

# ***Synchrotron resources for ERSD scientists: Synchrotron-based research at the ALS, APS, NSLS, and SSRL***

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# Outline

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- **Goals of program**
- **Synchrotron radiation and how you can use it**
  - Technique tutorials
  - Examples from the four synchrotrons
- **Introduce the people**
- **How to choose a synchrotron/beam line/  
scientific collaborator**
- **Upcoming X-ray “schools”**



# Goals of Program

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- *In response to feedback from scientists funded by the ERSD and in response to the ENVIROSYNCH white paper that provided recommendations for improving access to research facilities and productivity in the field of Molecular Environmental Science, ERSD has decided to:*
- **Improve infrastructure of beam lines at the ALS, APS, NSLS, & SSRL**
- **Provide support to scientists at the DOE labs with synchrotrons who will **facilitate the use of synchrotrons** by ERSD-funded scientists**

## Advice

- Assist users in navigating the General User Proposal process
- Assist users in choosing appropriate synchrotron and/or technique given the problem to be addressed

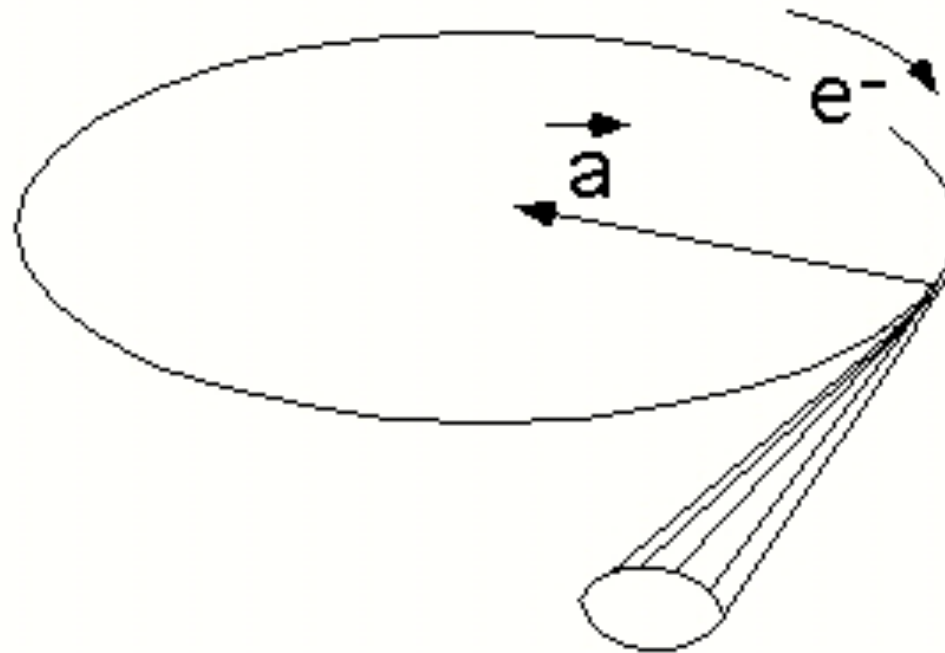
## Collaborator/Coauthor

- Assist users in collecting data
- Analyze data and assess results

# “X-ray Physics 101”

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radiation

# Aerial view of the Advanced Photon Source





# ***Techniques available at Synchrotrons***

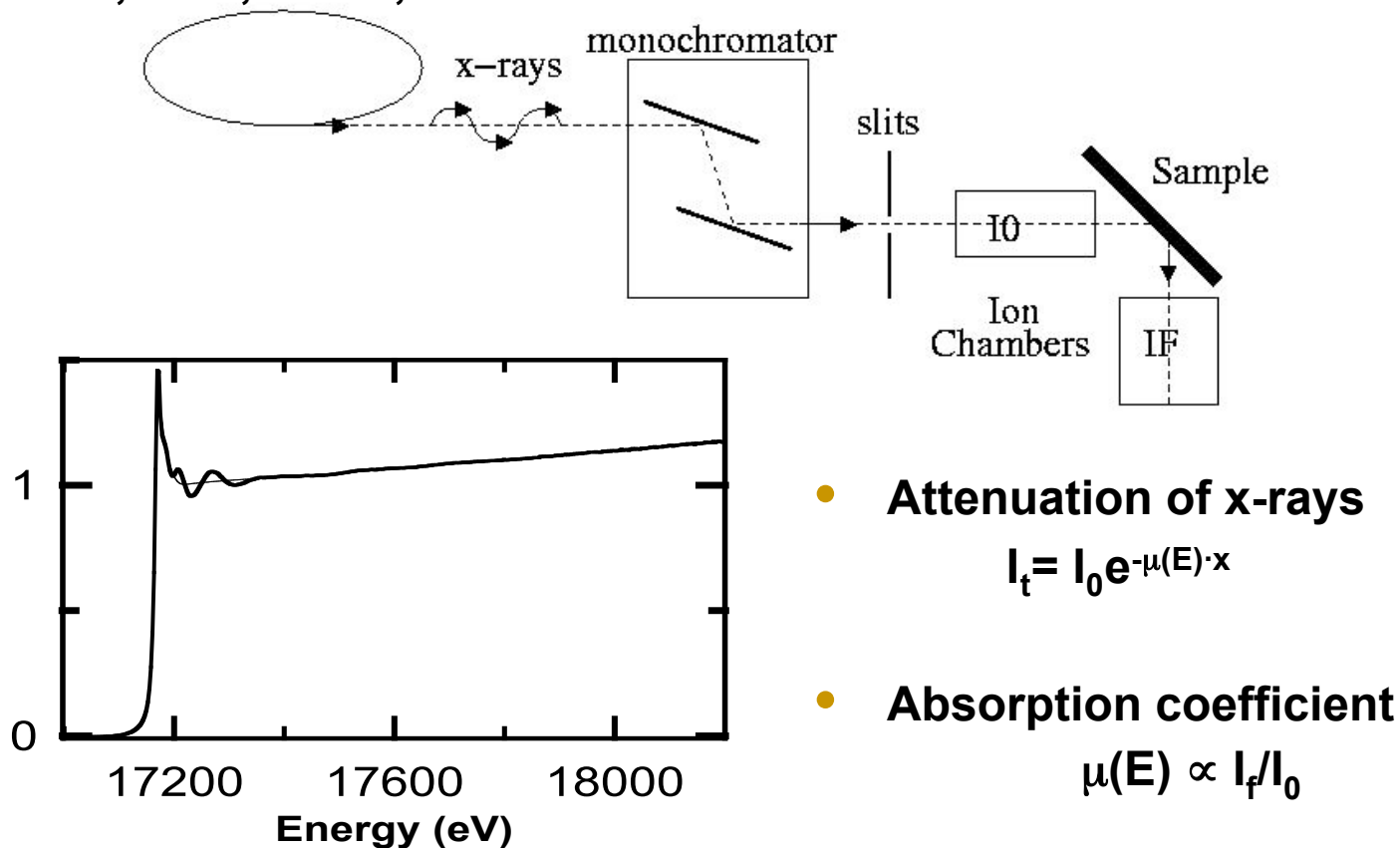
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- **X-ray absorption spectroscopy** (XAS, XAFS, EXAFS, XANES, XRF, circular dichroism)
- **X-ray scattering** (Diffraction, X-ray standing waves)
- **X-ray microscopy** (STXM, XRF mapping, microdiffraction, microspectroscopy)
- **X-ray tomography**
- **Infrared spectroscopy**
- **Ultraviolet spectroscopy**
- **Protein crystallography**

