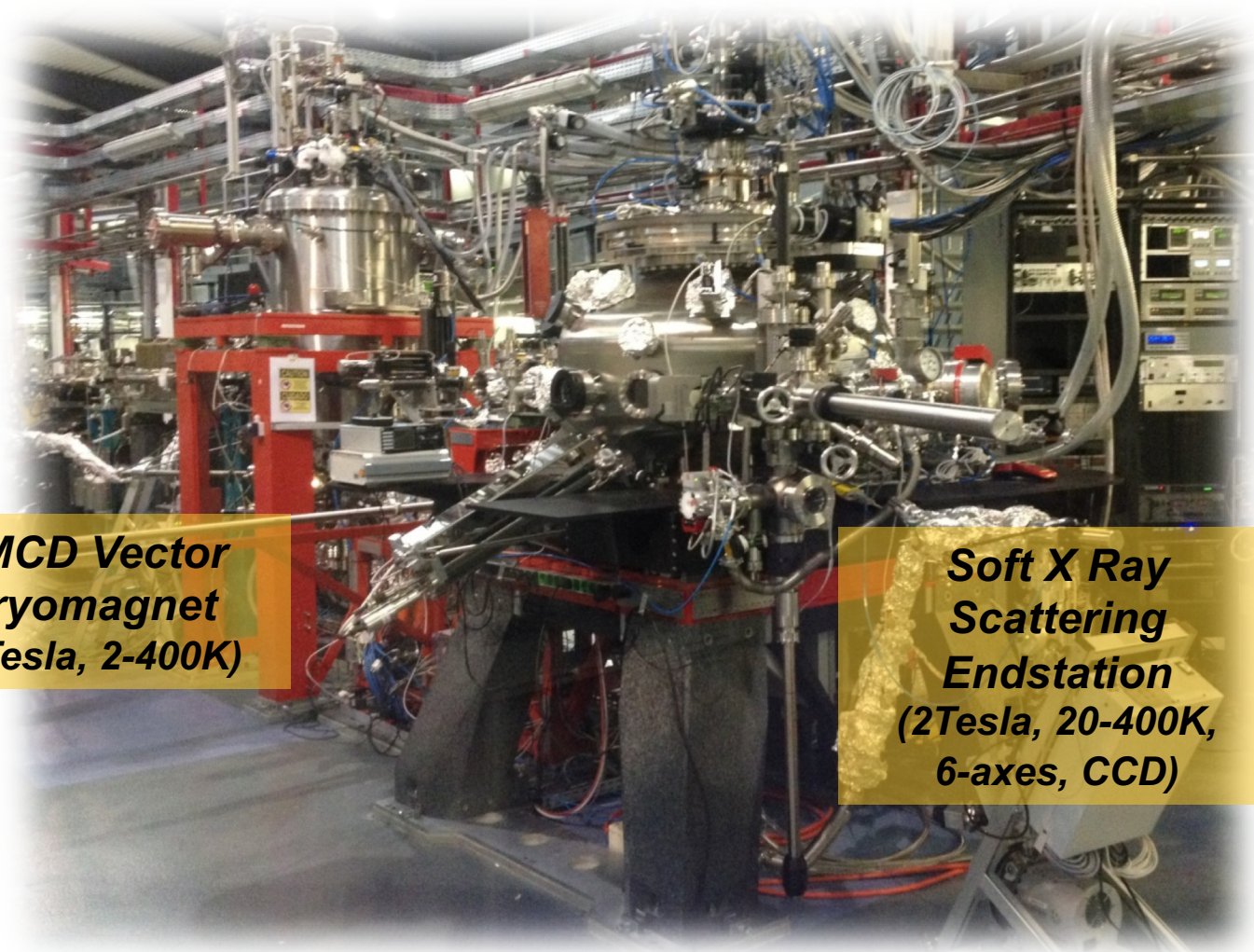




ALBA beamline for soft X-Ray polarization dependent Absorption Spectroscopies (XMCD, XMLD) and Resonant Scattering (80-4000 eV)

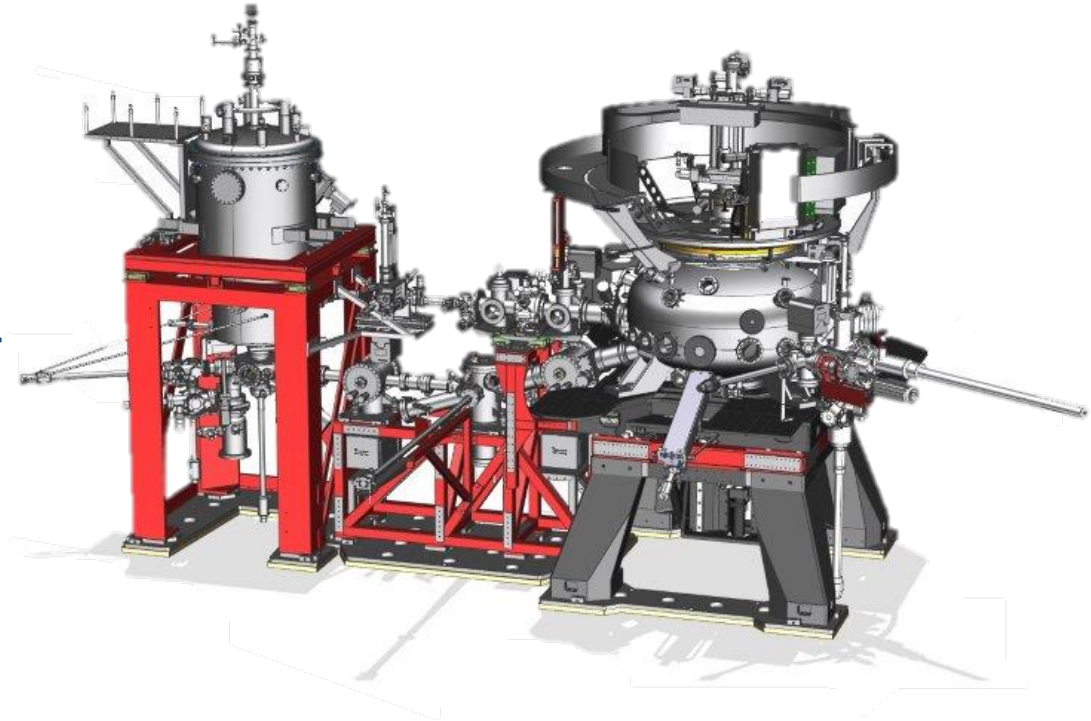


***XMCD Vector
Cryomagnet
(6 Tesla, 2-400K)***

***Soft X Ray
Scattering
Endstation
(2Tesla, 20-400K,
6-axes, CCD)***

Manuel Valvidares - "BOREAS" BL29 at ALBA
<https://www.cells.es/en/beamlines/bl29-boreas>

- Variable polarization APPLE-II source, 80-4000eV energy range
 - 3 VLS plane grating (LEG,MEG,HEG) + 2 spherical mirrors (fixed included angle)
 - Adjustable monochromator entrance and exit slits
 - KB mirror with adjustable focusing (about 80x30 μm @ES1, 250x150 μm @ES2)
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- ❑ HECTOR High-field (6T-2T) vector magnet endstation for XAS/XMCD with TEY, TFY, transmission detection modes
user operation since MAY 2012,
big re-installation summer 2013
on-the-fly spectra mid 2014
 - ❑ MaReS double circle UHV reflectometer for magnetic resonant scattering, with HTS magnet (2T), two detector arms (CCD+diode/CEM),
started early user operation late 2015, full setup by OCT 2016 (big repair summer 2016), CCD control improved mid 2017

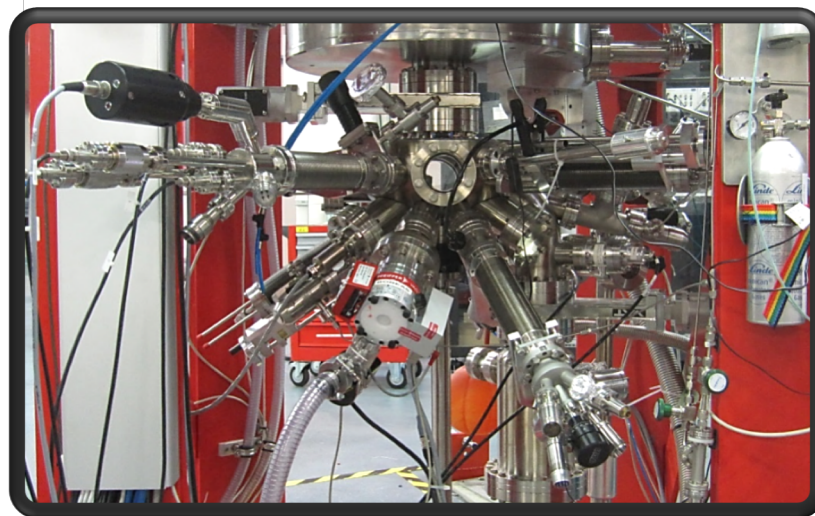
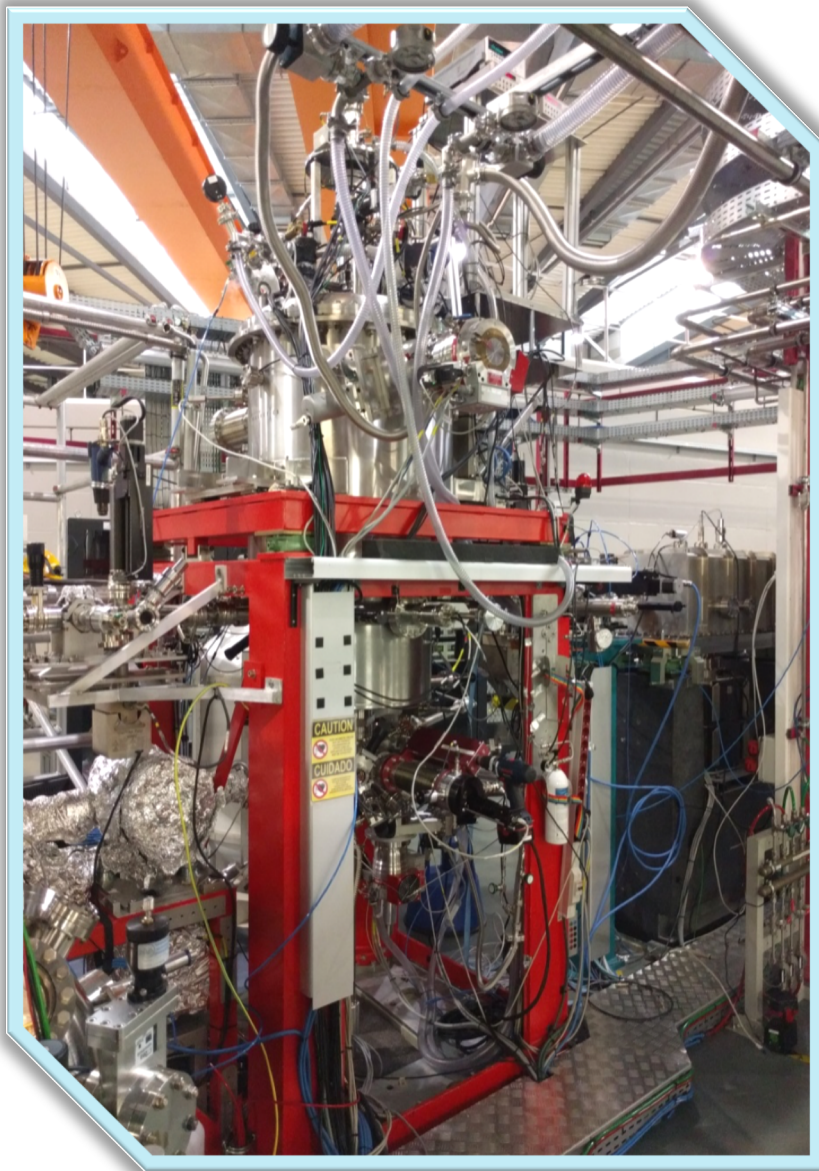


CYCLE	TOTAL NUM SUBMITTED PROPOSALS (XMCD, SXRS) *although some use both	% INTERNATIONAL PROPOSALS SUBMITTED	TOTAL PERFORMED PROPOSALS IN CYCLE (*INCLUDES WAITING LIST AND RECOVERED/BUFFER)	PUBLISHED ARTICLES	HIGH IMPACT PUBLICATIONS (IF>7)
2016-1	39 (XMCD=32, SXRS=7)	32% (12/38)	14+1* (XMCD=15, M=4)	9	1
2016-2	24 (XMCD=14, SXRS=10)	45% (10/24)	17 +1* (XMCD=12, M=6)		
2017-1	27 (XMCD=17, SXRS=10)	42% (14/27)	17 +1* (XMCD=10, M=8)	14	6
2017-2	36 (XMCD=30, SXRS=6)	50% (18/36)	19 +2* (XMCD=15, M=6)		
2018-1	31 (XMCD=22, SXRS=9)	48% (15/31)	19+1* (XMCD=13, M=7)	17	8
2018-2	32 (XMCD=27, SXRS=5)	37% (12/32)	16+2* (XMCD=14, M=4)		
2019-1	42 (XMCD=30, SXRS=12)	57% (24/42)	22+1* (XMCD=17, M=6)	18+2 (Oct2019)	4 (Oct2019)
2019-2	38 (XMCD=26, M=12)	60% (23/38)	18+1 or +2 * (XMCD=13, M=6)		
2020-1	42 (XMCD=29 , SXRS=13)	64% (27/42)	--	--	--

