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## Elettra presentation

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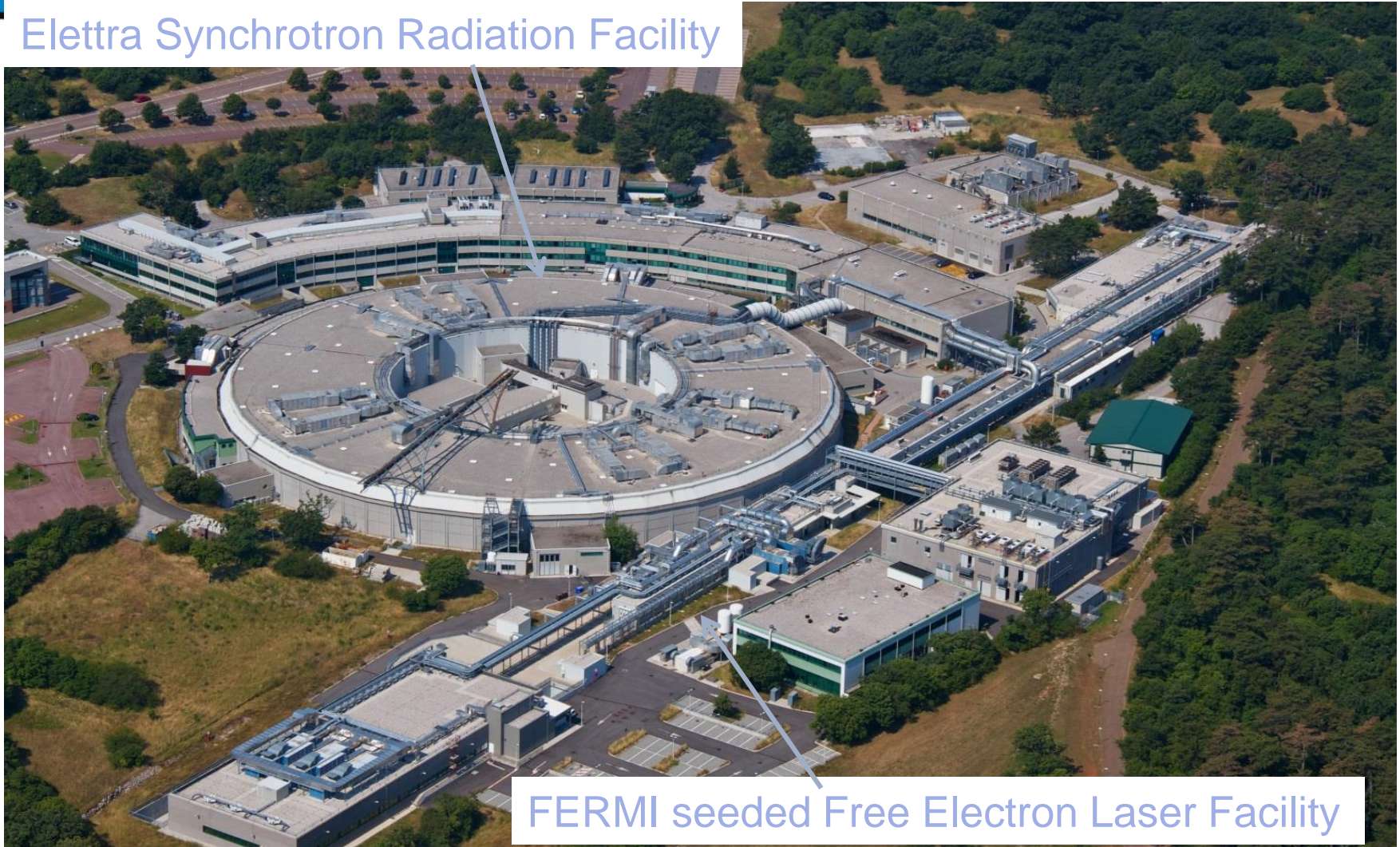
Dr. Barbara Rossi  
Elettra Sincrotrone Trieste

InCI Ma Kick-off meeting, 16th-17th March 2017, Trieste, Italy

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# Elettra and FERMI lightsources

Elettra Synchrotron Radiation Facility



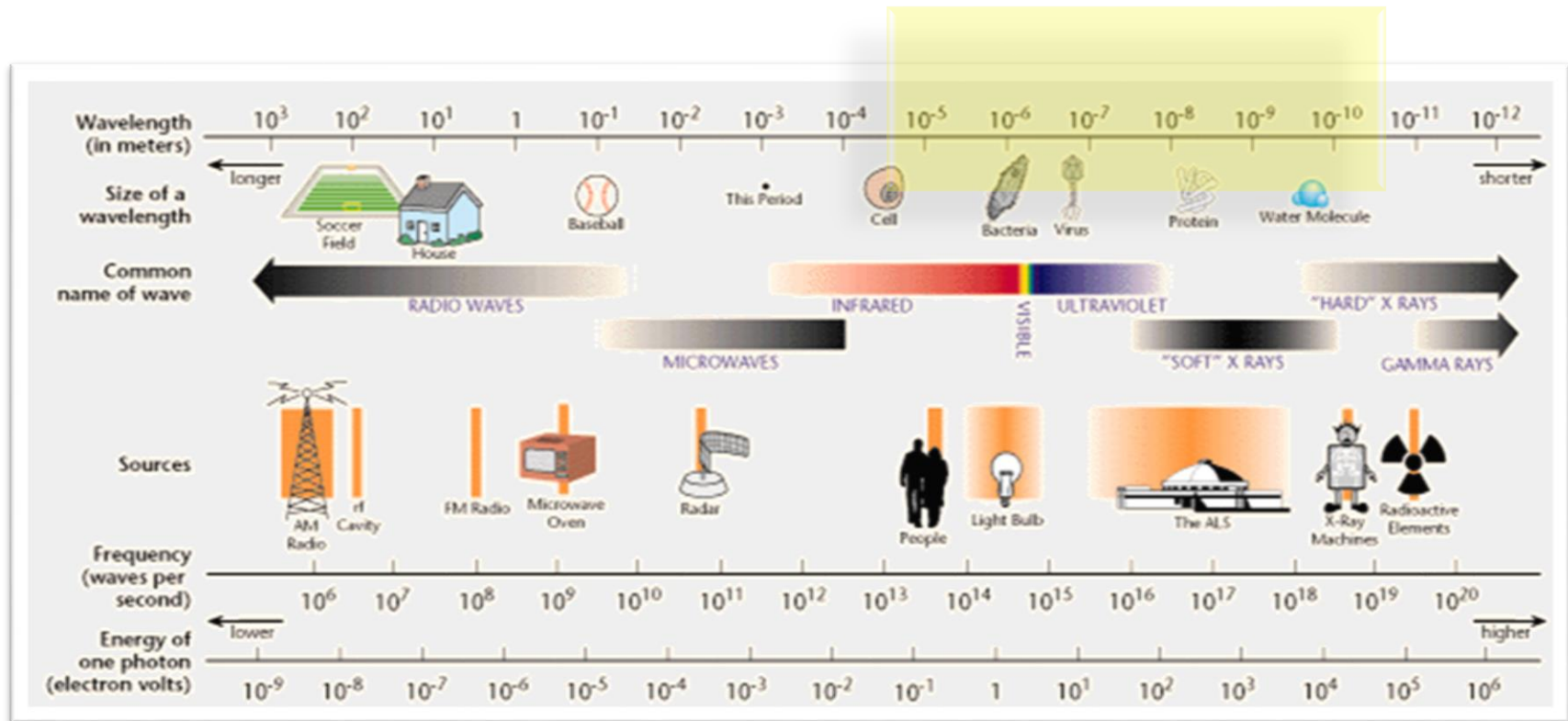
FERMI seeded Free Electron Laser Facility