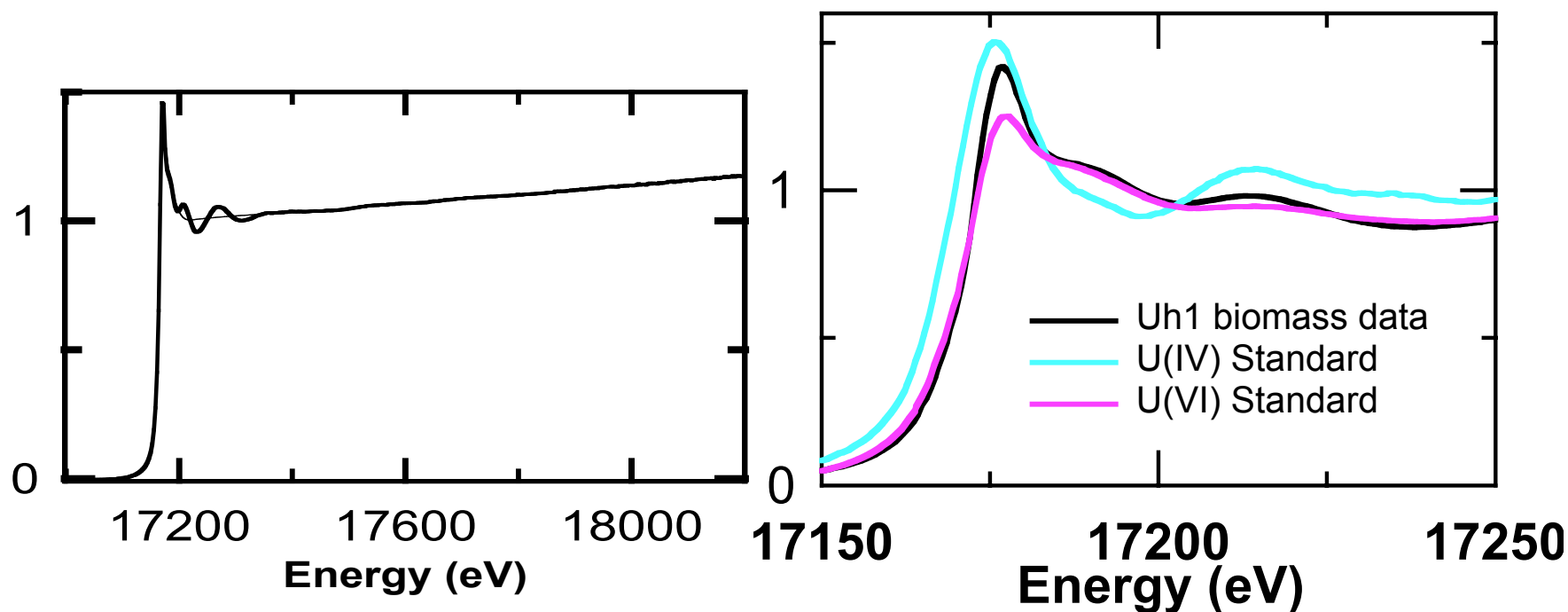


# X-ray-Absorption Fine Structure Spectroscopy (XAFS) Spectroscopy

ALS, APS, NSLS, SSRL



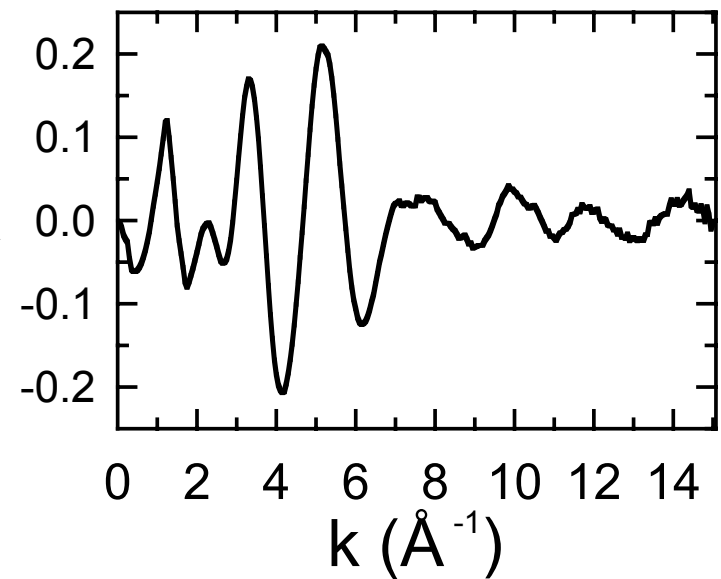
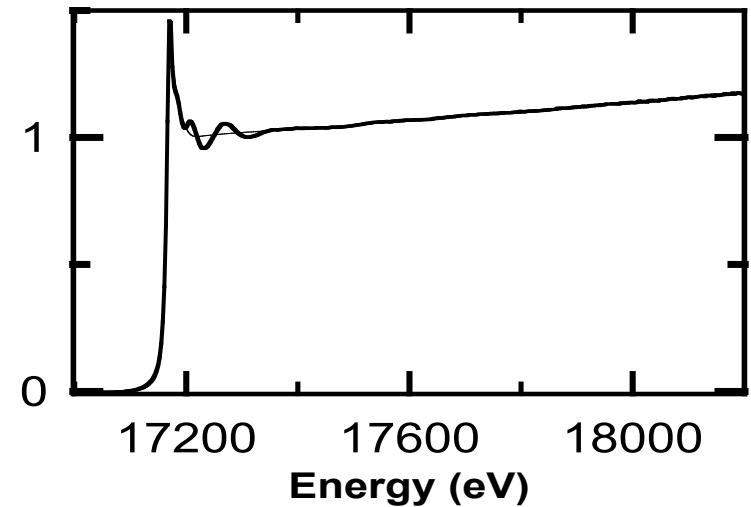
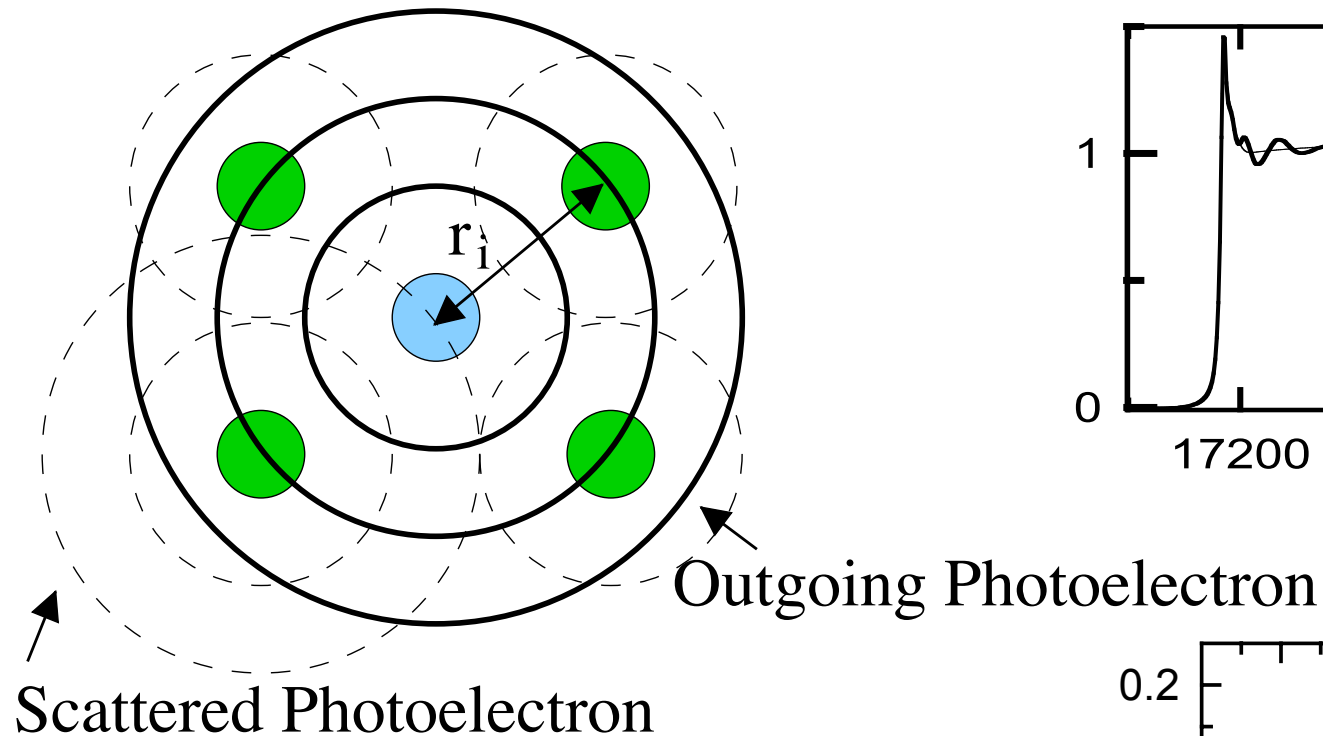
# X-ray Absorption Near Edge Structure-(XANES)



- Position or shape of absorption edge often depends on valence state of absorbing atoms

