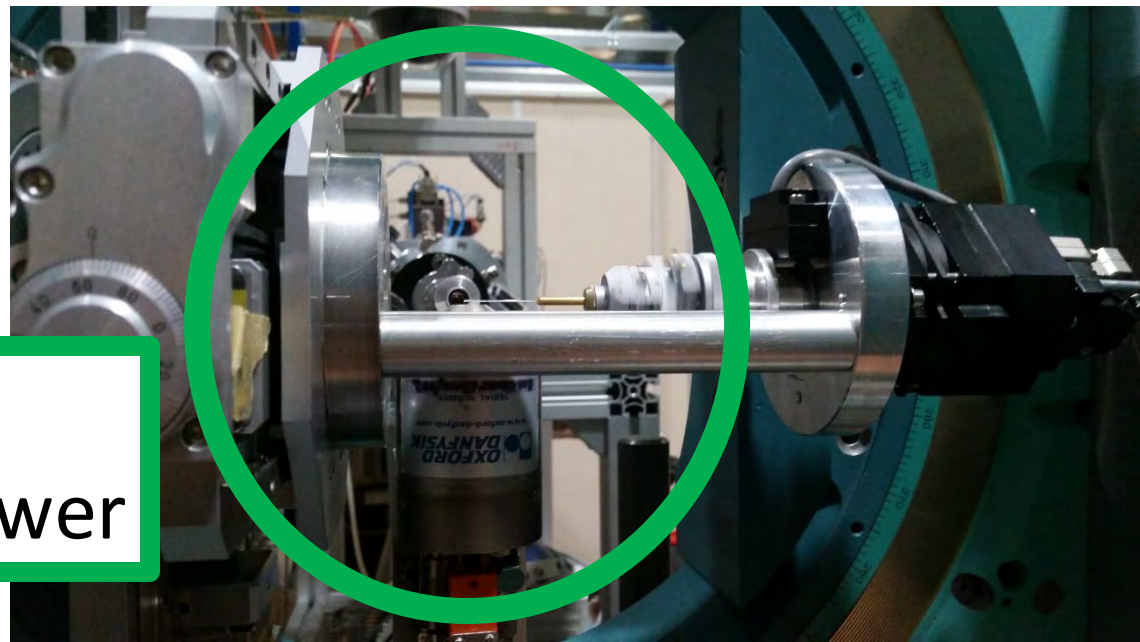




Data collected @ MCX beamline (Elettra)

High resolution powder diffraction

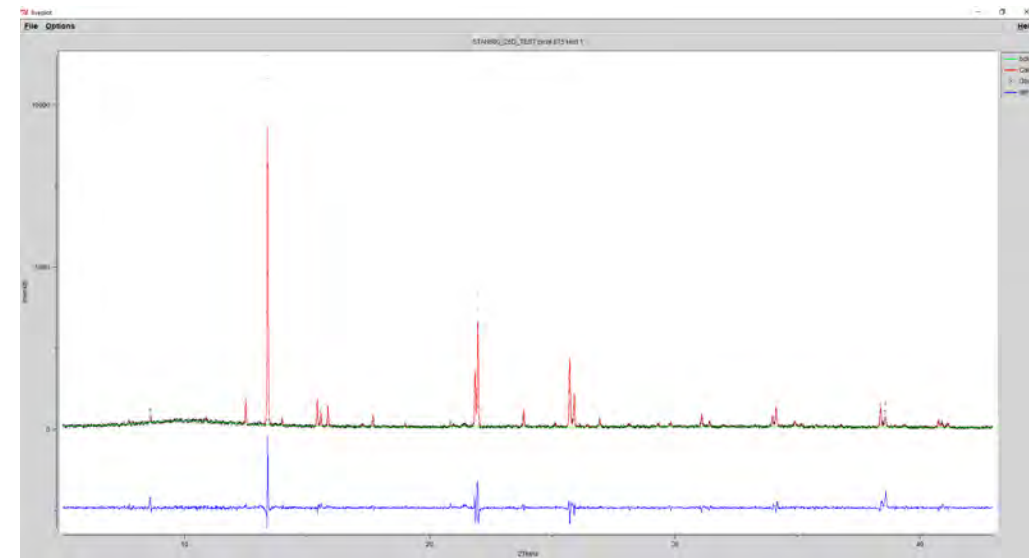
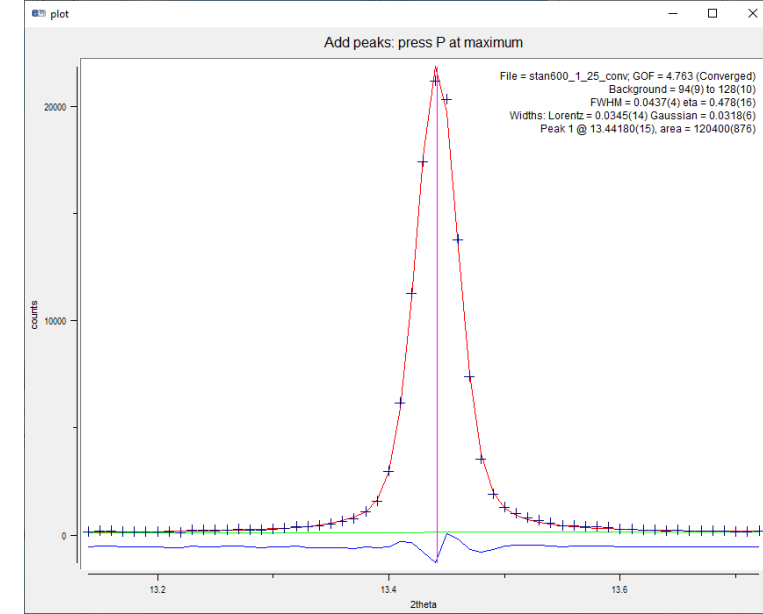
Sample  
High temperature gas blower



Single peak fit: fast, useful for preliminary information on unit cell

Full profile fit: more accurate lattice parameter determination. It allows also structural and microstructural analysis, quantitative analysis...

*Rietveld fit*

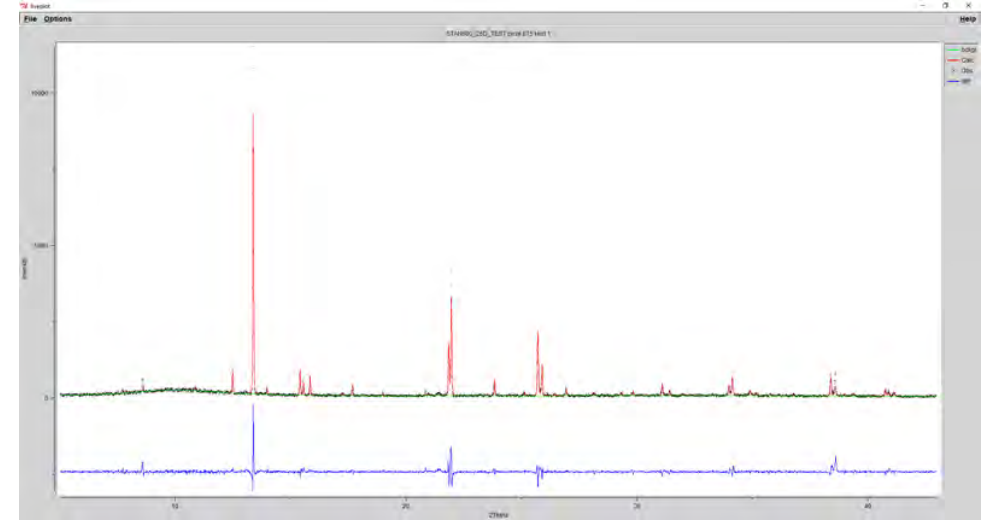




# *Rietveld fit*

Simulation of powder pattern

Least square minimization on experimental pattern



Refinable parameters:

Unit cell

Scale factor

Crystal structure

Peak shape

Background

Other parameters (i.e. preferred orientation....)

Information needed:

1) Experimental pattern

2) Wavelength

3) Crystal structure (unit cell, symmetry and atomic coordinates)

(eventually other parameters, i.e. instrumental resolution...)

[Mineralogical Society of America](#), Founded December 30, 1919

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## The American Mineralogist Crystal Structure Database

The **Crystal Structure Database** has been compiled by Bob Downs and Paul Heese of the University of Arizona. It includes every structure published in both the American Mineralogist, The Canadian Mineralogist, the European Journal of Mineralogy and is beginning to include structures from Physics and Chemistry of Minerals.

The database is maintained under the care of the Mineralogical Society of America and the Mineralogical Association of Canada, and financed by the National Science Foundation.

The data is retrieved via a compound query using pop-up windows with the fields "Mineral Name", "Author", "Title", "Year", or "Volume".

A complete description of the American Mineralogist crystal structure database and use with interactive software is available ([pdf, 156 K](#))

# American Mineralogist Crystal Structure Database

This site is an interface to a crystal structure database that includes every structure published in the American Mineralogist, The Canadian Mineralogist, European Journal of Mineralogy and Physics and Chemistry of Minerals, as well as selected datasets from other journals. The database is maintained under the care of the Mineralogical Society of America and the Mineralogical Association of Canada, and financed by the National Science Foundation.

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Stannite



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A model for the mechanism of incorporation of Cu, Fe and Zn in the stannite - kesterite series,  $\text{Cu}_2\text{FeSnS}_4$  -  $\text{Cu}_2\text{ZnSnS}_4$

Sample: Fe100

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atom	x	y	z	Uiso
Cu(4d)	0	1/2	1/4	.01924
Fe(2a)	0	0	0	.01219
Sn(2b)	0	0	1/2	.01025
S(8i)	.75581	.75581	.87012	.01134

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Unit cell and spacegroup

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Atomic coordinates

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# Calculation of powder pattern

$$2d_{hkl} \sin\theta = (n)\lambda$$

Bragg's law + structure factor

$$F_{hkl} = \sum_{j=1}^n f_j \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i}{\lambda} \vec{r}_j \cdot \vec{S}\right)$$

Calculation of diffraction angle as function of hkl (Miller index) + calculation of intensity of each diffraction



# Structure factor

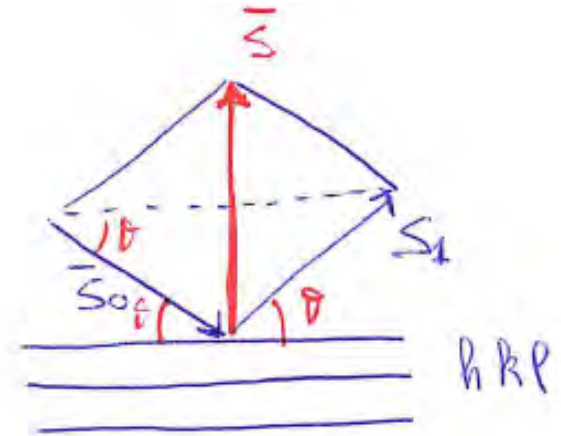
Intensity of diffraction: function of atomic species and structure

$$F_{hkl} = \sum_{j=1}^n f_j \exp \left( \frac{2\pi}{\lambda} i \vec{r}_j \cdot \vec{S} \right)$$

$f_j$  = atomic scattering factor

$r_j$  = atomic position vector (i.e. atomic coordinates)

$\mathbf{S}$  = scattering vector ( $s_1 - s_0$ )  
 $s_1$ : direction of diffracted beam  
 $s_0$ : direction of primary beam



### Peak list

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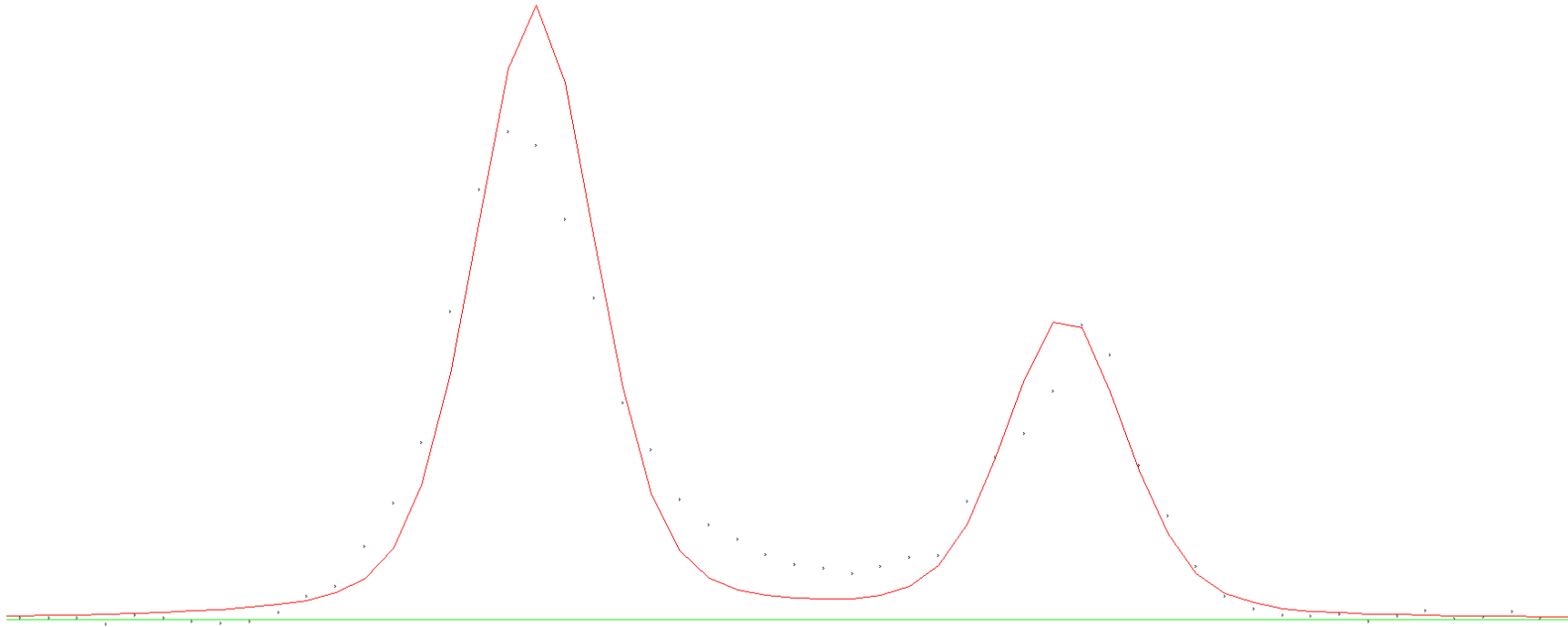
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7	0	0	4	2.68300	15.616	
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11	2	1	3	2.01380	20.856	
12	1	0	5	1.99800	21.023	
13	2	2	0	1.92580	21.821	
14	2	0	4	1.91240	21.975	
15	2	2	2	1.81360	23.189	
16	3	0	1	1.79130	23.481	
17	3	1	2	1.64090	25.669	
18	1	1	6	1.62320	25.954	
19	2	2	4	1.56520	26.933	
20	3	2	1	1.49620	28.200	
21	3	1	4	1.45030	29.112	
22	4	0	0	1.36250	31.034	
23	0	0	8	1.34220	31.515	
24	2	2	6	1.31140	32.275	
25	3	3	2	1.24930	33.927	
26	3	1	6	1.24150	34.147	
27	4	0	4	1.21500	34.915	
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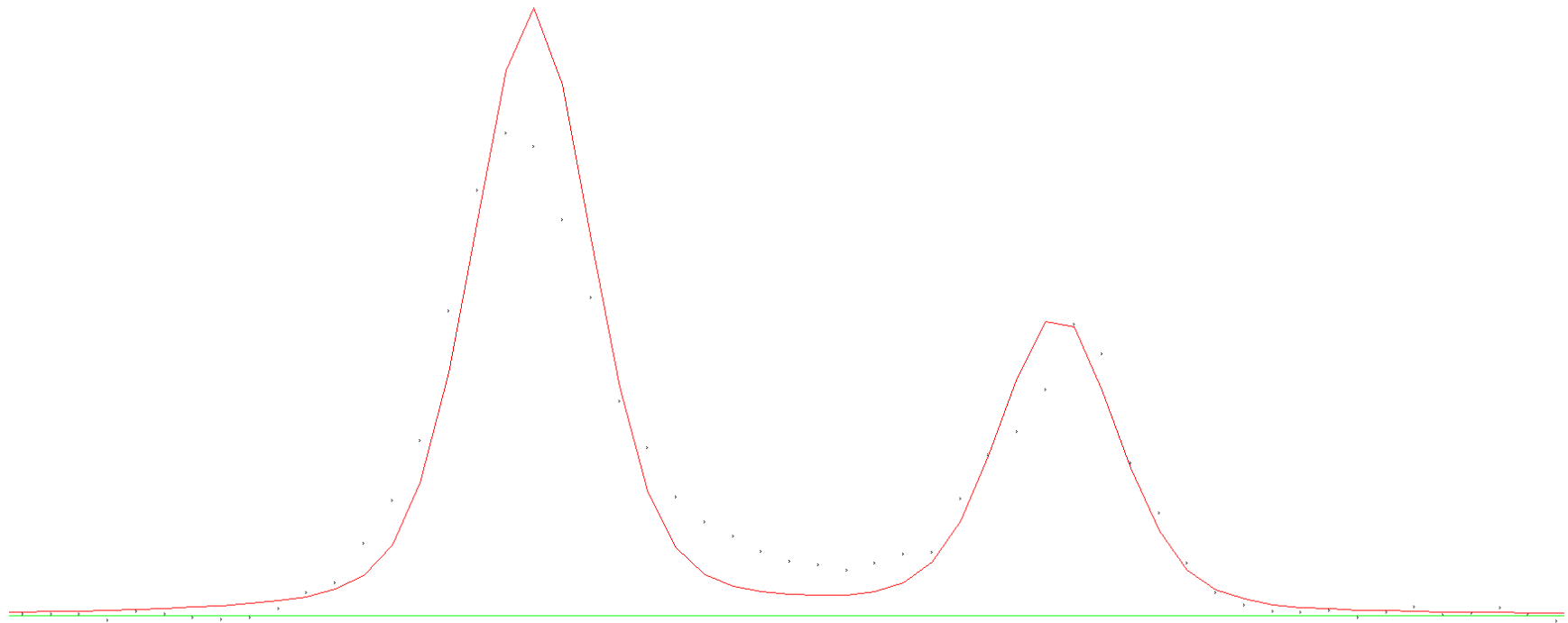




Simulation of diffraction:

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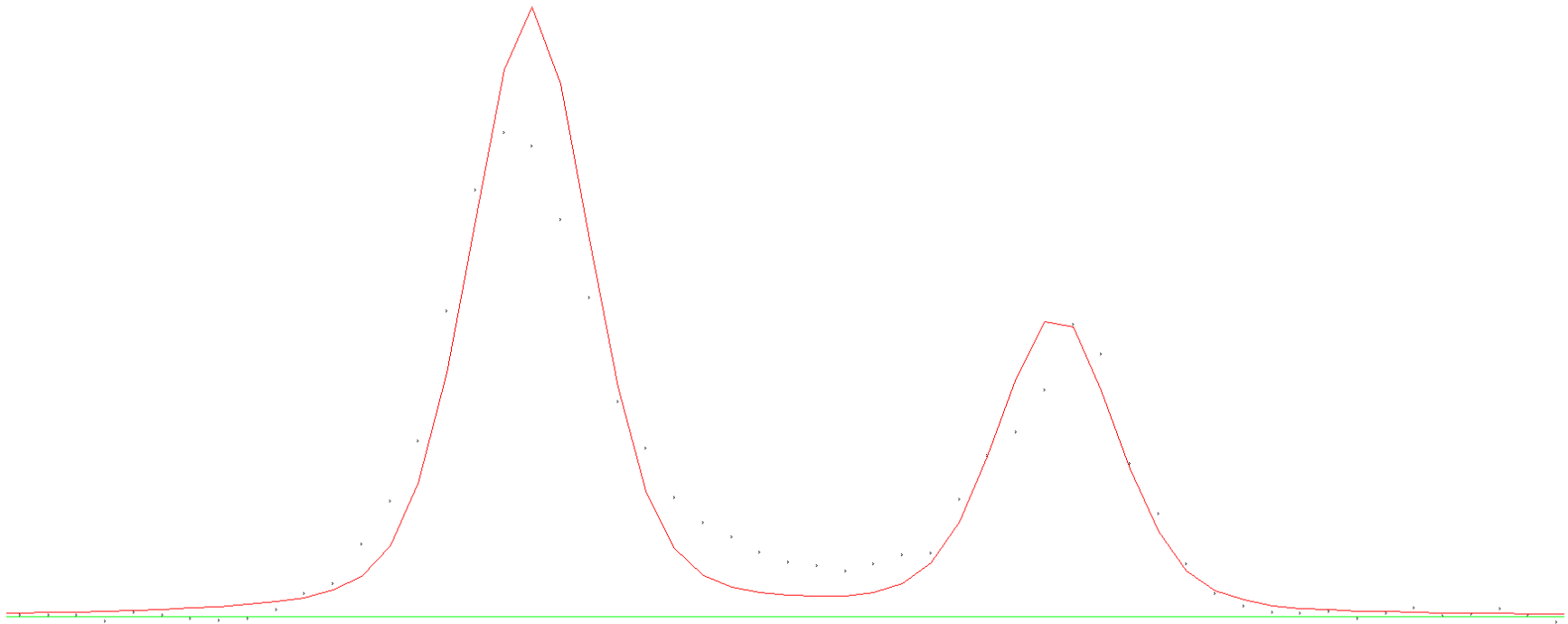
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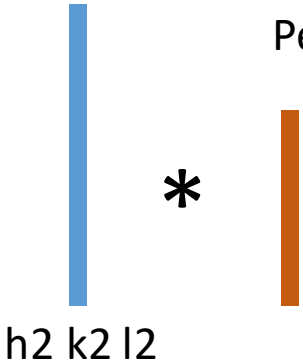
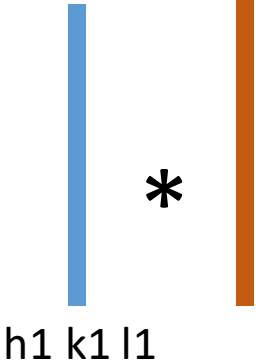
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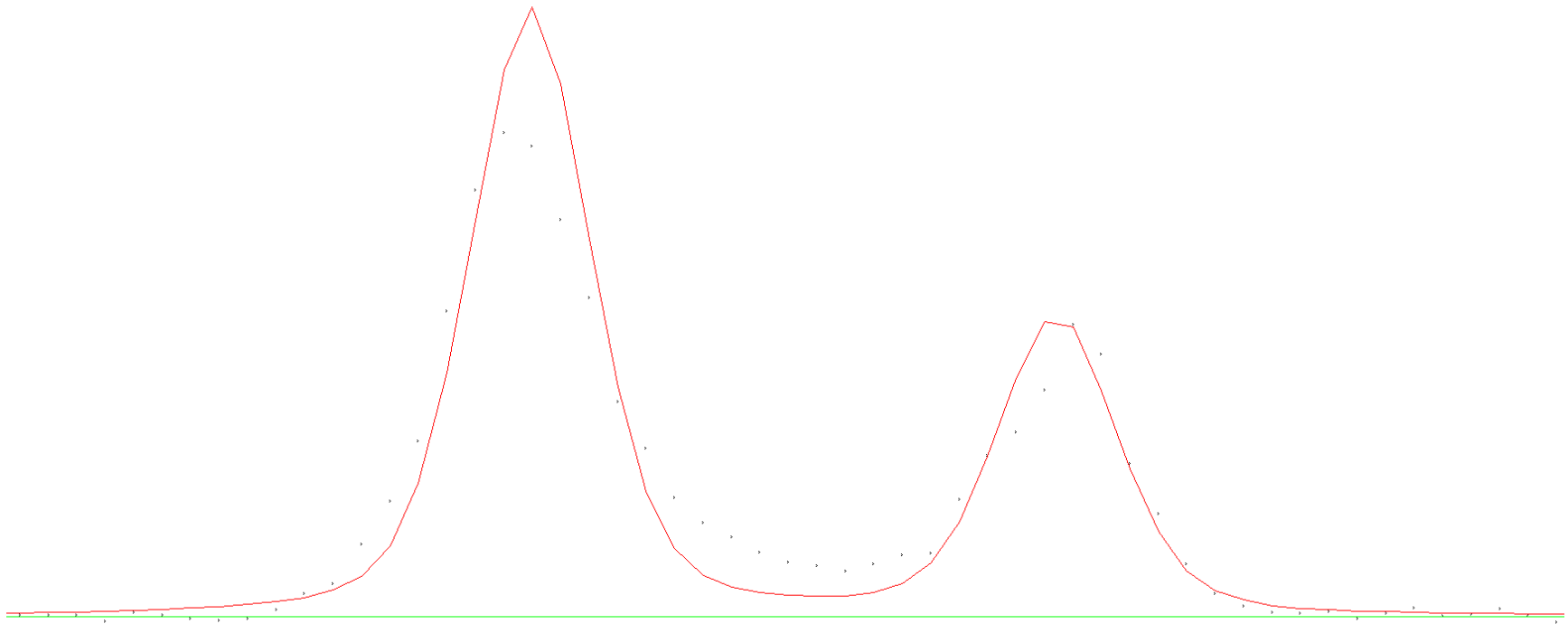
Peak position: bragg's law



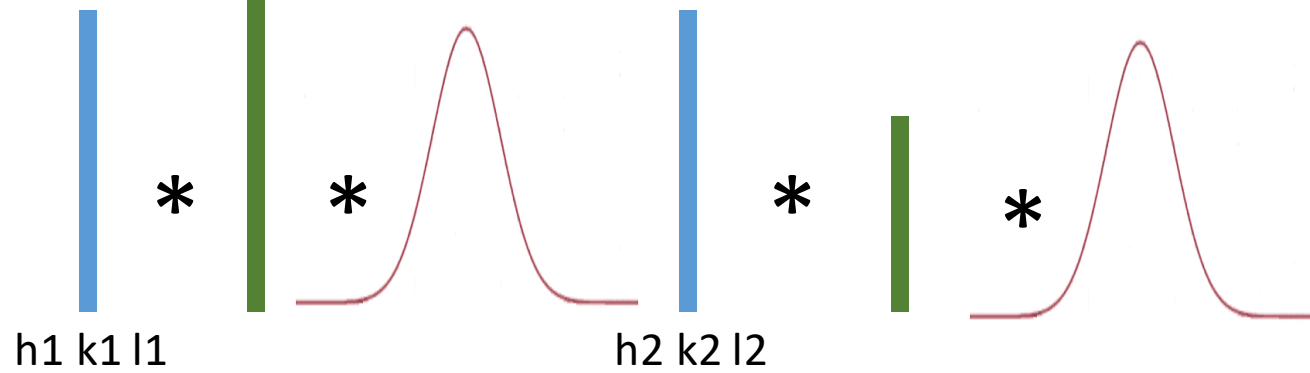
Scale factor (proportional to squared structure factor)

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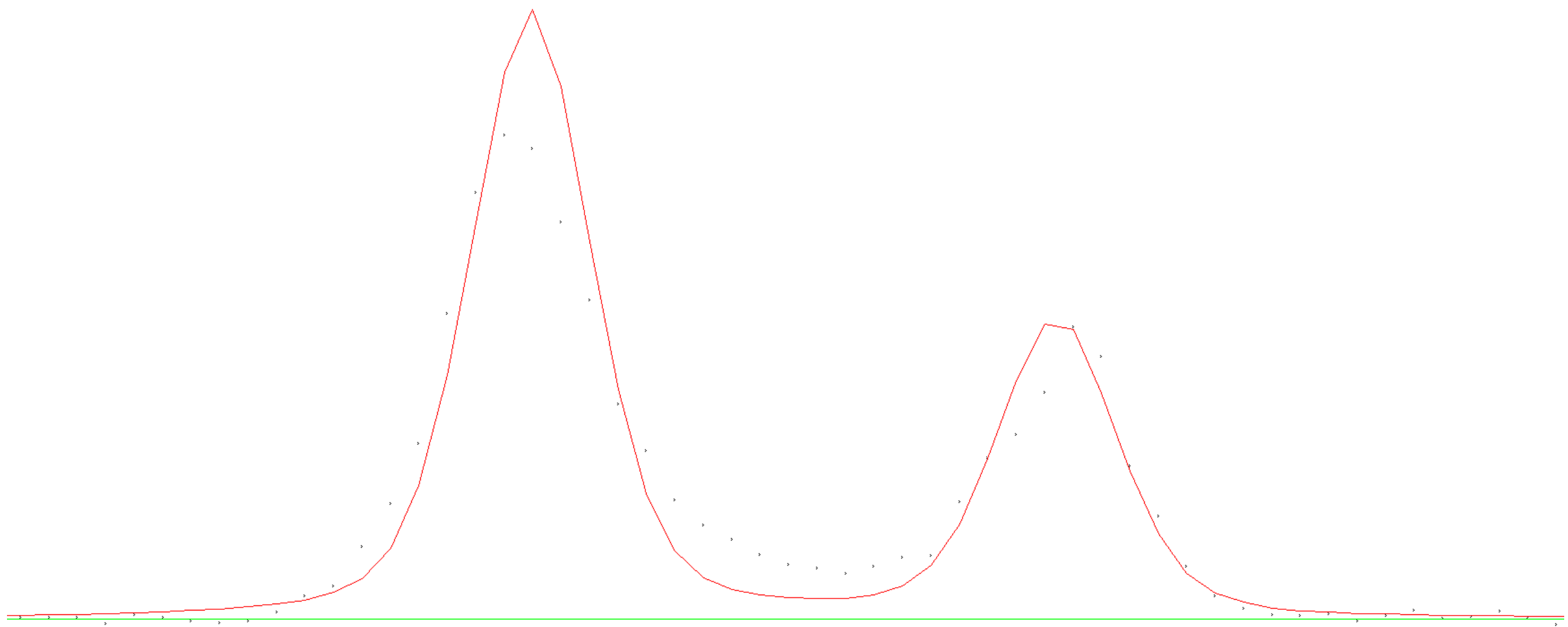




Peak shape (i.e. gaussian, lorentian, pseudo-Voigt, etc..)