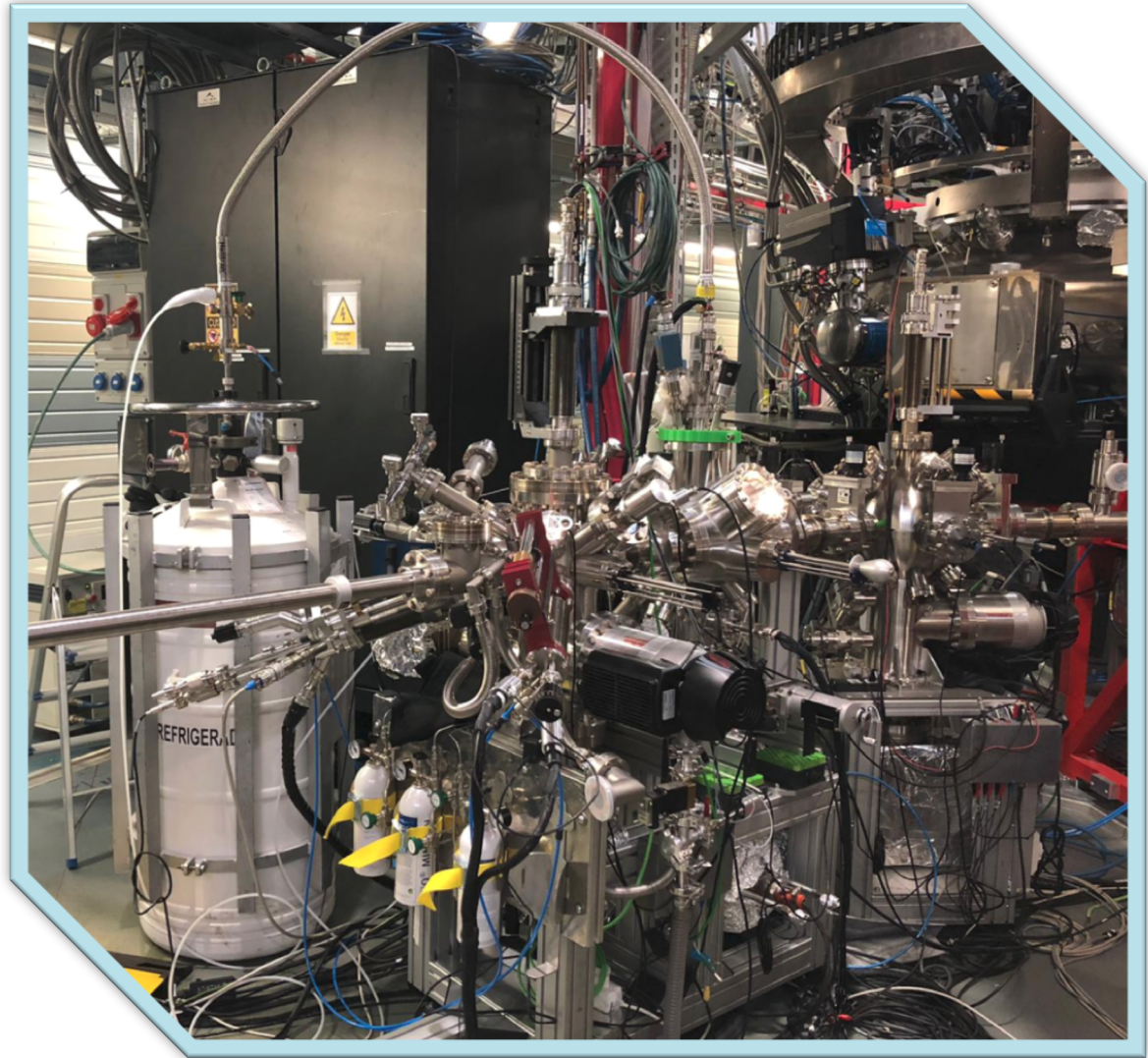
Year	Title	Authors	Journal
2014	Two-Dimensional Electron Gases at LaAlO ₃ /SrTiO ₃ Interfaces: Orbital Symmetry and Hierarchy Engineered by Crystal Orientation	D. Pesquera, M. Scigaj, P. Gargiani, A. Barla, J. Herrero-Martín, E. Pellegrin, S. M. Valvidares, J. Gázquez, [...], J. Fontcuberta, F. Sánchez, and G. Herranz. <i>ICMAB-CSIC</i>	Physical Review Letters 113 156802 (2014)
2016	Emerging Diluted Ferromagnetism in High TC Superconductors Driven by Point Defect Clusters	J. Gazquez, R. Guzman, R. Mishra, E. Bartolome, J. Salafranca, [...], T. Puig, and X. Obradors. <i>ICMAB-CSIC</i>	Advanced Science, 1500295 (2016)
2017	FePc Adsorption on the Moire Superstructure of Graphene Intercalated with a Cobalt Layer	G. Avvisati, S. Lisi, P.Gargiani, [...], and M. G. Betti. <i>Rome-La Sapienza, University.</i>	J. PHYSICAL CHEMISTRY C
2017	Emergent magnetism at transition-metal–nanocarbon interfaces	Fatma Al Ma’Mari, [...] B. J. Hickey, and Oscar Cespedes. <i>LEEDS University.</i>	PNAS (2017) 10.1073/pnas.1620216114
2017	Graphene-based synthetic antiferromagnets and ferrimagnets	P. Gargiani, R. Cuadrado, H. B. Vasili, M.Pruneda, and M. Valvidares. <i>ALBA BL29 – Theory group CIN2</i>	Nature Communications
2018	Imposing long-range ferromagnetic order in rare-earth-doped magnetic topological-insulator heterostructures	L.B. Duffy, A. Frisk, D.M. Burn, N.-J. Steinke, J. Herrero-Martín, A. Ernst, G. van der Laan, and T. Hesjedal. <i>Oxford University - Daresbury</i>	Phys. Rev. Materials, 2, 054201 (2018)
2018	Unravelling Dzyaloshinskii-Moriya interaction and chiral nature of Graphene/Cobalt interface	F. Ajejas, A. Gudín, R. Guerrero, M. A. Niño, S. Pizzini, J. Vogel,[...] R. Miranda, P. Perna. <i>IMDEA Nanociencia</i>	<i>Nano Lett.</i> 18, 9, 5364-5372 (2018)
2018	Resonant X-Ray Holographic Imaging of the Insulator-Metal Phase Transformation in VO ₂	L. Vidas C. M. Guenther, [...], S. Eisebitt, and S. Wall, <i>ICFO</i>	<i>Nano Lett.</i> 18, 6, 3449-3453 (2018)
2018	Magnetoresistance in Hybrid Pt/CoFe ₂ O ₄ Bilayers Controlled by Competing Spin Accumulation and Interfacial Chemical Reconstruction	H. B. Vasili, M. Gamino, J. Gazquez, F. Sanchez, M. Valvidares, P. Gargiani, E. Pellegrin, J. Fontcuberta <i>ICMAB-CSIC -ALBA BL29</i>	<i>ACS Appl. Mater. Interfaces</i> 10, 12031–120412018 (2018)
2019	soft X-ray spectroscopy, scattering & imaging studies of skyrmion-hosting compound Co ₈ Zn ₈ Mn ₄	V. Ukleev, Y. Yamasaki, [...], Y. Tokura, and T. Arima	Phys. Rev. B 99, 144408 (2019)
2019	Independent Tuning of Optical Transparency Window and Electrical Properties of Epitaxial SrVO ₃ Thin Films by Substrate Mismatch	M. Mirjolet, H. B. Vasili, L. López-Conesa, S. Estradé, F. Peiró, J. Santiso, F. Sánchez, [...] and J. Fontcuberta	<i>Adv. Funct. Mat.</i> 9, 1904238 (2019)

main characteristics

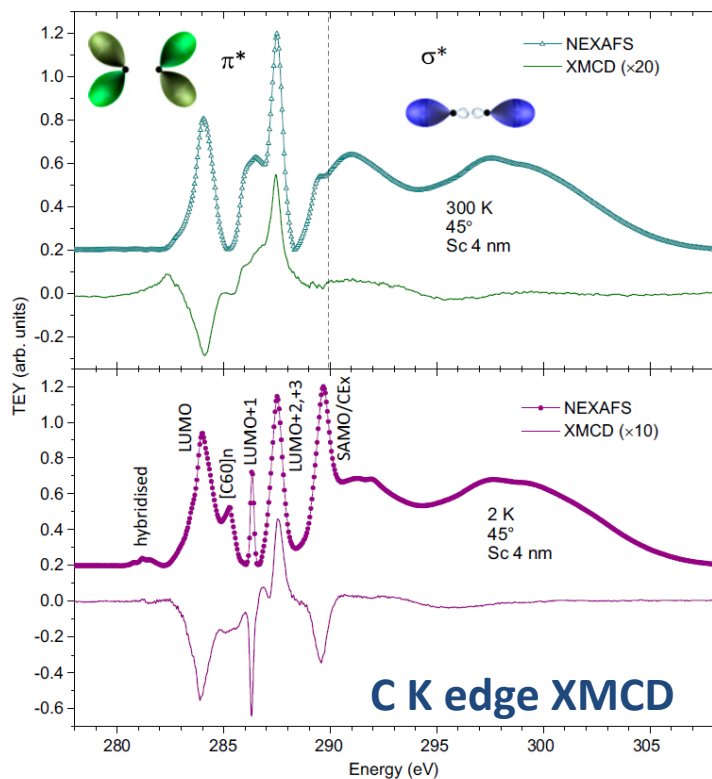
- vector magnet with 6T along beam, 2T 3D mode
- TEY drain current detection (K428)
- TFY, transmission (silicon diodes)
- 4 sample contacts
- VT cryostat, 1.5-370 K
- Complete surface preparation with mini LEED/AES and e-beam heating up to ~ 2000 C
- In-situ cleaver and scraper
- Large sample holders ($\sim 20 \times 10$ mm)
- SPECS/Omicron plate sample adapters



- Complete surface preparation LEED/AES, sputtering & e-beam heating, quartz balance
- E-beam evaporator
- Low temperature effusion cells for molecule evaporation
- In-situ rack&pinion transfer to both XMCD and XRMS endstations
- LT STM/AFM Q-Plus (RHK) with independent prep chamber for PhD work
- **Glove box with UHV loadlock (missing & desirable)**



Emergent magnetism at transition-metal-nanocarbon interfaces

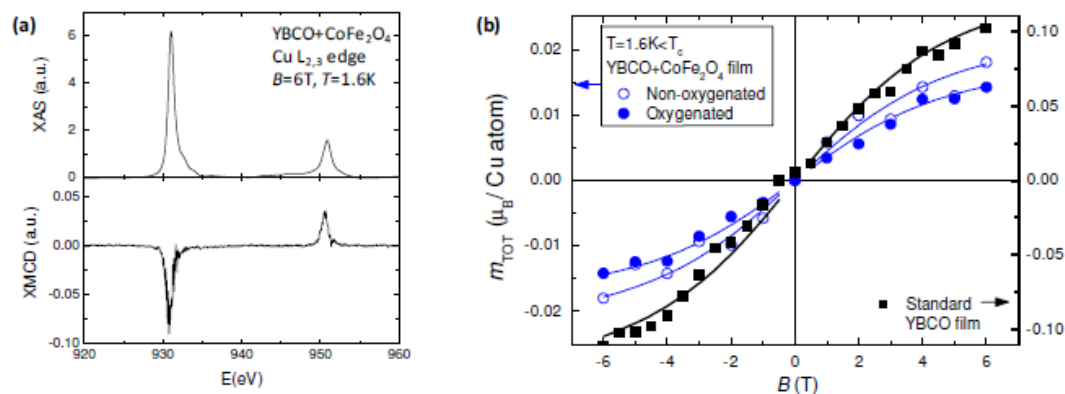


from Fatma Al Ma'Mari et al, PNAS 2017
(Cespedes group, Leeds Univ.)