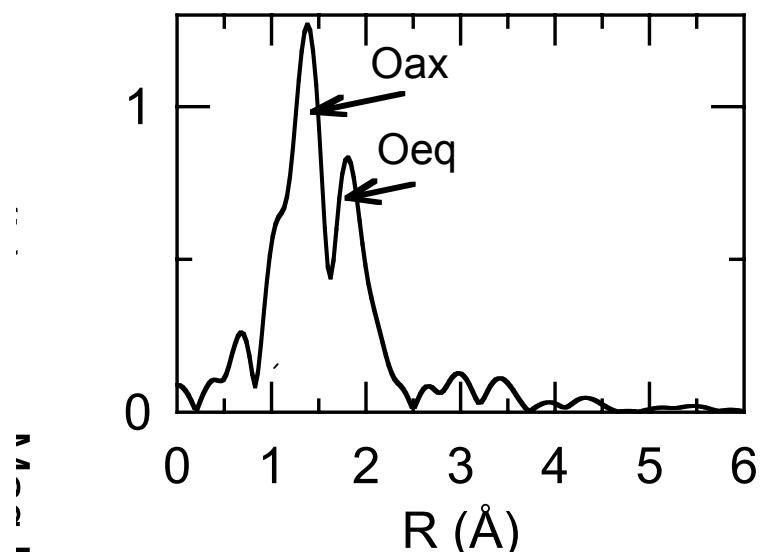


# Extended X-ray Absorption Fine Structure- (EXAFS)

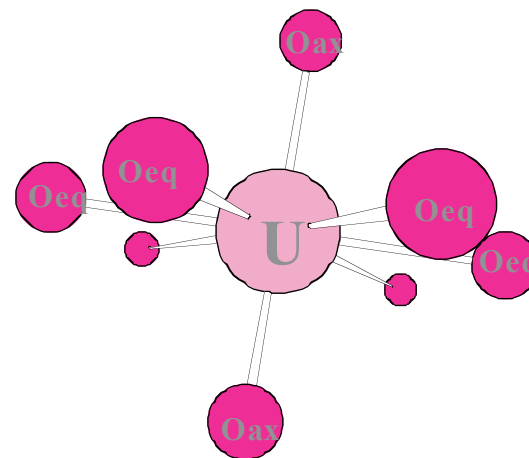


Fourier Analysis

# Fourier Transform of $\chi(k)$



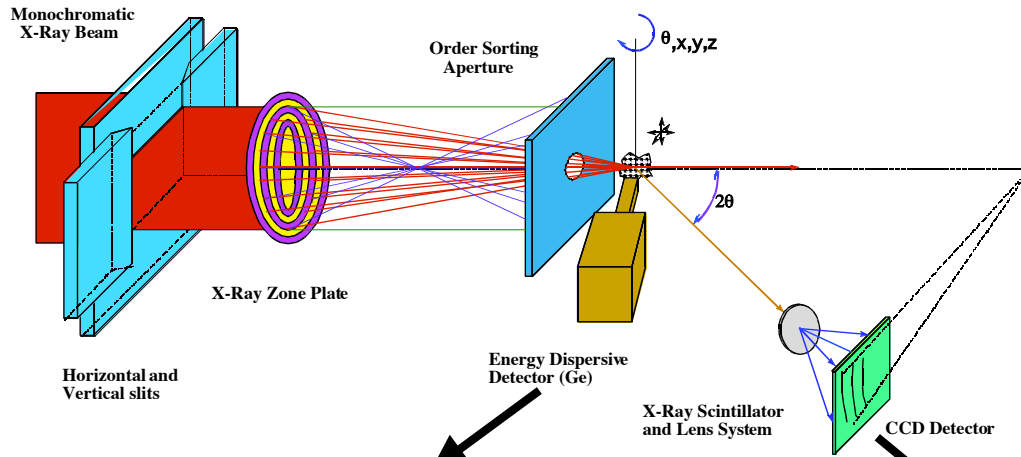
We can use XAFS to determine atomic structure surrounding the atom that absorbs the x-ray.



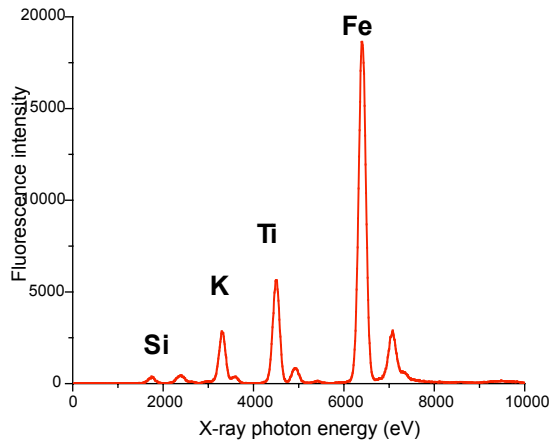
- Like an atomic radial distribution function
  - Distance
  - Number
  - Type
  - Structural disorder