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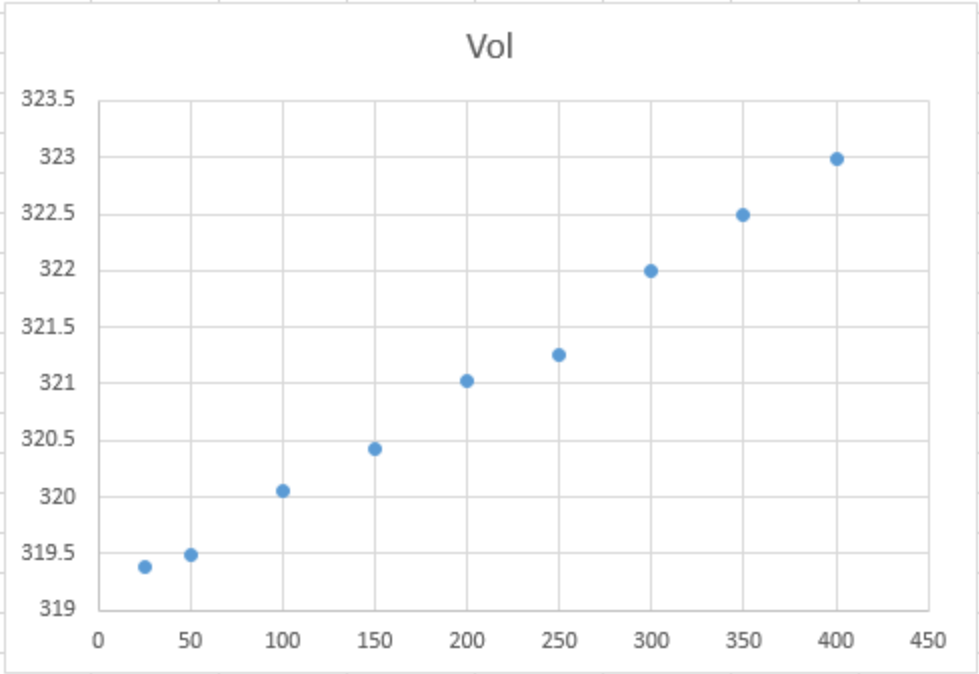
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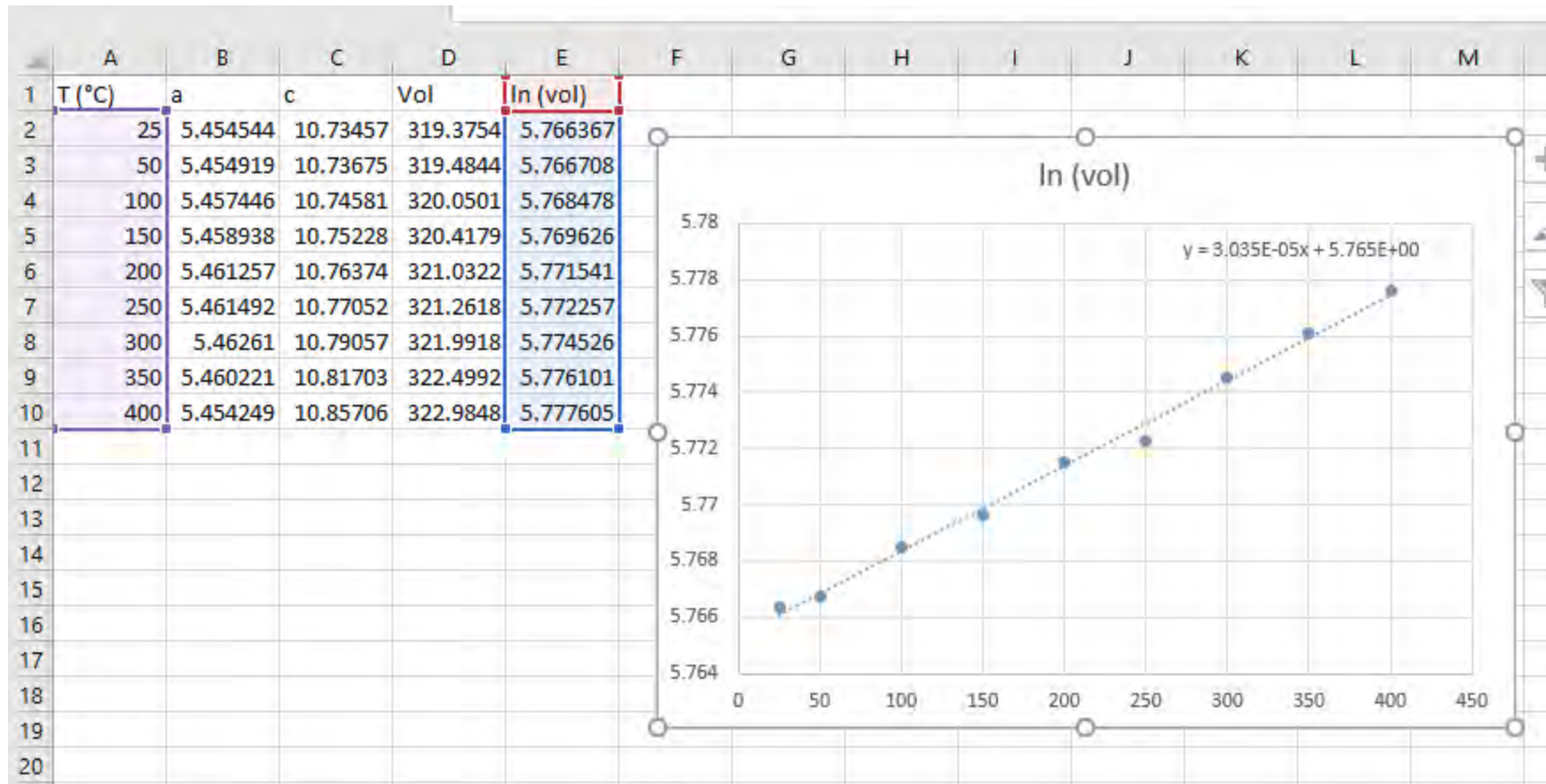
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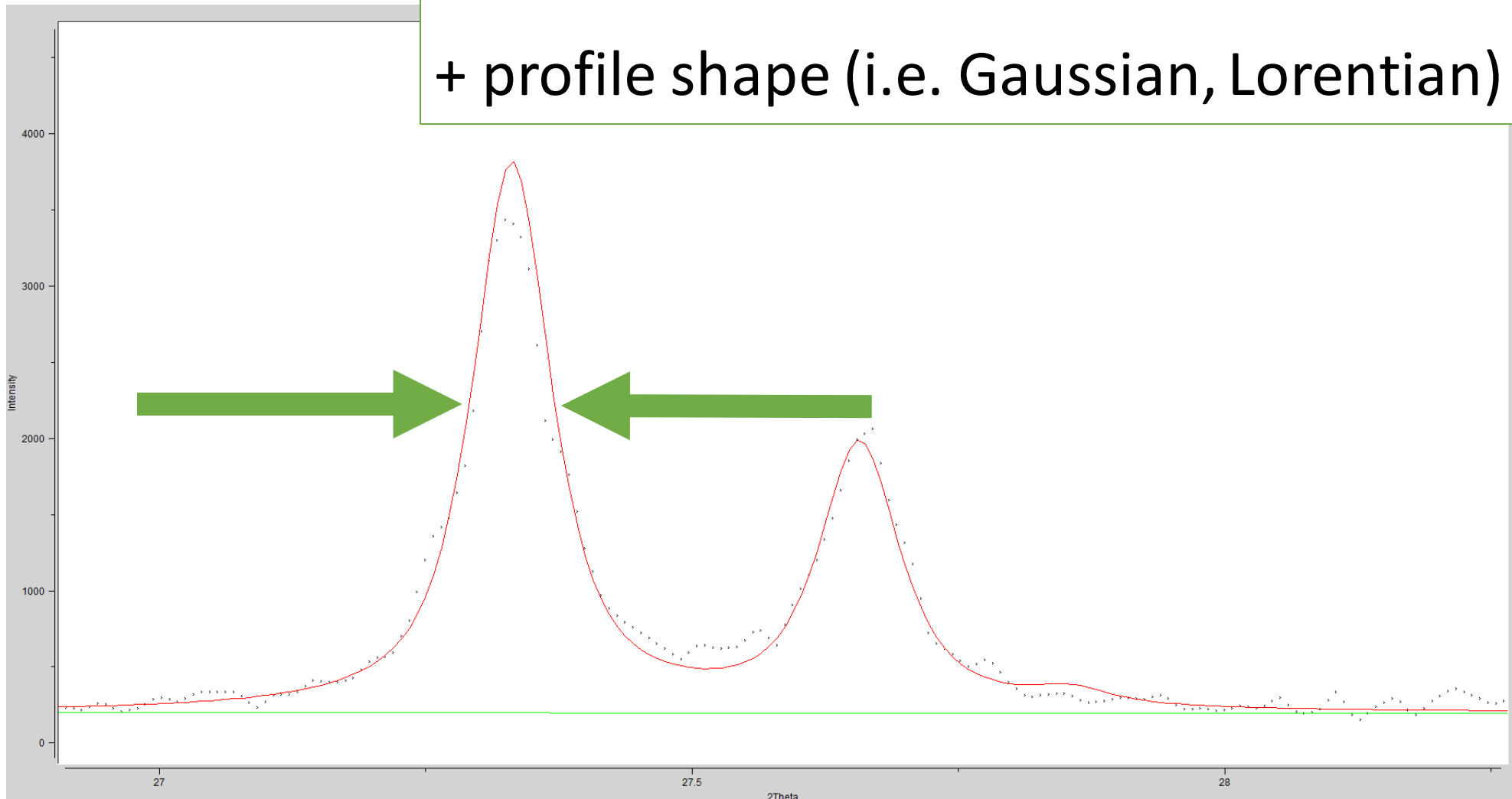
Linear thermal expansion:  $\alpha = 30.4 * 10^{-6} \text{ (K}^{-1}\text{)}$



# Peak profile

FWHM (Full width at Half Maximum)

+ profile shape (i.e. Gaussian, Lorentian)



# Pseudo-Voigt: Gaussian (G) +Lorentian (L)

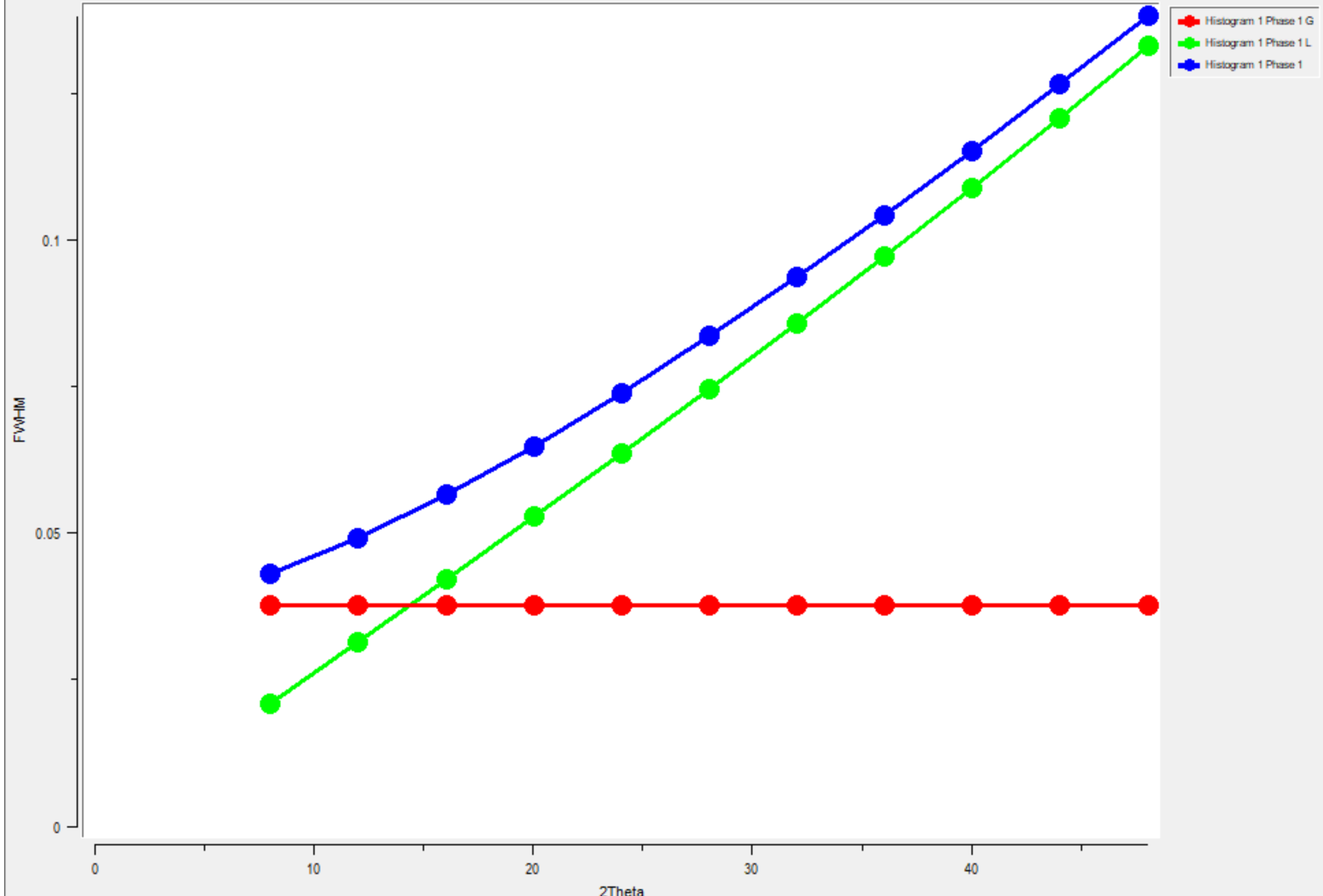
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Damping  Peak cutoff

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GU, GV, GW and LX, LY describe the variation of FWHM of a Gaussian and a Lorentian as function of 2theta angle





### Hist 1 -- Phase 1 (type 2)

Damping

Peak cutoff

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## From GSAS manual

The variance of the peak,  $\sigma_2$ , varies with  $2\Theta$  as

$$\sigma^2 = U \tan^2 \Theta + V \tan \Theta + W + \frac{P}{\cos^2 \Theta}$$

where U, V and W are the coefficients described by Cagliotti, Pauletti and Ricci in 1958 (Nucl. Instrum., **3**, 223) and P is the Scherrer coefficient for Gaussian broadening. The Lorentzian coefficient,  $\gamma$ , varies as

$$\gamma = \frac{X + X_e \cos \phi}{\cos \Theta} + \left( Y + Y_e \cos \phi + \gamma_L d^2 \right) \tan \Theta$$

The first term is the Lorentzian Scherrer broadening and includes an anisotropy coefficient,  $X_e$ . The second term describes strain broadening and also includes an anisotropy coefficient. If a sublattice is defined by use of “stacking fault vectors”, then

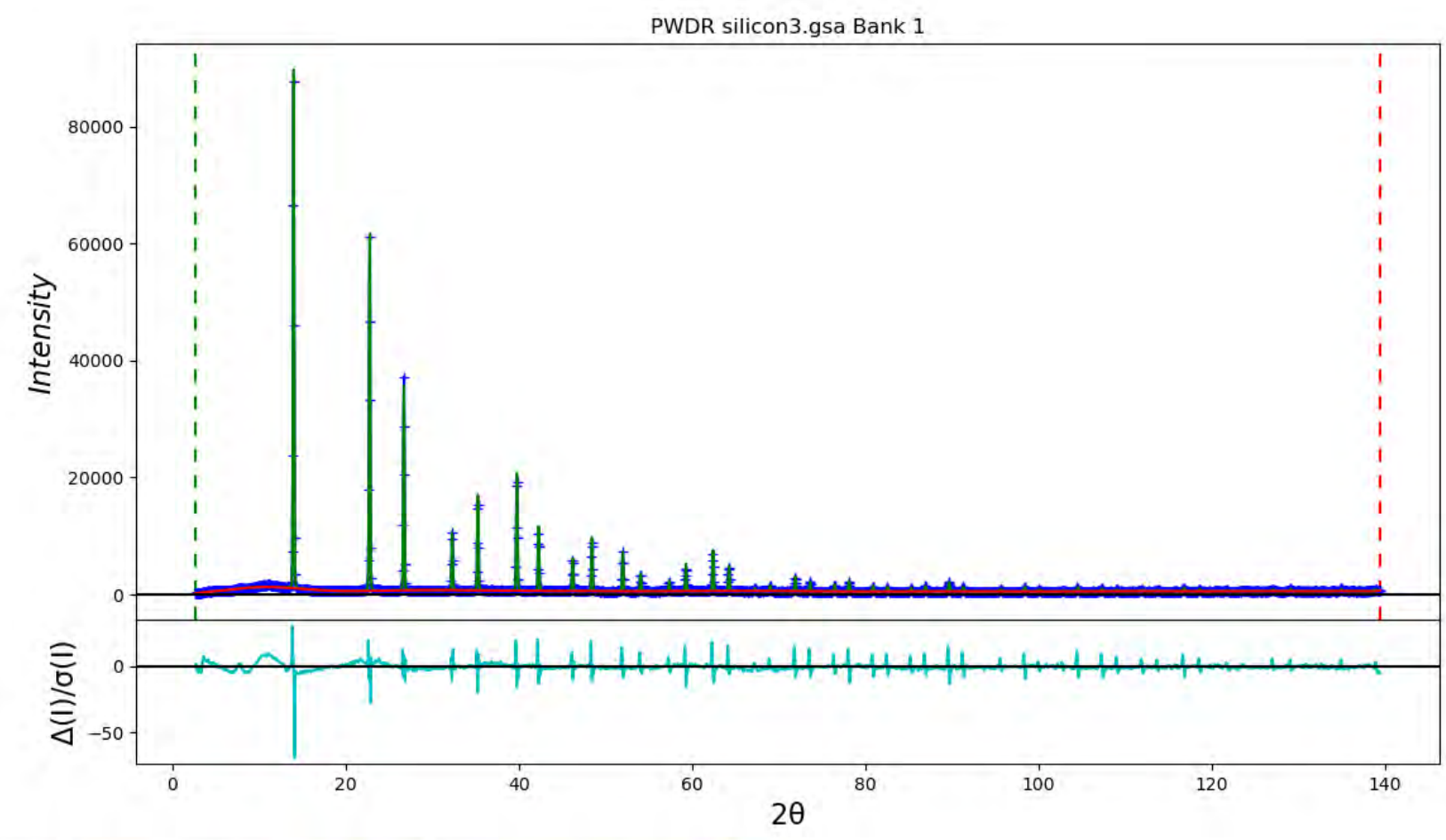
## Example: estimation of crystallite size in cubic ZrO<sub>2</sub> (nominally 5 nm by TEM)

- Determination of experimental broadening using a standard (i.e. LaB<sub>6</sub>, Silicon)
- Profile fitting of ZrO<sub>2</sub> (using GSAS-II software, which has implemented the deconvolution of sample broadening from instrumental broadening)