Copper magnetism in hybrid YBCO thin films with NPs

Goals: enhanced vortex pinning SC materials, fundamental studies of SC/FM

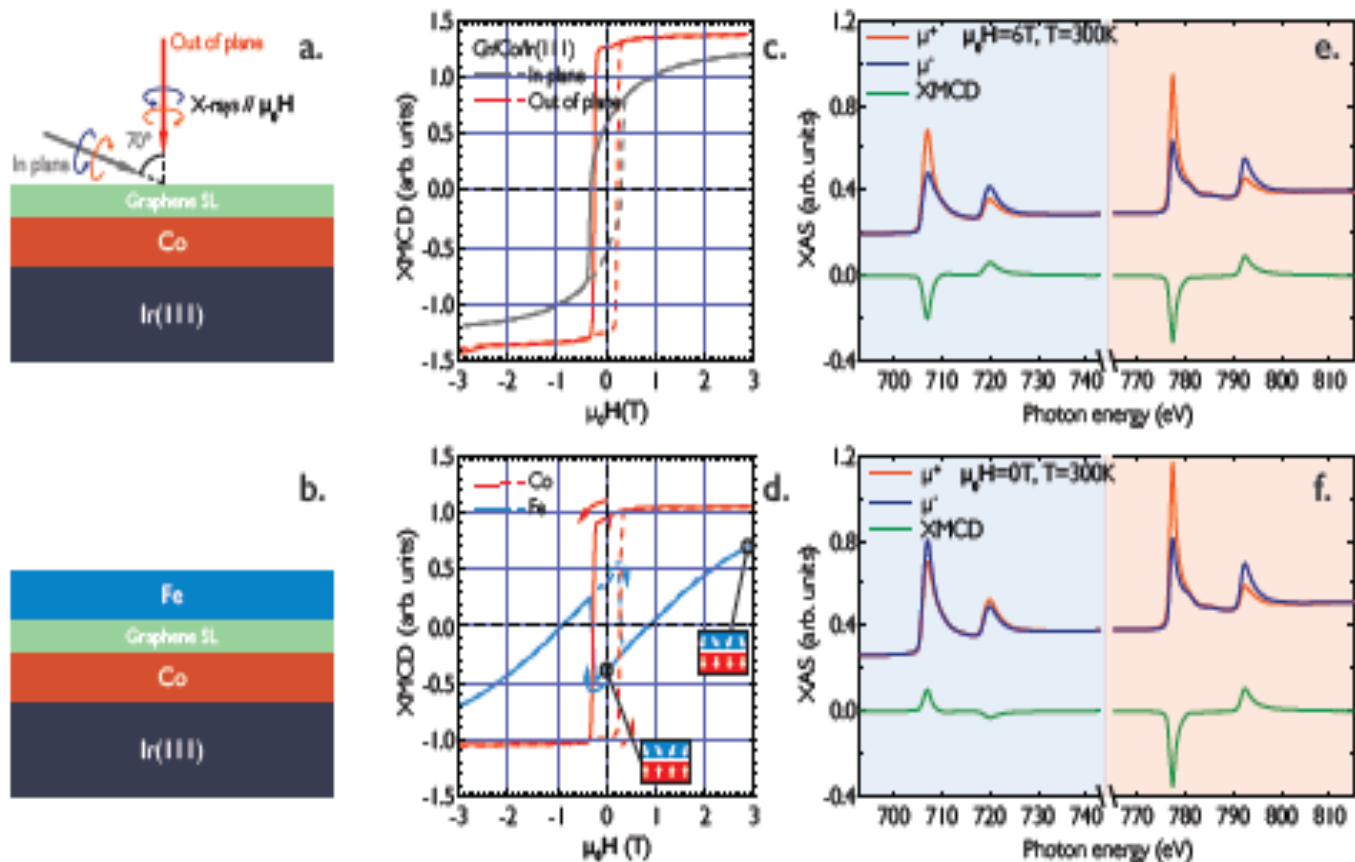
Defect Induced Cu magnetic moment confirmed by element specific XMCD hysteresis loops at Cu L3 absorption edge



E. Bartolome et al, Adv. Electronic Materials, 2017

Work lead by X. Obradors group from ICMAB institute, Barcelona
Colls.: Univ. Barcelona(NPs), Univ. Ghent&Antwerpen,
I.N. Aragon (TEM), ALBA BL29 (XAS,XMCD), Soleil(XRD & EXAFS)

Goal: fundamental studies of Gr/FM nanoscience in the context of graphene spintronics

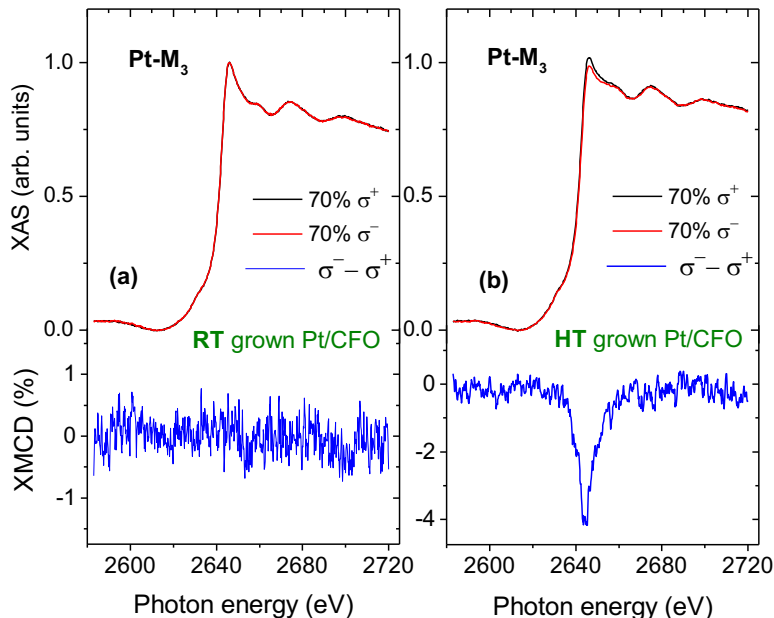


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Graphene-based synthetic ferrimagnets and antiferromagnets, Nat. Comm. 2017

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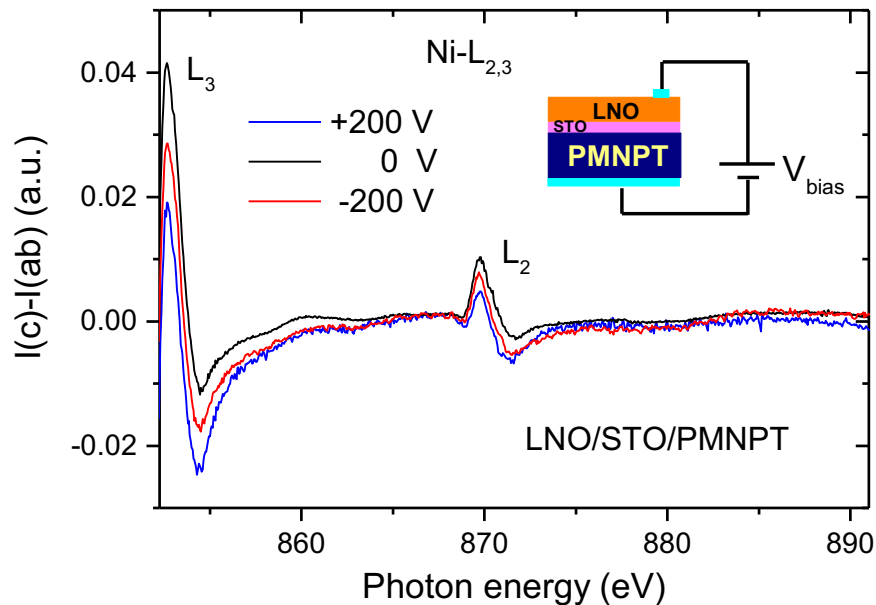
materials for Spin Hall applications



Magnetoresistance in Hybrid Pt/CoFe₂O₄ Bilayers Controlled by Competing Spin Accumulation and Interfacial Chemical Reconstruction

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strain control of electronic orbitals

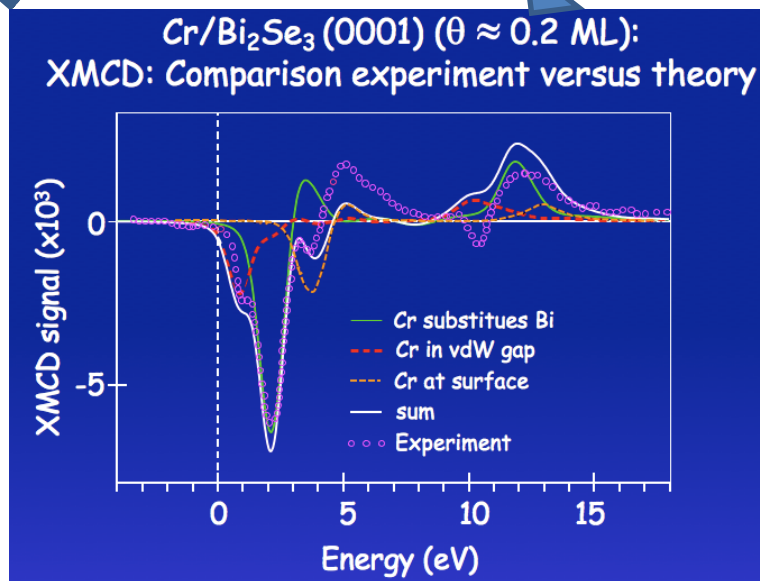
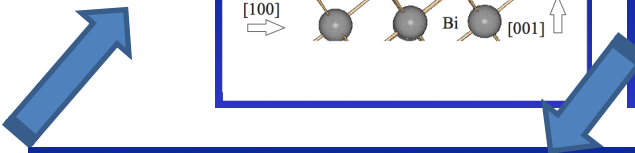
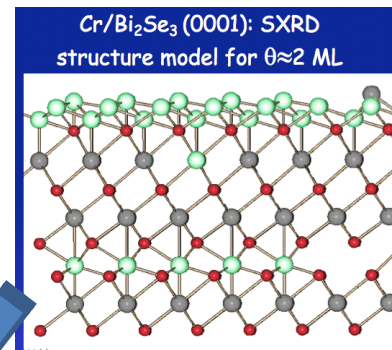
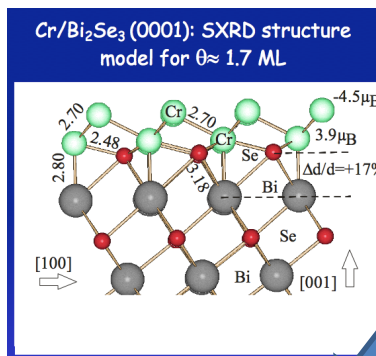
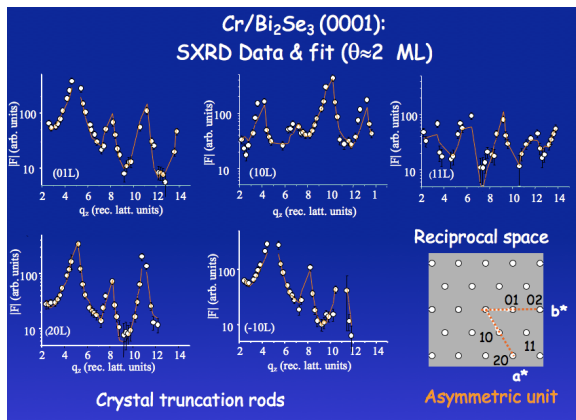


In-operando adjustable orbital polarization in nickelate perovskites

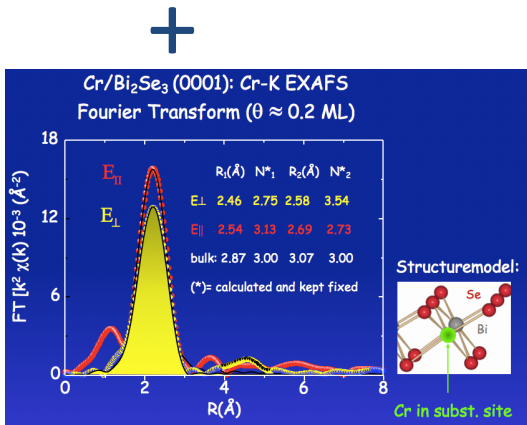
H. B. Vasili, J. Fontcuberta et al (submitted)

research projects in collaboration with Prof. J. Fontcuberta group at ICMAB-CSIC
 XAS and XMCD measurements lead by *bl29 postdoc H. B. Vasili*

Beautiful complementarity example of SXRD+EXAFS, XMCD and theoretical simulations