# X-ray Microscopy:

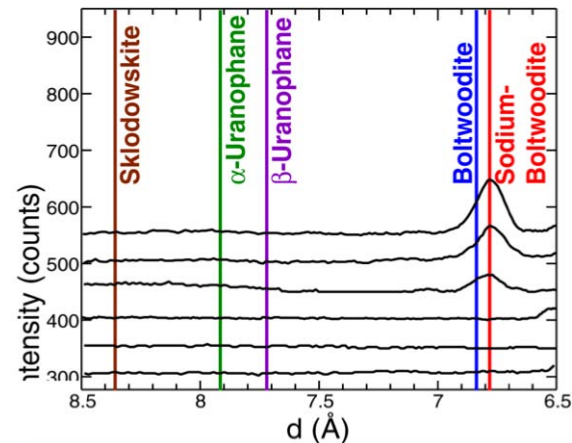


**X-ray fluorescence  
(Elemental analysis)**

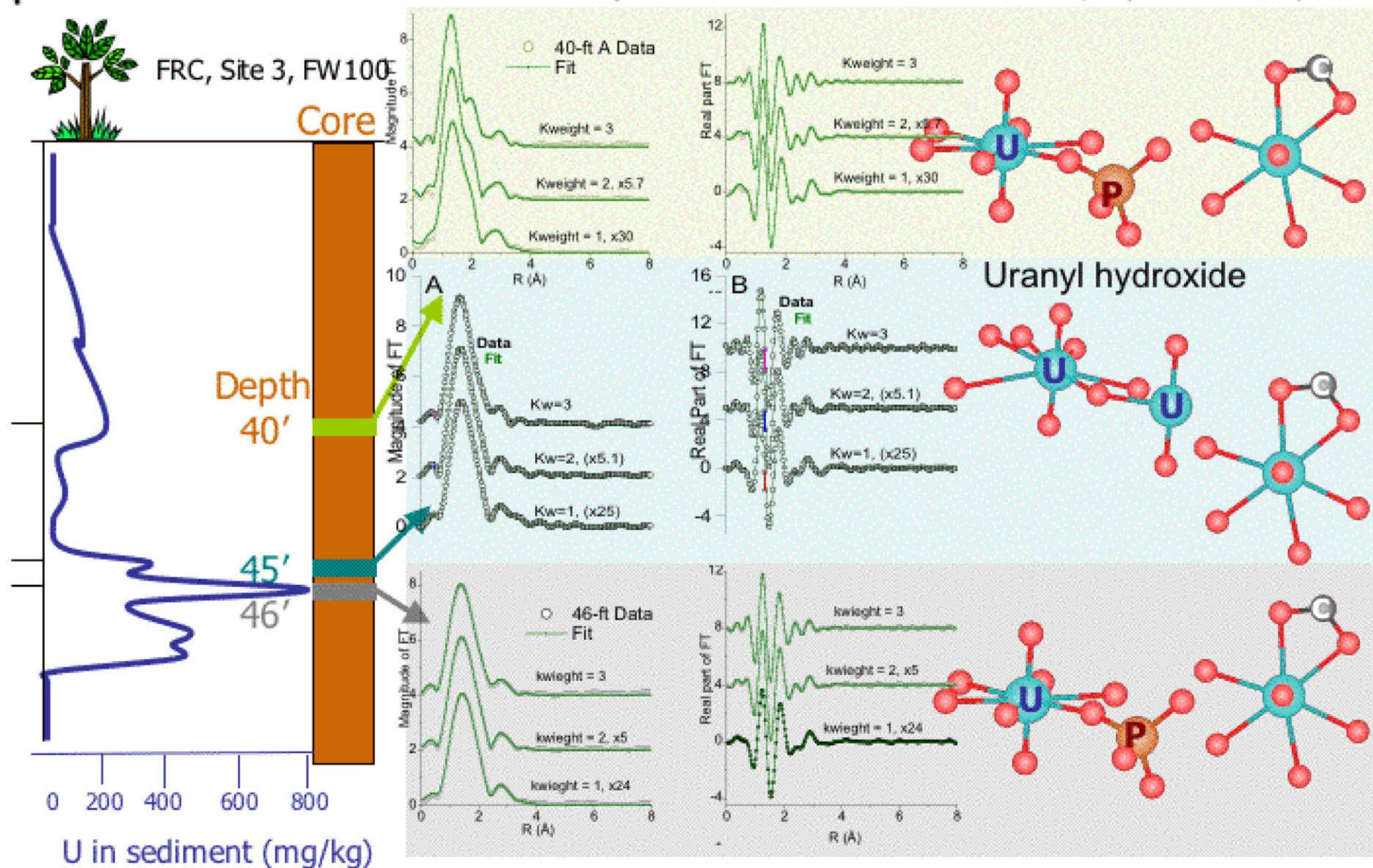


**Spatially resolve  
information provided  
by x-rays.  
Resolution is dependent  
on the size of the  
x-ray probe.**

**X-ray scattering  
(Crystal phase analysis)**



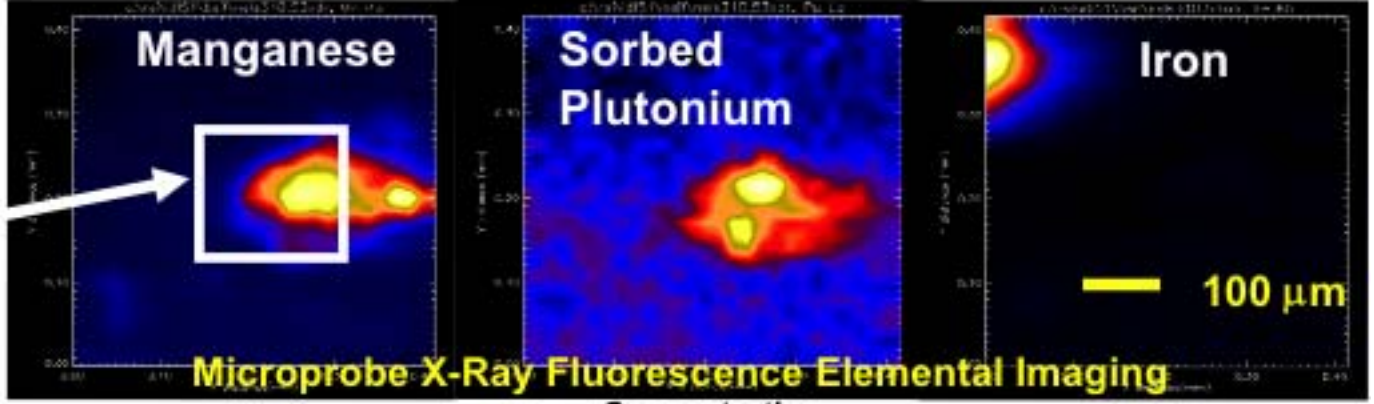
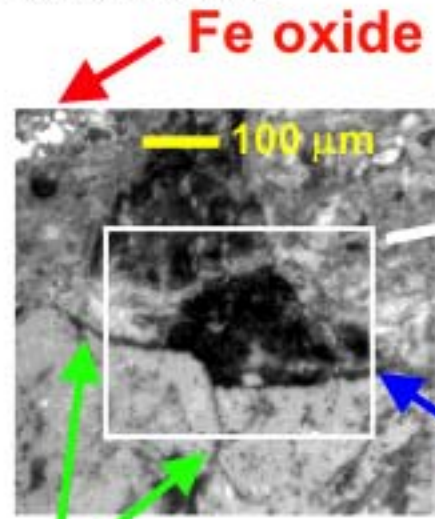
# XAFS investigation of depth dependence on U speciation at the FRC - Kelly, Kemner, Watson, Jardine, Phillips (ANL, ORNL)





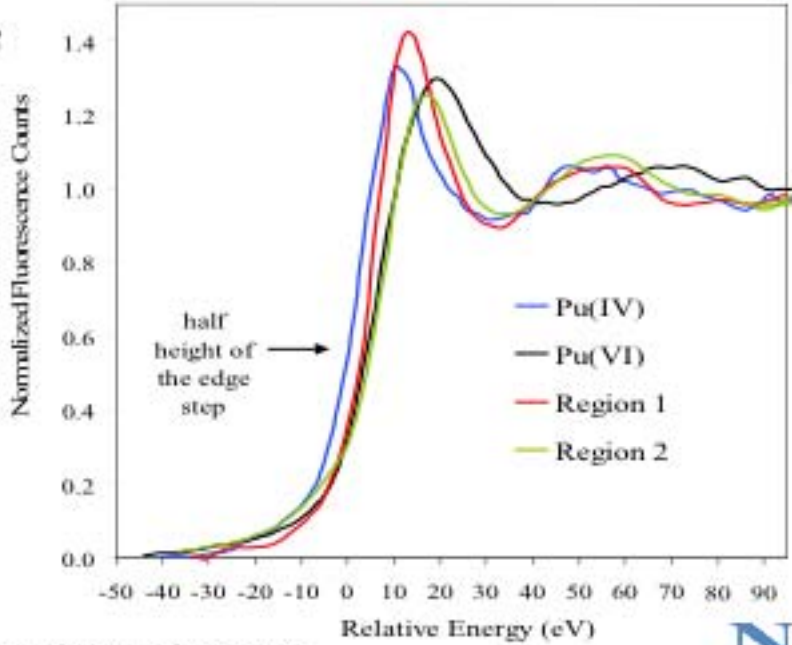
# Heterogeneous Plutonium Sorption on Yucca Mtn. Tuff

M.C. Duff, D.B. Hunter, S.R. Sutton, I.R. Triay, D.T. Vaniman, S.J. Chipera  
P.M. Bertsch, G.S.-MacCarthy, D.T. Reed



**Fractures in tuff**

Micro-Pu-XANES studies indicate Pu(V) is oxidized to Pu(VI) in some regions and sorbed as Pu(V) in others



Micro-XRF imaging reveals Pu(V) sorption on tuff rock occurs preferentially on Mn oxide rich areas and not on Fe oxide rich areas

# Uranium Speciation in Contaminated Hanford Sediments



J. Catalano, G. Brown (Stanford University), and J. Zachara (PNNL)

## Leakage at Tank BX-102

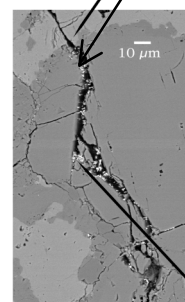
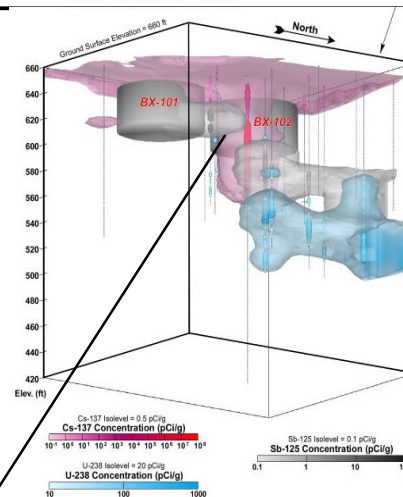
*What is the speciation of uranium in the contaminated vadose zone? Is it adsorbed onto mineral surfaces or precipitated as a solid phase?*

Conclusion from EXAFS and  $\mu$ -XRD: *Na-boltwoodite is dominant U-containing phase.*

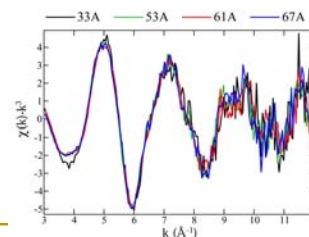
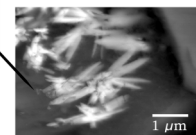
*Why is this information important?*

- Na-boltwoodite is much less soluble than other uranophane minerals in Hanford porewater. U release will be slow in comparison to adsorbed U.
- Provides scientifically credible basis for models of future U migration. Stakeholders and regulators have lauded this scientifically sound and rigorous approach.