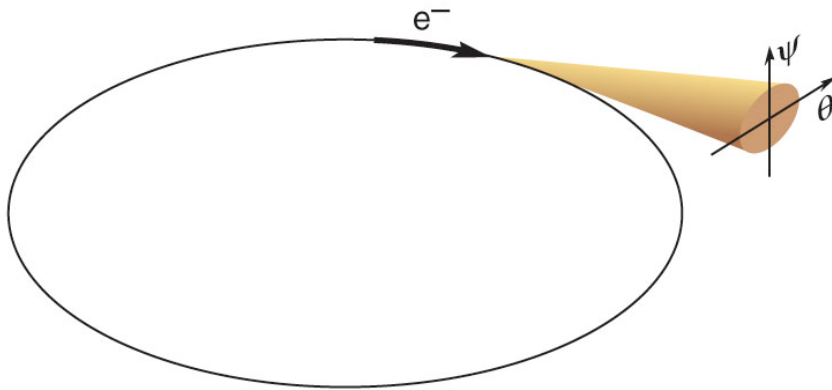
# Elettra Sincrotrone Trieste

Elettra is the third generation storage ring (2 and 2.4 GeV) in operation since October 1993

It has been optimised to provide the scientific community with **photons in the energy range from a few to several tens of KeV** and is continuously upgraded in order to be competitive with the most recent sources.