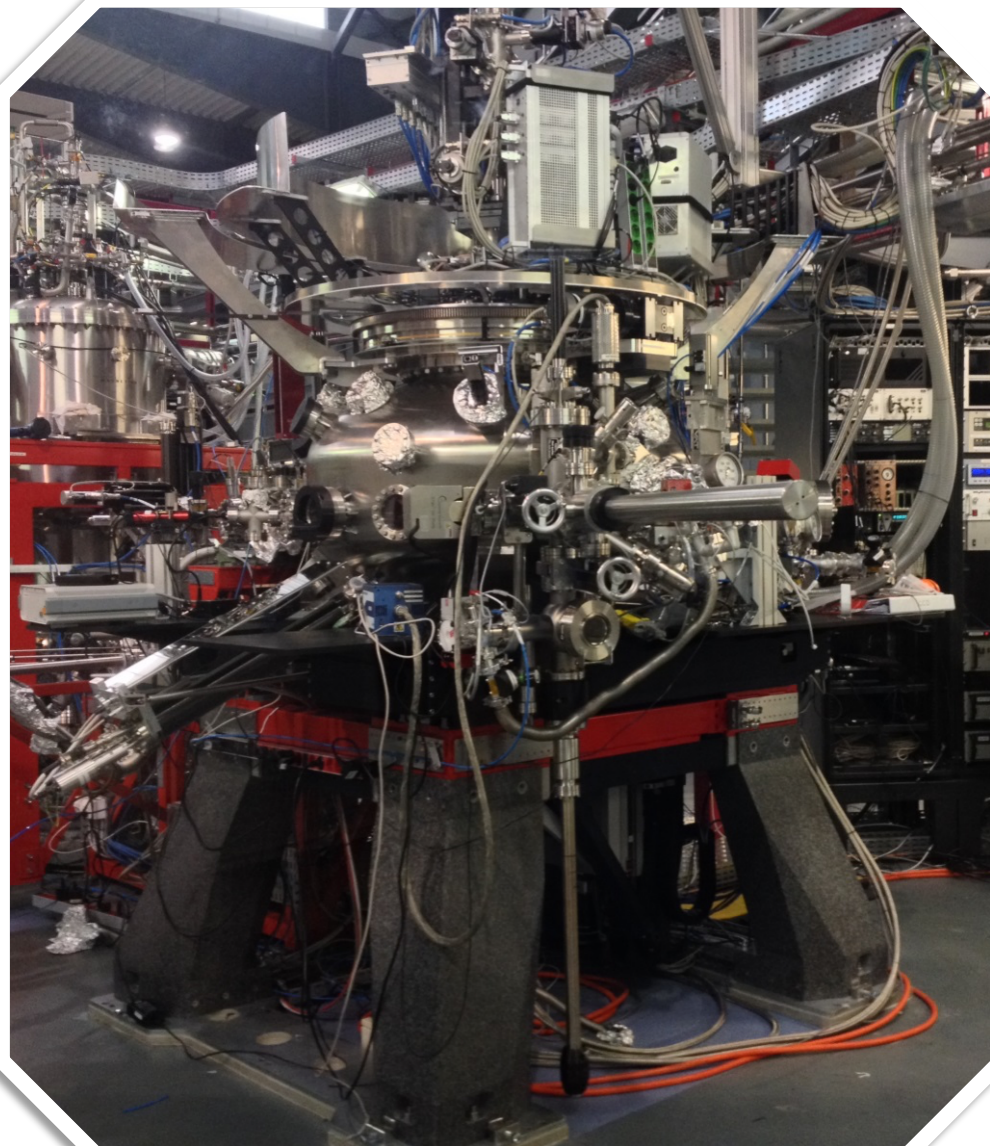


Cr/Bi₂Se₃(0001):
Cr-coverage
dependence of
XMCD signal at
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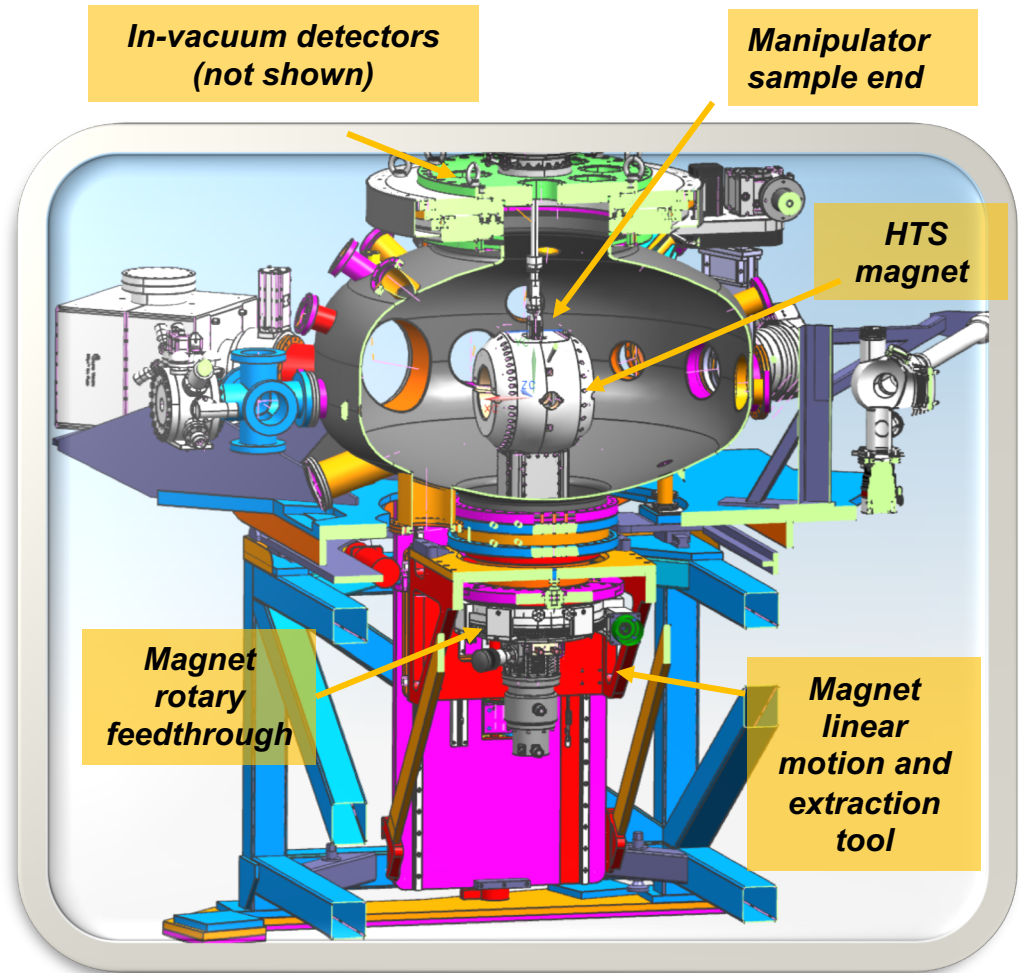
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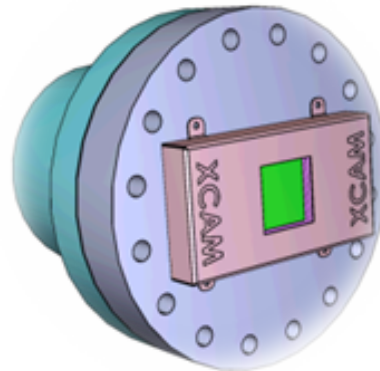
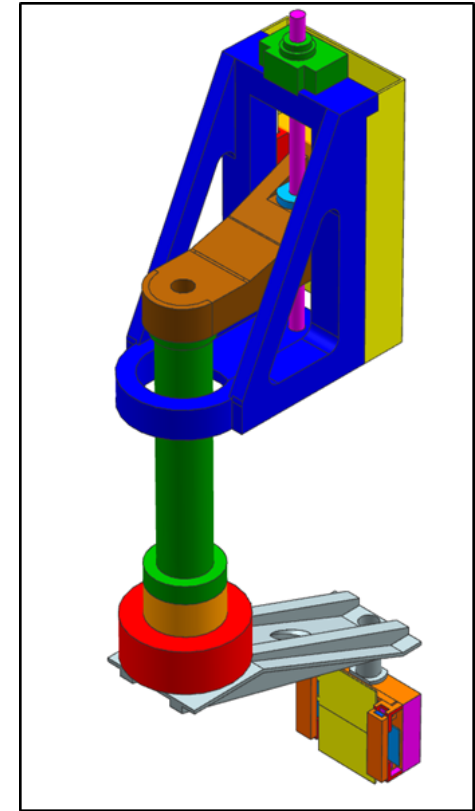
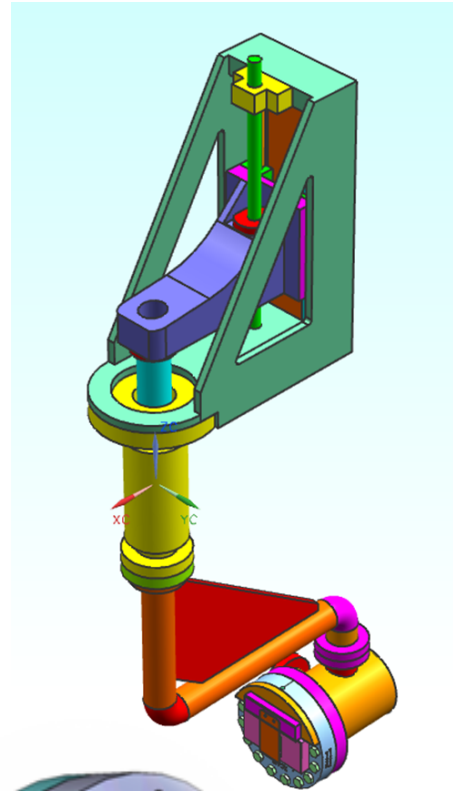
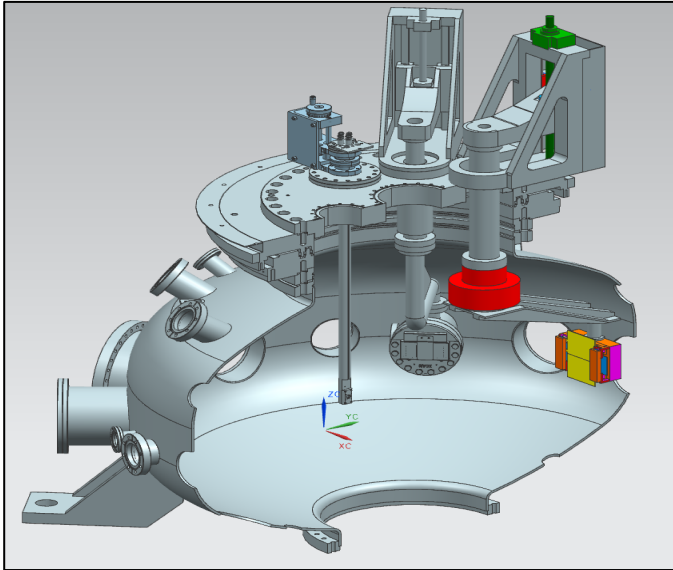
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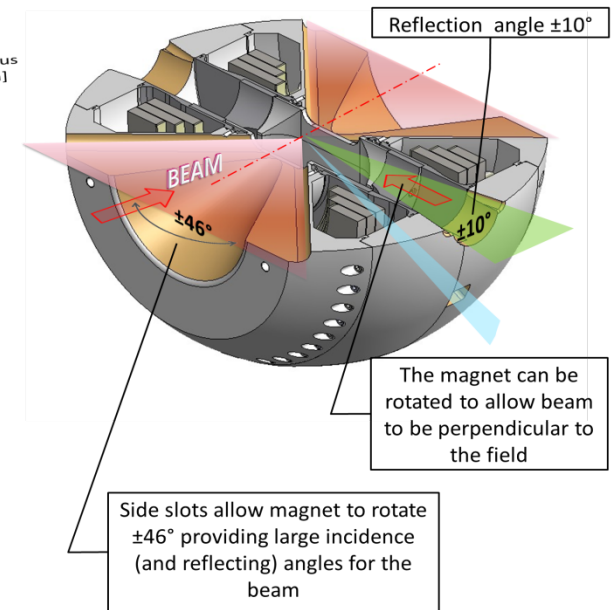
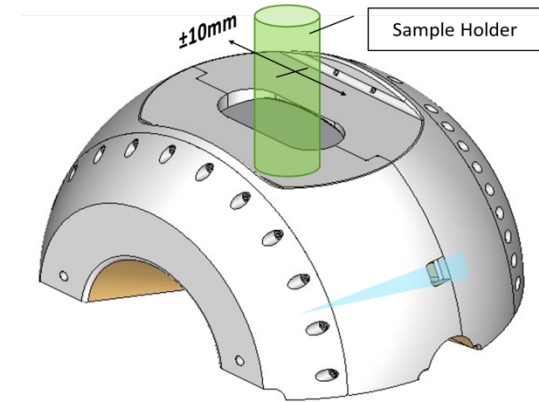
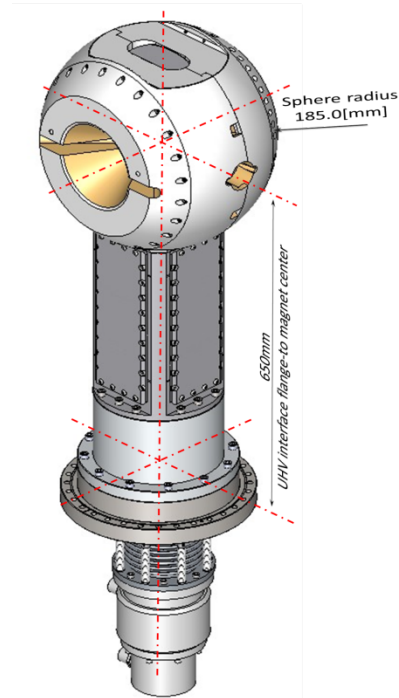
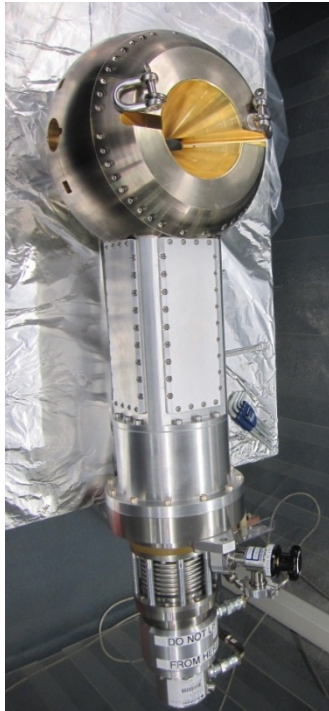
“MARES” main characteristics