(Catalano *et al.*, *Environ. Sci. Technol.* 38, 2822, 2004)

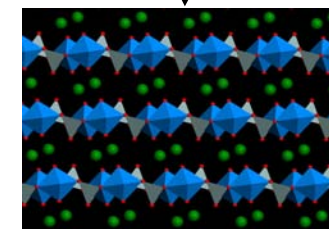
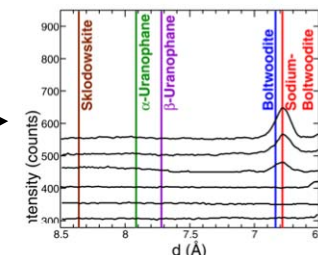


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SEM



XAFS

$\mu$ -XRD:  
APS 20-ID



Na-boltwoodite



BX-102 Slant Bore Hole,  
SSRL BL 11-2

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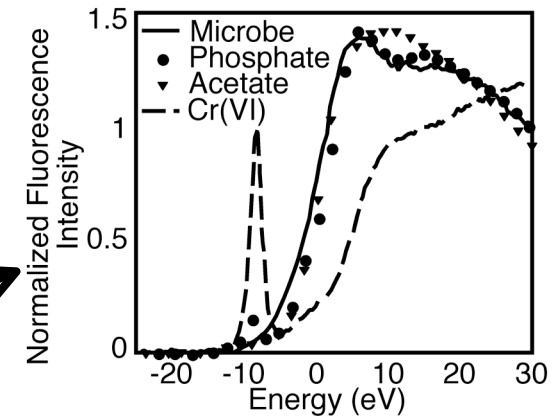
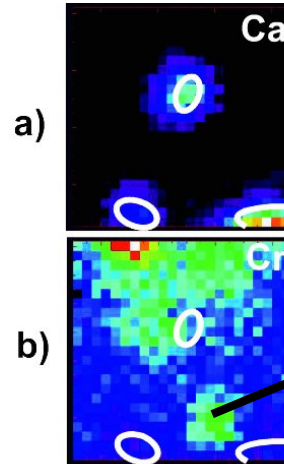
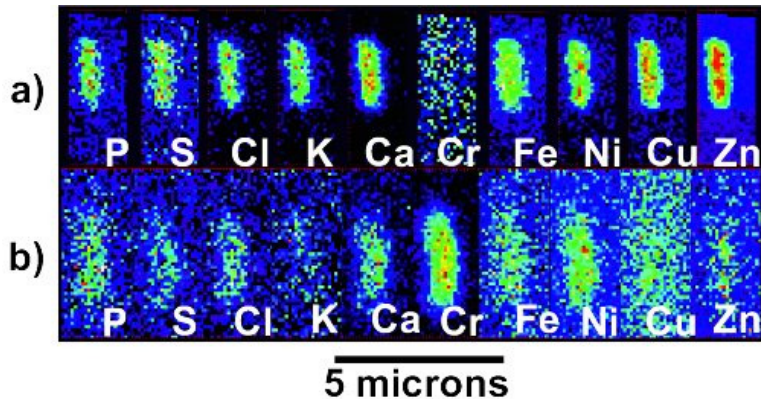




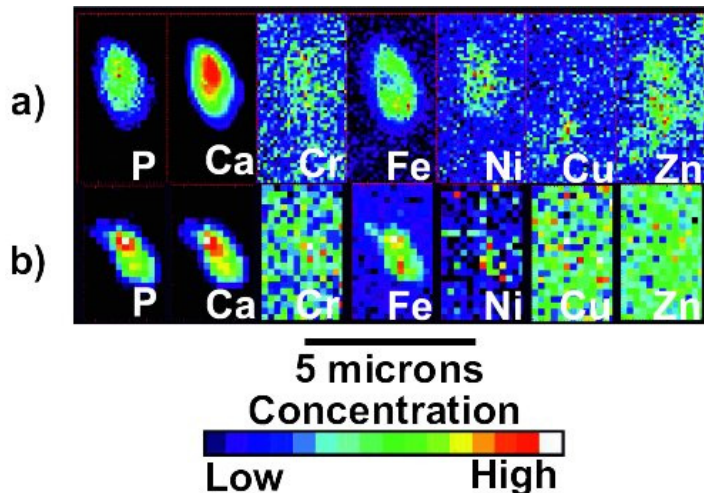
# X-ray micro(spectro)scopy investigations of Cr reduction by planktonic and surface-adhered bacteria



## Planktonic Cells



## Surface-adhered Cells



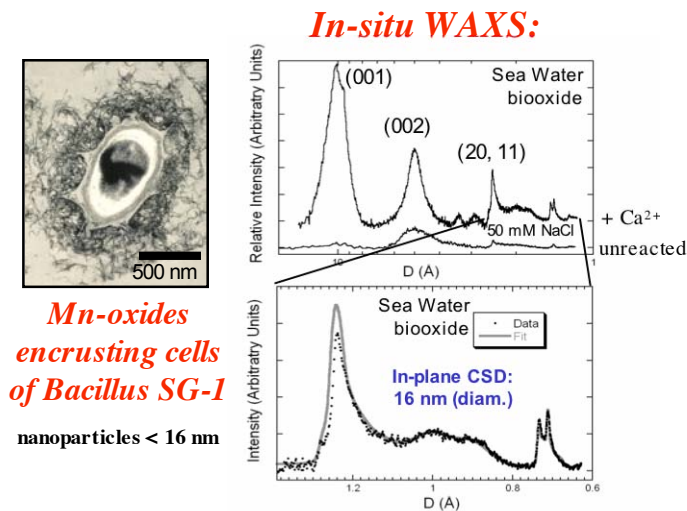
- Surface-adhered *P. fluorescens* resistant to toxic effects of Cr(VI)- apatite precipitation
- Active microbial response not needed for Cr reduction
- XRF microscopy can infer metabolic activity
- Elemental and Chemical analysis of single bacterial cells
- 150 nm spatial resolution

Kemner, Kelly, Lai, Maser, O'Loughlin, Sholto-Douglas, Cai, Schneegurt, Kulpa, Neilson, *SCIENCE*, **306** 686-687, 2004.

# Chemical Dynamics of Environmental Bacteriogenic Mn-Oxide Nanoparticles



J.R. Bargar, S.W. Webb (SSRL), and B.M. Tebo (OHSU)



## Environmental Mn-containing nanoparticles:

- Created by bacterial oxidation of Mn(II)
- Primary sources/sinks for Mn(II) in the environment.
- Directly impacts global carbon fixation, contaminant and nutrient cycling in soils, electron acceptor for microbial respiration.

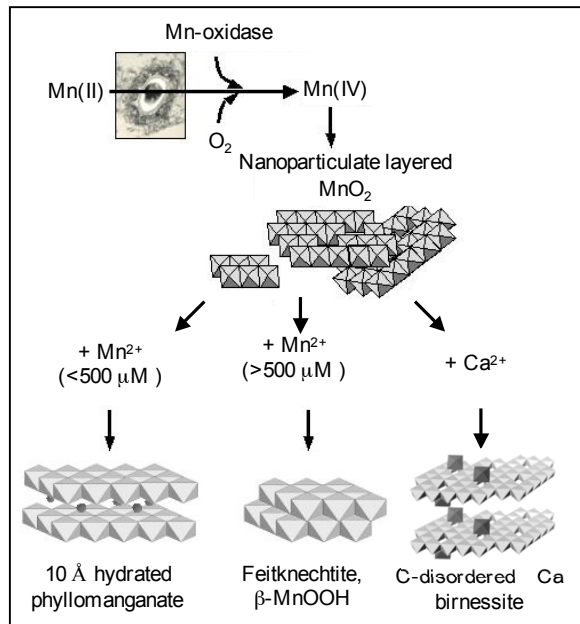
*What is this material and what are its properties?*

## In-situ SR-based EXAFS and WAXS:

- Primary biooxide product is *nanoparticulate*, highly reactive.
- Transforms into other Mn oxide phases in presence of reactants (Mn<sup>2+</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>, etc).
- Transformations are related to thermodynamic stabilities.