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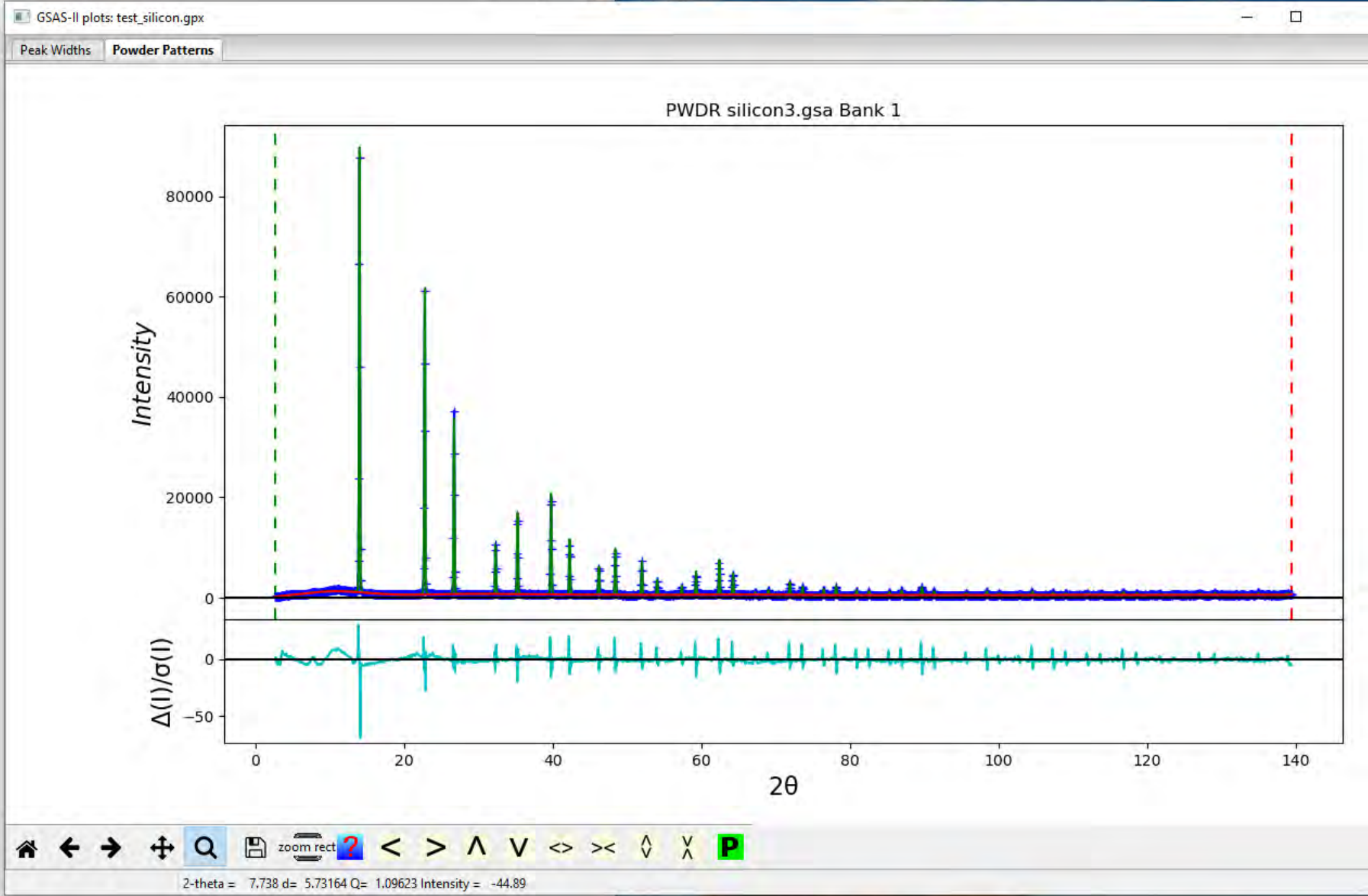
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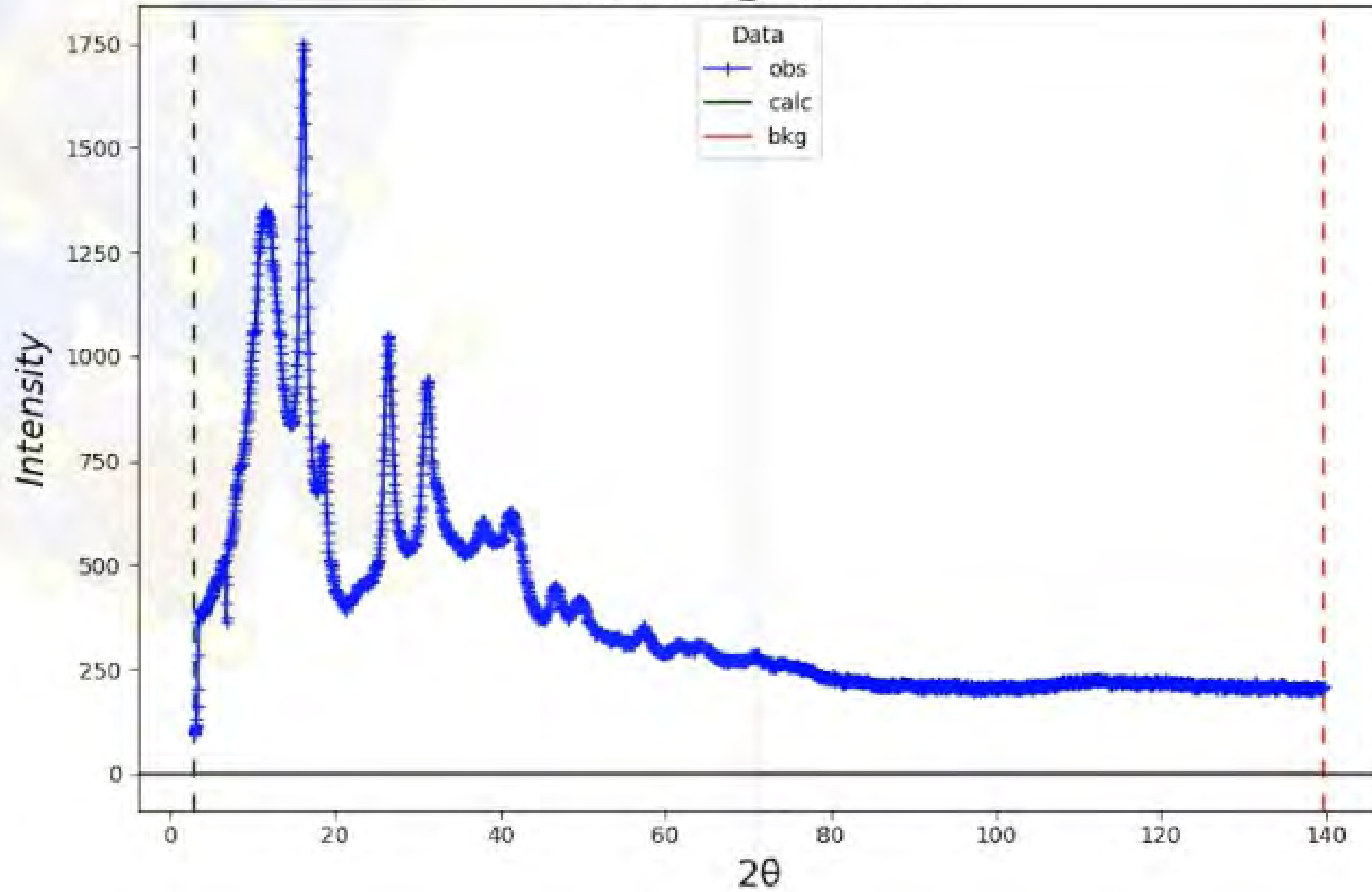
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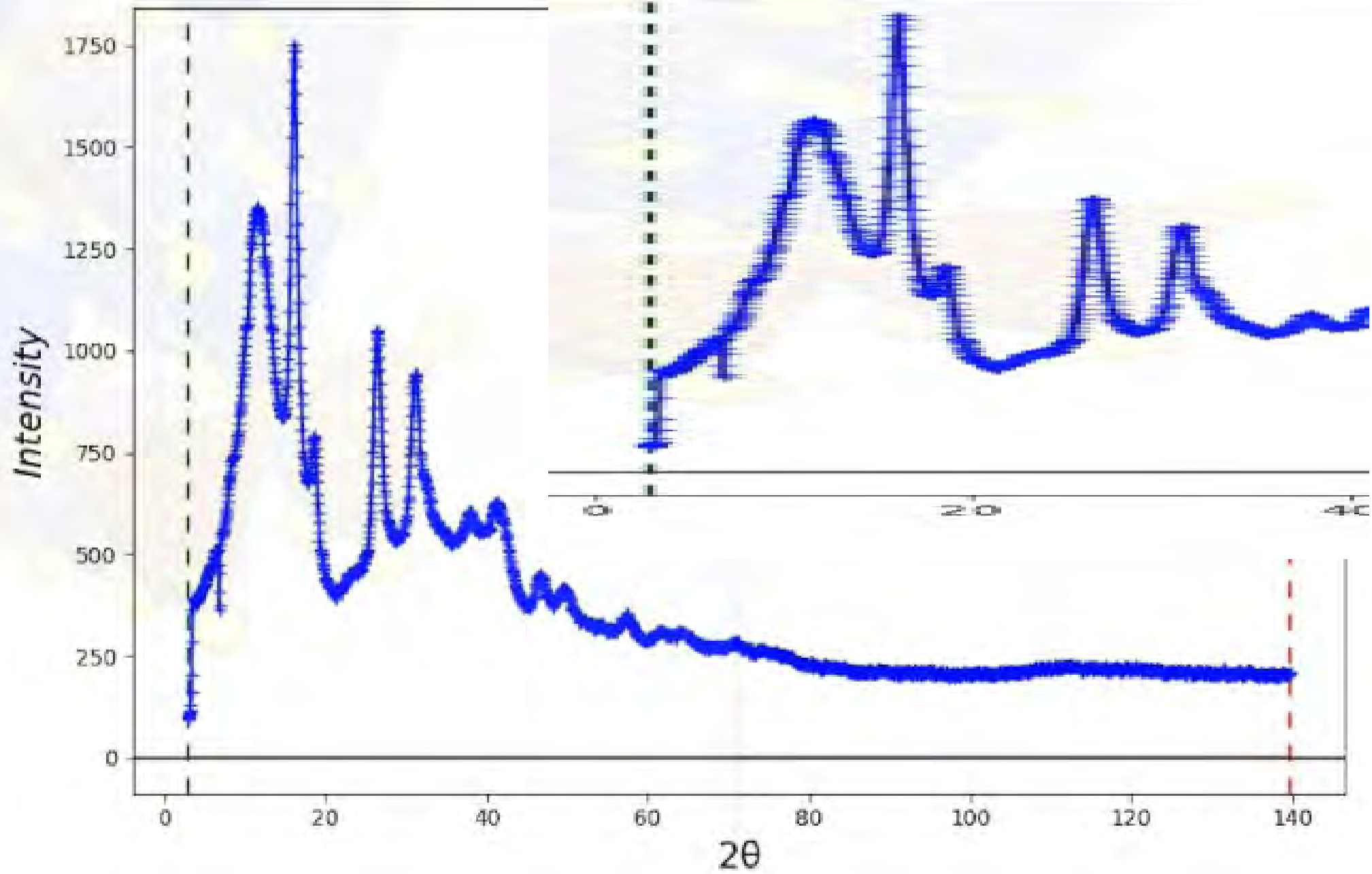


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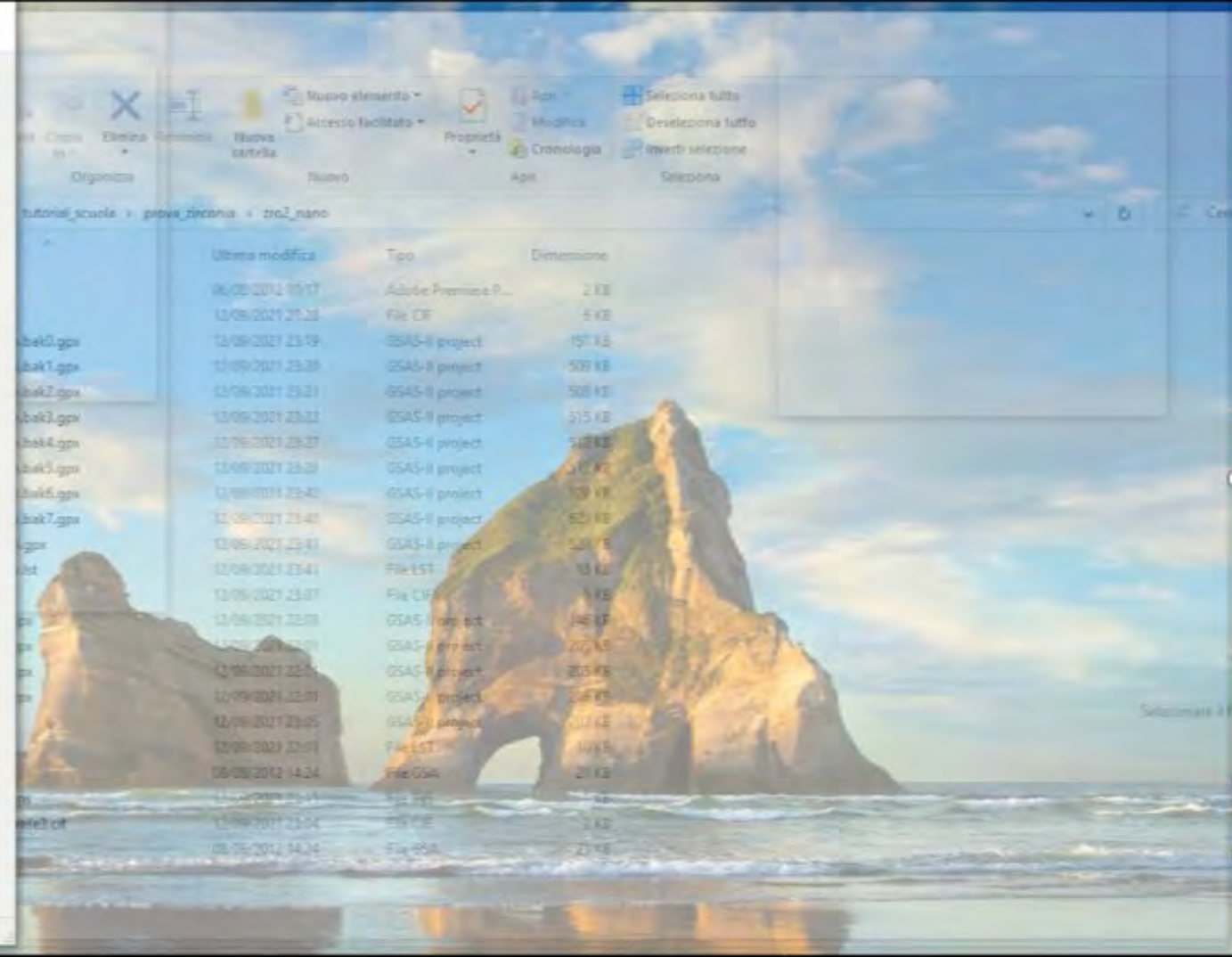
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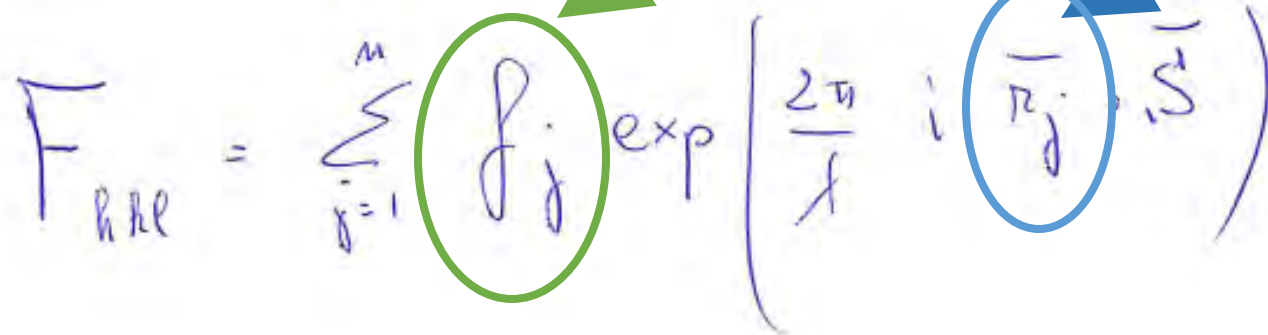
2) Intensity of diffraction: function of atomic species and structure

$$F_{hkl} = \sum_{j=1}^n f_j \exp\left(\frac{2\pi}{\lambda} i \vec{r}_j \cdot \vec{S}\right)$$

Structure factor



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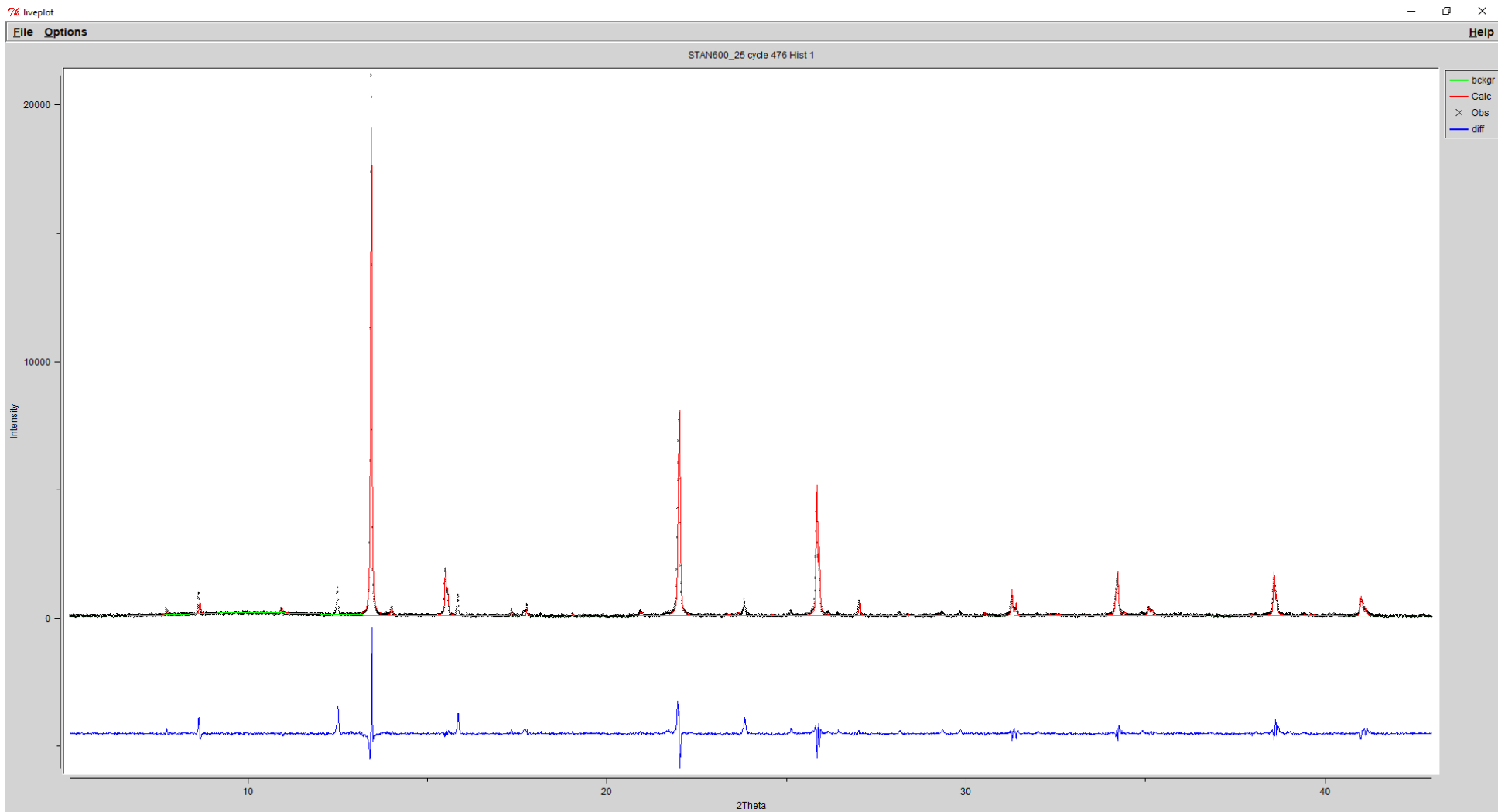
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Structure factor

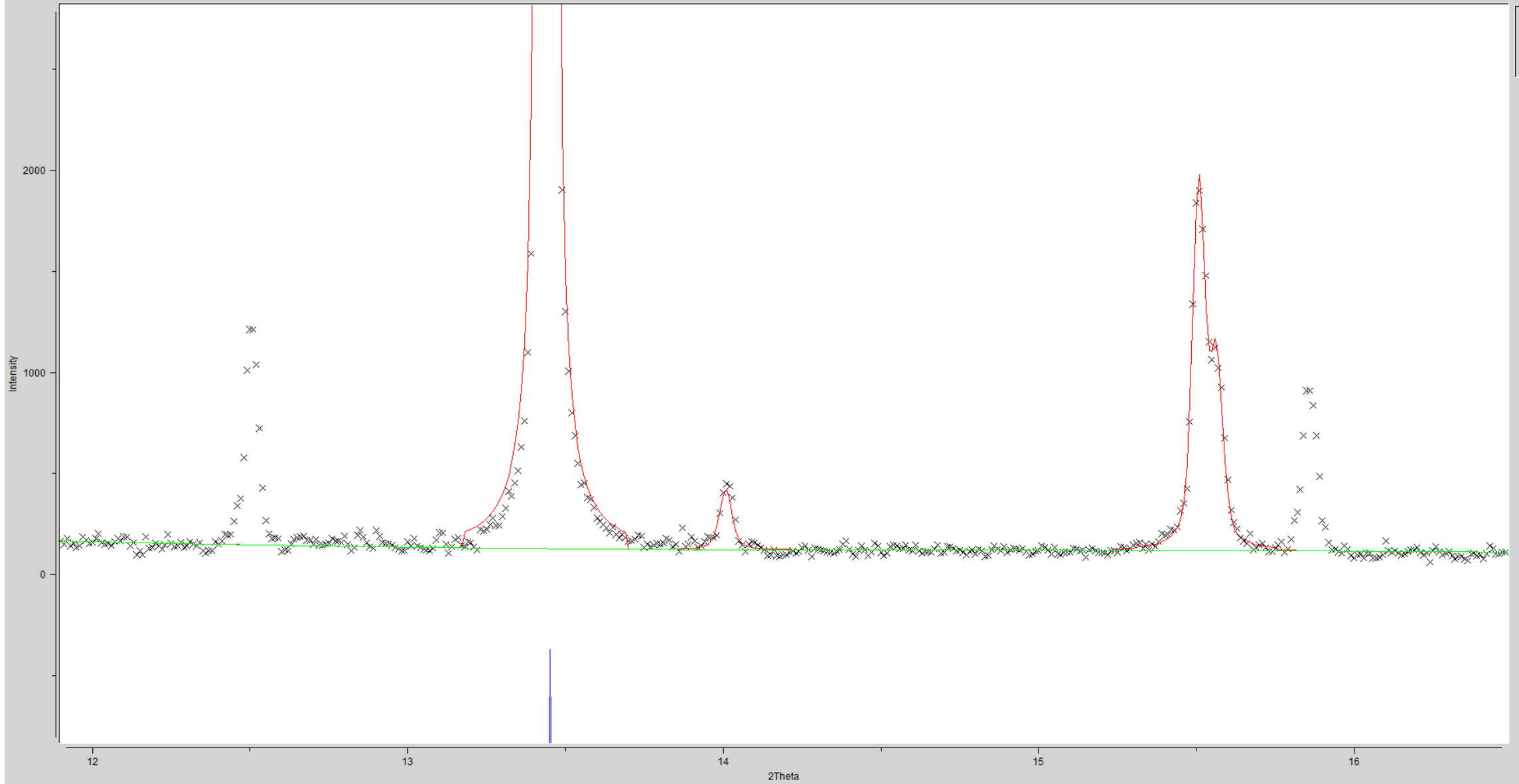
- Use of intensity for quantitative analysis and for structure determination

Quantitative analysis:

Stannite  $\text{Cu}_2\text{FeSnS}_4$  – Rietveld fit – few peaks not fitted

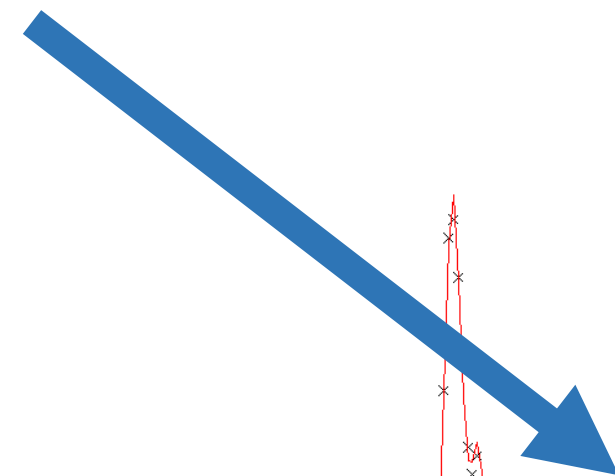
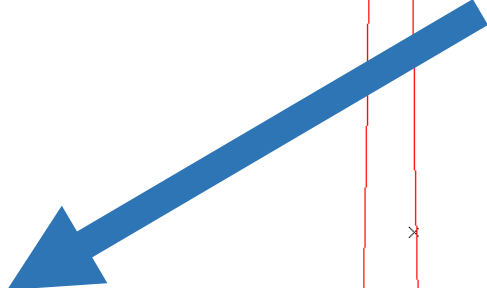
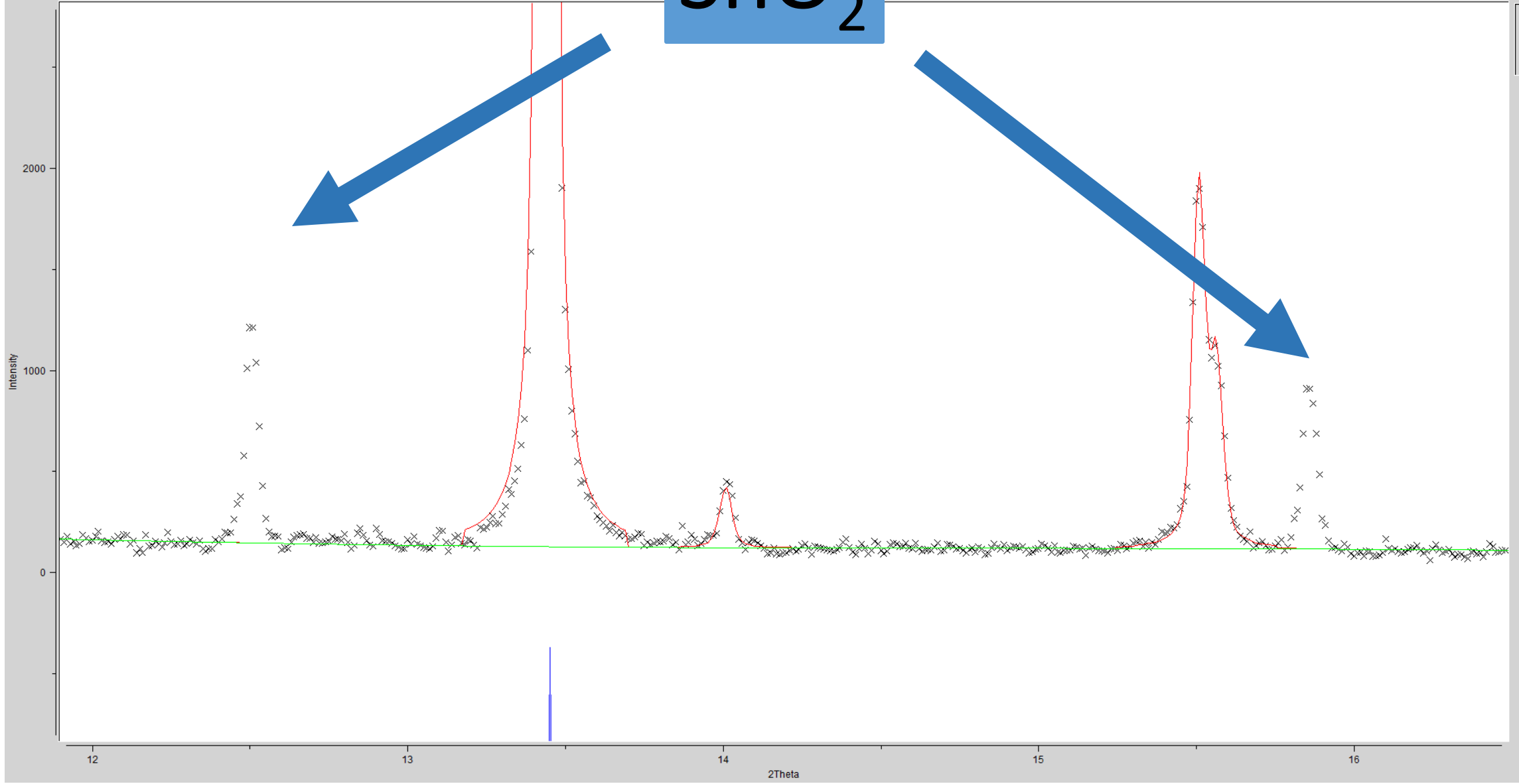


STAN600\_25 cycle 476 Hist 1



- bckgr
- Calc
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SnO<sub>2</sub>



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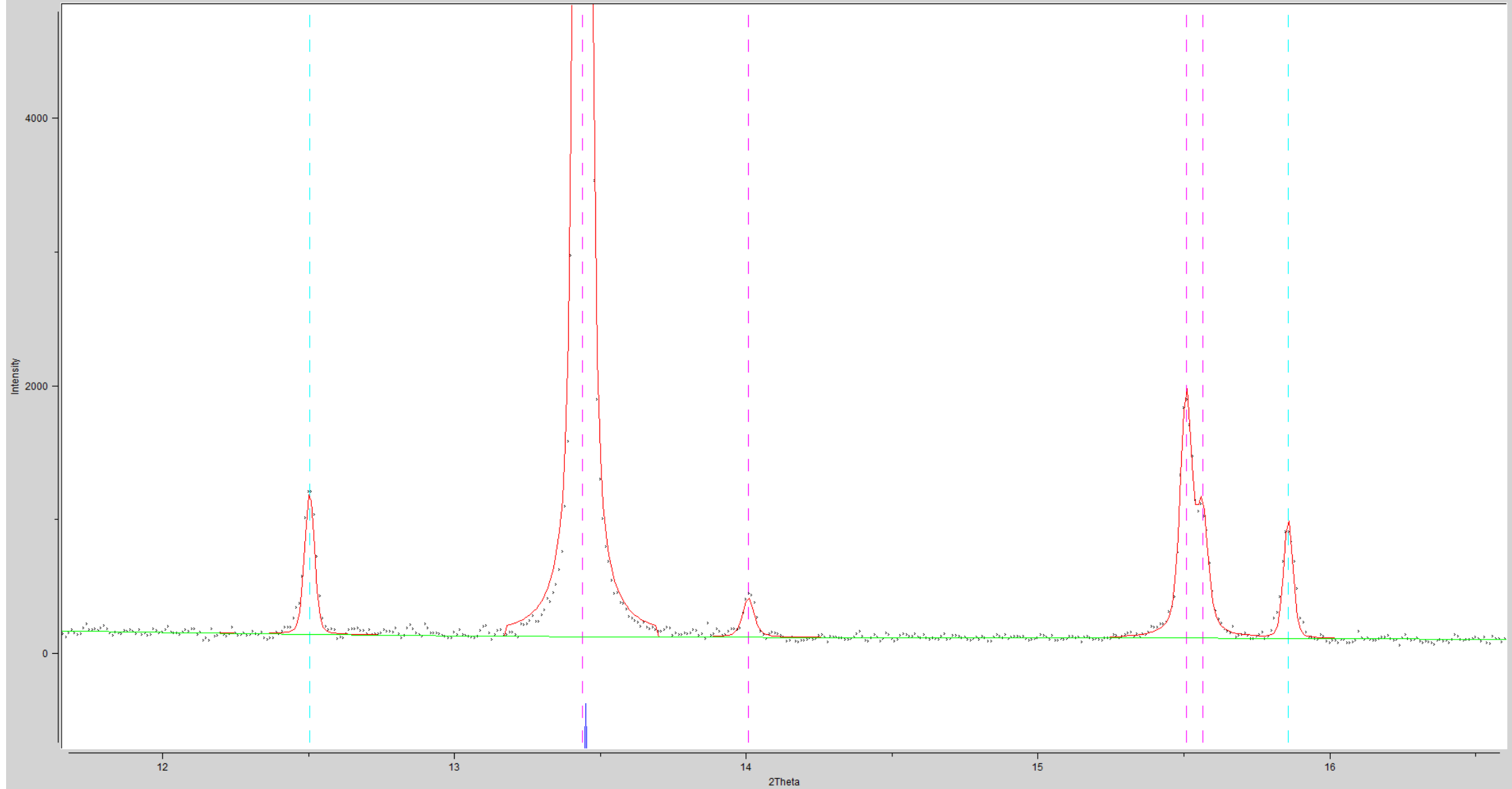
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STAN600\_25 cycle 510 Hist 1



