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Ultrafast pump-probe X-ray scattering and spectroscopy at SwissFEL's Experimental Station A



What is Experimental Station A?



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Timeline

2012 initial parameters2013 definition and design2014 design and production2015 production and installation2016 installation and commissioning









X-ray emission: Retrieving electronic information



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X-ray scattering: Retrieving global structure



X-ray scattering gives information on relative atomic positions of all atoms

in the sample

You can retrieve the pair distribution function, giving the distances between two atoms in the sample

X-ray nanocrystallography: Retrieving crystalline structure



Liquid Jet
(β)Liquid Jet
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(β)1.5 minion shots
4% hit crystals
0.007% were useable
3-4 hours1.5 minion shots
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Pump-probe at Experimental Station A



Available equipment

- sample chamber for use at low pressure and He environments
- 2D scattering detector (e.g. Jungfrau, 75 µm pixels, dynamic gain switching)
- Von Hamos x-ray emission spectrometer
- \odot liquid jet for solution samples (100 μm) and nanocrystals (4 μm)



Decisions and Timelines



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