*Provides basis for predicting/rationalizing environmental occurrence of Mn biooxides.*

*Transformations greatly enhance coupling to local elemental cycles and may be exploited by microorganisms.*

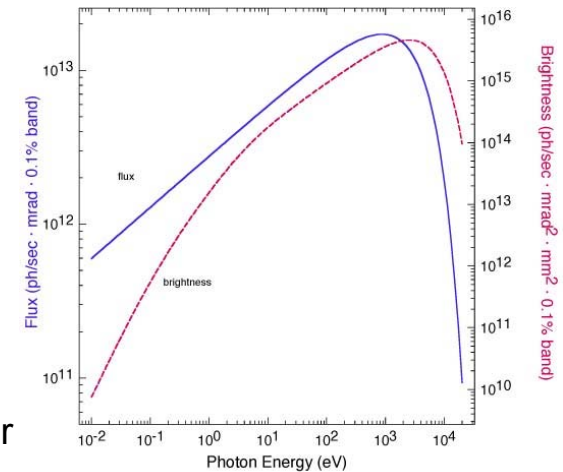


J.R. Bargar et al (2005) *Am. Mineral.* 90, p. 143.; Webb et al (2005), *Am. Mineral.* (in press); Webb et al (2005) *Geomicrobiology J.* (in press).

# Infrared Spectroscopy

- Provides state-of-the-art Fourier transform **infrared (FTIR) spectromicroscopy** in the mid-IR region (0.01 eV to 1 eV).
- Produces 2-D spectral maps of IR absorption, with up to a **few microns resolution**;
- Analysis of the absorption signatures permits **identification of chemical compounds** present. IR spectroscopy is especially sensitive to vibrations of O-H, C-H, C-O, N-H, and C-N bonds;
- Lock-in beam stabilizer system permits high-resolution **imaging of dynamic interactions**;
- The low infrared photon energy and beam power density do not detrimentally affect living cells; this beamline is extremely useful for **investigating live organisms** and their interaction contaminants in geologic materials, over time;
- A **specially-designed sample** mount provides opportunities to more thoroughly investigate an IR sample using other complementary SR techniques, such as  **$\mu$ XAS/  $\mu$ EXAFS**.

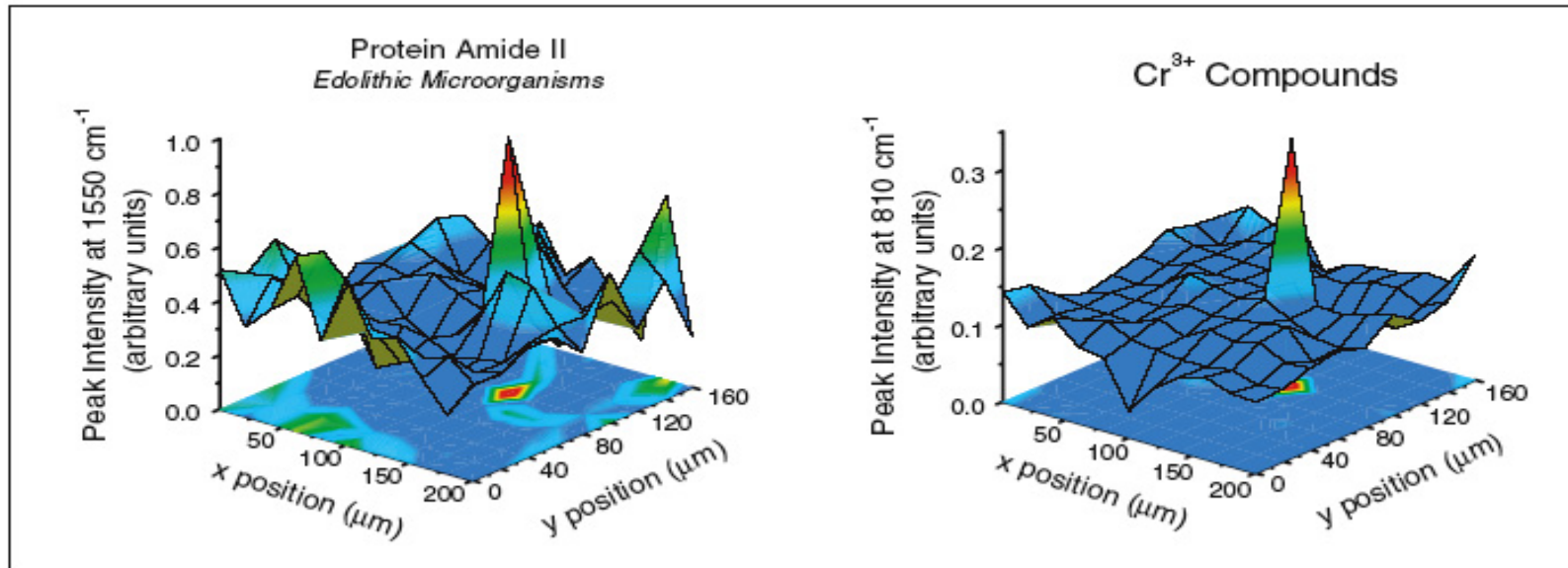
## IR 1.4.3



Flux and brightness curves for bend magnet.



# IR Example



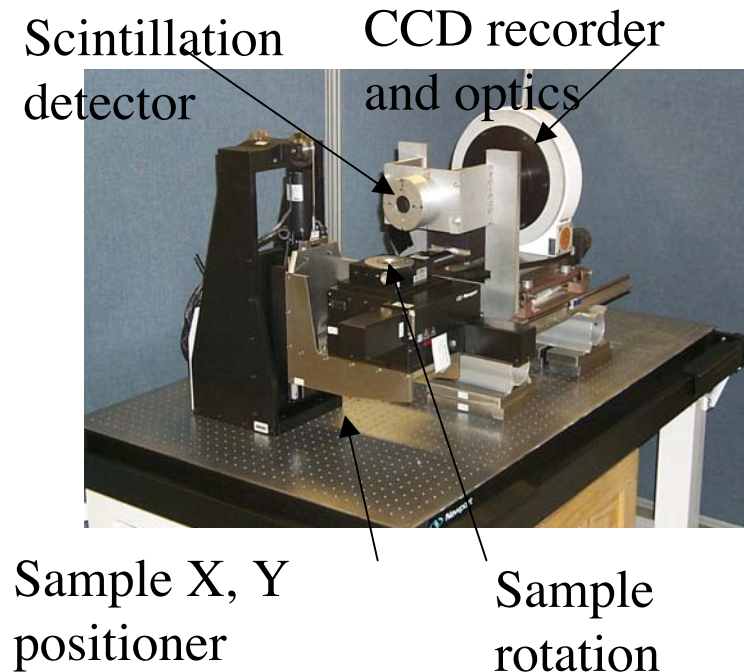
## ***Conversion of Cr(VI) to Cr(III) on a magnetite surface and in the presence of microbes and toluene.***

- The mineral/microbe was exposed to chromate and toluene and then monitored over time using IR spectromicroscopy.
- After five days, the images showed a significant decrease in the chromate and toluene at the same positions as the living cells, which were identified by amide absorption bands (Holman et al., 1999)