Calculated unit cell formula weight: 301.376, density: 6.982gm/cm\*\*3

Phase/element fractions for phase no. 1

Hist Elem: 1 1 PXC  
Fraction : 2.26796  
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96 % Stannite

Phase/element fractions for phase no. 2

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Sigmas : 0.666184E-02  
Shift/esd: 0.00  
Wt. Frac.: 0.39959E-01  
Sigmas : 0.953988E-03

4 % SnO<sub>2</sub>

Phase/element fraction sum(shift/error)\*\*2 : 0.00

Lattice parameters for powder data:

Phase 1

# Structure determination / refinement

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Tools Style Objects

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Structural models

Show models

Show dot surface

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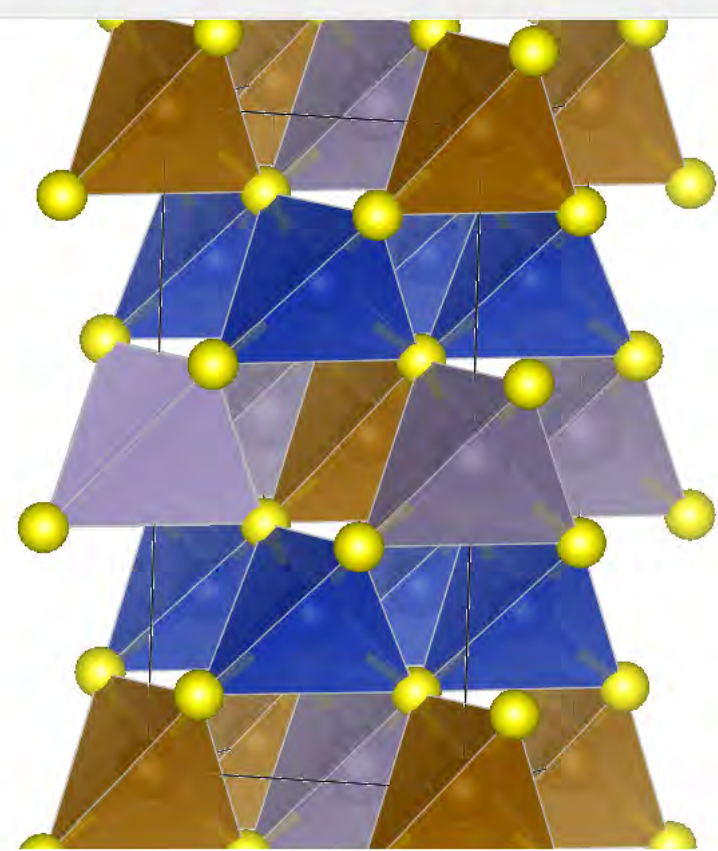
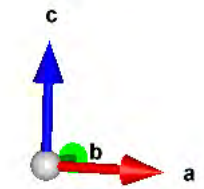
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Output Summary Comment



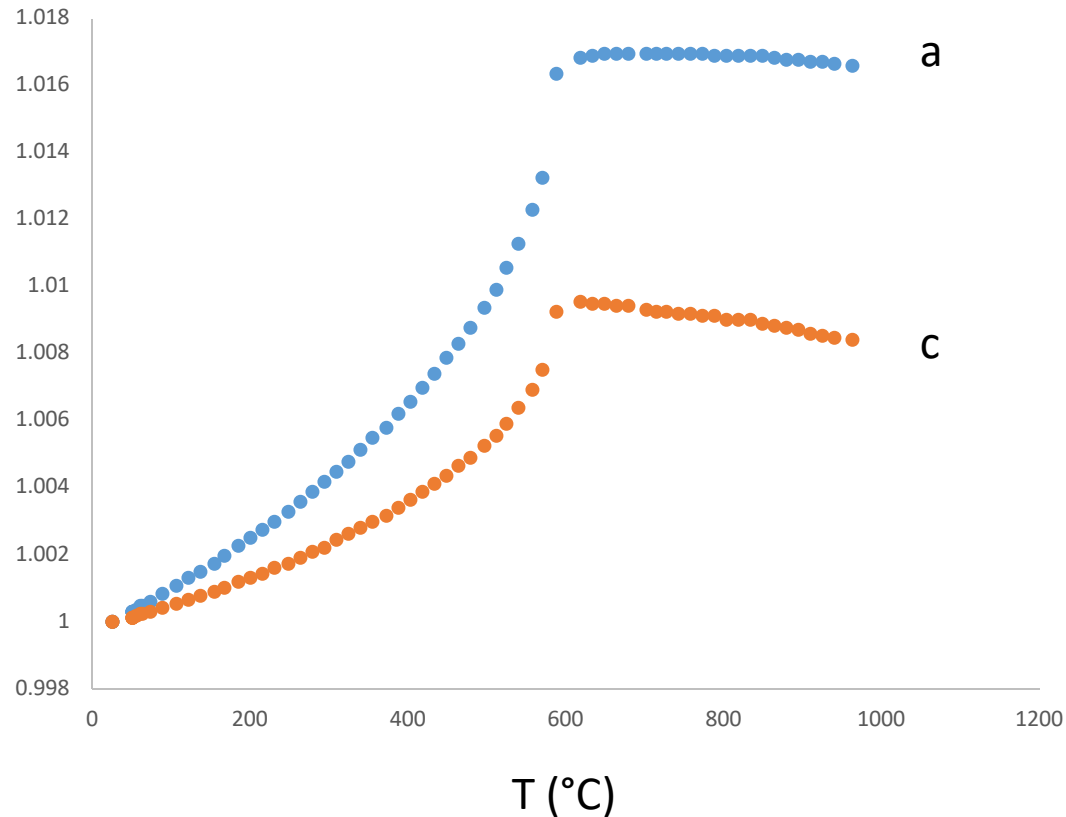


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## LETTER

### Microscopic strain in synthetic pyrope-grossular solid solutions determined by synchrotron X-ray powder diffraction at 5 K: The relationship to enthalpy of mixing behavior

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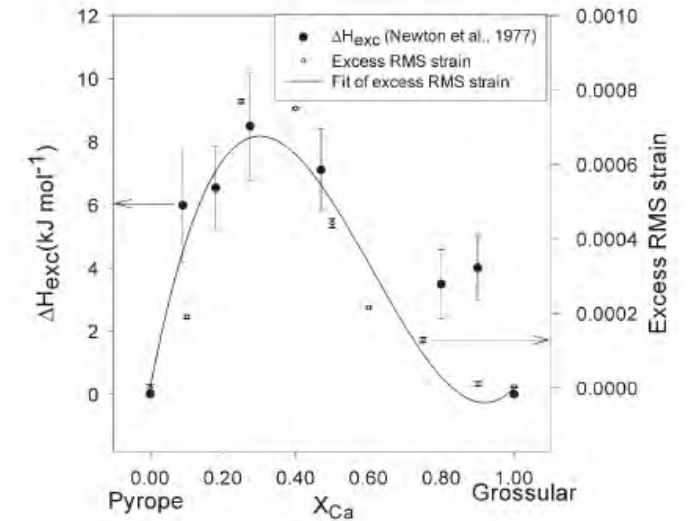
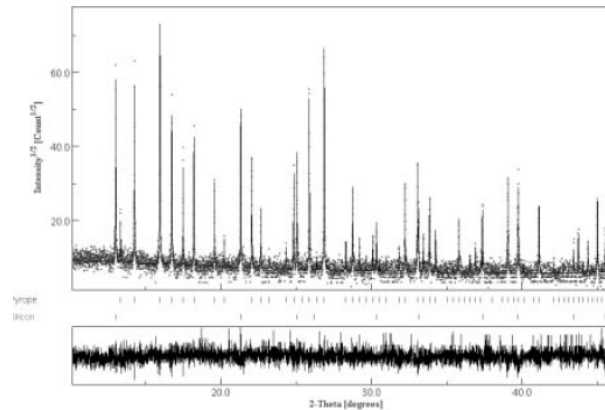
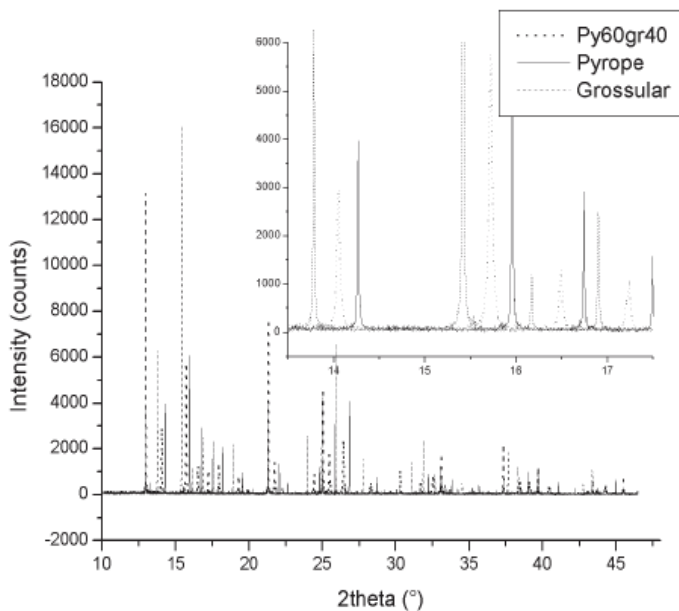


FIGURE 3. Experimental values of the excess enthalpies of mixing (open squares from Newton et al., 1977) and the excess RMS strain (black circles). The error bars represent  $2\sigma$  variations in the determinations. The solid line is a two parameter asymmetric fit (Eq. 4) to the excess RMS strain data.

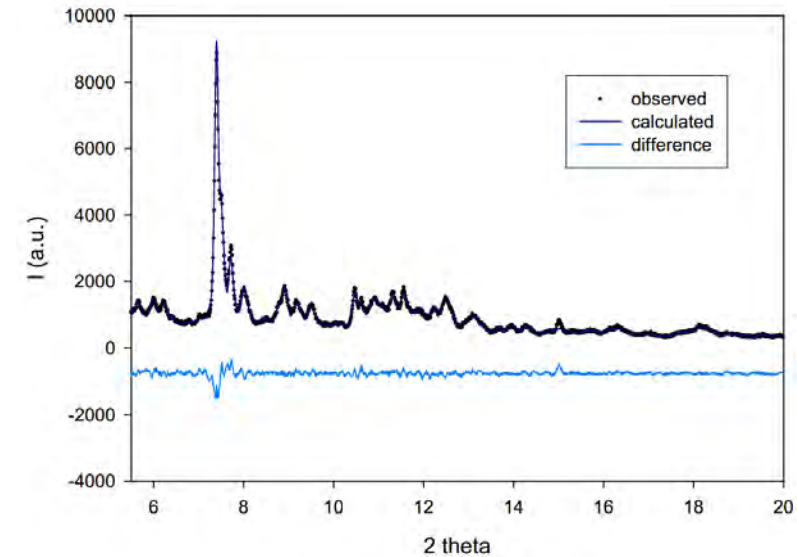
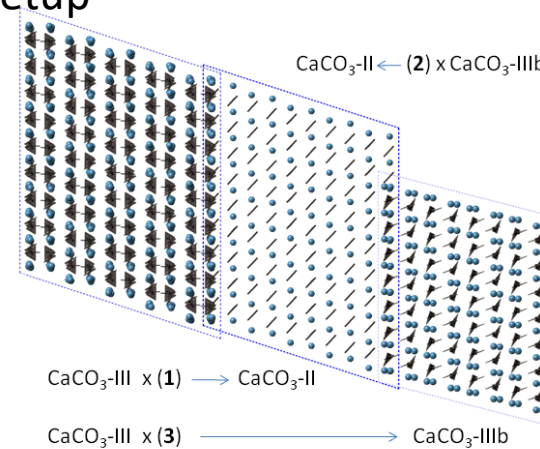
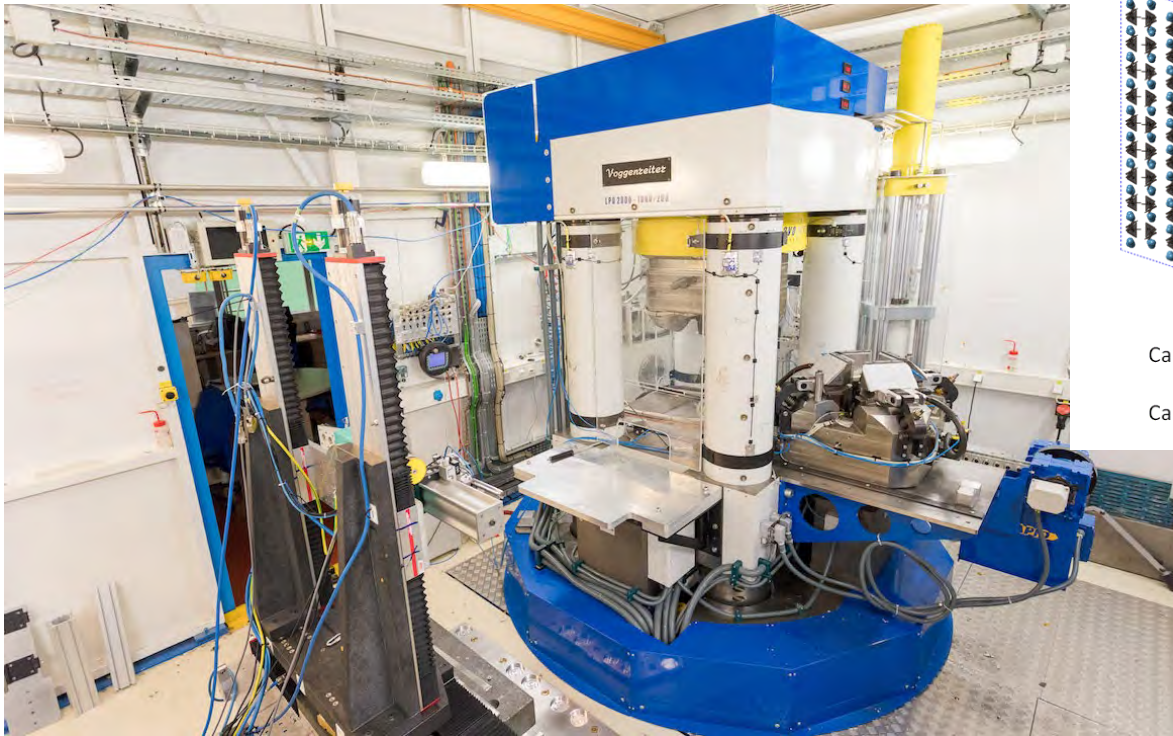
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Rietveld fit of complex structural intergrow of different domain in high pressure phase

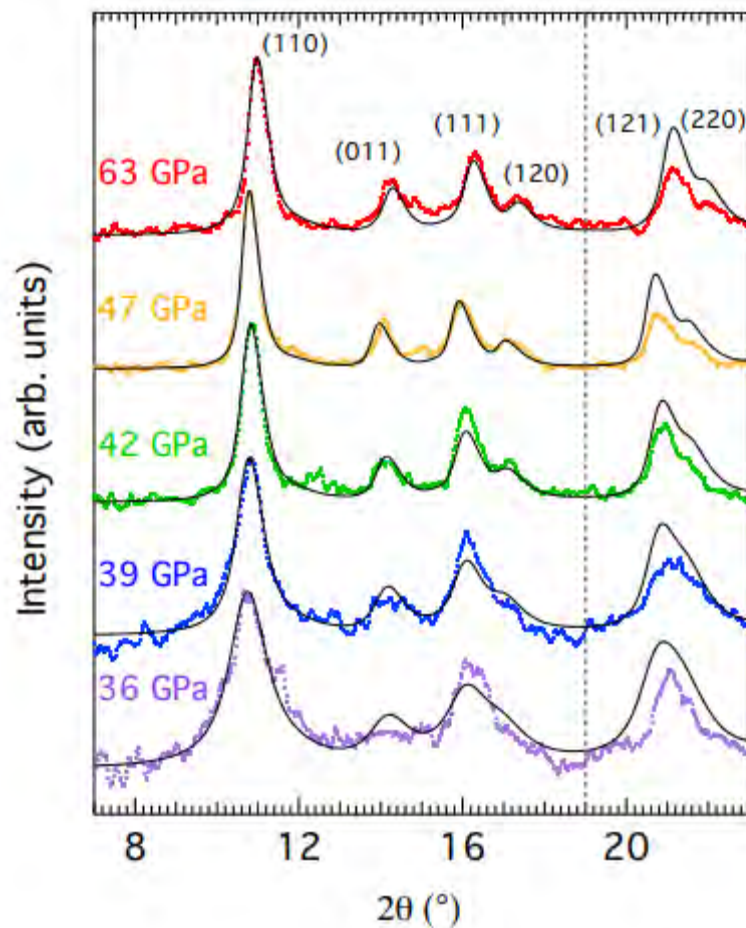
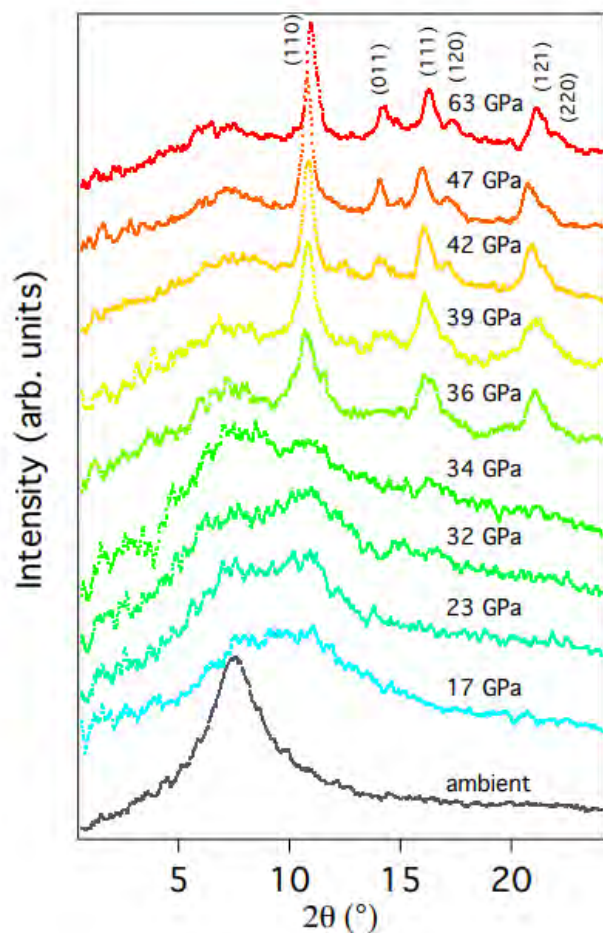
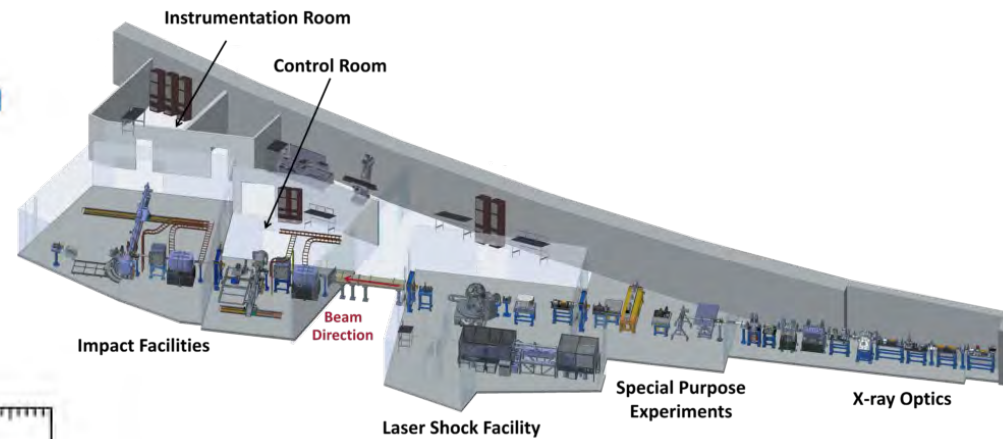
LVP – Large Volume Press @ ESRF ID06 beamline





# *In situ* X-Ray Diffraction of Shock-Compressed Fused Silica

Sally June Tracy, Stefan J. Turneure, and Thomas S. Duffy  
Phys. Rev. Lett. **120**, 135702 – Published 29 March 2018



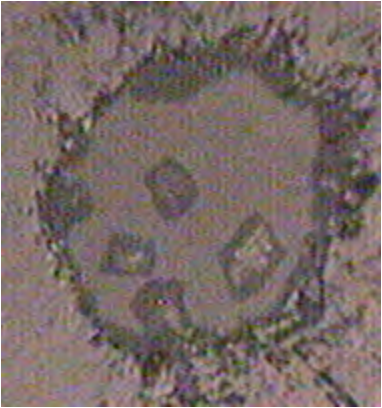
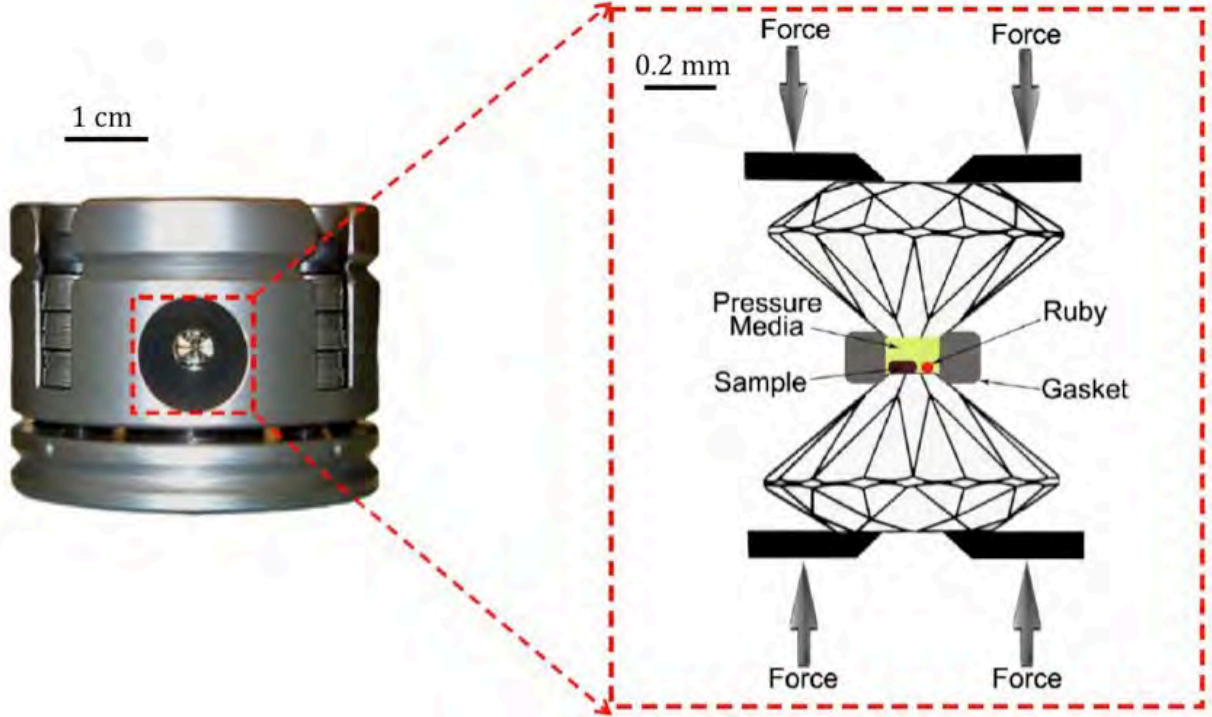
The diffraction data are combined with continuum-level measurements to reveal a complete picture of the material response from the atomic length scale to the continuum level, allowing for the unambiguous determination of the phase(s) formed at  $\sim 100$  ns timescales from 12 to 63 GPa.