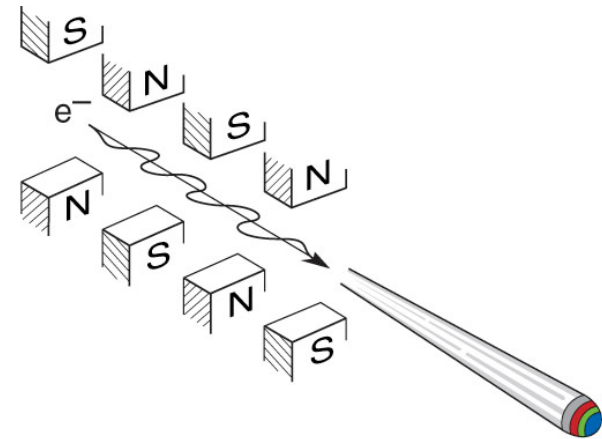


# Bright and Powerful X-Rays from Relativistic Electrons



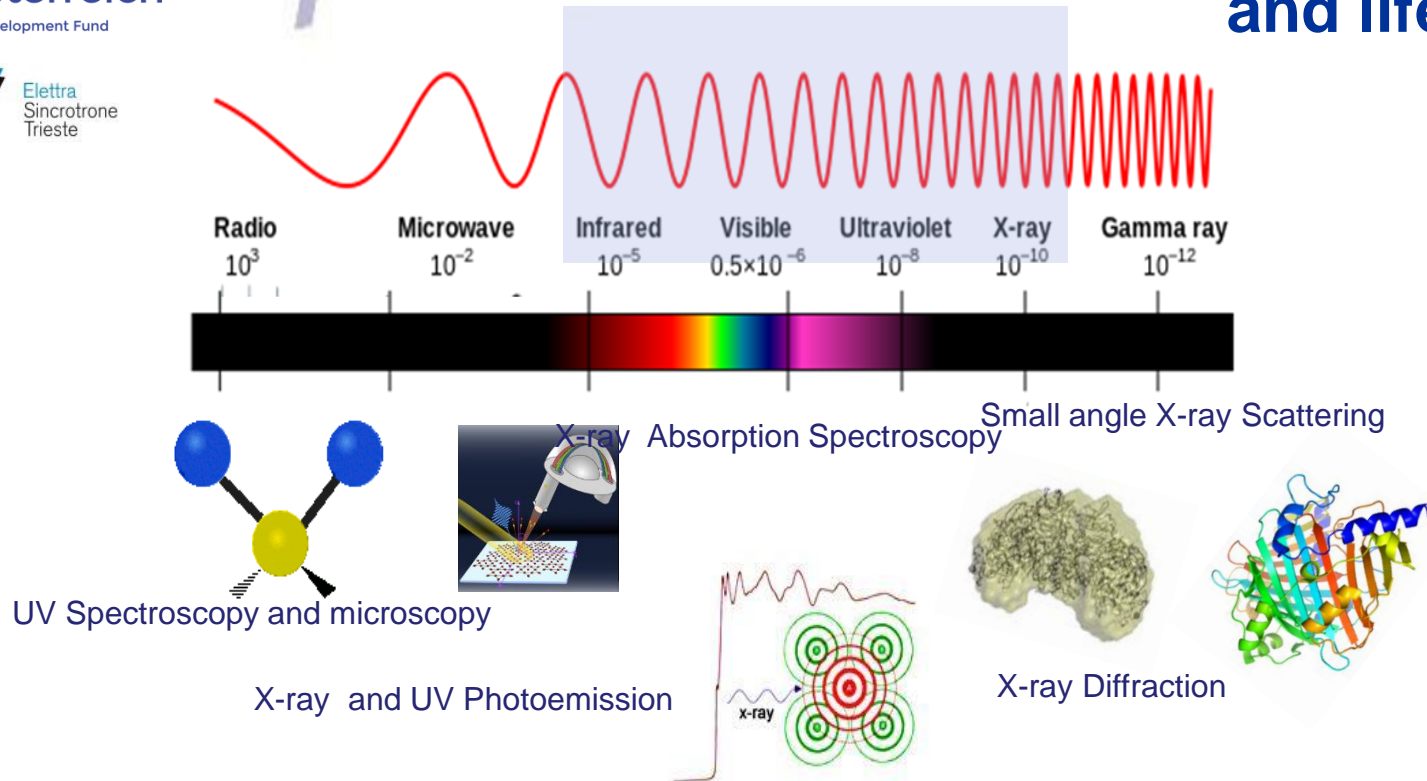
## Synchrotron radiation

- $10^{10}$  brighter than the most powerful (compact) laboratory source
- An x-ray “light bulb” in that it radiates all “colors” (wavelengths, photons energies)



## Undulator radiation

- Lasers exist for the IR, visible, UV, VUV, and EUV
- Undulator radiation is quasi-monochromatic and highly directional, approximating many of the desired properties of an x-ray laser



Elettra Sincrotrone Trieste is a multidisciplinary international research center of excellence, specialized in generating high quality synchrotron and free-electron laser light and applying it in materials and life sciences. Its mission is to promote cultural, social and economic growth through:

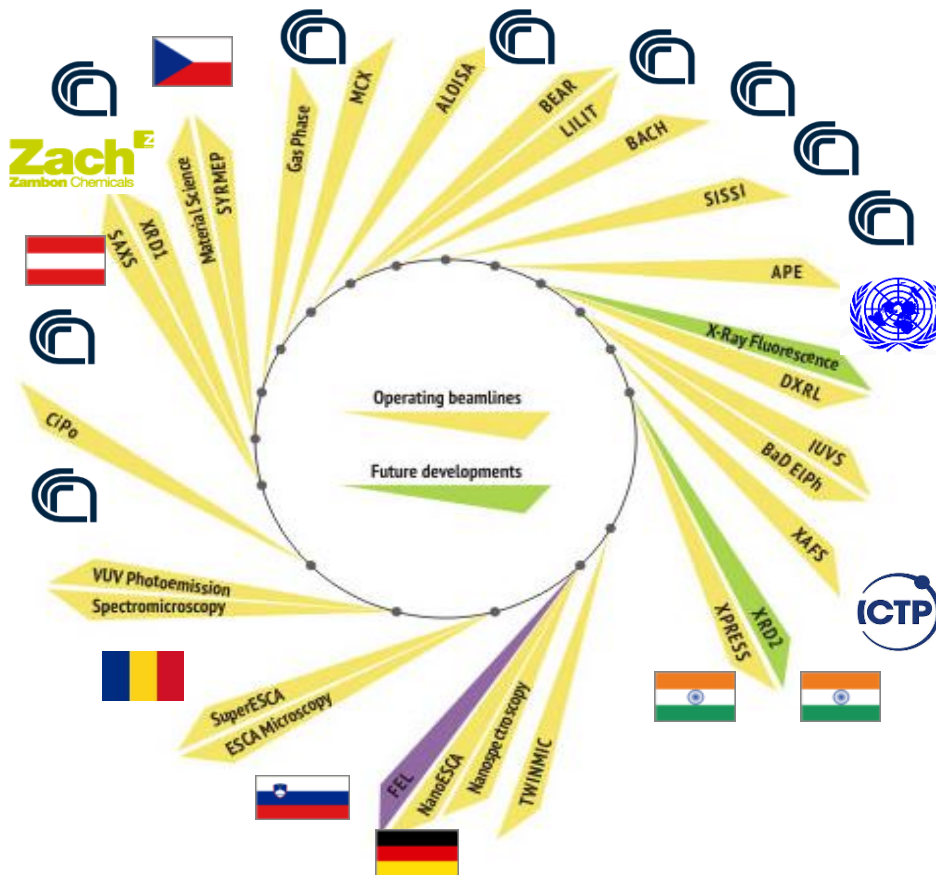
- Basic and applied research
- Technology and know-how transfer
- Technical, scientific and management education
- Role of reference in the national and international scientific networks

# Elettra: users facility

**Elettra is a facility open to users**

The access to the beamlines is free of charge and granted through proposal merit.

Twice per year, worldwide researchers submit proposal for experiments, that are evaluated by international Peer-Review-Committees (accordingly to the research area)



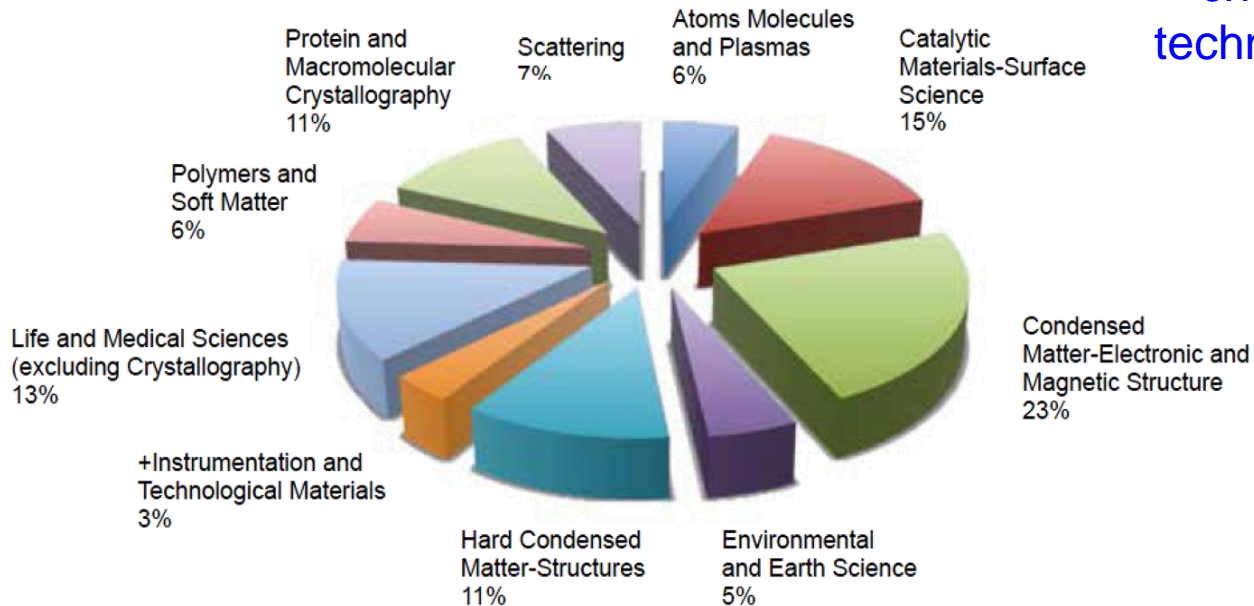
**28 beamlines** in operation

# Proposals and scientific disciplines

Elettra proposals allocated by research area



Novel materials, novel  
characterization and processing  
techniques, nano- and life sciences