- 2 circle large diffractometer (PINK)
- 6-axis, 20-380 K cryomaniplator with tilt, azimuth (VG C6)
- Diode/MCP/channeltron detector arms with adjustable slits (smartact)
- In-vacuum CCD detector arm (XCAM)
- 2Tesla HTS closed cycle magnet (HTS110)
- Sample preparation: ion gun, heating stage 950 C (LEED in future)
- In-situ e-beam evaporator (Mantis)
- In-situ molecule evaporator source (*?)
- Adapter for specs/omicron stm plates and sample transfer system
- Entrance slits, beamstops, photon shutter

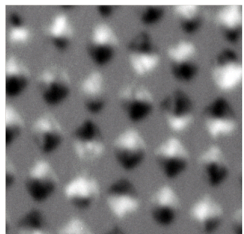




- Manufactured by HTS-110, design by HTS-110, ALBA and ICMAB-CSIC
- 2 Tesla, 1st gen Bismuth strontium calcium copper oxide (BSSCO)
- Large-diameter coil packs for wide optical access, 50mm gap
- Cryo-cooler (28hours cool down, Temp range 2nd stage 15-22 K approx.)
- Small stray field (<50G at 250mm), around 150 Kg
- O-ring sealed, warm bore, dampening bellows

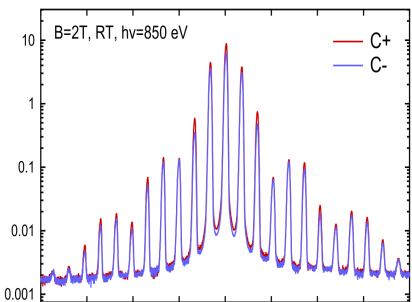
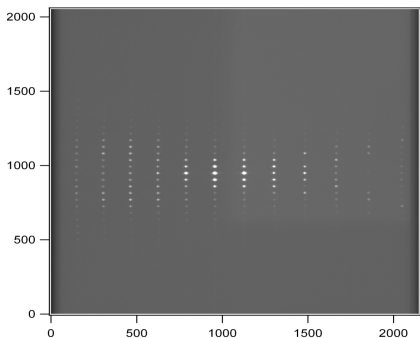


magnetic GISAXS in permalloy nano "dots"



PEEM3
ALS

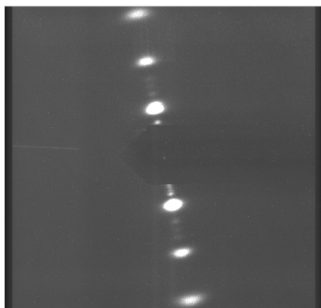
BL29. ALBA



J. Diaz, M. Valvidares et al, *Nanotechnology* (2019)

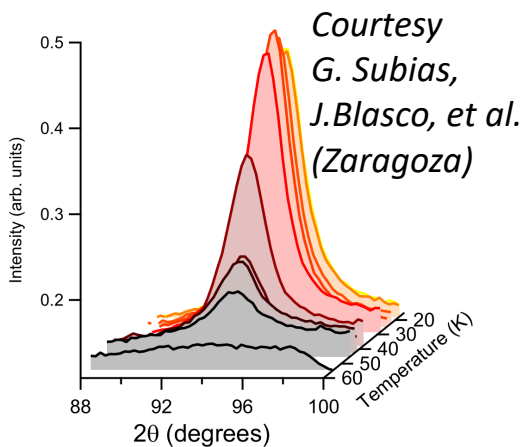
Resonant diffraction at C K edge in polymer films

Laser-Induced Periodic Surface Structures

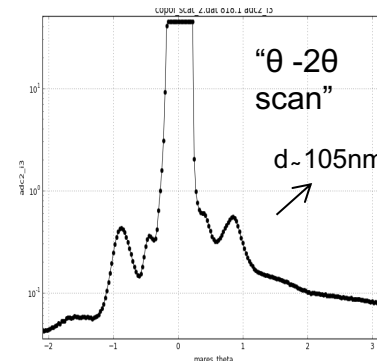
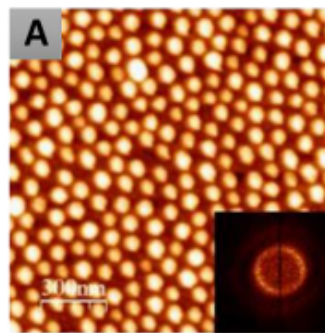


Courtesy M.C. Garcia and co-workers at IEM-CSIC, Madrid

magnetic resonant diffraction in a La_{1.5}Sr_{0.5}CoO₄ single crystal



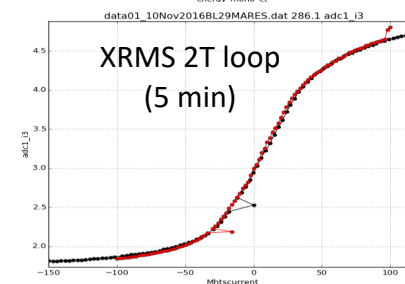
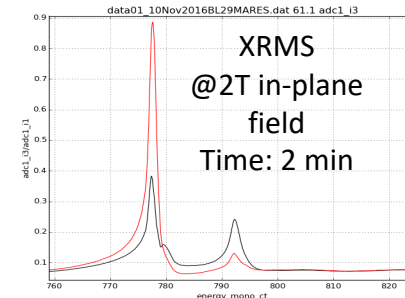
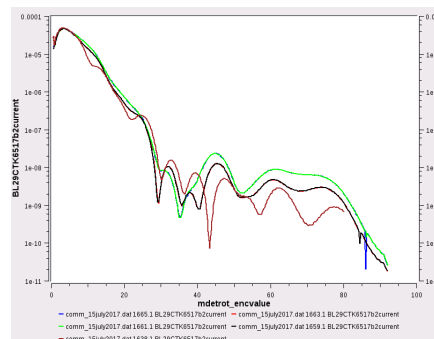
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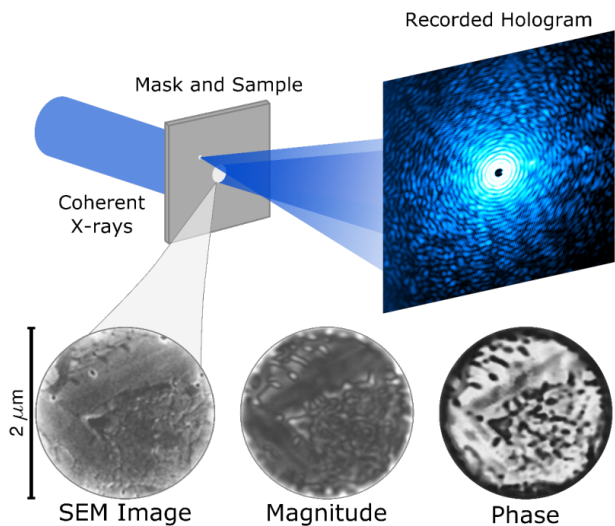
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on-the-fly fast scans, LT, high-field

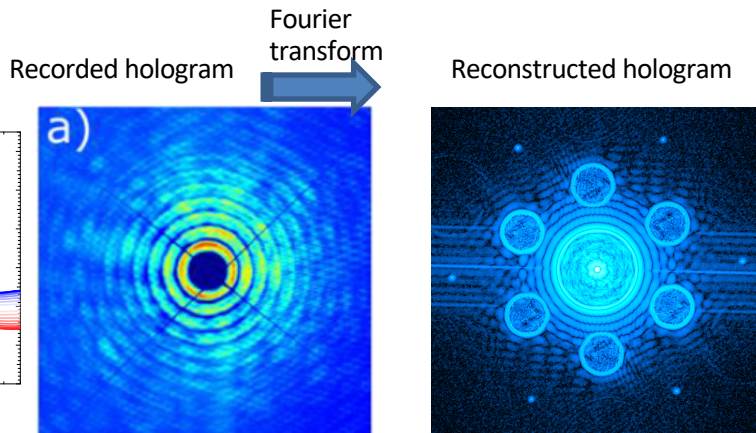
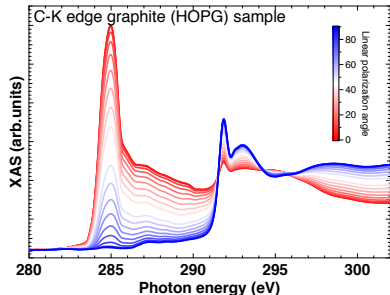
magnetic reflectivity over 6 orders of magnitude, high-angle, 3 min



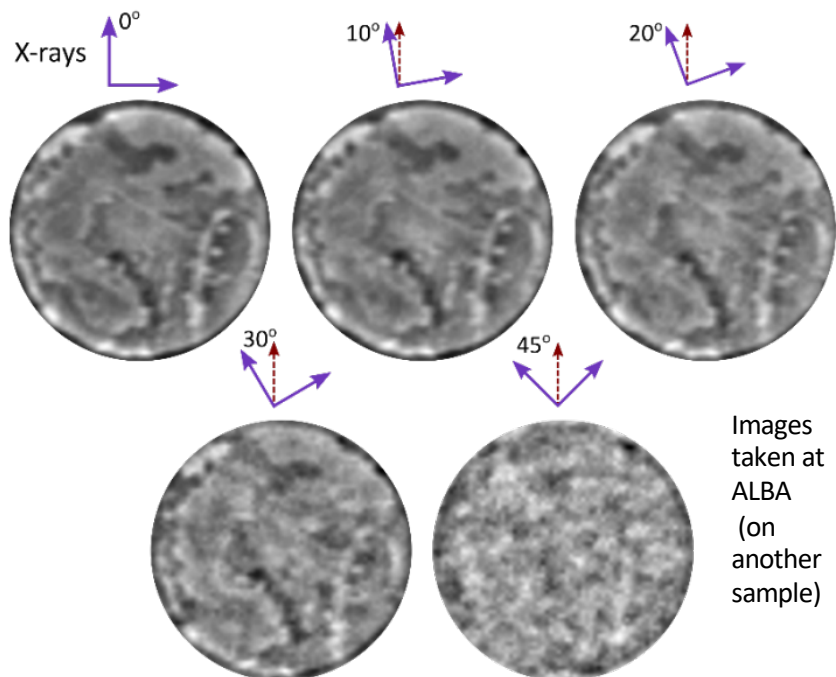
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(Images taken at BESSY)



XLD vs linear polarization angle (contrast mechanism)



Images taken at ALBA (on another sample)

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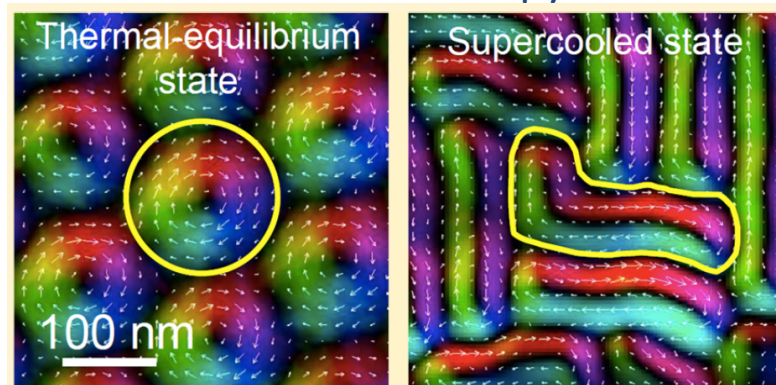
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Deformation of Topologically-Protected Supercooled Skyrmions in a Thin Plate of Chiral Magnet $\text{Co}_8\text{Zn}_8\text{Mn}_4$