Plate impact experiments were carried out at the Dynamic Compression Sector of the Advanced Photon Source (APS). Planar shock waves in fused silica were generated using LiF impactors accelerated in a polycarbonate projectile to a velocity of 1.8–5.6 km/s using either a single-stage propellant gun or a two-stage light gas gun. A schematic of the impact

3) EXAMPLE of crystal structure determination from single crystals at «extreme conditions»

High-pressure and high-temperature

# Diamond anvil cell



Diamond culet diameter

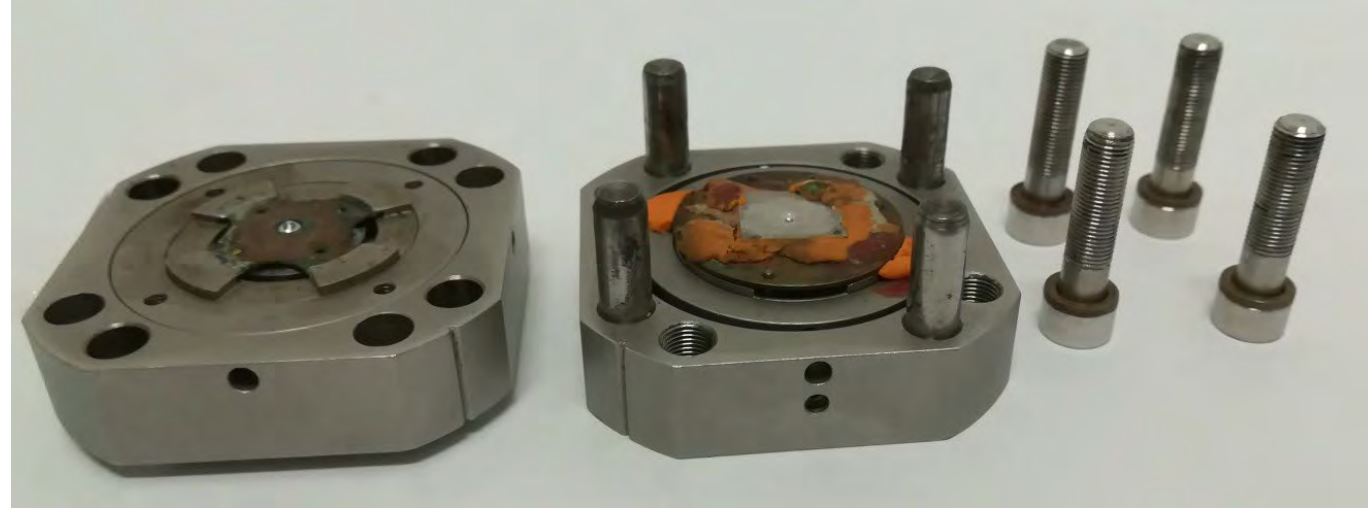
max pressure

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- 0.6 mm
- 0.3 mm
- 0.125 mm

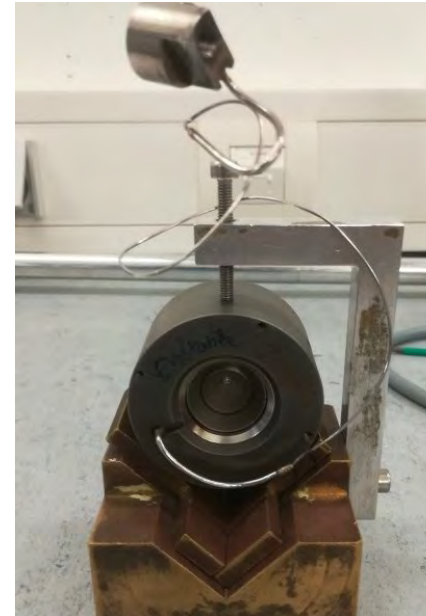
- 2 GPa
- 20 GPa
- 60 GPa
- > 100 GPa

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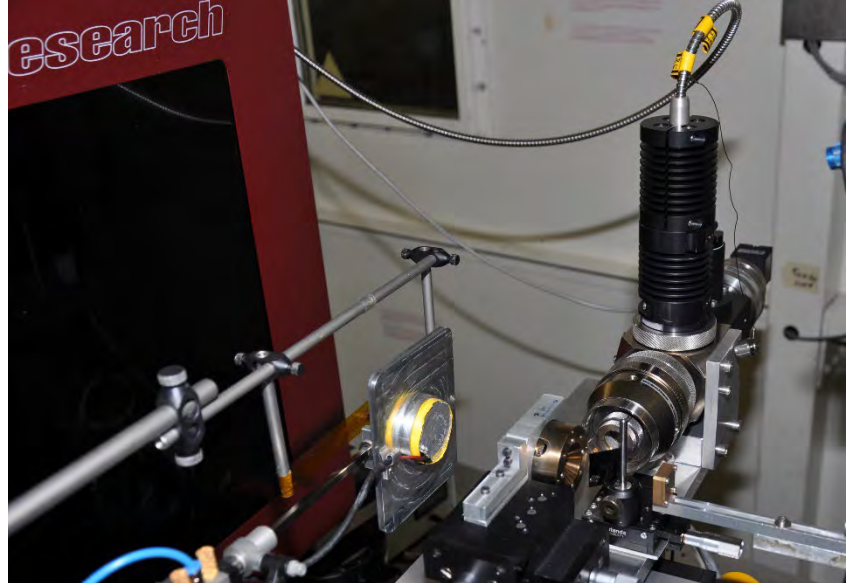
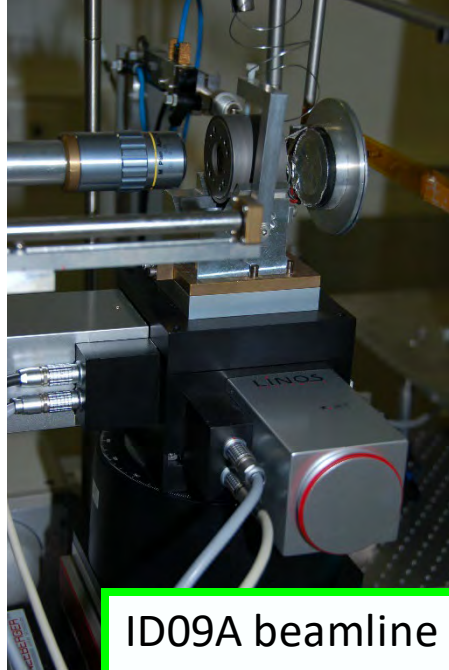
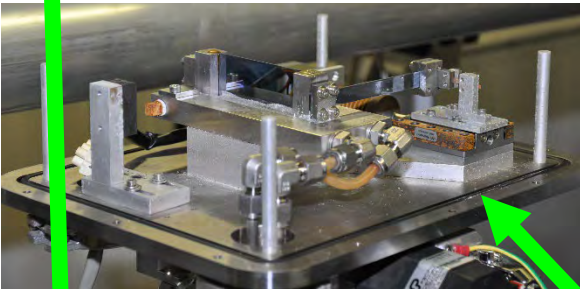
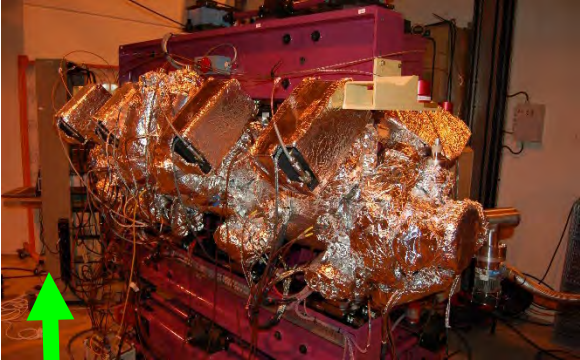
screws



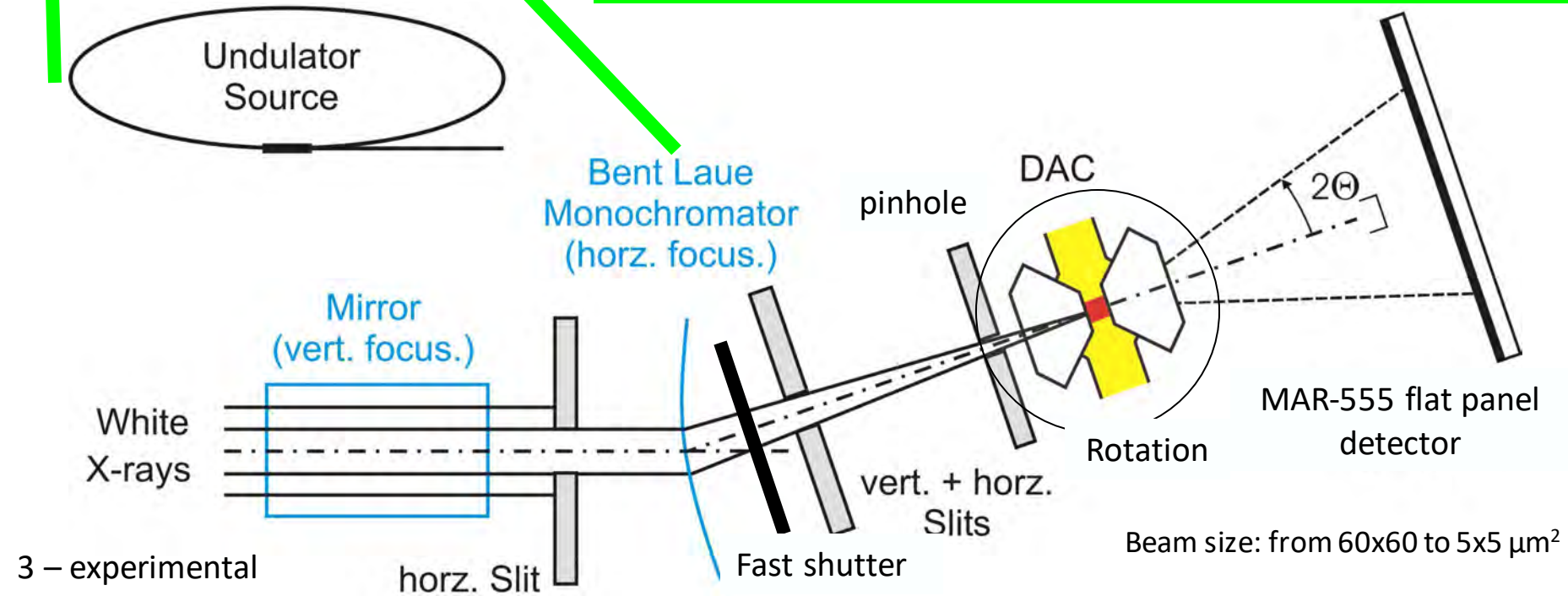
Gas under pressure  
(0-200 bar)  
and expanding  
metallic membrane







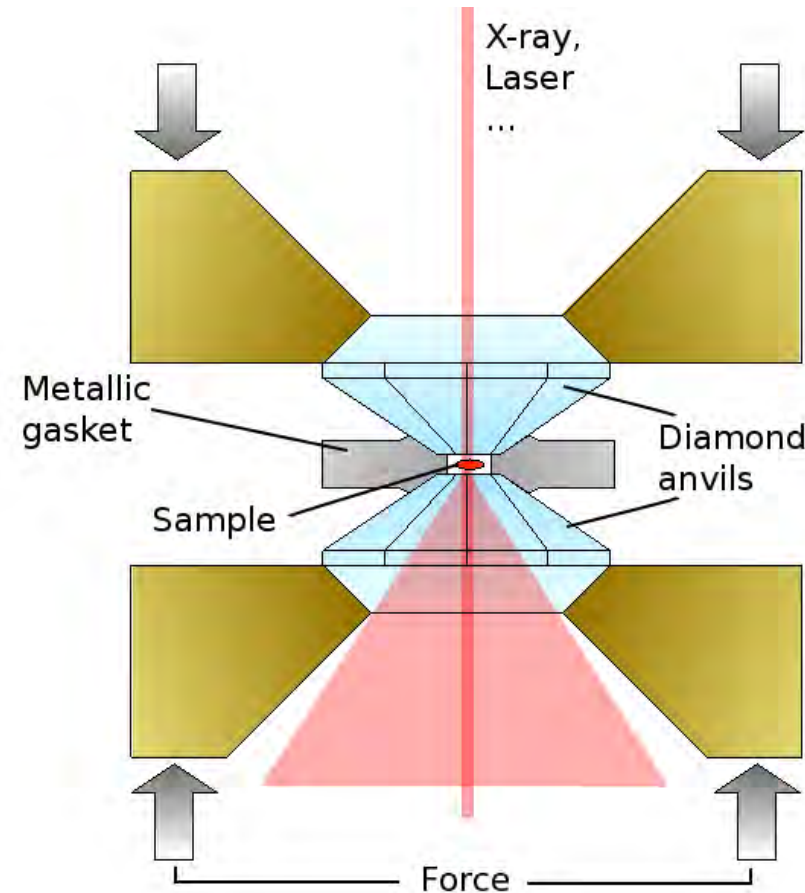
ID09A beamline @ ESRF (Grenoble, France)  
European Synchrotron Radiation Facility



Diamond Anvil Cell (DAC) +/- resistive heating +/- laser heating

P max: «routine» 1.5 Mbar – possible experiments up to 6 Mbar

T max: cryostat + resistive: 5-1000 K; laser heating: up to 6000 K

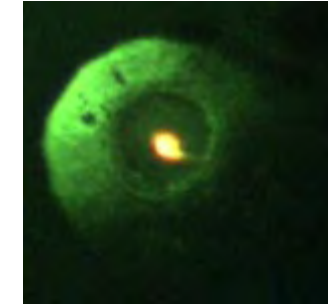
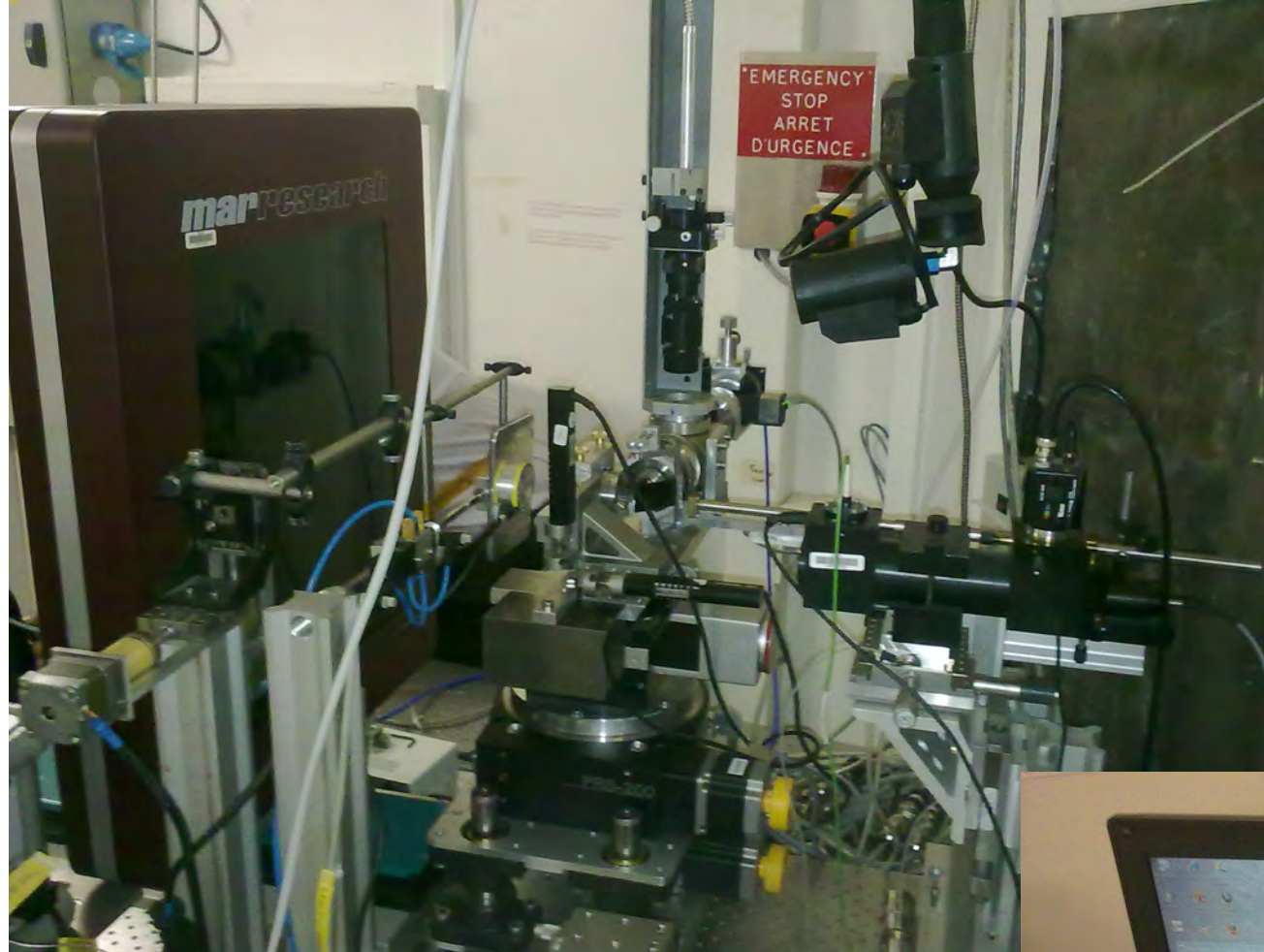


X-ray diffraction  
(powder, single crystal)

X-ray scattering

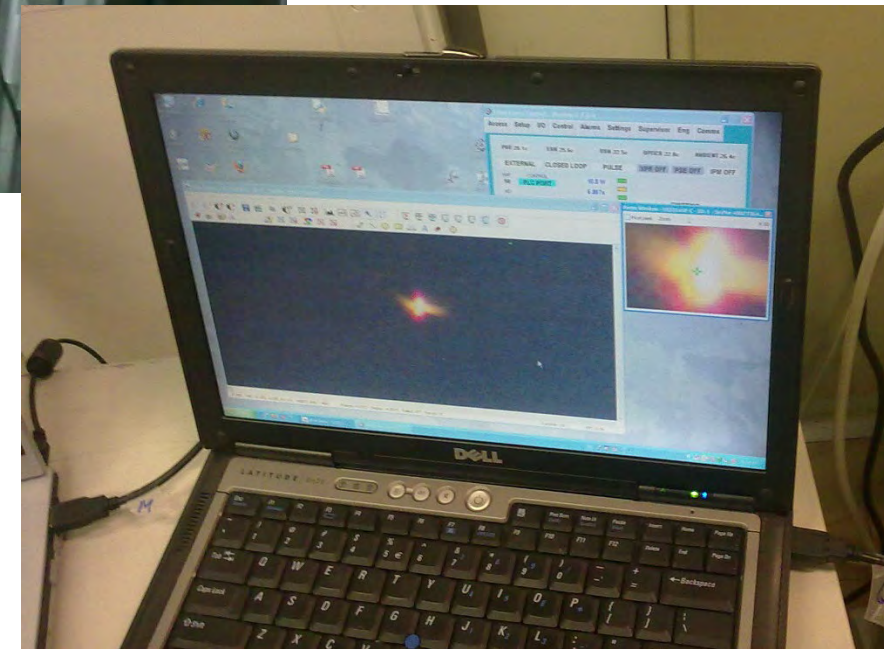
X-ray spectroscopy





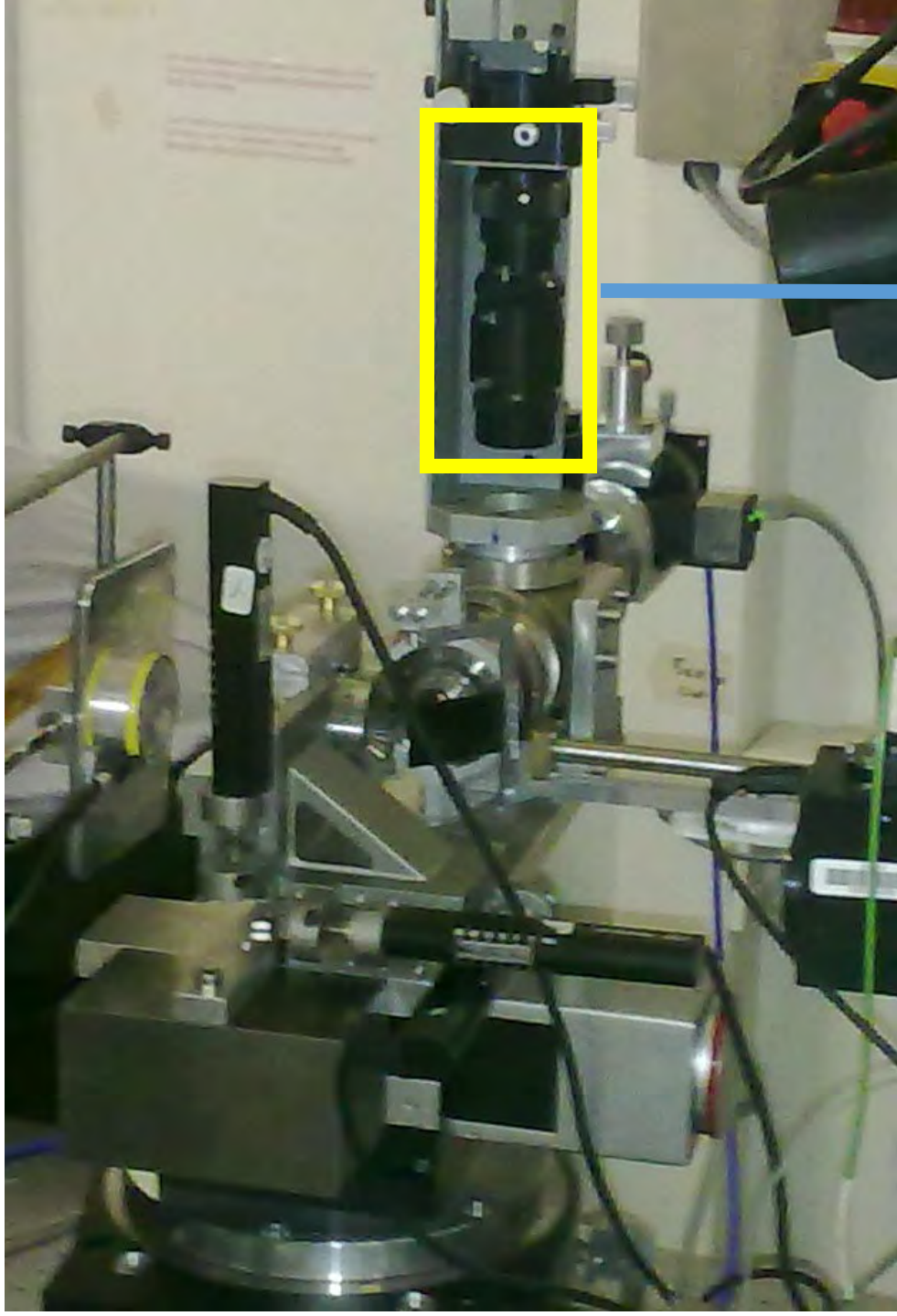
Portable laser heating system for single crystal diffraction