**934 Proposals received in 2016**

- from > 50 countries
- Italy 41%: truly international centre

**438 ISI publications**



# FERMI beamlines and support labs

## FEL-1 and FEL-2 lines (100 to 4 nm)

## 6 beamlines in operation

### CITIUS



The new Interreg project for the development of a state-of-the-art light source generating ultrashort pulses in the UV and soft X-ray spectral range.  
[Read more...](#)

### Hard & Soft X-ray Optical Engineering



The Optical Engineering group services are: optical simulation software, synchrotron radiation beamlines design, optical components design, evaluation and characterization.  
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### Hard X-ray Techniques Laboratory



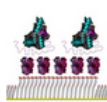
The Hard X-ray Techniques Laboratory is a research laboratory, providing XRD and XRF measurements with different X-Ray sources and different energies.  
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### Micro and Nano Carbon Lab



The main activity of the Micro and Nano Carbon Laboratory is the preparation and study of carbon nanotubes and several carbon based materials.  
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### NanoLab



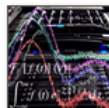
The lab carries out research on surface confined bio-molecules and self-assembled monolayers using atomic force microscopy.  
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### Organic OptoElectronics



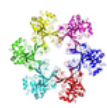
The lab investigates the properties of organic semiconductors, either molecular or polymeric, and their applications.  
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### Scientific Computing



The scientific computing team supports research activities by providing advanced algorithms, ICT services and infrastructures.  
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### Structural Biology



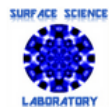
Structural and functional studies of proteins and protein complexes involved in DNA replication and repair, autophagy and genome stability.  
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### Support Lab



The Support Lab operates a machine workshop and a chemical laboratory supporting Elettra beamlines and users.  
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### Surface Science



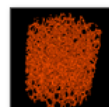
The laboratory research activity addresses the geometrical and electronic structure as well as the chemical reactivity of a large variety of solid surfaces.  
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### Theory@Elettra



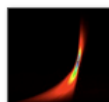
Theory@Elettra is the theory group funded by the CNR-INFN DEMOCRITOS supporting the experimental activity performed in the laboratory.  
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### Tomolab

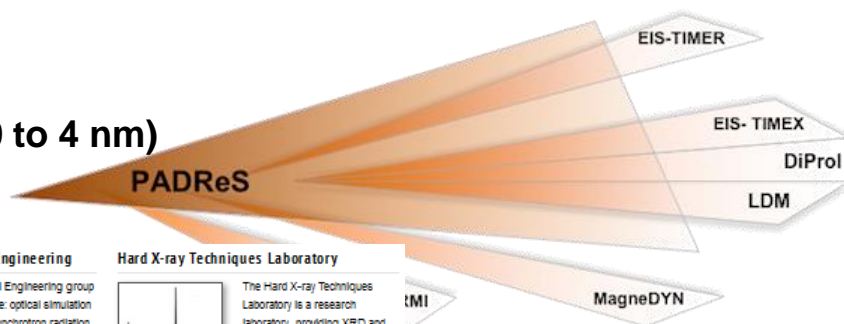


The Tomolab station at Elettra provides a state-of-the-art X-ray computed microtomography system based on a microfocus source.  
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### T-ReX



The T-ReX Lab hosts a set of facilities devoted to the study of ultra-fast processes in condensed and soft matter and their applications in technology.  
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Photon Diagnostics (PADReS)

Elastic and Inelastic Scattering  
(EIS-TIMEX, EIS-TIMER)

Diffraction and Projection Imaging (DiProI)

Low Density Matter (LDM)

TeraFERMI

MagneDYN

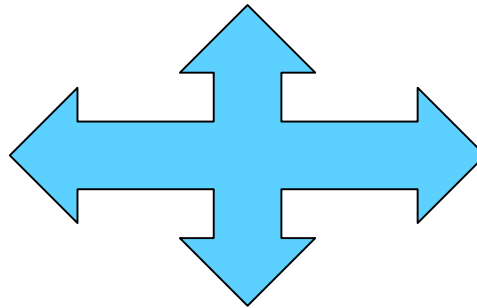
Laser beam for Pump-Probe (SLU)

## 12 supporting laboratories

- Protein production
- Sample preparation
- Scientific computing
- NanoLab
- Tomolab
- T-ReX
- ...