D. Morikawa, X. Yu, K. Karube, Y. Tokunaga, Y. Taguchi, T. Arima, and Y. Tokura, Nanoletters, 2017

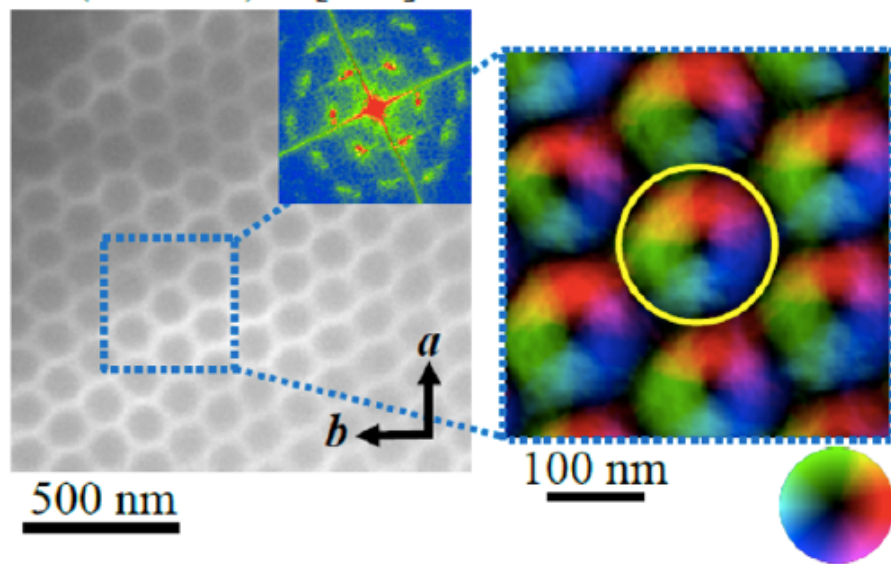
Lorentz microscopy



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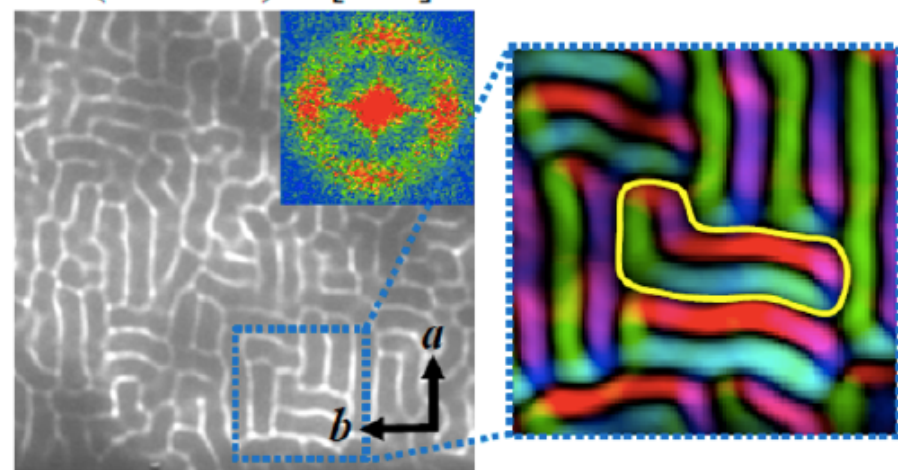
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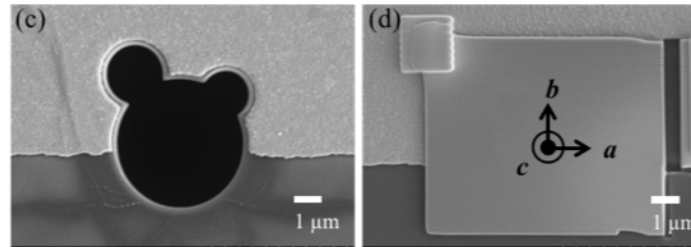
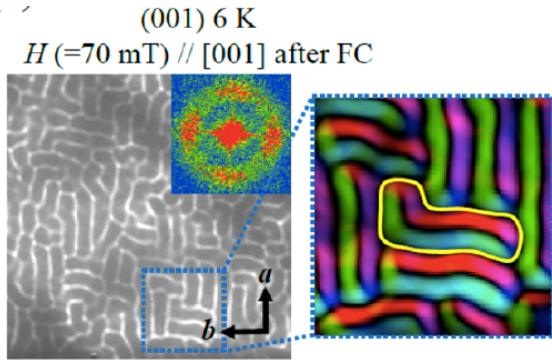


(b)

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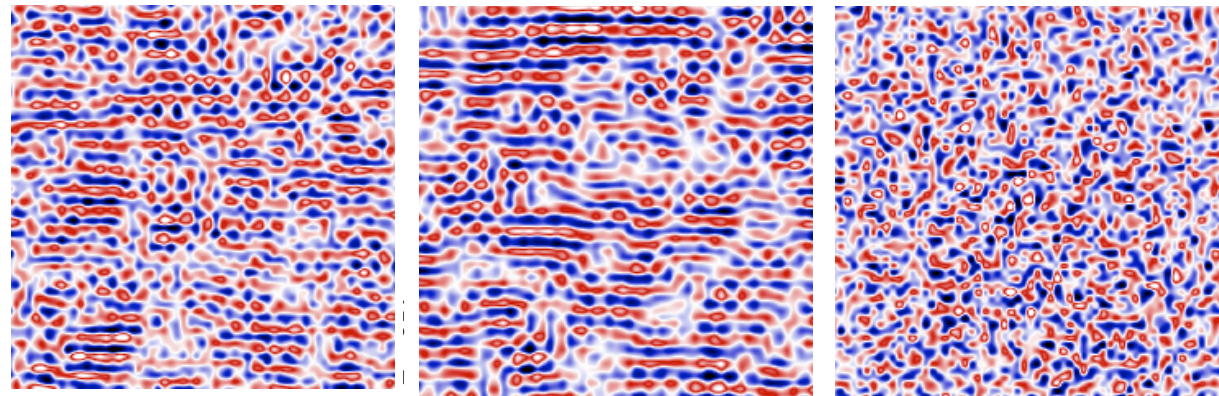
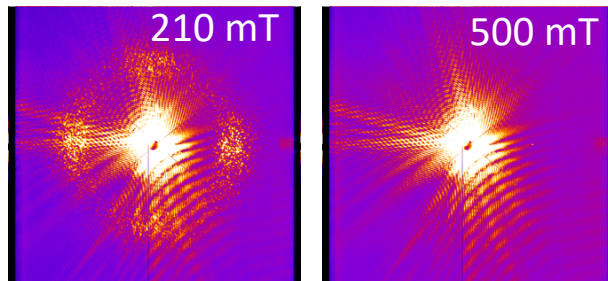
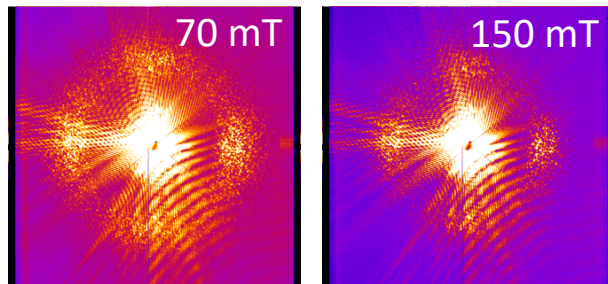
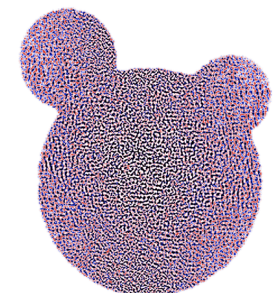
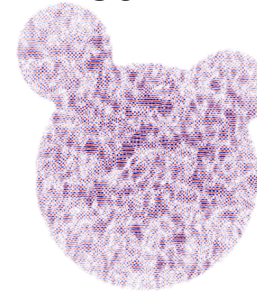
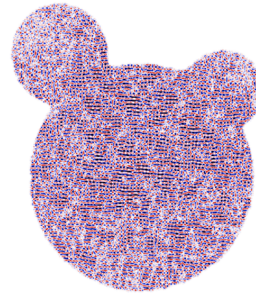


HIO algorithm

70 mT

150 mT

210 mT



$T=23 \text{ K}$, $h\nu=776.5 \text{ eV}$

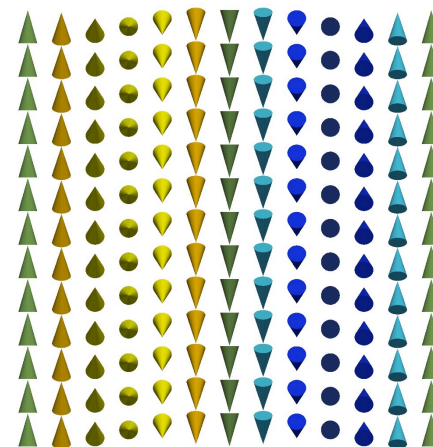
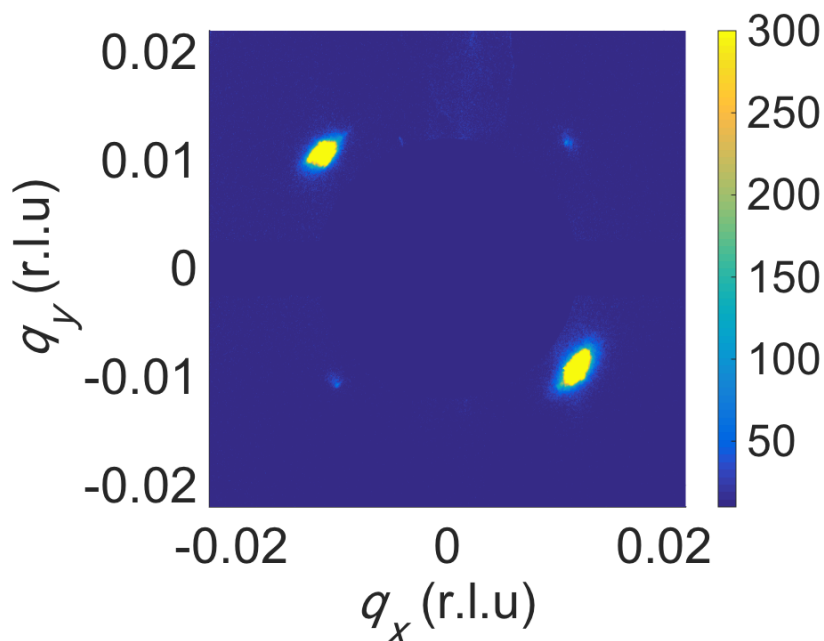
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goal: study the transition from surface skyrmions to bulk skyrmions

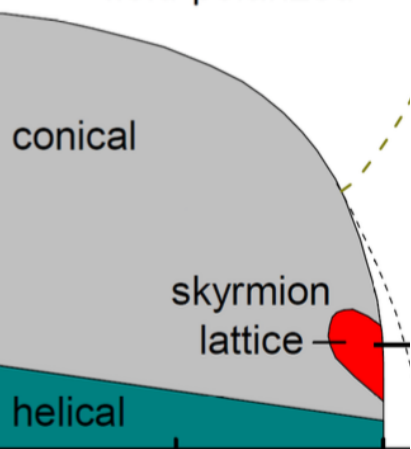
helical (i.e. stripe domain) state

single crystal
(about 3mm x
3mm x 1mm),
001 surface

sample provided
by H. Berger
(EPFL)



field-polarized

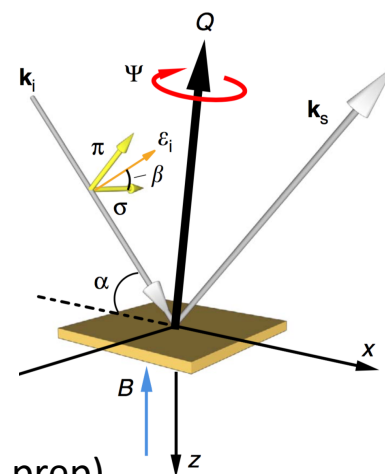


Direct experimental determination of the
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in Cu_2OSeO_3