Dubrovinsky et al., HPR 2010

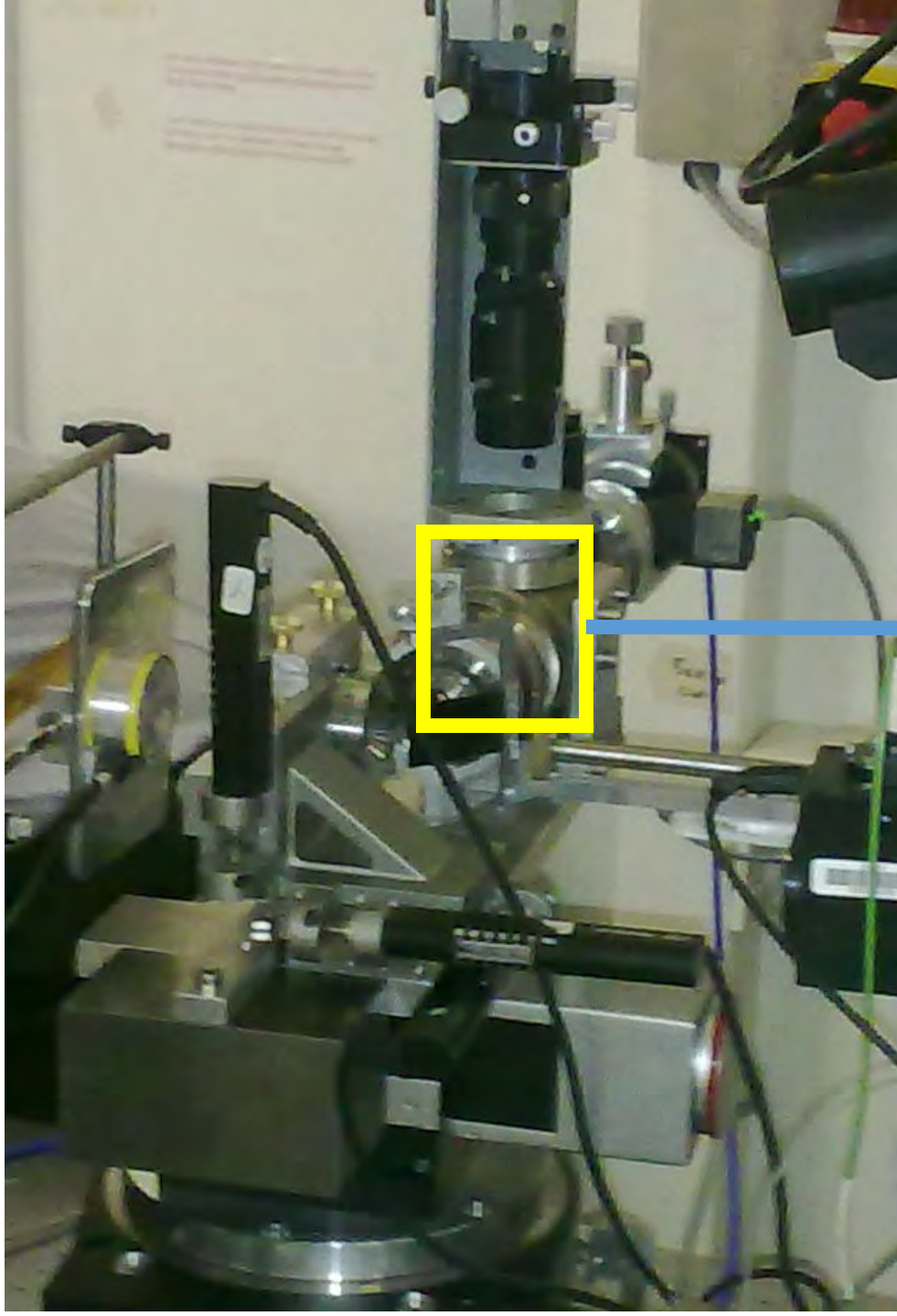






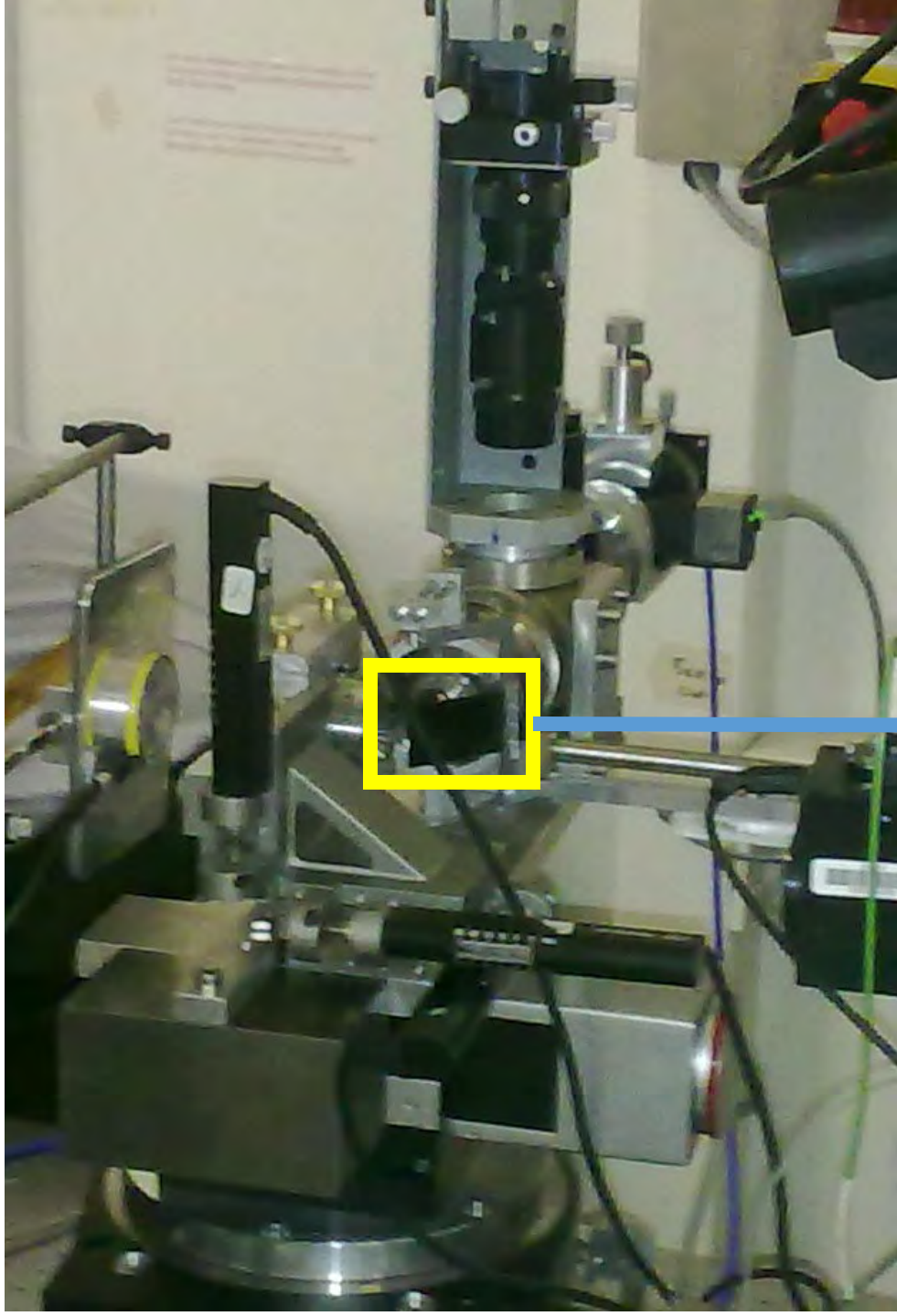


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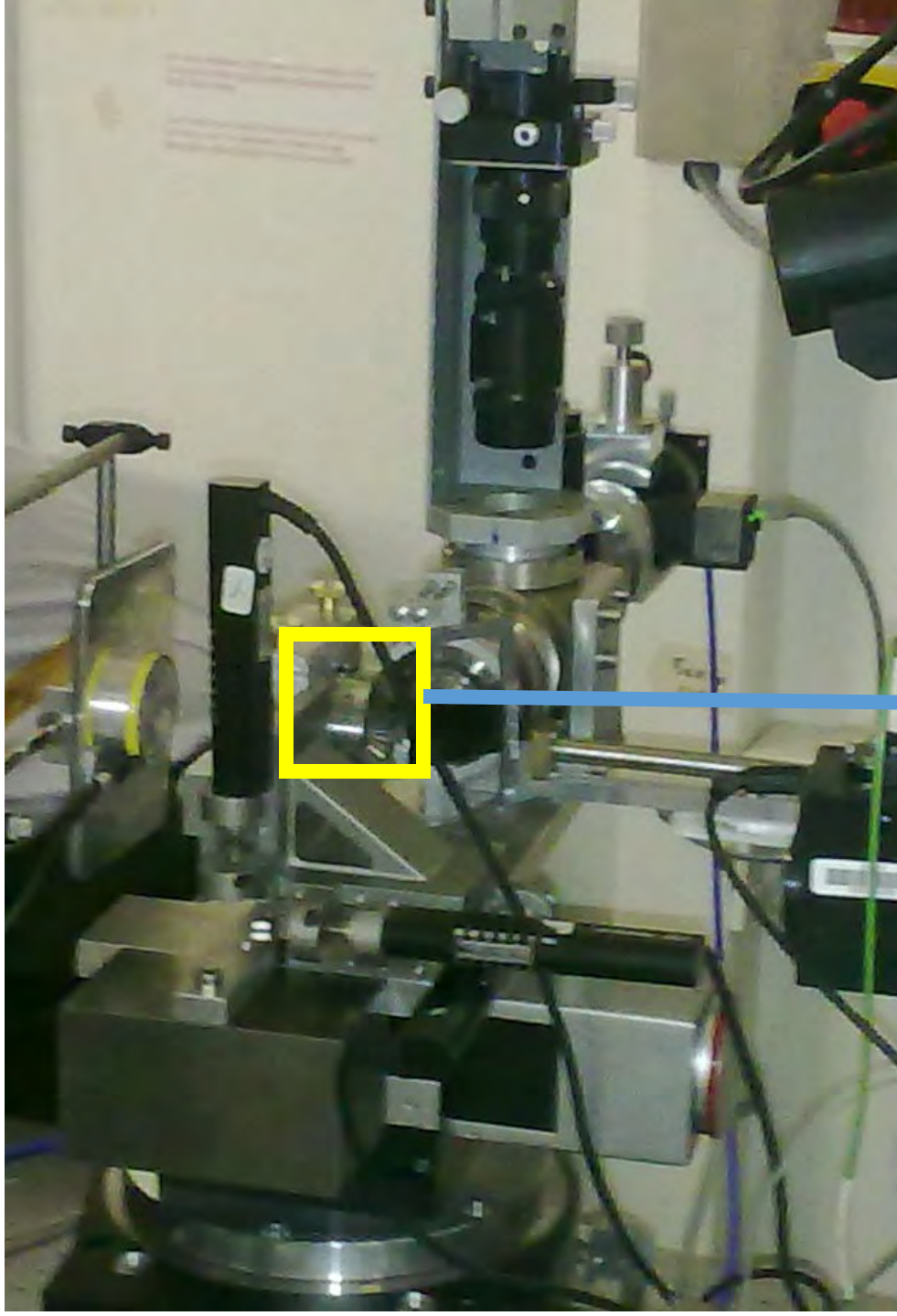


Mirror and lens





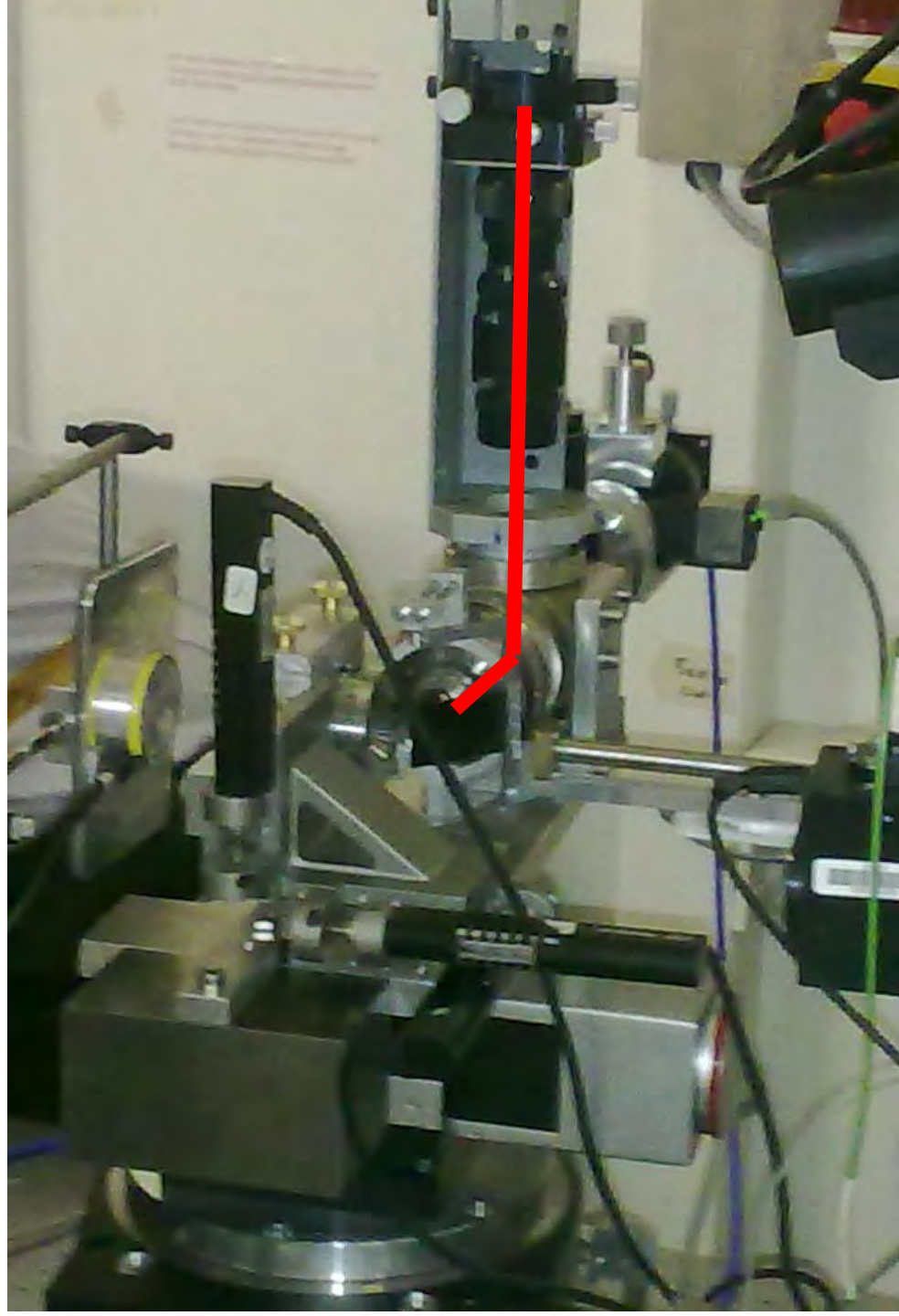
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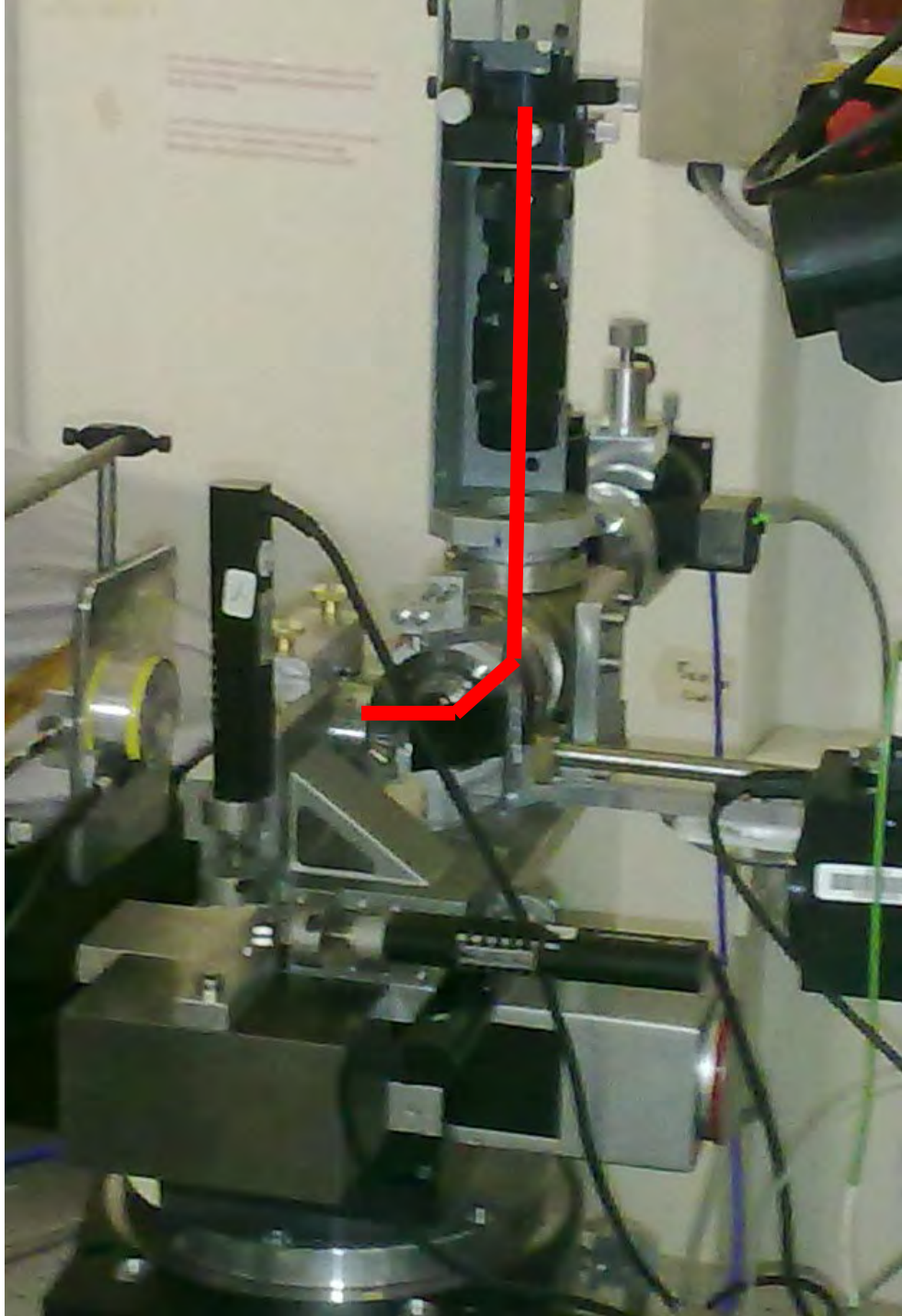


Diamond Anvil Cell

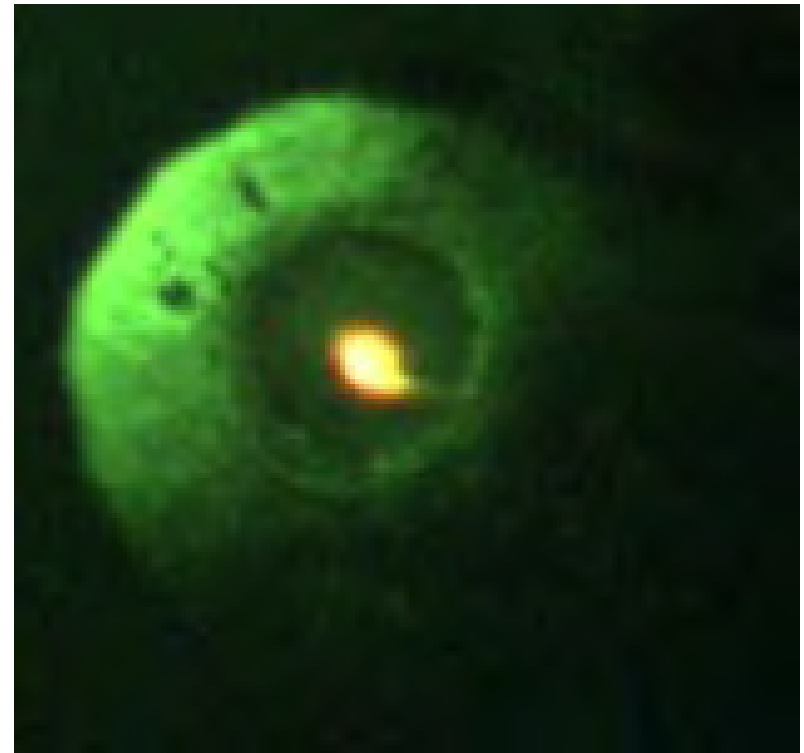




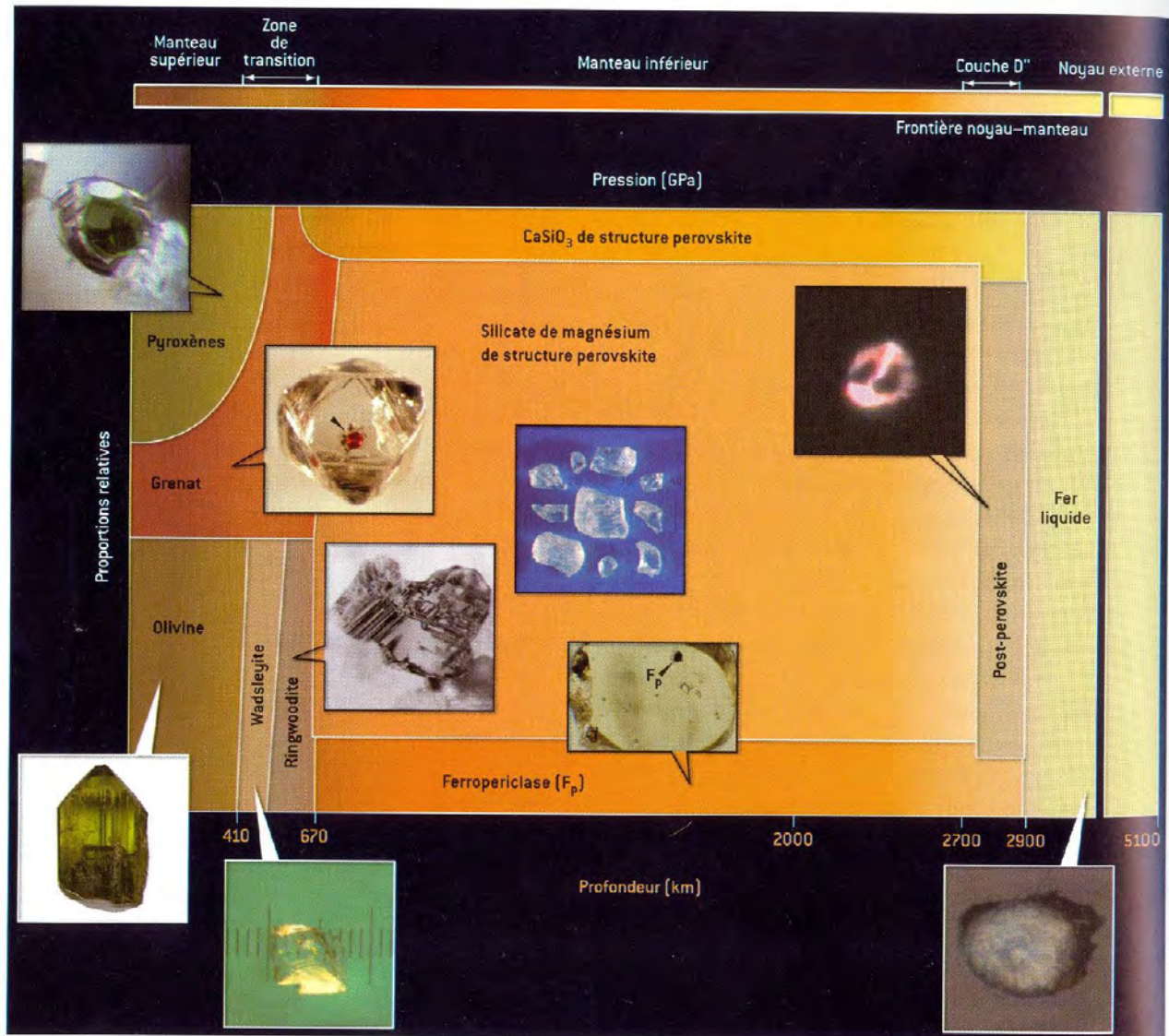




Single crystal laser heating  
+ rotation of all the stage  
for single crystal diffraction  
data collection in situ @  
HP/HT

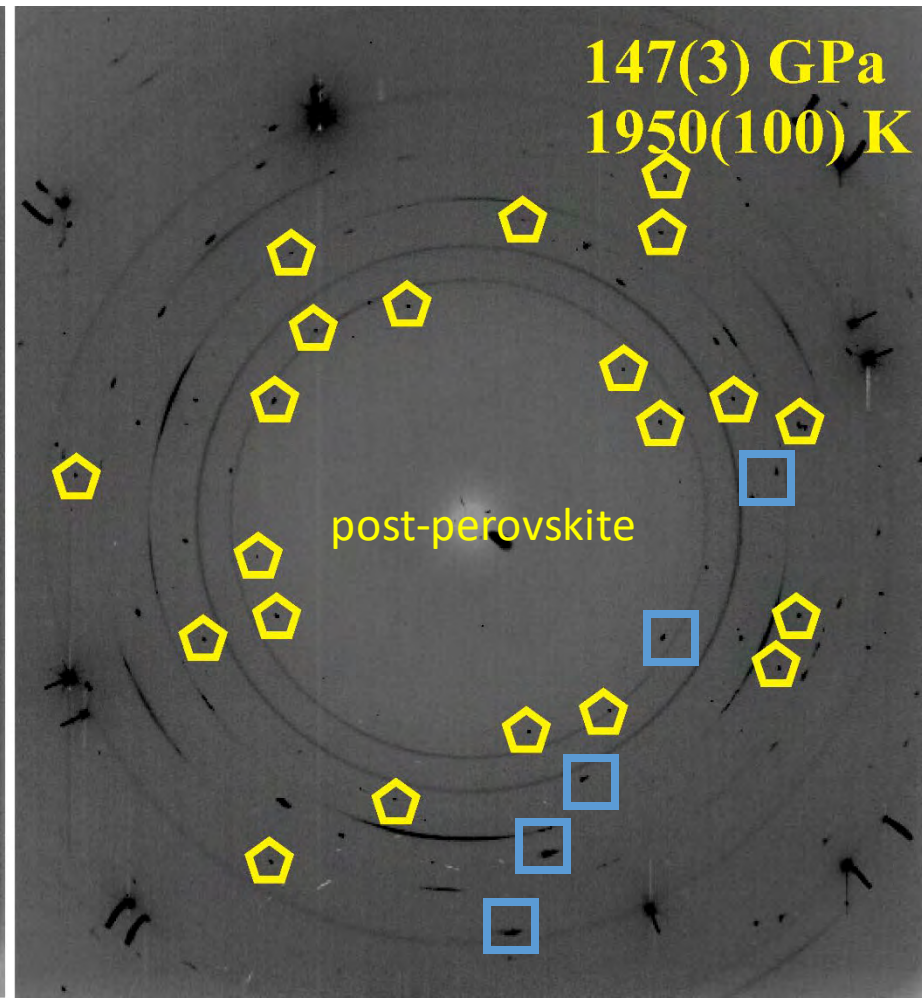
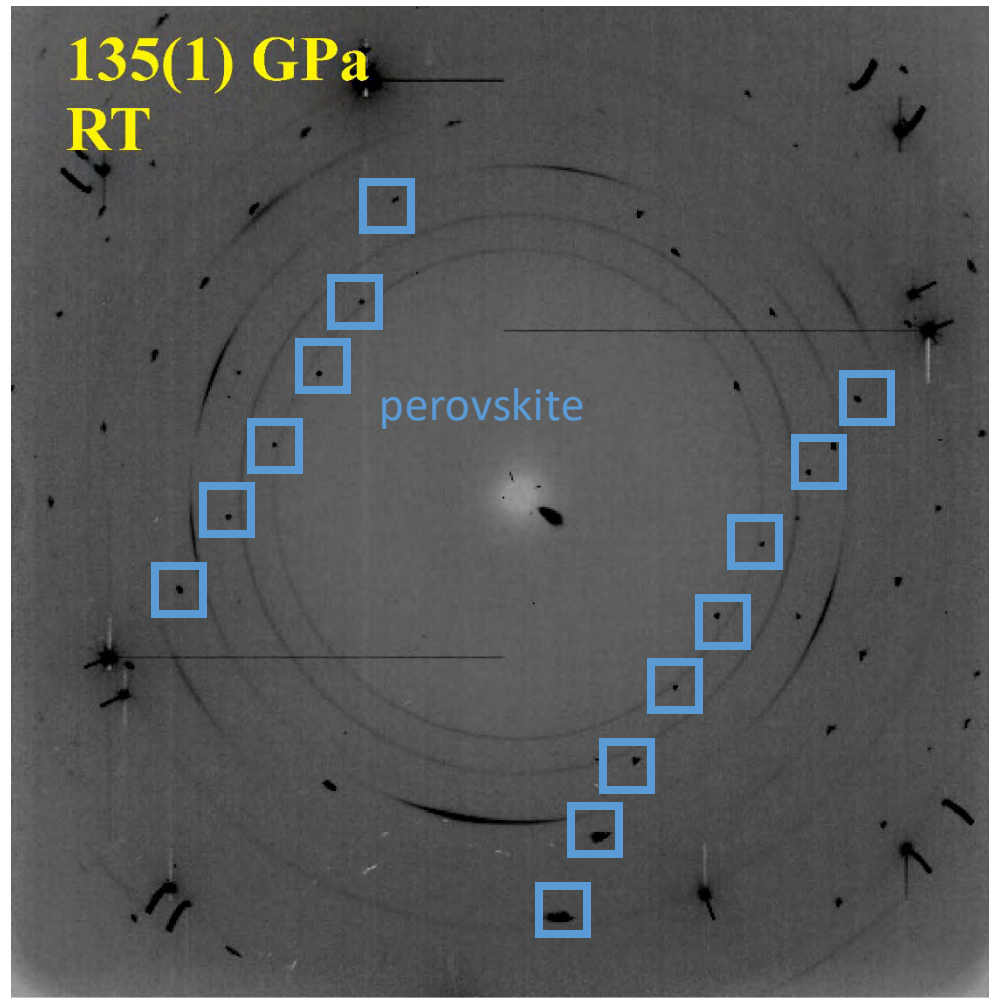
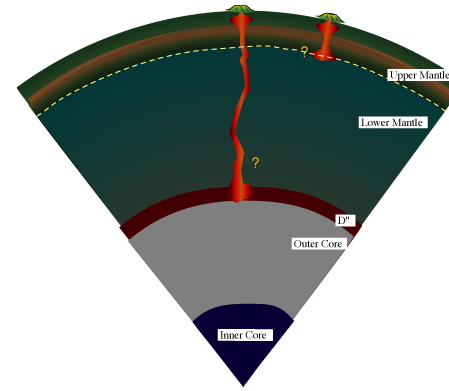


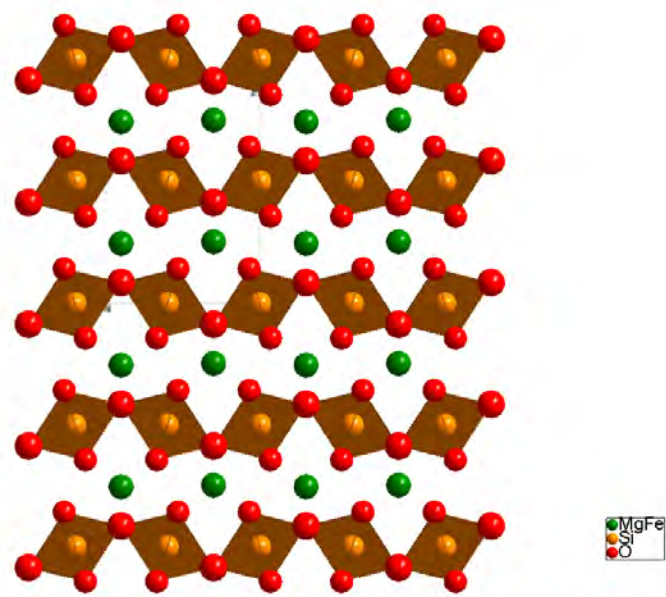




# Single crystal diffraction

## In-situ growing of post-perovskite @ 150 GPa & 2000 K





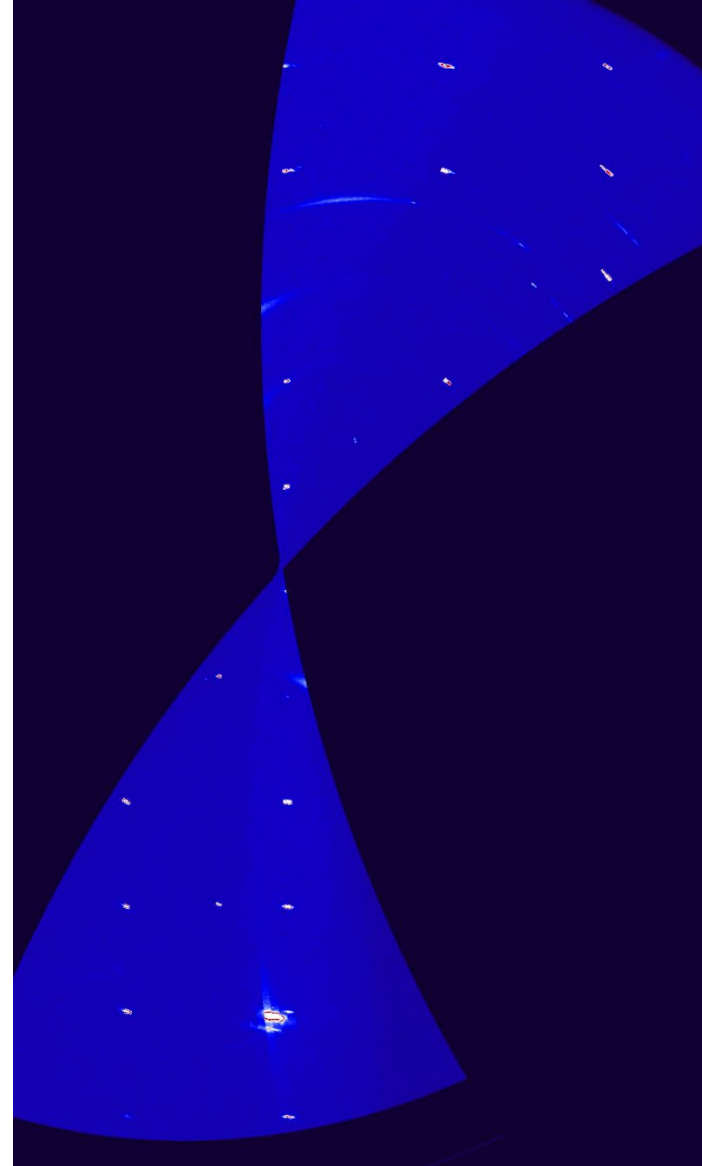
**Crystal data**

Formula sum  $\text{Fe}_1\text{Mg}_1\text{O}_1\text{Si}_1$   
 Crystal system orthorhombic  
 Space group  $Cmcm$  (no. 63)  
 Unit cell  $a = 2.477(7) \text{ \AA}$   
 $b = 8.03(2) \text{ \AA}$   
 $c = 6.109(13) \text{ \AA}$   
 Cell volume  $121.51(50) \text{ \AA}^3$   
 Z 16  
 Pearson code oC20