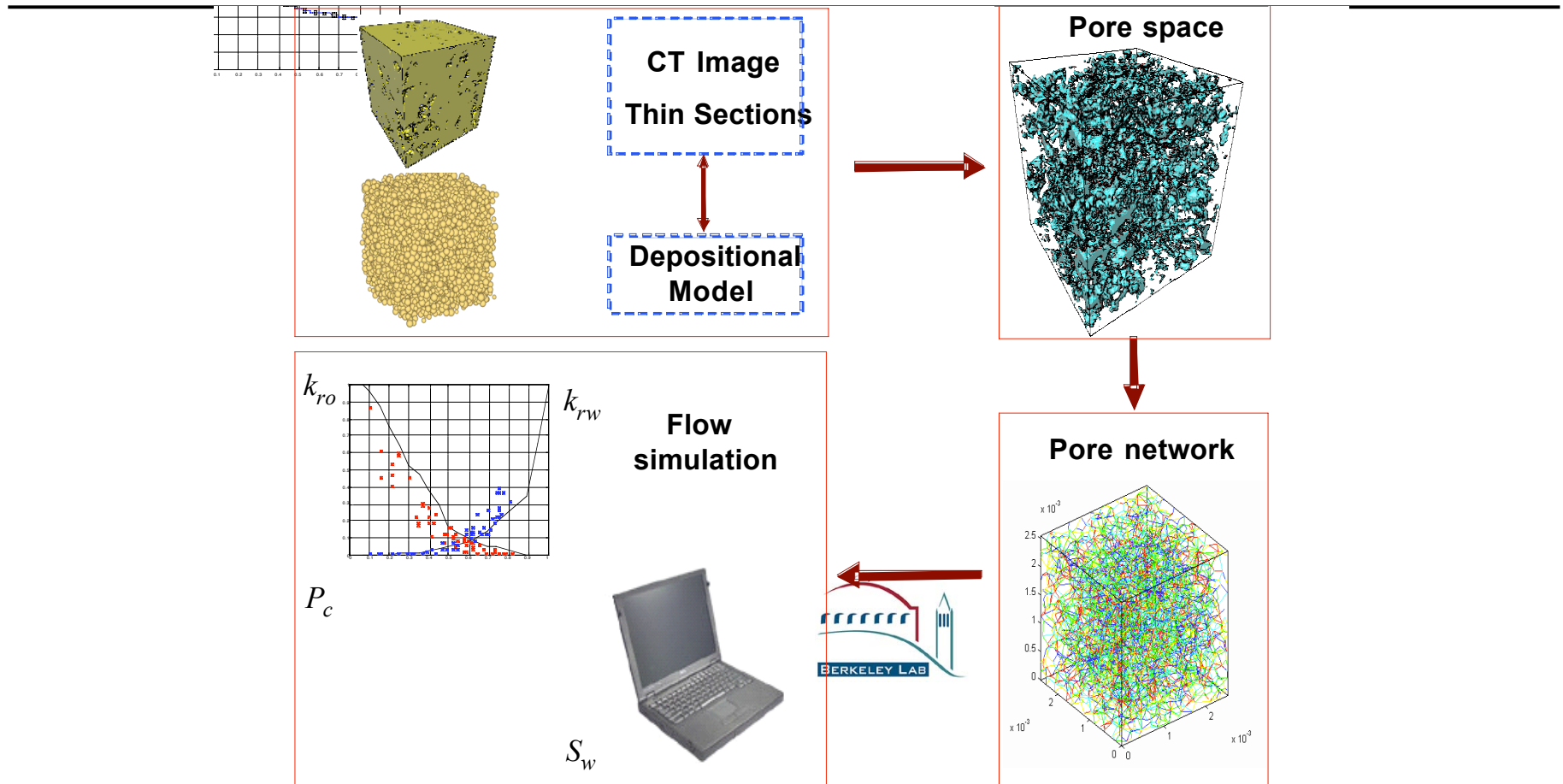
# $\mu$ Tomography 8.3.2

- **Absorption tomography** in the **3-60 keV** photon energy range;
- **Recently commissioned**: initial user experiments in progress.
- Well suited to **penetrate geological samples** that are several centimeters wide;
- Permits nondestructive, micro-resolution, **3D characterization** of the interior structure of samples;
- 3D data can be acquired in minutes, which permits the **imaging of flow phenomena and dynamically evolving processes** (such as pore clogging) in real time;
- Expected **resolution 0.5 microns** (resolution of 2 microns has been achieved to date)



*LBNL Experts:  
Liviu Tomutsu and  
Malcolm Howells*

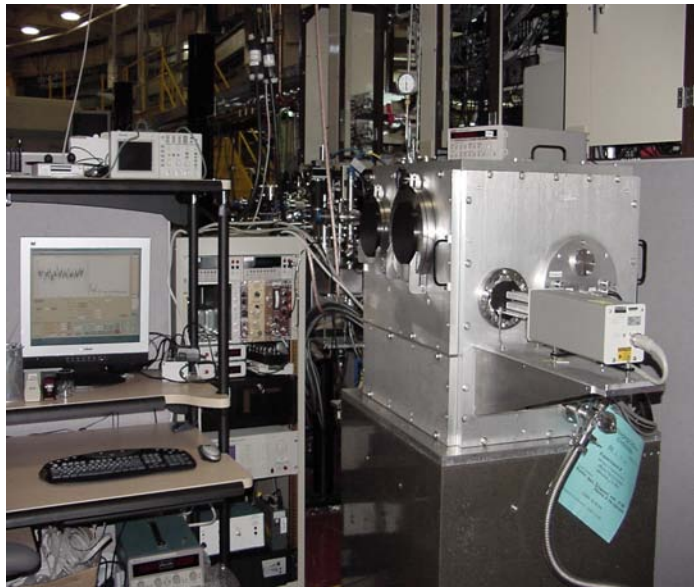
# Microtomography Example



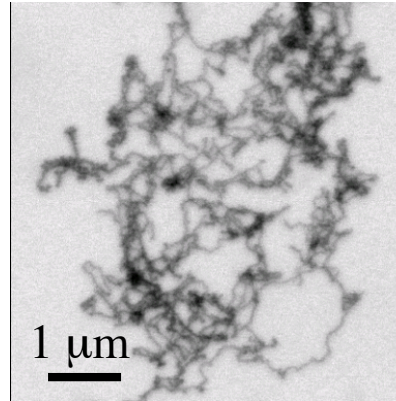
*Microtomographic images of geological materials can yield detailed information about the sample matrix and pore network. In this example, the images were used to estimate pore-scale hydrological properties and to test pore-scale simulation models (from Selin et al., 2003, LBNL)*



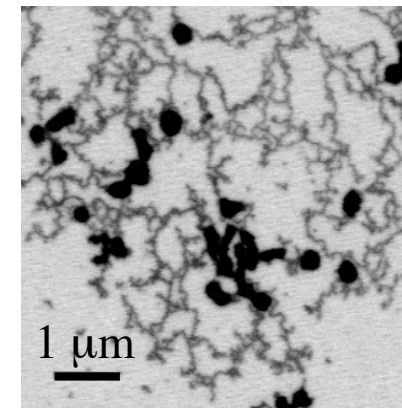
# ALS-MES STXM: Versatile, User-friendly, and Efficient



Natural filaments  
polysaccharides + proteins



Synthetic filaments  
(Fe-Alginate)



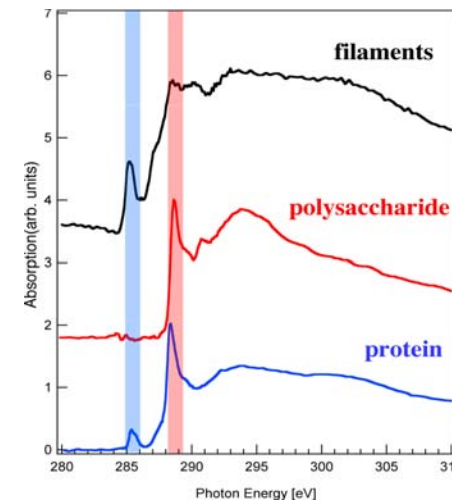
Best spatial resolution (~25 nm)

Wide energy range 80-2160 eV

High energy resolution with EPU

Software/data acquisition code

C. Chan, et. al., *Science* **303**, 1656 (2004)

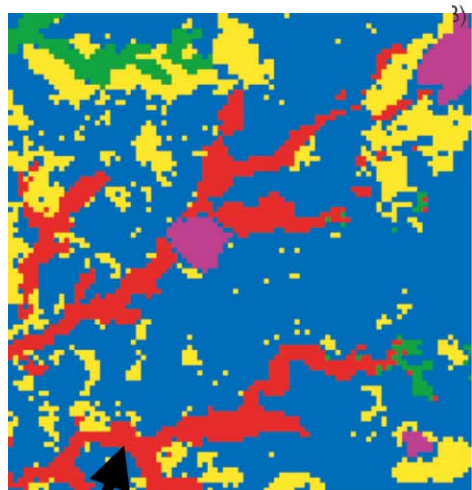


# Actinide incorporation into Fe oxides: Lu(III) as Am(III) homologue

## Scanning Transmission X-ray Microscope (STXM)

M. Lerotic, C. Jacobsen, T. Schafer and S. Vogt

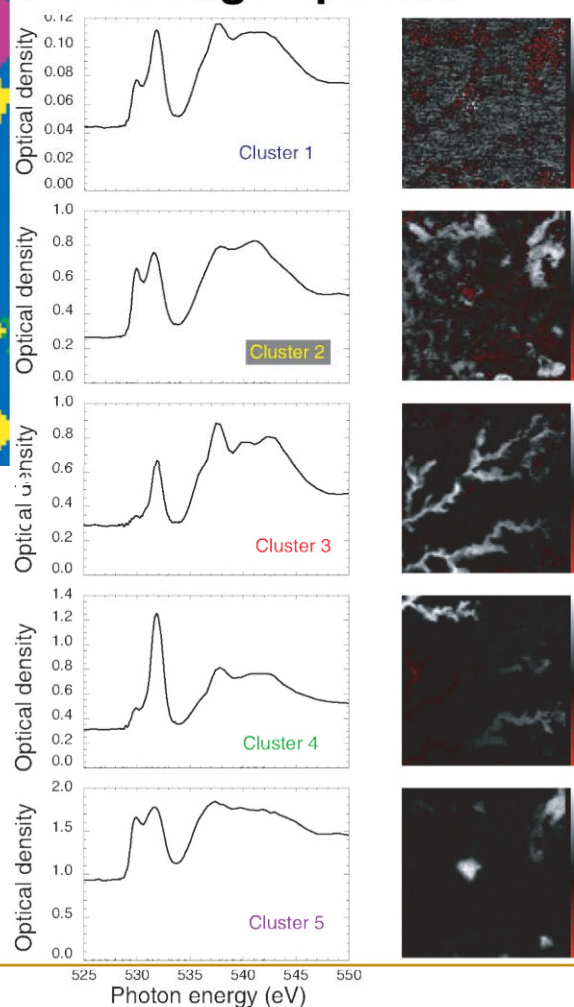
### Cluster Map



**Lu-rich regions**

*Lu expelled as a result of hematite crystallization*

### O K-edge spectra



- Oxygen K-edge spectra collected at every pixel
- Pre-edge features compared to end-member compounds: pure hematite and Lu-hematite model
- Cluster analysis reveals Lu-rich regions