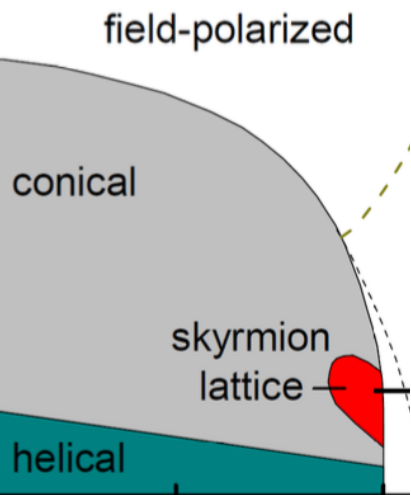
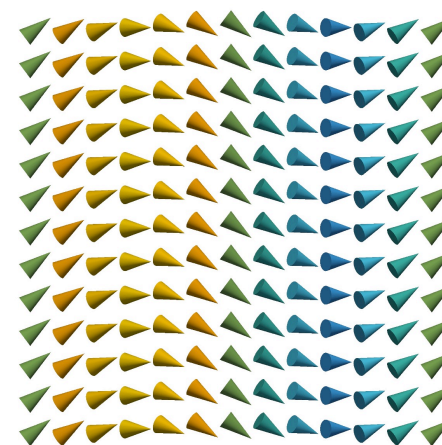
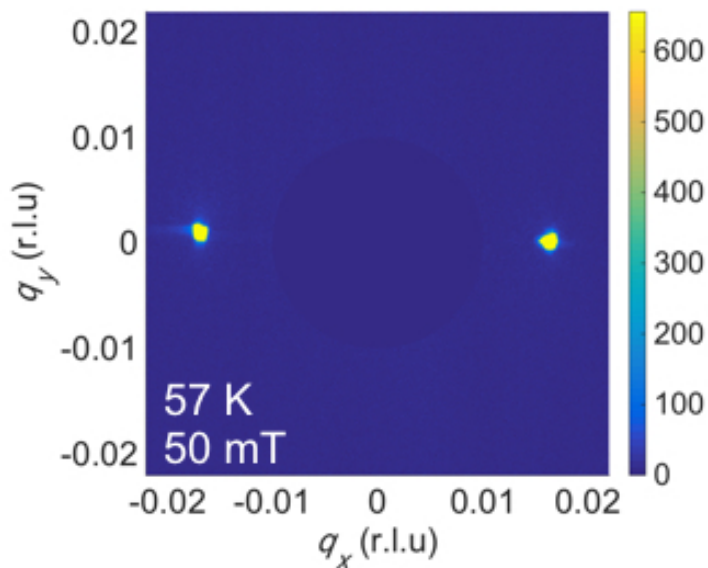
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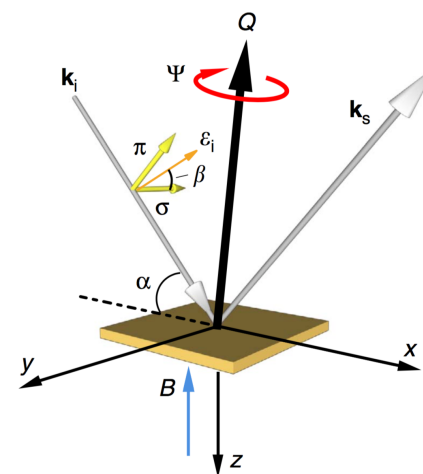
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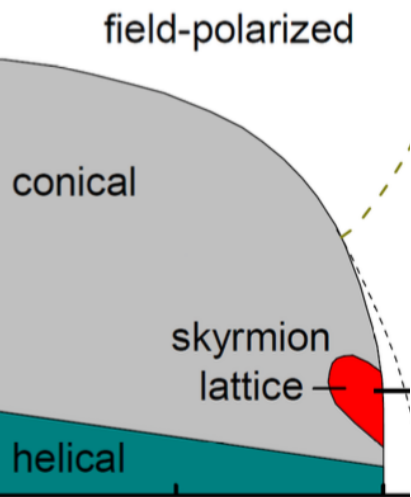
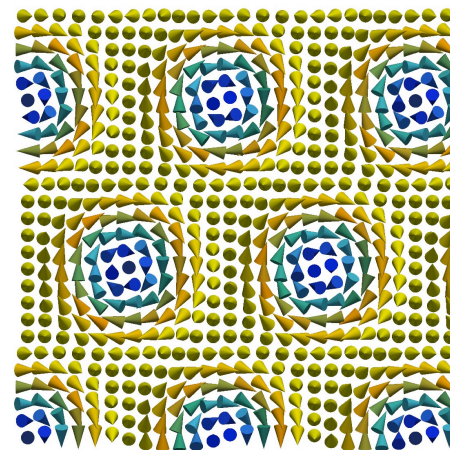
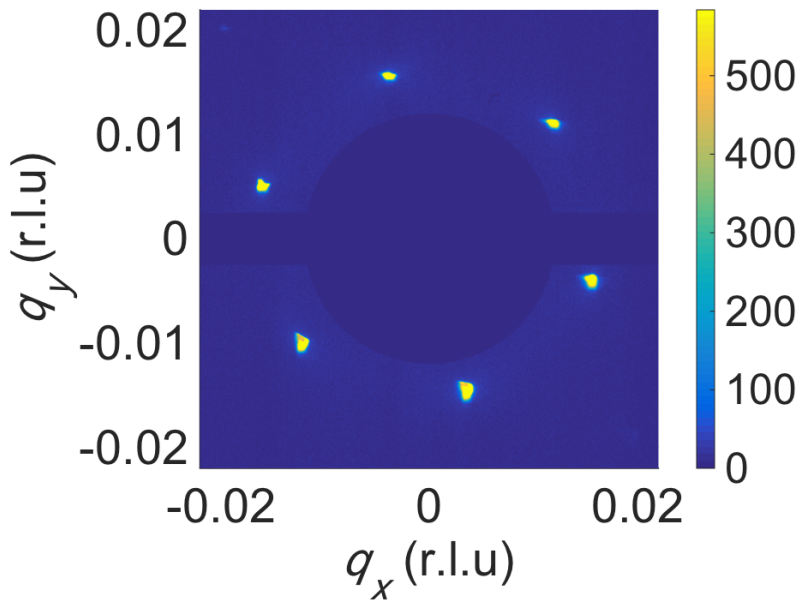
conical state



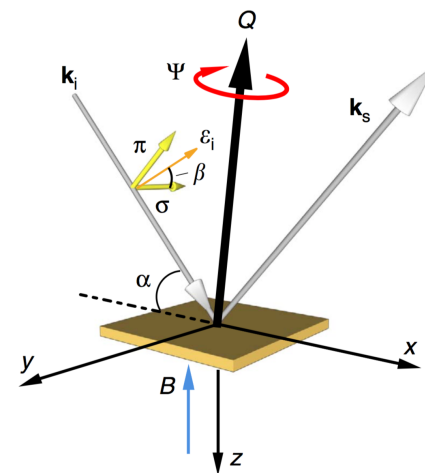
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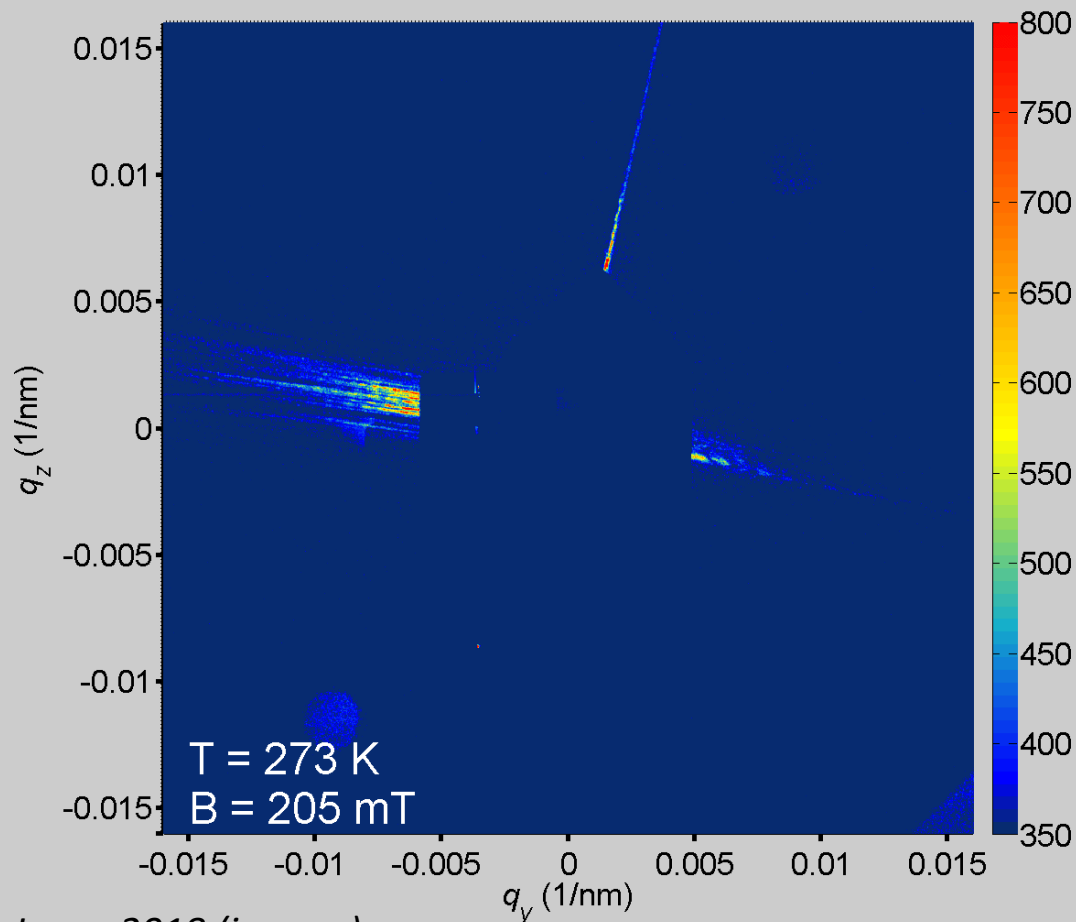
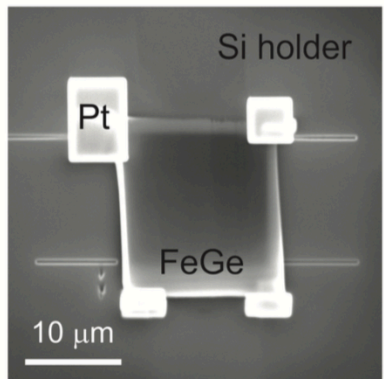
skyrmion state



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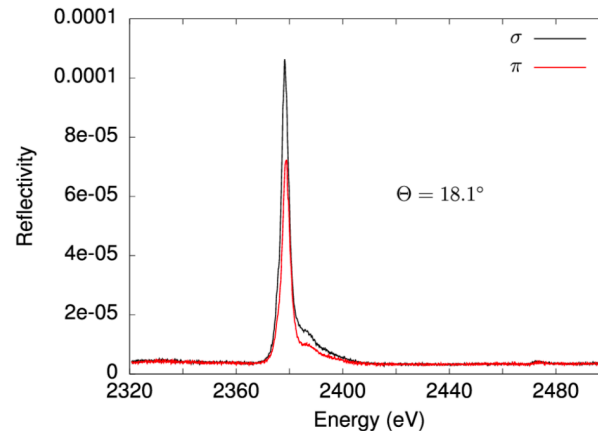
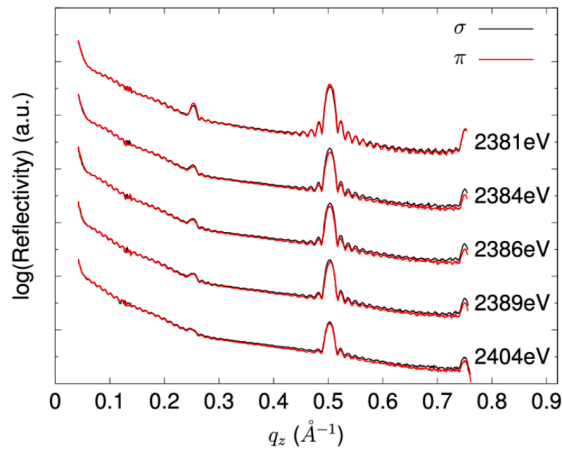


sample was cut from a single crystal, and FIB into a 200 nm-thick, 10 μm x 10 μm size thin plate.



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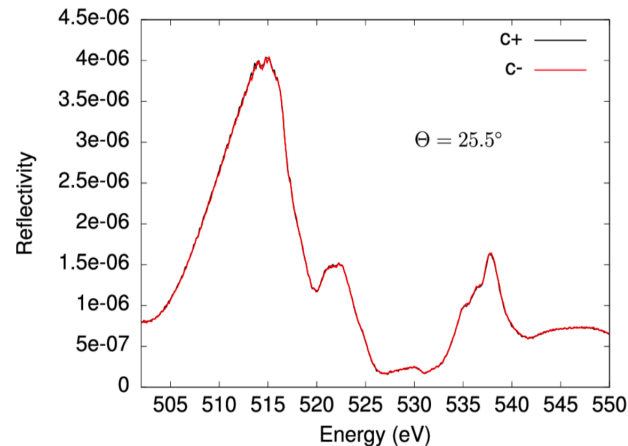
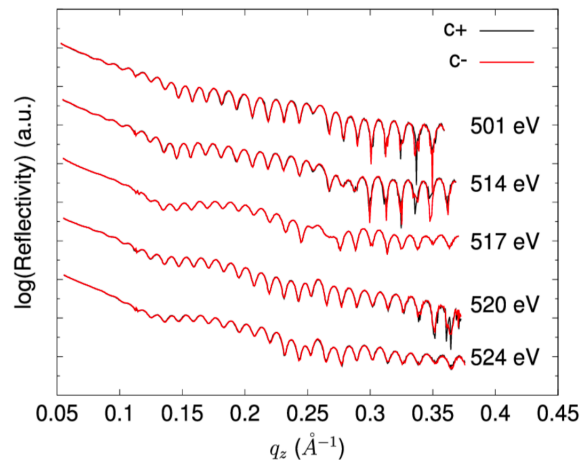
FixE and FixTh scans at $T=300\text{K}$; $B=0\text{T}$



Si // [(PbSe)1/(NbSe2)3]x10
(~50nm thick film)

Interface reconstruction?
Origin for T_c changes?
Effect of number of NbSe2 layers?