Post-perovskite,  
 struttura a  
 140 Gpa e 2000K

**Atomic coordinates and isotropic displacement parameters (in  $\text{\AA}^2$ )**

Atom	Wyck.	Occ.	x	y	z	U
Mg1	4c	0.703	0	0.25346	1/4	0.0149
Fe1	4c	0.297	0	0.25346	1/4	0.0149
Si	4a		0	0	0	0.0126
O1	4c		0	0.91453	1/4	0.0187
O2	8f		0	0.64244	0.44277	0.0130

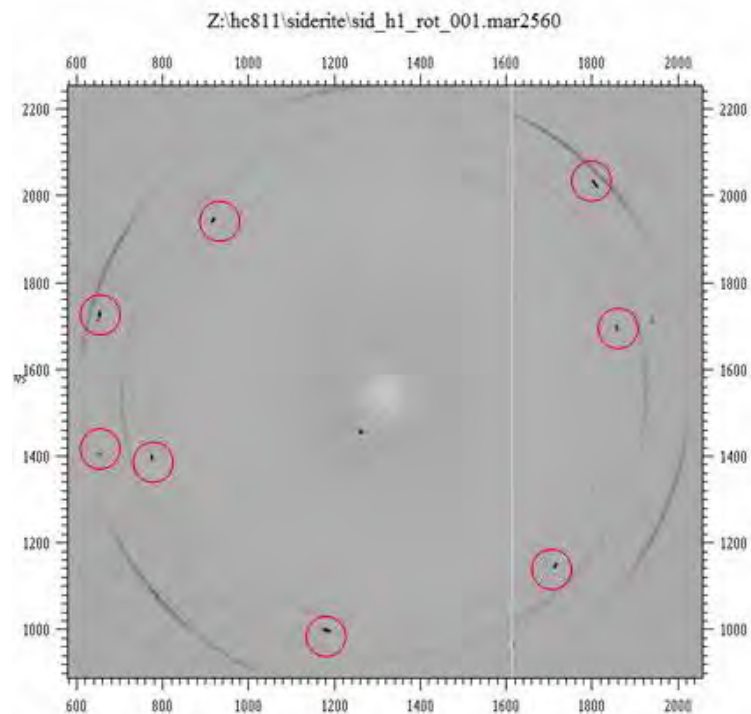






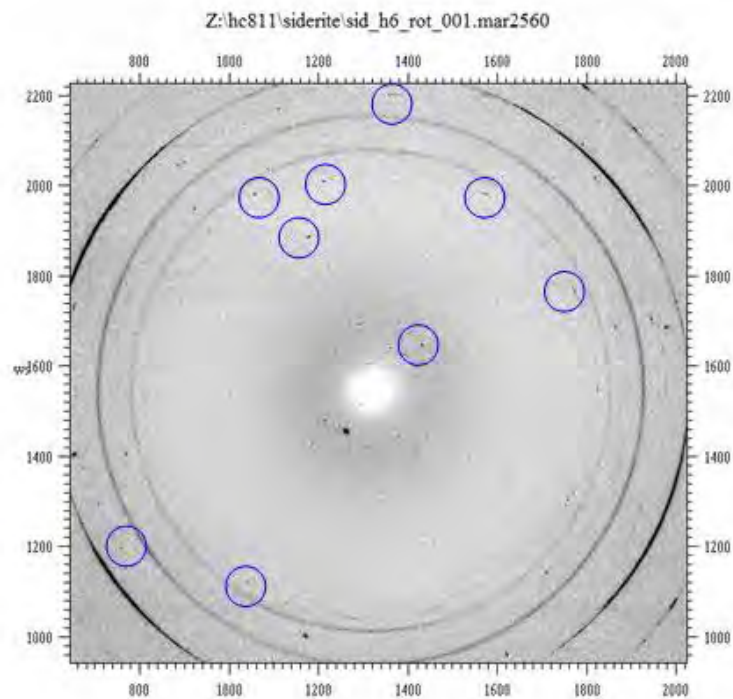
(Experiment with L. Dubrovinsky,  
In-situ laser heating single crystal)

1Mbar, start heating



Low pressure  $\text{FeCO}_3$

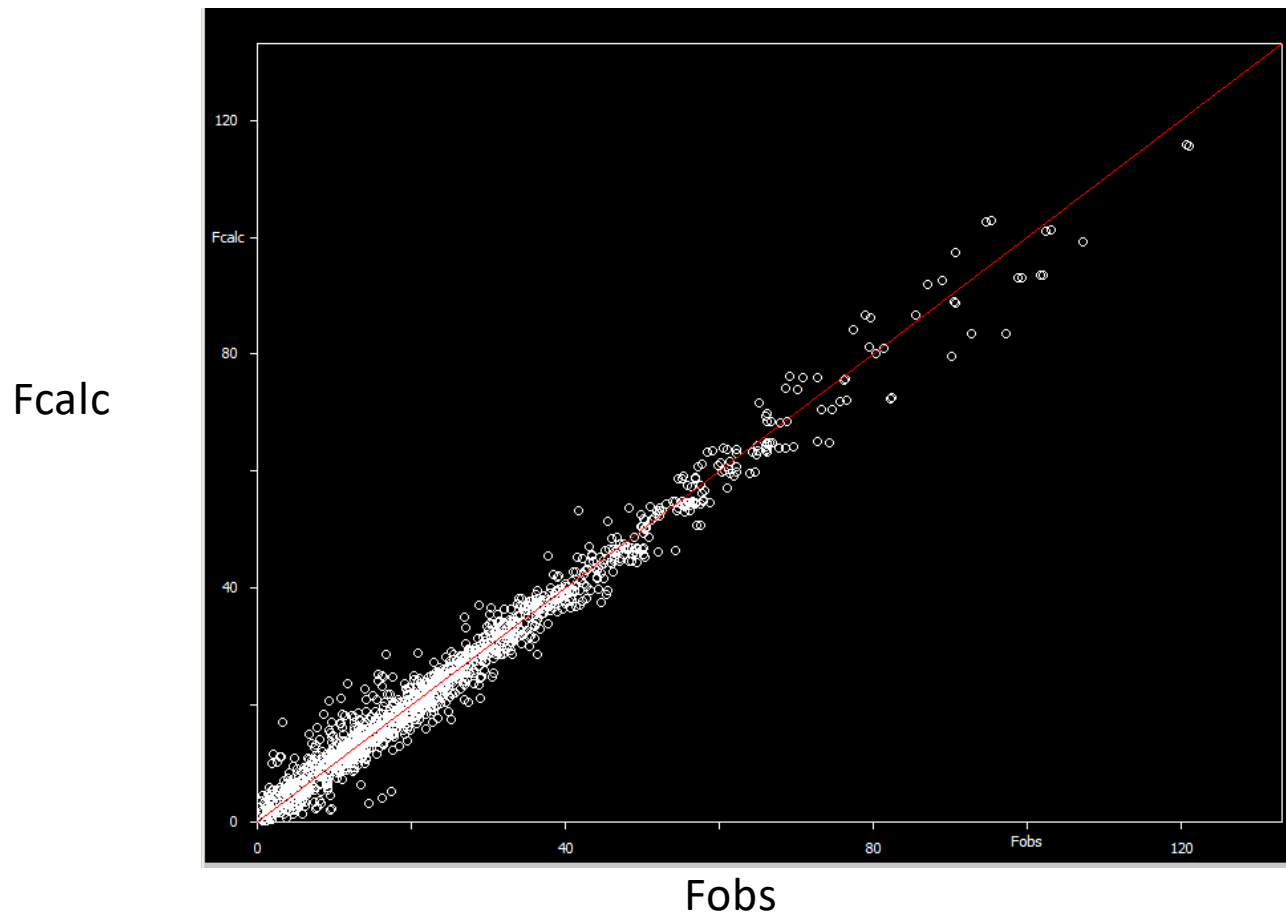
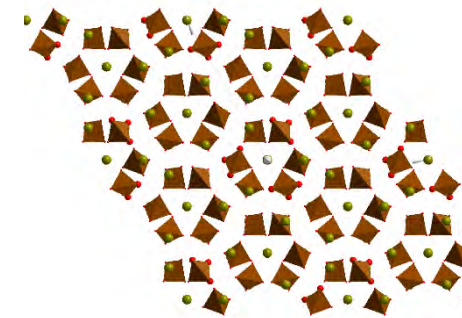
1 Mbar, 2500 K



New single crystal diffraction of  
high pressure Fe-carbonate  
single crystal

Fe4C3O12

Dataset collected at 1Mbar and ambient T



Solved and refined in P1,  
pseudo symmetry  
elements which suggests  
possible HT R3c  
symmetry

1116 obs

151 refined parameters

R(obs) 7 %

R(all) 8 %

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|R factors : [1338=1116+222/151],      Damping factor:  0.9000  
|GOF(obs)= 4.44   GOF(all)= 4.03  
|Number of reflections excluded due to refinement options: 22+0  
|R(obs)=  6.94   wR(obs)=  7.22   R(all)=  8.03   wR(all)=  7.27  
|Last wR(all): 7.27  
|Maximum change/s.u. :  0.0083 for z[C2]
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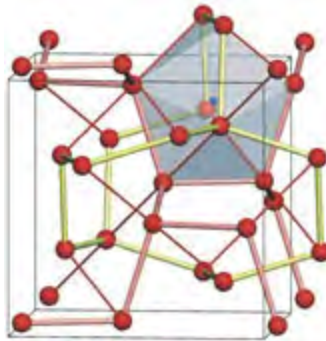
# Complex structures of metals @ High Pressure

## Letters to Nature

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### New high-pressure phases of lithium

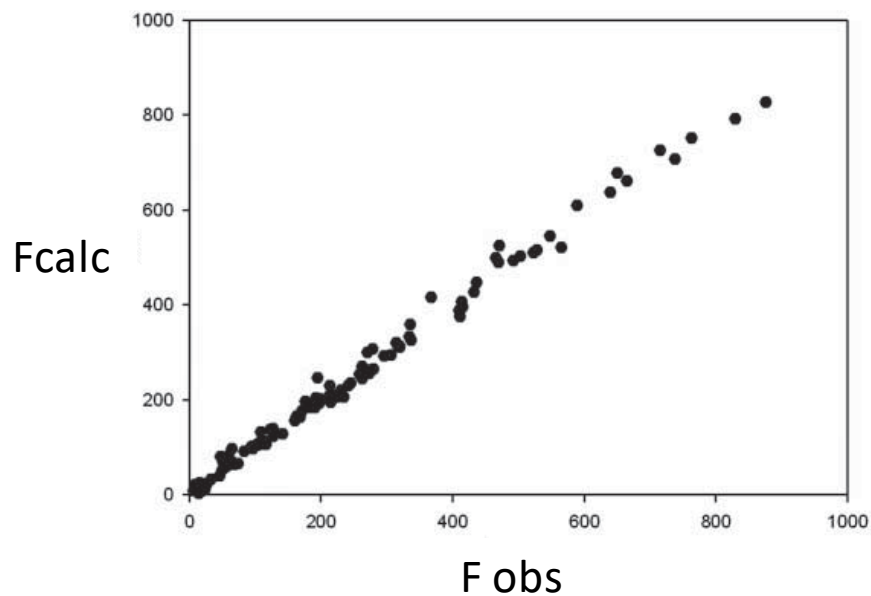
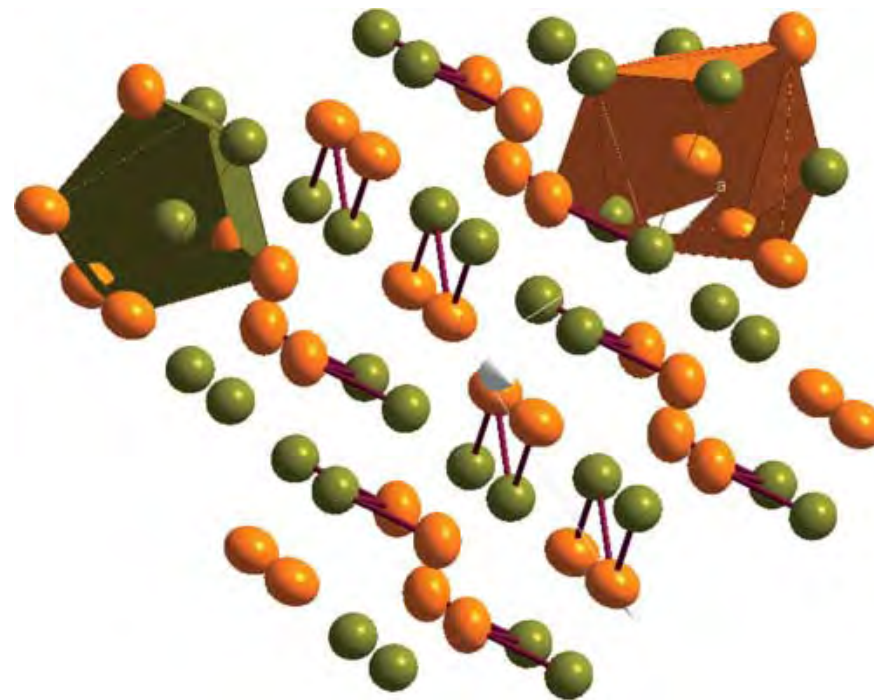
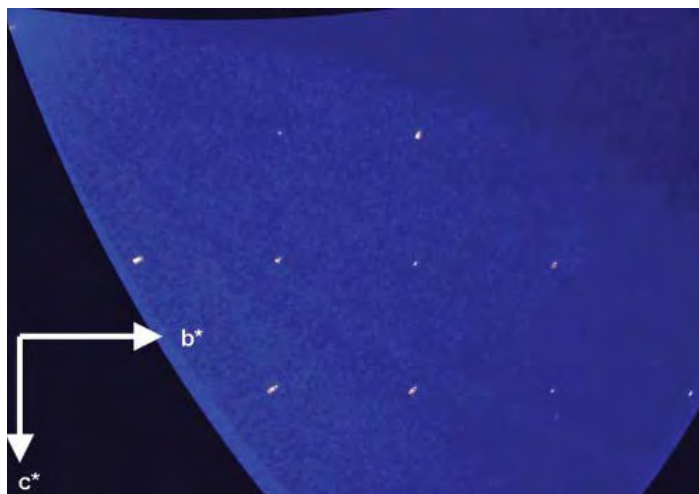
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**atomic cores. It was recently predicted<sup>1</sup> that at pressures below 100 GPa, dense Li may undergo several structural transitions, possibly leading to a 'paired-atom' phase with low symmetry and near-insulating properties. Here we report synchrotron X-ray diffraction measurements that confirm that Li undergoes pronounced structural changes under pressure. Near 39 GPa, the element transforms from a high-pressure face-centred-cubic phase, through an intermediate rhombohedral modification, to a cubic polymorph with 16 atoms per unit cell. This cubic phase has not been observed previously in any element; unusually, its**

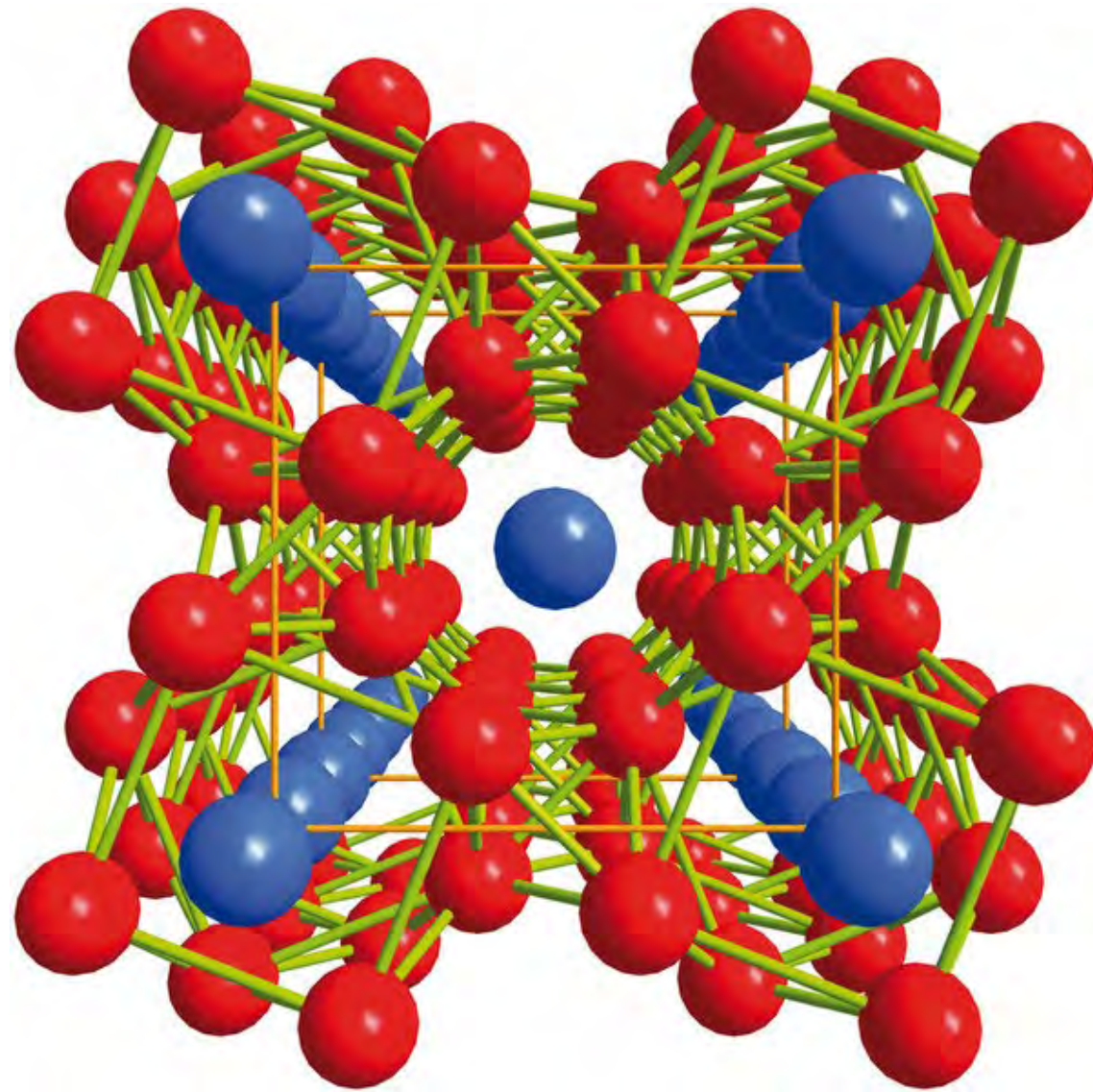
The predictions by Neaton and Ashcroft<sup>1</sup> are in sharp contrast to intuitive expectation that the application of hydrostatic pressure favours high-coordination crystal structures with metallic properties. In their theoretical simulations of dense Li, which are based on first principles band structure theory, they compare the relative stability of a number of crystal structures common among elemental solids. Their results clearly indicate a strong preference of dense Li to form low-symmetry structures. Therefore, experiments aimed at structure determinations of compressed Li are highly desirable. Furthermore, experimental high-pressure studies of Li are of fundamental interest, because they are expected to reveal new aspects relevant for the theoretical modelling of other light elements, including hydrogen<sup>2</sup>, at high density.

Na oP8 structure determined at 118 GPa



MnP type structure

Single atomic species, but  
binary compound type  
structure

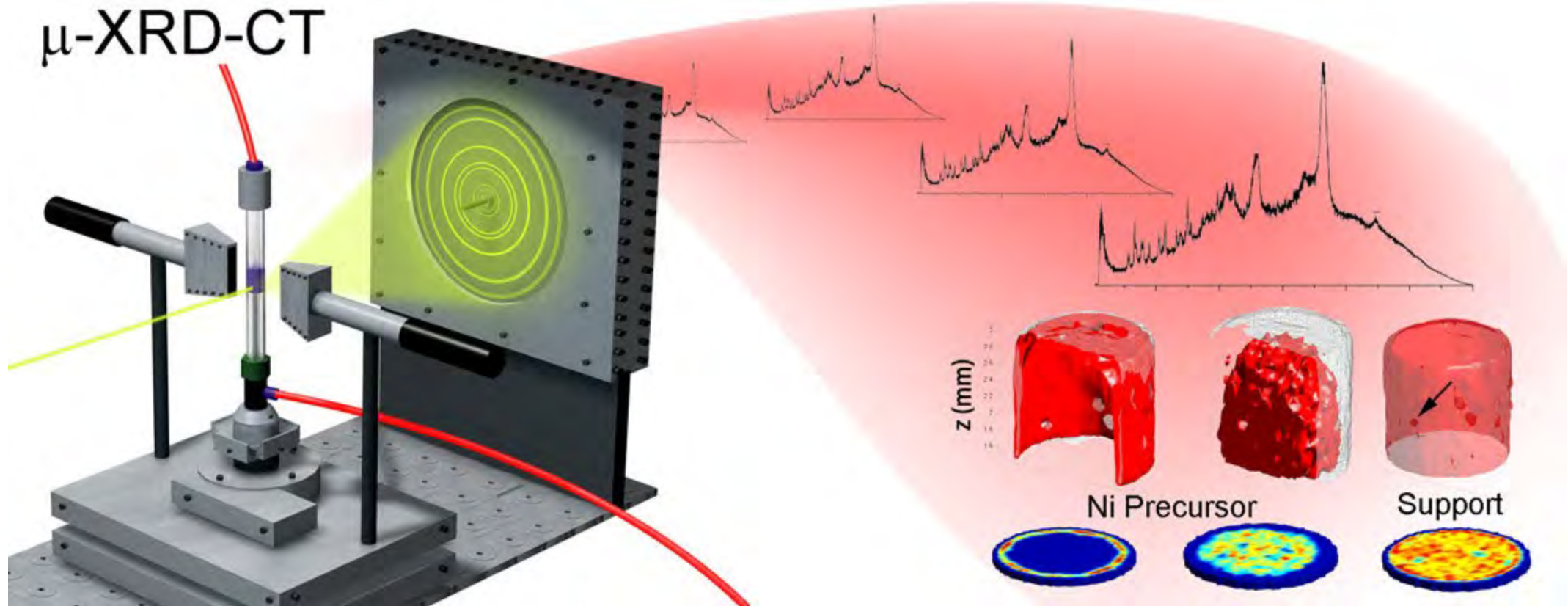


Na – host-guest structure  $P > 125$  GPa

- Single crystal diffraction on crystals with size down to  $0.005 \times 0.005 \times 0.005$  mm (almost routine) and even less
- Possibility to have structural information from single crystal data at non ambient conditions, not only with static measurements (i.e high pressure) but also during dynamic processes (i.e. variable magnetic field, temperature, etc) on second time scale