### STXM

- ~30 nm resolution
- C, N K-edges
- Mineral thin-sections & biomaterials

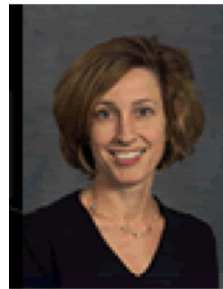
# ***Advanced Light Source (ALS) of LBNL***

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- **LBNL Team:** David Shuh, Susan Hubbard, Glenn Waychunas, Hoi-Ying Holman, Liviu Tomutsa
- [http://esd.lbl.gov/ALS\\_environmental/index.html](http://esd.lbl.gov/ALS_environmental/index.html)



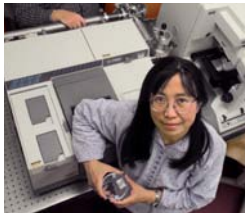
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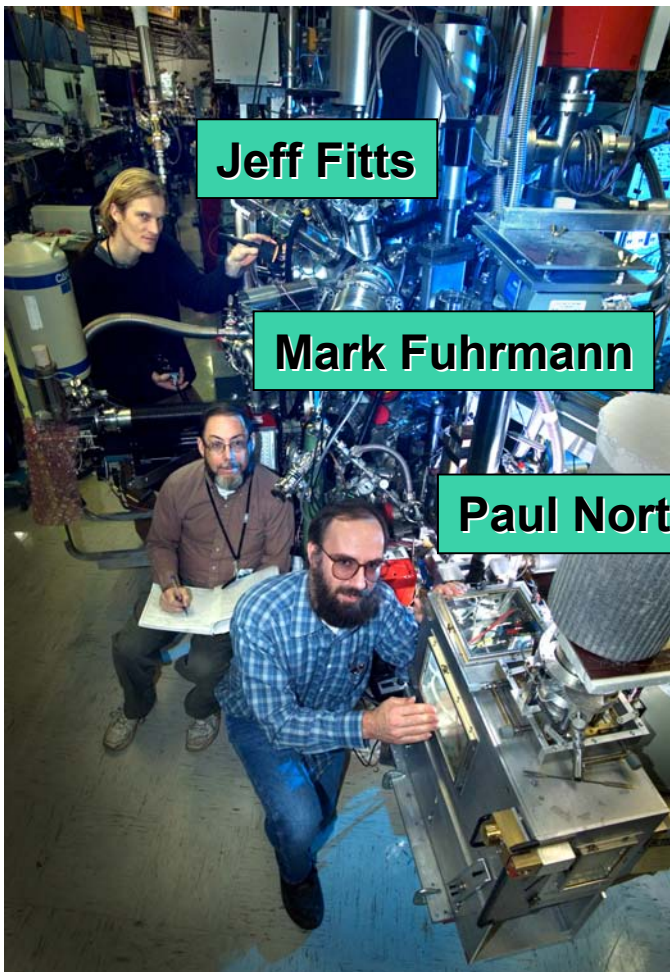


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# EnviroSuite at the NSLS <http://www.bnl.gov/envirosuite/>

## Beamline X15B at the NSLS



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 Home Page: <http://nslsweb.nsls.bnl.gov>  
 Beamline Specifications Page:  
<http://nslsweb.nsls.bnl.gov/nsls/beamlines/beaminfo.htm>



Beamline	Techniques	Beam Characteristics	Contact
U2B	IR spectroscopy, microspectroscopy	Bend, 50-4000 cm <sup>-1</sup> , 3-10 μm	Lisa Miller <a href="mailto:lmiller@bnl.gov">lmiller@bnl.gov</a> 631-344-2091
U7A	XAFS, XPS	Bend, 180-1200 eV	Daniel Fischer <a href="mailto:dfischer@bnl.gov">dfischer@bnl.gov</a> 631-344-5177
U10B	IR microspectroscopy	Bend, 50-4000 cm <sup>-1</sup> , 3-10 μm	Lisa Miller <a href="mailto:lmiller@bnl.gov">lmiller@bnl.gov</a> 631-344-2091
X1A1	Soft X-ray imaging and XANES	Undulator, 250-400 eV, 30-50 nm spot	Chris Jacobsen <a href="mailto:Chris.Jacobsen@stonybrook.edu">Chris.Jacobsen@stonybrook.edu</a> 631-344-7570
X1A2	Soft X-ray imaging and XANES	Undulator, 350-900 eV, 30-50 nm spot	Chris Jacobsen <a href="mailto:Chris.Jacobsen@stonybrook.edu">Chris.Jacobsen@stonybrook.edu</a> 631-344-7570
X3B1	Powder diffraction, XAFS	Bend, 6-30 KeV, mm spot	Peter Stephens <a href="mailto:pstephens@sunysb.edu">pstephens@sunysb.edu</a> 631-632-8156
X7A	Powder diffraction	Bend, 4-45 KeV, mm spot	Thomas Vogt <a href="mailto:tvogt@bnl.gov">tvogt@bnl.gov</a> 631-344-3731
X11A	XAFS	Bend, 4.5-35 KeV, mm spot	Lisa Tranquada <a href="mailto:ltran@bnl.gov">ltran@bnl.gov</a> 631-344-7731
X19A	XAFS	Bend, 2-8 KeV, mm spot	Wolfgang Caliebe <a href="mailto:caliebe@bnl.gov">caliebe@bnl.gov</a> 631-344-4744
X23A2	XAFS, DAFS, XRD	Bend, 4.7-30 KeV, mm spot	Joseph Woicik <a href="mailto:woicik@bnl.gov">woicik@bnl.gov</a> 631-344-5236
X26A	μXRF, μXAFS, μXRD	Bend, 3-30 KeV, 7-10 μm spot	Tony Lanzirotti <a href="mailto:lanzirotti@bnl.gov">lanzirotti@bnl.gov</a> 631-344-5626
X18B	XAFS	Bend, 5.7-40 KeV, mm spot	Syed Khalid <a href="mailto:khalid@bnl.gov">khalid@bnl.gov</a> 631-344-7496
X23B	XAFS, XRD	Bend, 3-10.5 KeV, mm spot	Lisa Tranquada <a href="mailto:ltran@bnl.gov">ltran@bnl.gov</a> 631-344-7731
X27A	Tomography	Bend, 8-40 KeV, 3 μm spot	Keith Jones <a href="mailto:kwj@bnl.gov">kwj@bnl.gov</a> 631-344-4588

DAFS = Diffraction Anomalous Fine Structure Spectroscopy  
 XAFS = X-ray Absorption Fine Structure Spectroscopy  
 XANES = X-ray Absorption Near-Edge Structure Spectroscopy  
 XPS = X-ray Photoelectron Spectroscopy  
 XRD = X-ray Diffraction  
 XRF = X-ray Fluorescence



# ***How do you choose a synchrotron?***

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- **Location (San Francisco area, Long Island, Chicago)**
- **Person with whom you are comfortable**
- **Unique capabilities of beam line at a specific synchrotron**



# ***Opportunities to learn even more:***

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- **NABIR PI Poster Sessions....The Swan?.....**
- **Synchrotron Environmental Science - III (SES-III)**
  - Brookhaven/NSLS-September 19-21, 2005
- **XAFS College**
  - Argonne/APS- July 25-29, 2005
- **Stanford-Berkeley Summer School on Synchrotron Techniques**
  - June 13-17, 2005