FixE and FixTh scans at $T=28\text{K}$; $B=2\text{T}$ // surface



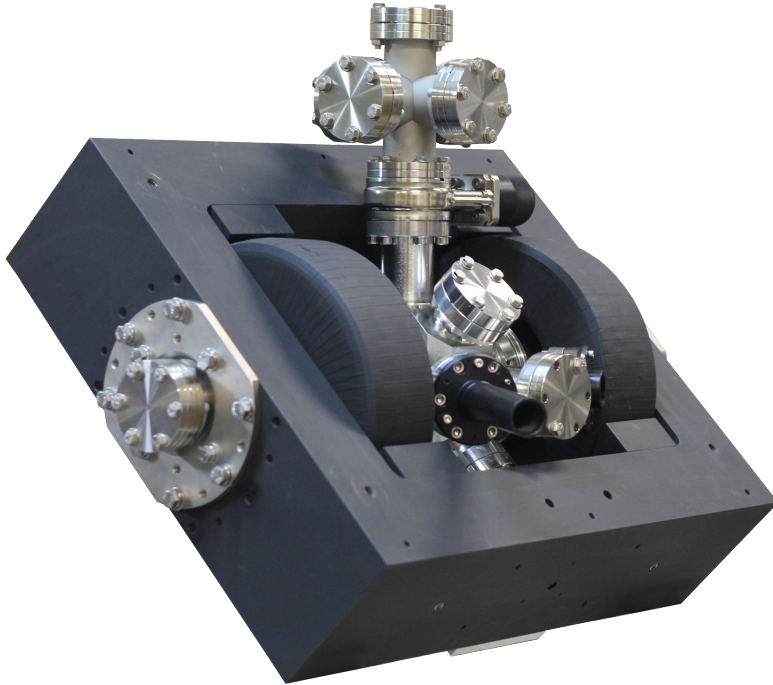
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magnetism?
CDW?

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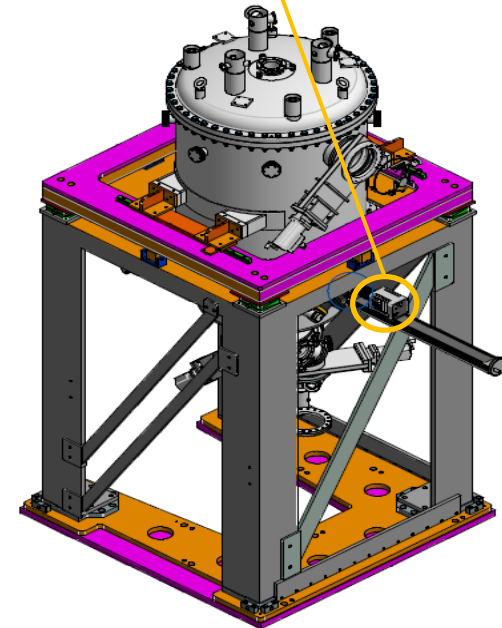
ENDSTATION- PROBLEM	SOLUTION/STATUS
HECTOR: Sample stuck in VTI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Better sample alignment; sample transfer mostly by bl staff - Hard/soft and hard/hard VTI and sample approach
MARES: Parasitic light from heater	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Light screen installed, reduces to <1% or so effect.
MARES: Water de-icing yields anomalous diode dark currents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Heating tapes applied, cooling power adjusted on cool down - Detector arms protected with impermeable adhesive tape
MARES: issue on rotation circle (bearings)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Solving required very large dismantling and replacement of bearings, cages were deformed; bakeout or abrupt motion due to cable trays
MARES: CCD burnout	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Background burnout is pretty bad, but enough alleviated by increased peltier and CCD inversion voltages - Beamstop protocol, attenuator filters, low intensity protocol for eventual strong diffraction peaks ; CCD shutter installed
MARES: software	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Took 1+ year to solve CCD software crashes (new usb driver) - Took 2+ years to get CCD acquisition integrated - Continuous reflectivity scans available from 2017, improve x10
Mares: beamsize	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Variable beamsize is nice, however limit is > 100 x 200 micron approx
Mares: field geommetry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cannot do magnetic reflection under perpendicular field
Mares: sample contacts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cannot measure TEY or have sample contacts (under study)
Hector: refill Liq He	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cannot measure during Liq He refill (noise)

2T fast ramp (<1s) electromagnet for
off-line magnetic characterization via
in-situ L,P,T-MOKE & bl sporadic use



ordering, to arrive December 2019
ALBA investment

single element Rayspec SDD
detector (PFY)



Installed March 2019
ALBA investment 2017 + Mineco national grant

1. XMCD magnet

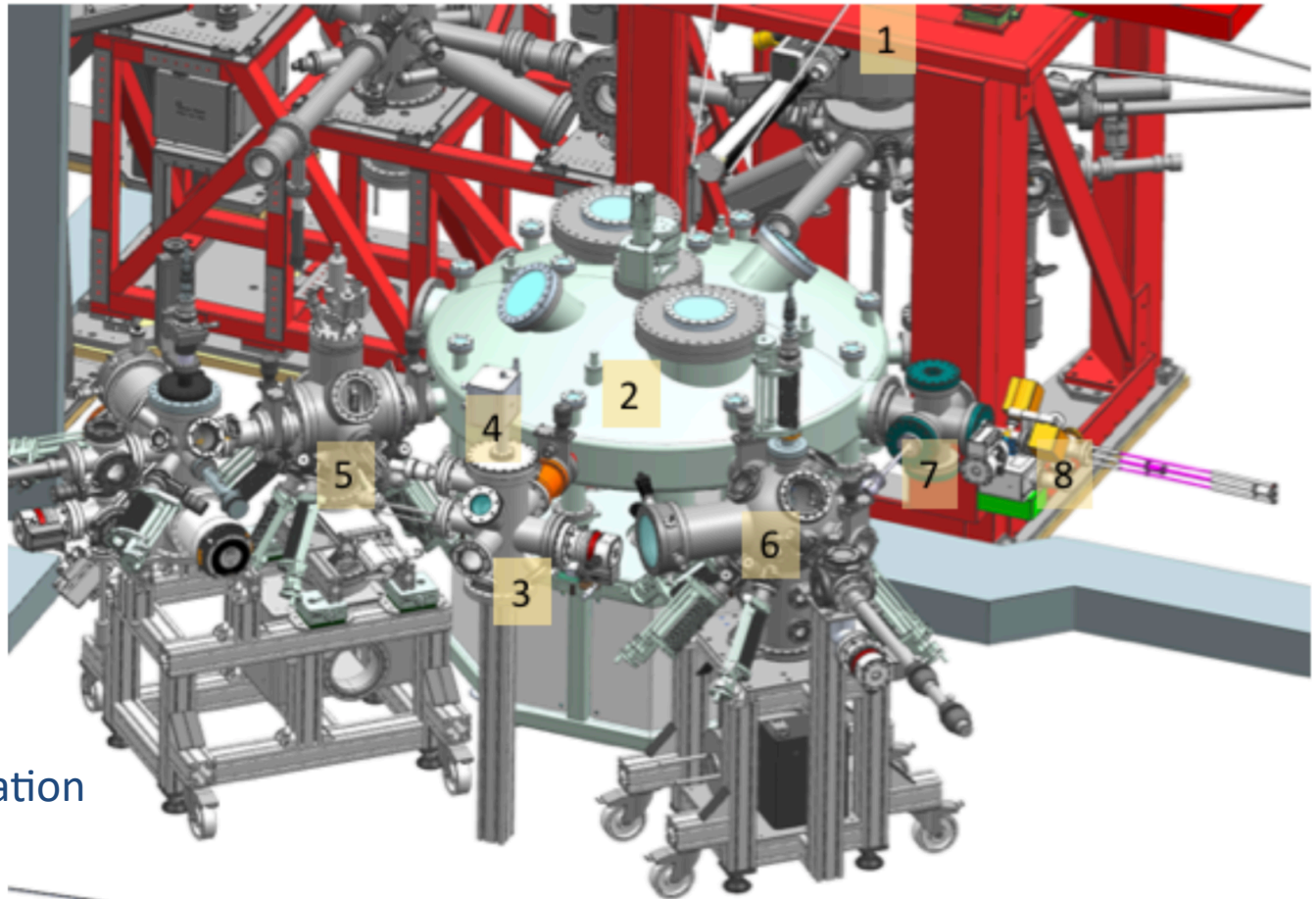
2. **New** Radial
Distribution Chamber
(OMNIVAC)

3&4. **New** Atomic
Layer Injection system

5. STM/AFM with
PhD/inhouse surface
preparation chamber

6. user surface preparation
chamber

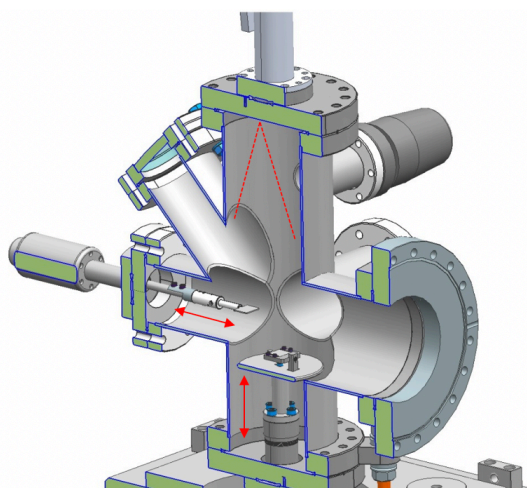
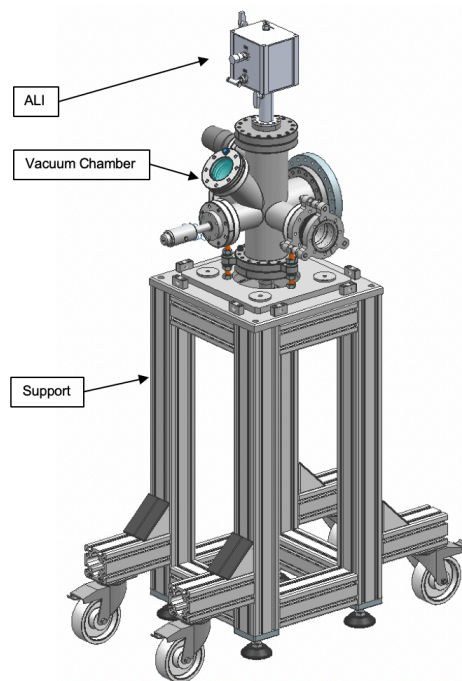
7&8 **New** docking port for
UHV sample suitcase



Installation November 2019

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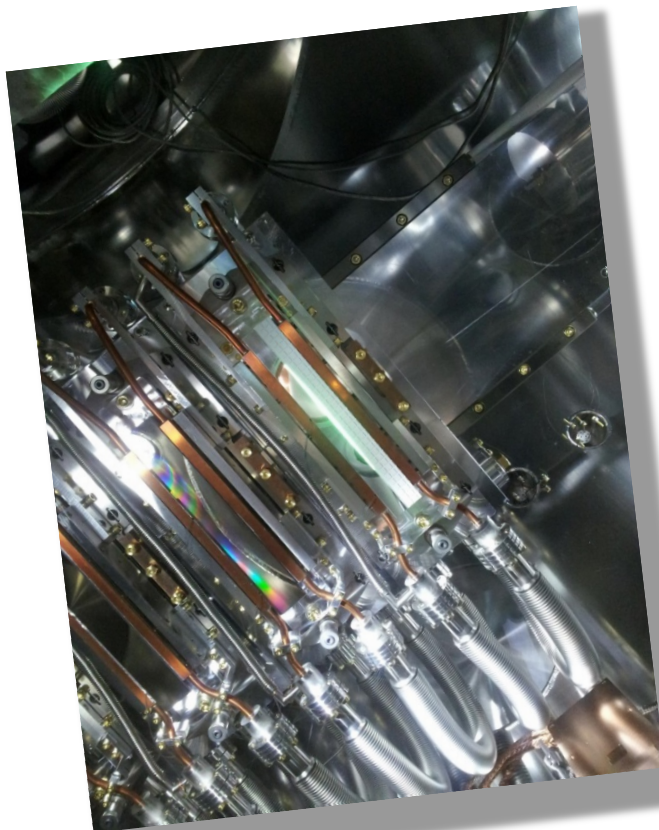
Atomic Layer Injection system: deposition of molecules fragile for evaporation, NPs,...
Collaboration BihurCrystal (R. Gonzalez, F. Lopez) and ALBA BL29 (P. Gargiani,
A.Carballedo and M.Valvidares). Various groups in project to use (Zaragoza, Donosti, ...)



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