### 3) EXAMPLE: Diffraction tomography



ESRF, ID15A

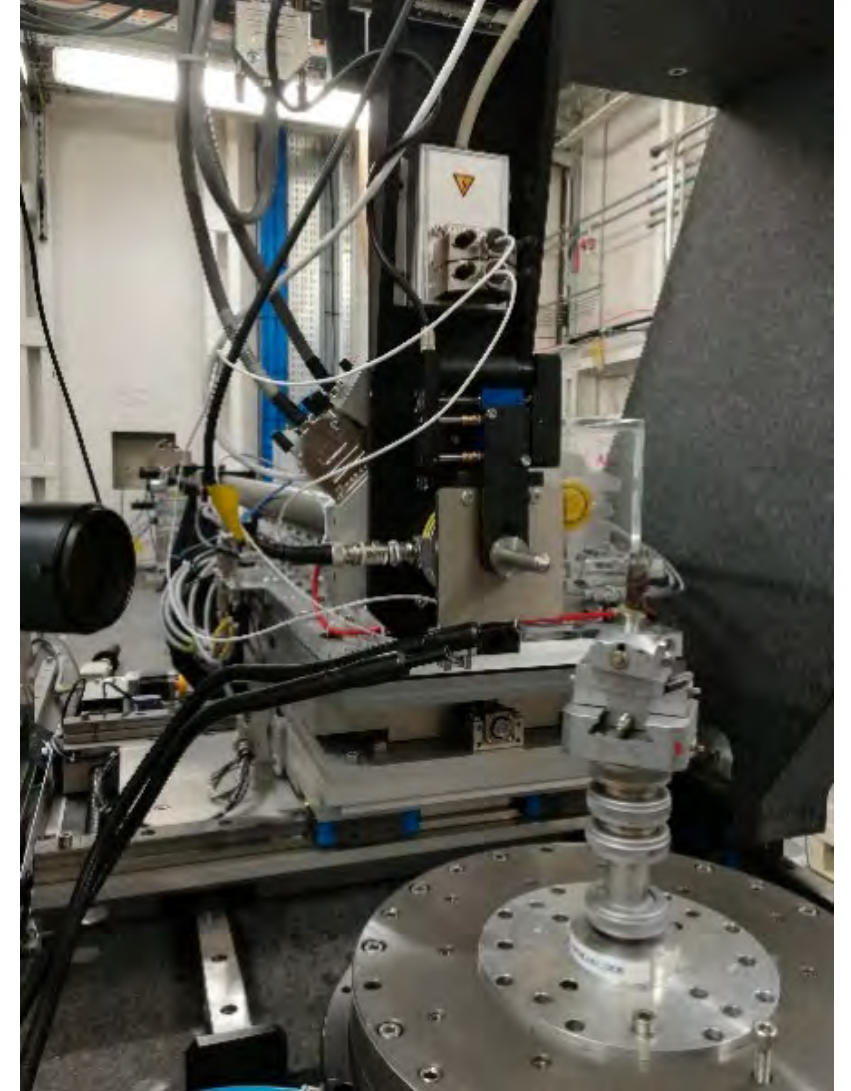
Courtesy of Marco Di Michiel



# Experimental setup

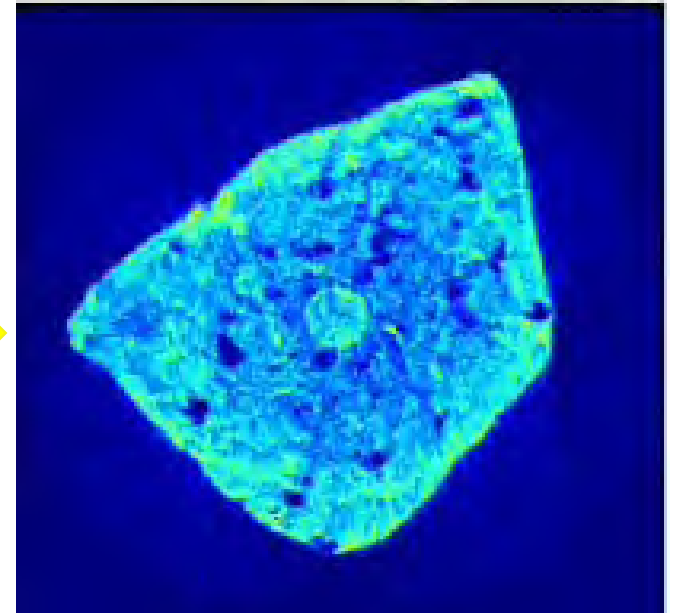
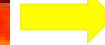
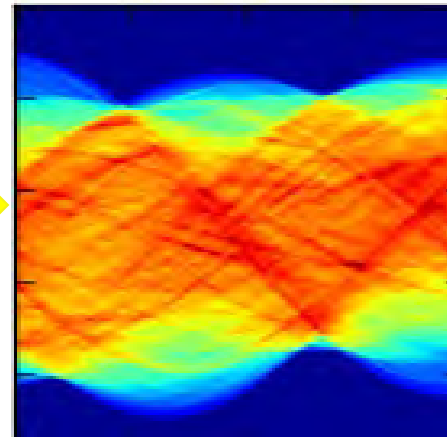
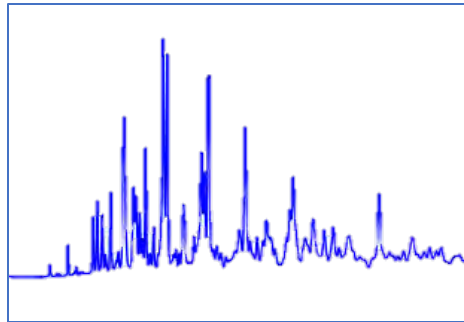
Energy	90 KeV
( $\lambda$ )	0.137 Angstrom
Sample to detector distance	1.00/1.40 m
Data collection	Continuous rotation

- Monochromatic beam
- Continuous translation and rotation of the sample
- Diffraction data collection during translation and rotation



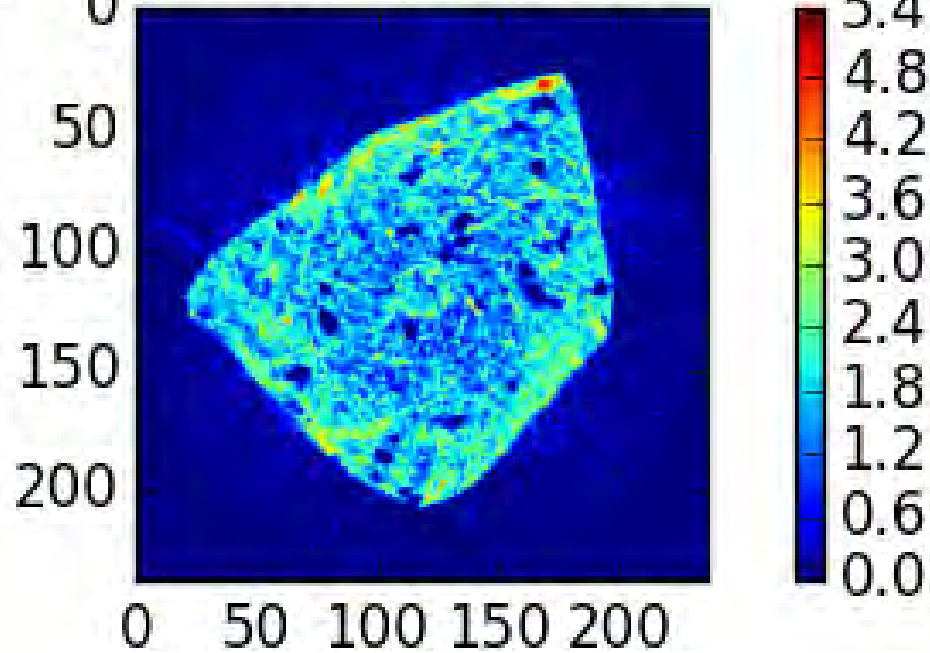
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- 2D diffraction
- Integration  $\rightarrow$  from 2D to 1D powder pattern
- «Elaboration» of pattern (synogram)
- «Slices»

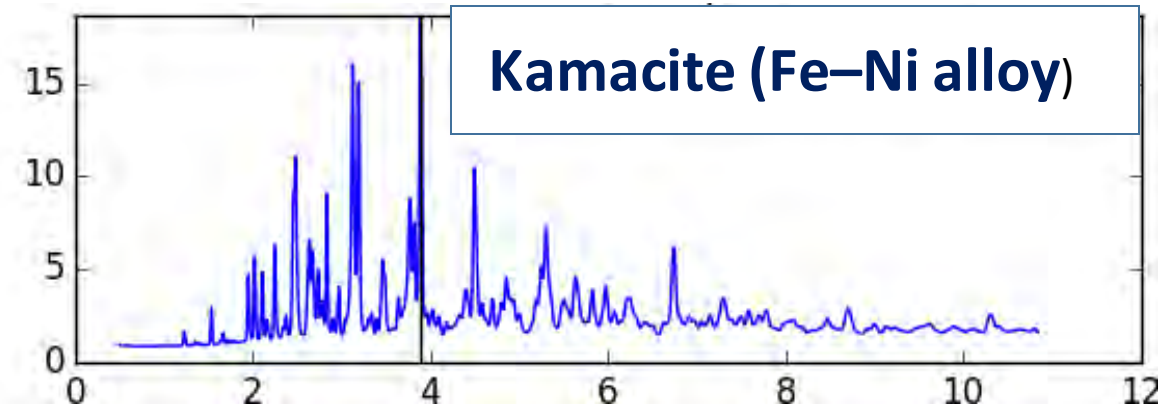
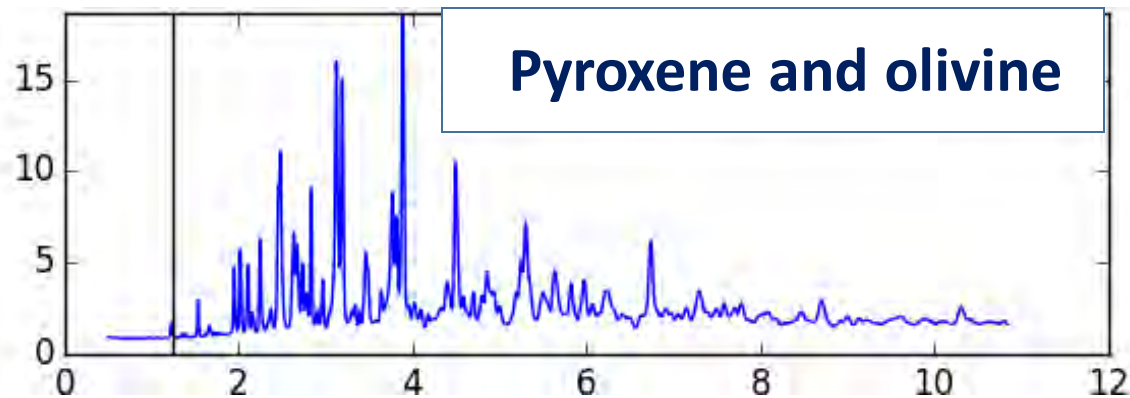
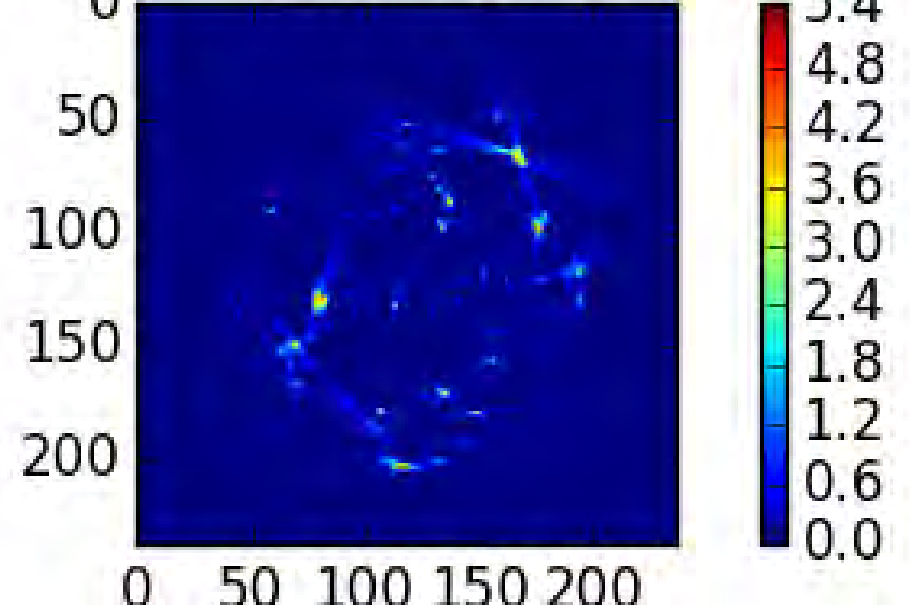


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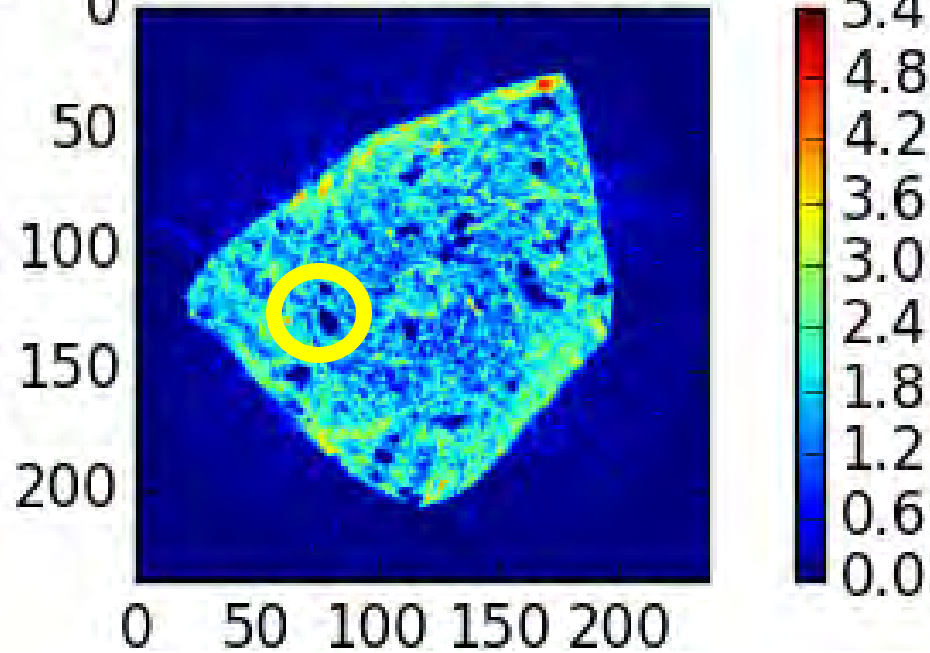


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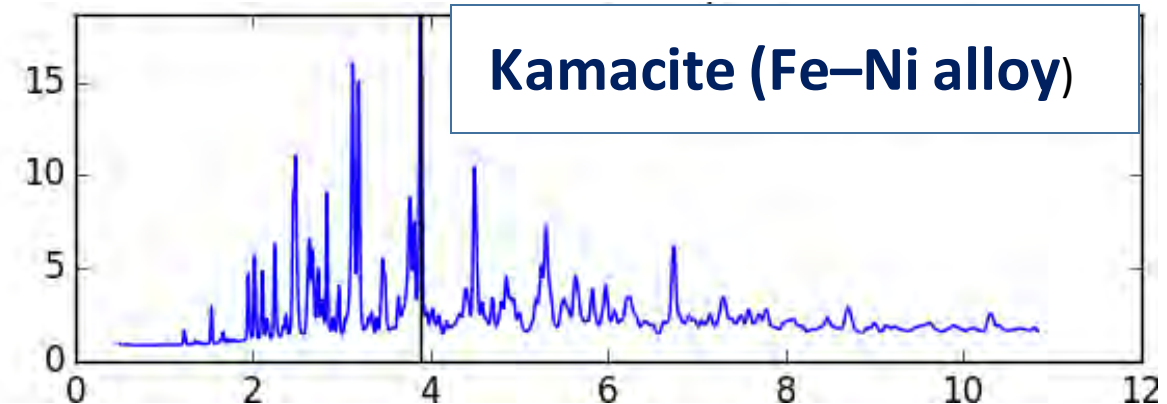
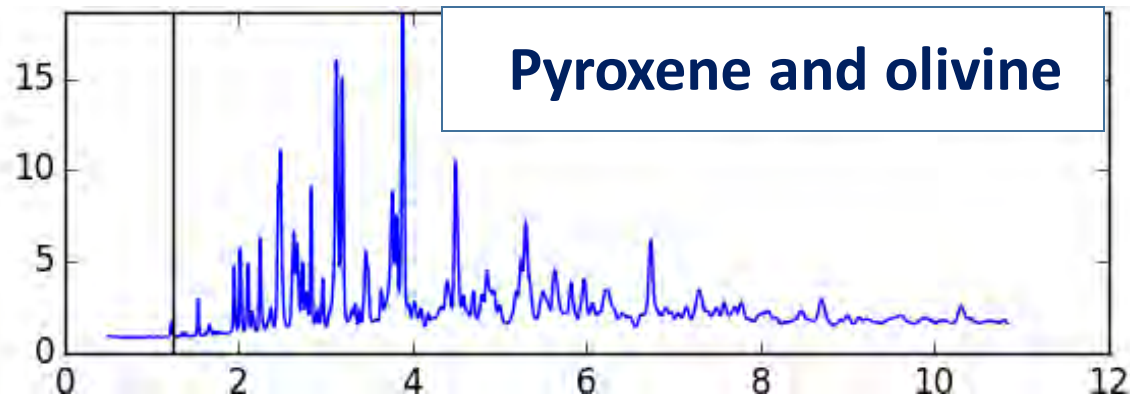
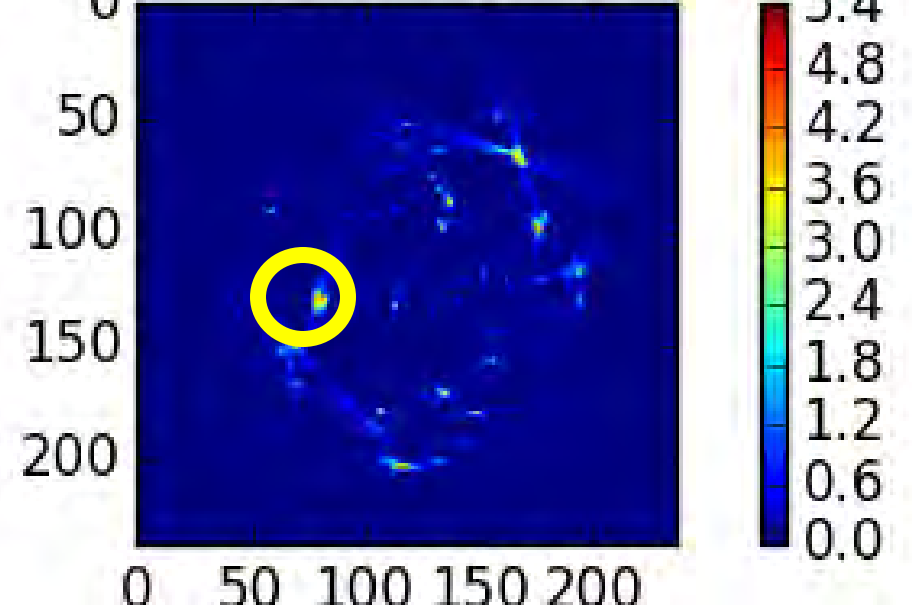


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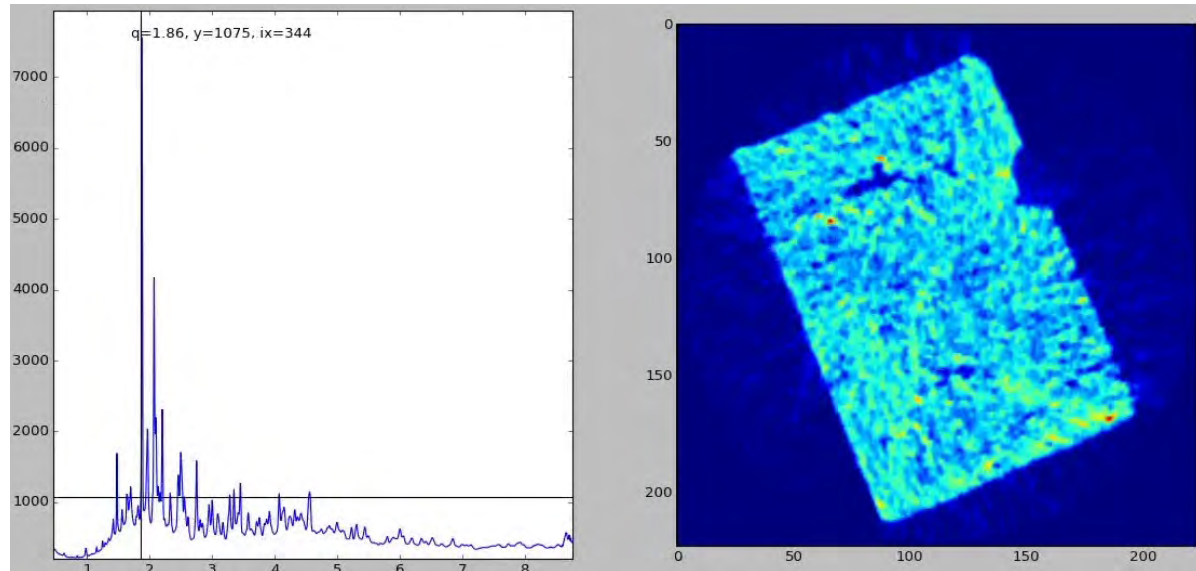


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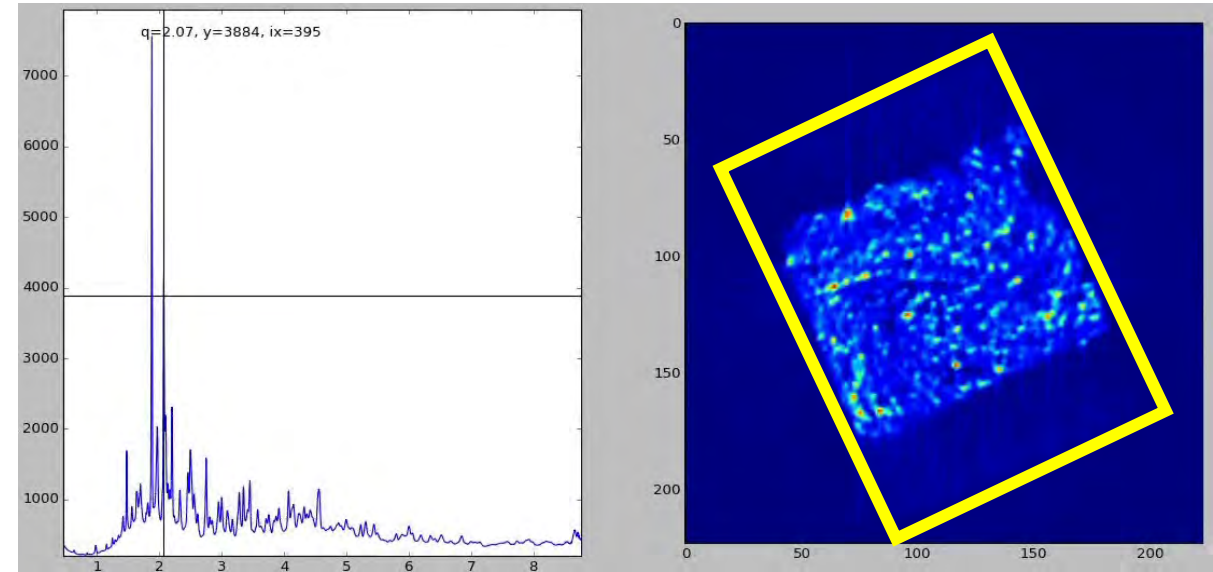




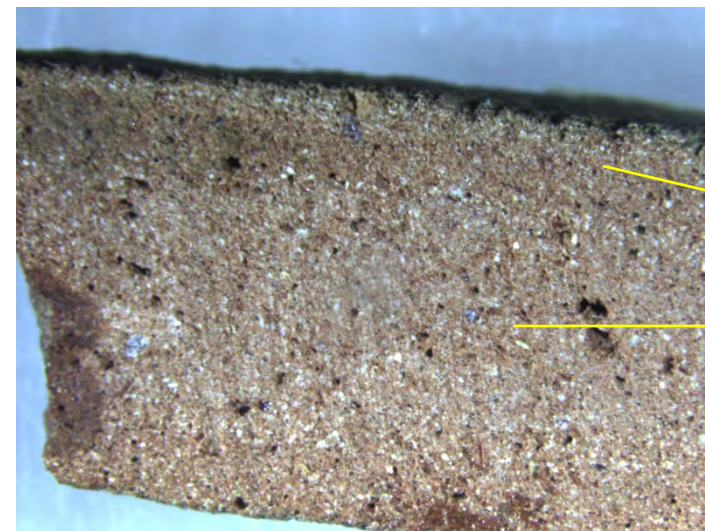
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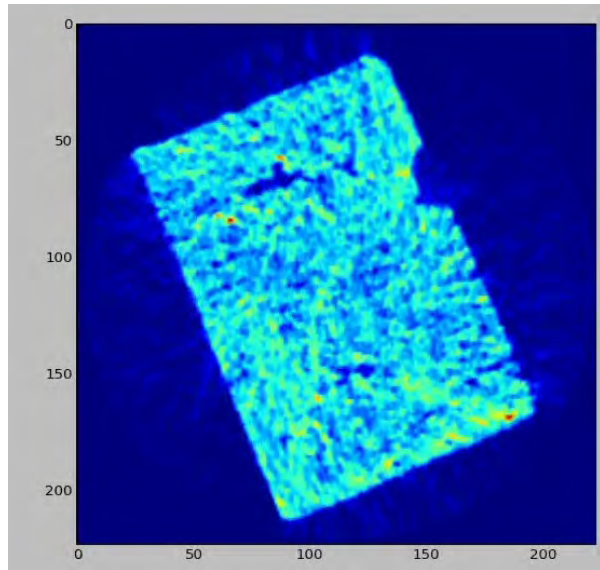
Calcite ( $\text{CaCO}_3$ )



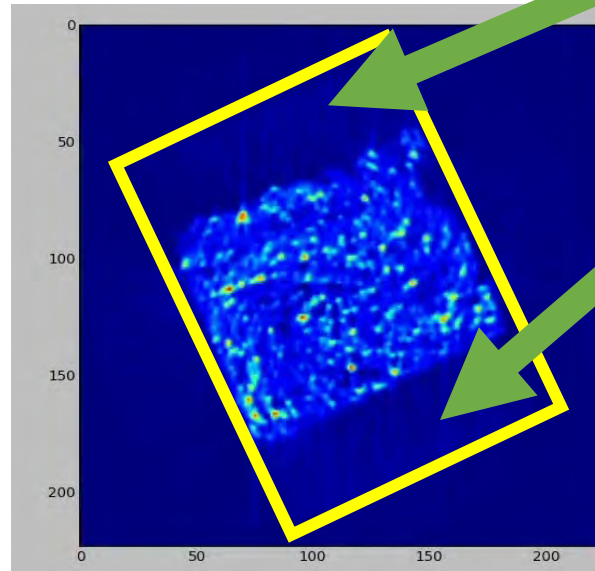
Different  
granulometry  
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distribution



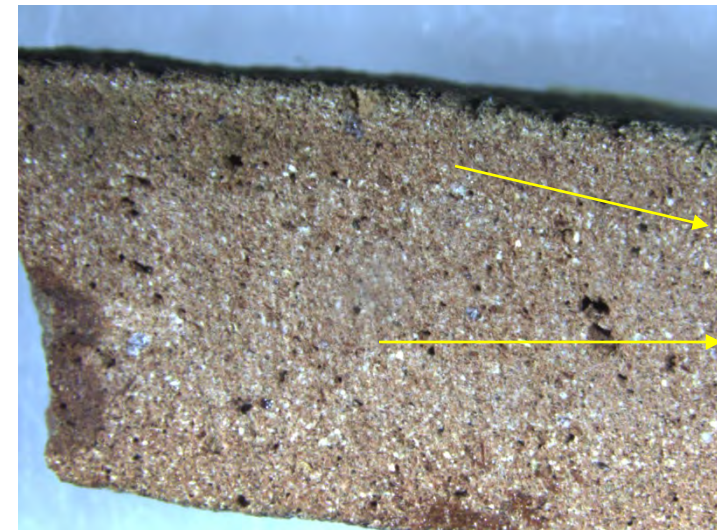
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Quartz (SiO<sub>2</sub>)



Missing calcite in external portion  
of ceramic:  
«Sandwich» preparation  
With different clay composition



Different  
granulometry  
and calcite  
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**Single-crystal diffraction at the Extreme Conditions beamline  
P02.2: procedure for collecting and analyzing high-pressure  
single-crystal data**

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PETRA III, DESY, is presented. A new data image format called ‘Esperanto’ is introduced that is supported by the commercial software package *CrysAlis<sup>Pro</sup>* (Agilent Technologies UK Ltd). The new format acts as a vehicle to transform the most common area-detector data formats *via* a translator software. Such a conversion tool has been developed and converts tiff data collected on a Perkin Elmer detector, as well as data collected on a MAR345/555, to be imported into the *CrysAlis<sup>Pro</sup>* software. In order to demonstrate the validity of the new

*Commercial softwares (i.e. scientists and engineer working full time for software development, maintenance and upgrades) for single crystal data reduction from area detectors work much better than in-house written codes*

*XDS, CrysAlis, etc... are normally available at synchrotron beamlines and universities/research center*