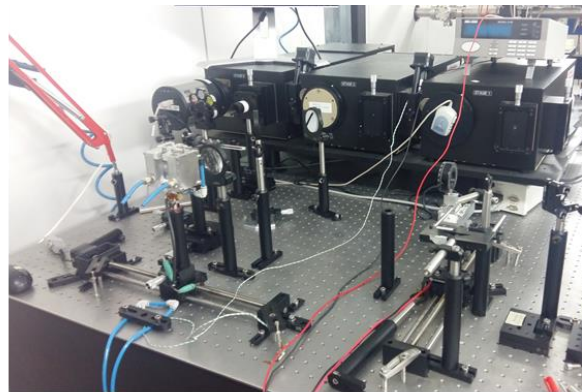
## Beamlines involved in InCI Ma



**FTIR Microscopy, Imaging  
and Tomography @SISSI**



**X-ray Imaging and  
Tomography @SYRMEP**

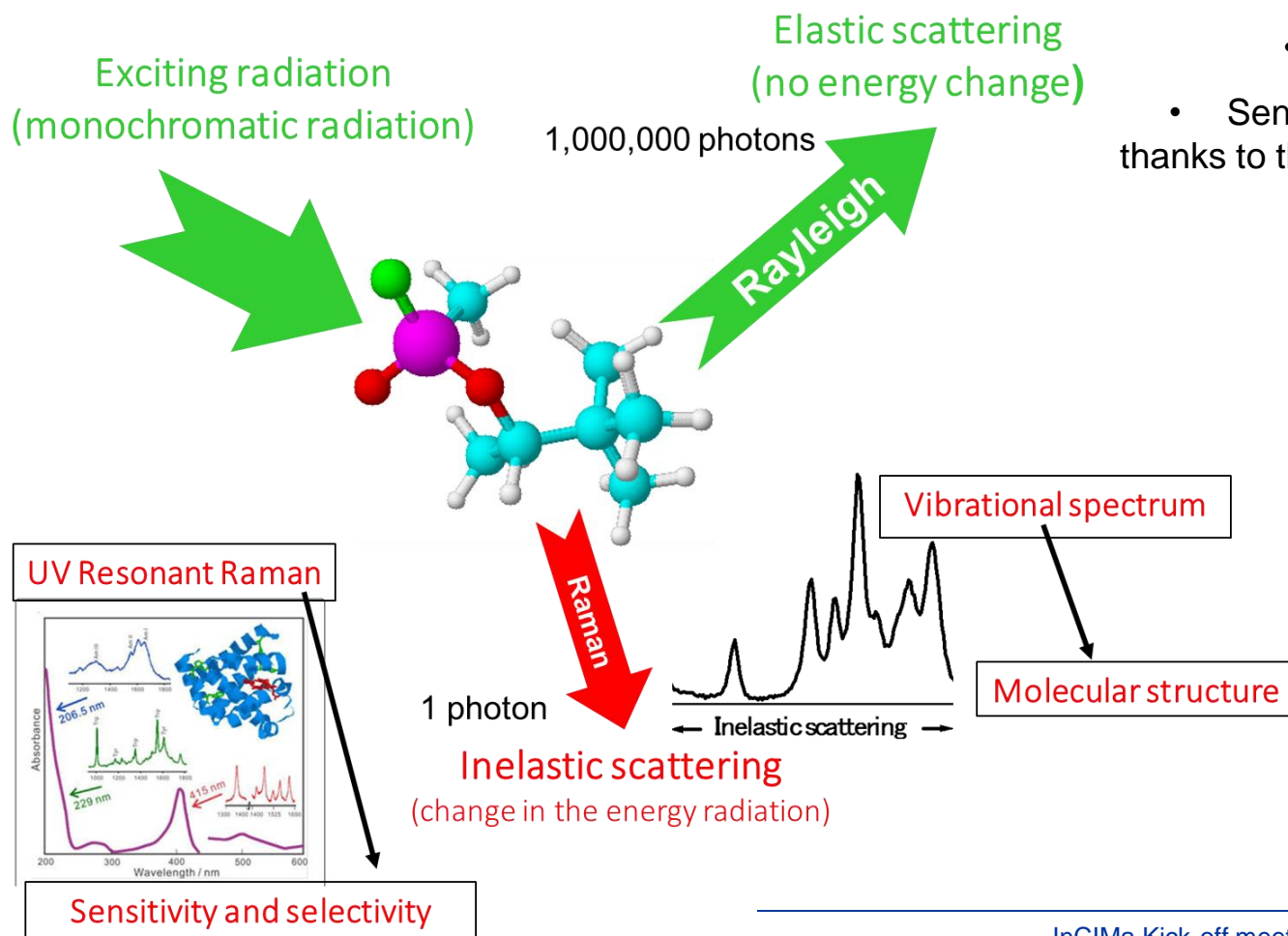


**UV-resonant Raman Spectroscopy and  
Microscopy @IUVS**

# IUVS: UV Resonant Raman Scattering

- Inelastic scattering technique for measuring the molecular vibrations in solid, liquid, gels, solutions,...
- Sensitive to type of atoms and bonds but also to intra- and inter-molecular interactions

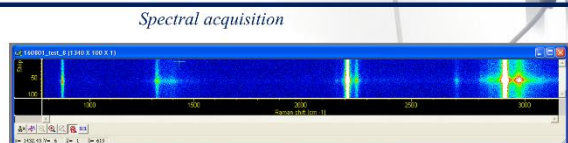
- Non-destructive technique
- Sensitive and selective technique thanks to the UV resonant Raman effect





# IUVS: UV Resonant Raman Scattering

Back thinned  
Peltier cooled  
CCD  
(1340x100 pixels)



## Sample holder:

- Controlled sample temperature in the range 273-400 K
- Horizontal oscillation** of the sample to avoid photodegradation

## Analyzer: Triple stage Czerny-Turner spectrometer (Trivista 557)

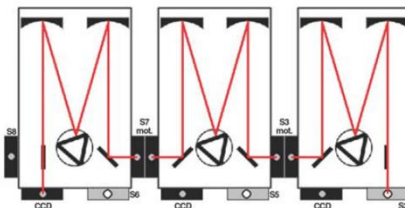
We can work in many configurations:  
Single spectrometer  
3 turrets additive mode  
3 turrets subtractive mode

3 gratings x turret:  
HVIS 1800 lines/mm  
HUV 1800 lines/mm  
HUV 3600 lines/mm

Resolution performances:

**0.3 cm<sup>-1</sup>** @ 633 nm

**1 cm<sup>-1</sup>** @ 266 nm



## Excitation sources

**Synchrotron  
radiation  
200-270 nm**

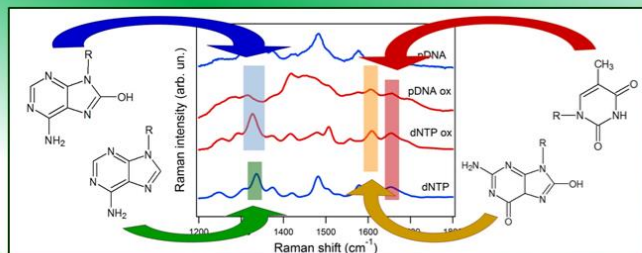
Ancillary lasers:

**266 nm**  
**532 nm**  
**633 nm**

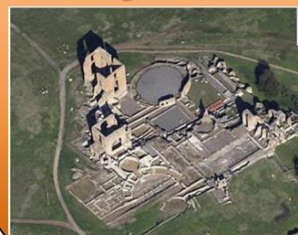
# IUVS: UV Resonant Raman Scattering

## Oxidative damage in DNA bases

F. D'Amico, et al. Analyst  
2015 140 1477-1485



## Spectroscopic investigation of Roman decorated plasters by combining FT-IR, micro-Raman and UV-Raman analyses

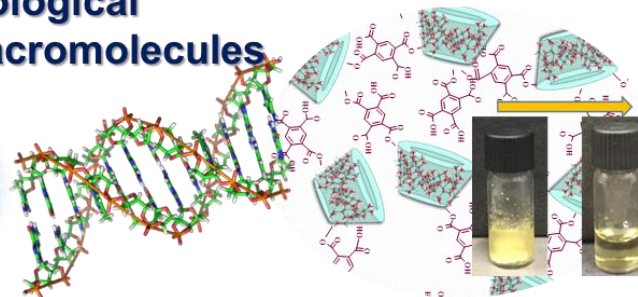


V. Crupi et al. / Vib. Spectrosc.  
83 (2016) 78-84



## Polymers and gels

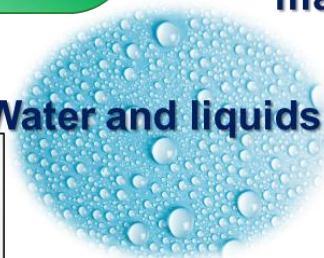
## Biological macromolecules



## Materials

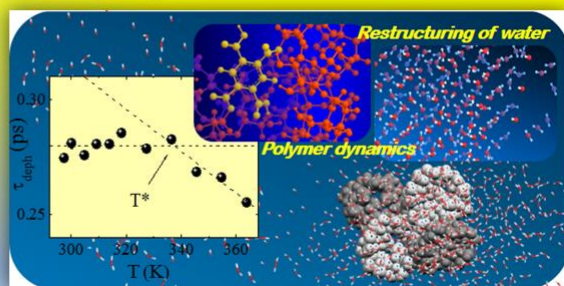


## Water and liquids



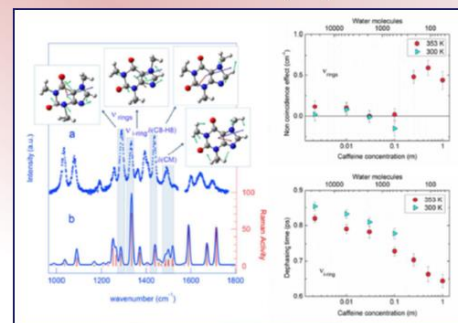
## Toward an understanding of the thermosensitive behaviour of pH-responsive hydrogels based on cyclodextrins

B. Rossi et al., Soft Matter  
2015 11 5862-5871



## Stacking of purines in water: the role of dipolar interactions in caffeine

L. Tavagnacco et al., Phys. Chem. Chem. Phys.  
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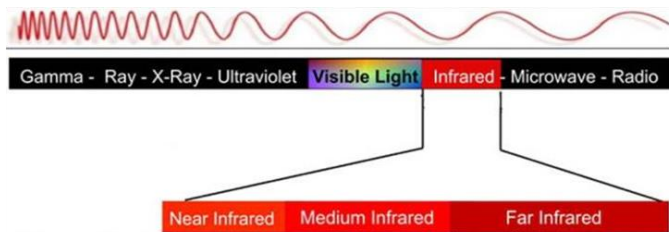




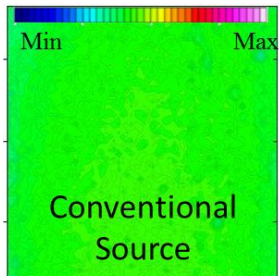
# SISSI: FTIR microscopy, imaging and tomography

Absorption spectroscopy that studies the vibrational modes of covalently bonded molecules

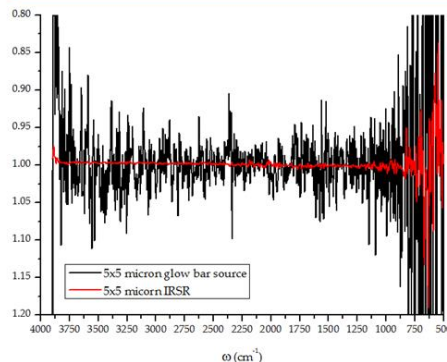
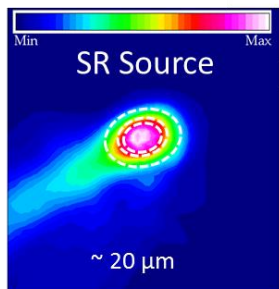
- Label free technique
- No radiation damaging
- Compositional and structural information
- Correlation of morphological and vibrational-biochemical information at the micrometer scale



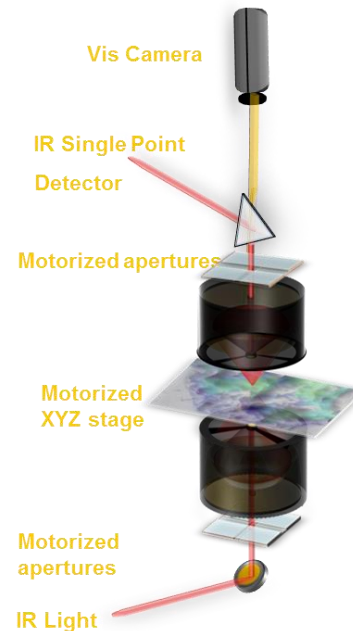
$$\delta \approx \lambda$$



Wavelength	$\delta$ (NA=0.65)
10 mm ( $1 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ )	$\sim 1 \text{ mm}$
100 $\mu\text{m}$ ( $100 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ )	$\sim 100 \mu\text{m}$
10 $\mu\text{m}$ ( $1000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ )	$\sim 10 \mu\text{m}$
2.5 $\mu\text{m}$ ( $4000 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ )	$\sim 2.5 \mu\text{m}$



	NIR	MIR	FIR
$\lambda (\mu\text{m})$	0.74	3 30	300
$\nu (\text{THz})$	400	100 10	1
$\nu (\text{cm}^{-1})$	$\sim 13000$	$\sim 3333 \sim 333$	$\sim 33$
E (eV)	1.65	0.413 0.041	0.004
E (Kcal/mol)	37	10 1	0.1



