



A Water Window Source for Soft X-Ray Microscopy and other Applications

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Sample Holder & Cryostage

Microscope Layout



SiriusXT microscope schematic.

Driving Laser



Laser Beamline Debris



~20 nm of debris per minute at window at 1kHz laser rep rate

Laser Focus Through Window



Laser Illumination NA ~ 0.25 1/e2 diameter ~ 10µm x 13µm

Output testing



Source Spectroscopy

10000 lpmm Transmission Grating Variable Filters

Hamamatsu Line CCD (Cheap, not cooled, not so sensitive)

Good S/N for 200ms at ~15 mJ input laser at ~ 0.75m to CCD



Power Scaling



Radiance Focal Dependence

At 2.7nm with ~ 13 mJ on Mo target



Collector Optic



Focal Length = 1 m

IF Focal Plane



Multilayer Mirror



Peak reflectivity within -5 mm < r < 5 mm:

Substrate N5075_Si2: $R_{unpol} = (19.48 \pm 0.17)\%$



Post Multilayer Annular



Sample Plane

Photons at Sample Plane ~8E8 ph/sec

Condenser Focus Best 30µmx50µm FWHM Average 36µmx61µm FWHM

Photons in 1 pixel ~1E6 ph/sec



High Resolution Cryostage

- Cryostage with sample transfer load-lock and LN2 dewar.
- Sample motion is closed loop controlled to ±1 nm.
- Sample holder is designed for 3 mm TEM grids initially.



Beamline Below 5nm



- Target $\lambda/\Delta\lambda > 1000$
- Initial experiments planned in Photoelectron Spectroscopy and
- NEXAFS imaging
- Optically delayed laser for pump probe experiments

Mo Spectra vs Energy



CE Scaling



Smooth Spectra from 1.5 nm to 4.5 nm







Small High Energy Plasmas

550mJ – 1064 nm Mo Target



FWHM 33 μ m Illumination NA ~ 0.18

FWHM 18 µm Illumination NA ~ 0.45

Radiance Improvement of > 3

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