# SISSI: FTIR microscopy, imaging and tomography



Alternate  
Operation

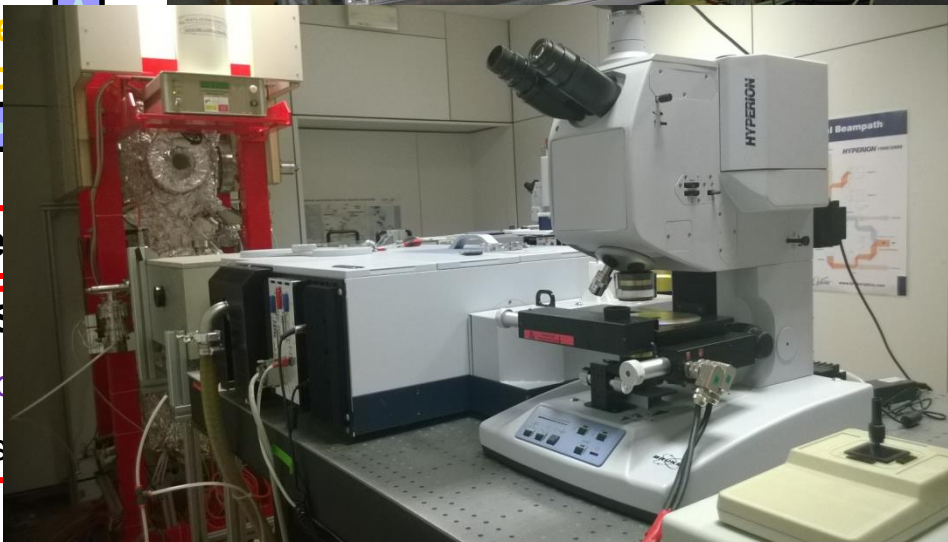


Open to use

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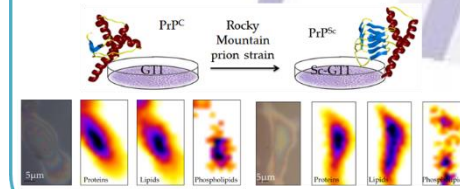
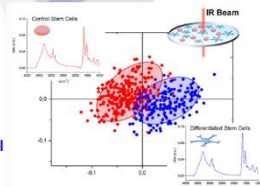
Material Science

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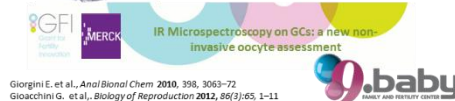
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Didonna A, et al., *ACS Chemical Neuroscience*, (2014); **2**(3): 160-174

Vibrational characterization of  
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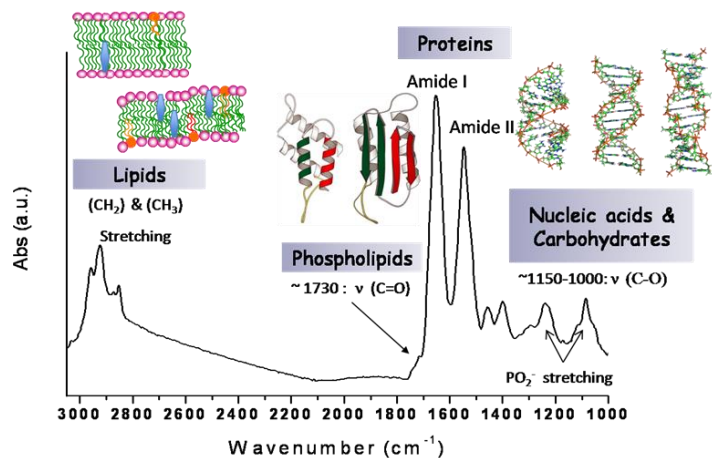
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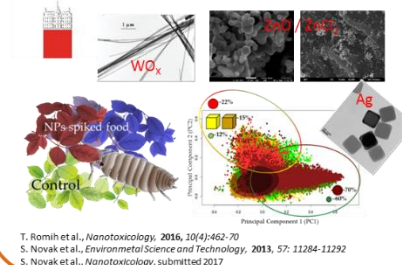
Molecule

Cell

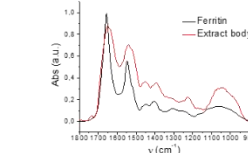
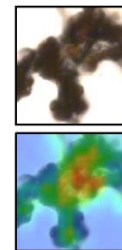
Tissue



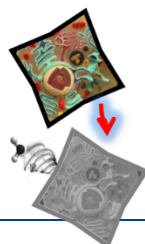
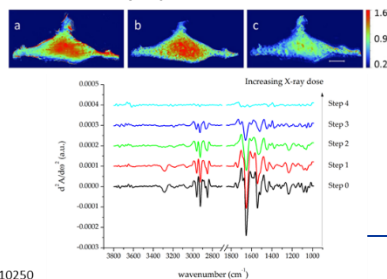
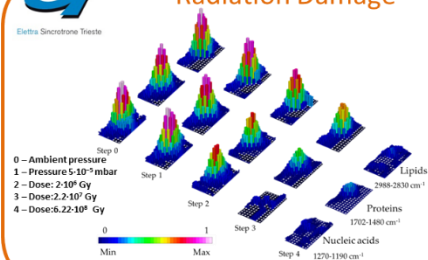
Differential protein folding and chemical changes in  
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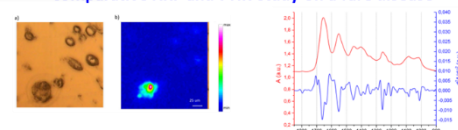


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A synchrotron light on Alkaptonuria: a  
comparative XRF and FTIR study on a rare disease



Extended beta-aggregates, accumulation of lipids and  
proteoglycans, accumulation of bio-calcite

Mitri E. et al., *BBA General Subjects* 2016, doi.org/10.1016/j.bbagen.2017.02.008

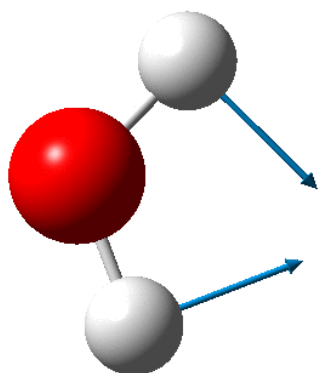


# Complementarity UV Resonant Raman / FTIR

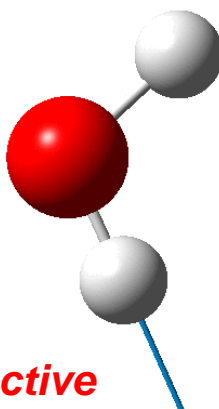
Region	Wavelength [μm]	Energy [meV]	Wavenumber [cm <sup>-1</sup> ]	Type of excitation
Far IR	1000 - 50	1.2 - 25	10 - 200	Lattice Vibrations
Mid IR	50 - 2.5	25 - 496	200 - 4000	Molecular Vibrations
Near IR	2.5 - 1	496 - 1240	4000 - 10000	Overtones

## Raman spectroscopy

Bending mode (1620 cm<sup>-1</sup>)

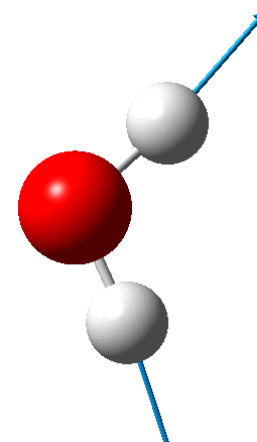


Symmetric stretching (3600 cm<sup>-1</sup>)



*Raman active*

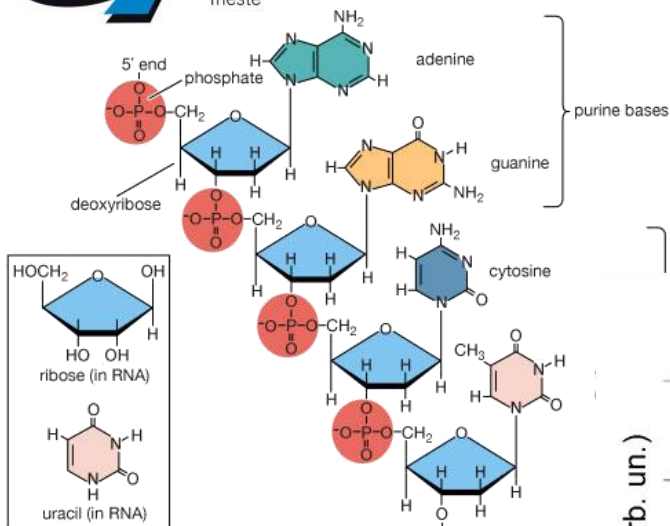
Asymmetric stretching (3700 cm<sup>-1</sup>)



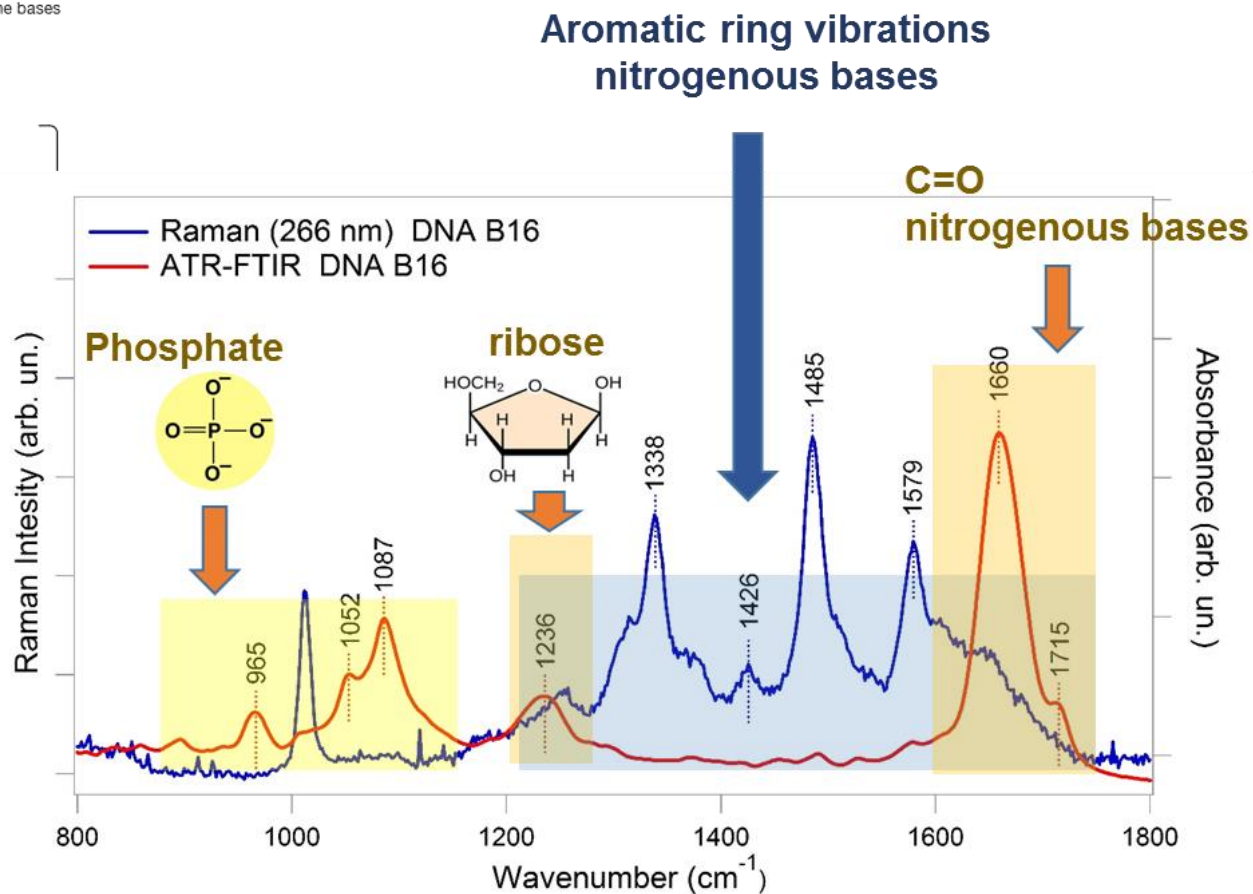
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# Complementarity UV Resonant Raman/FTIR



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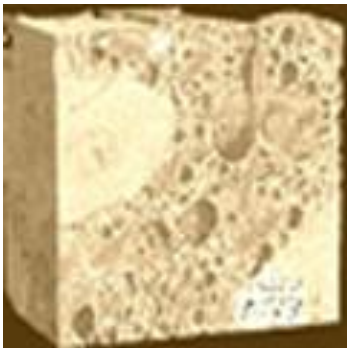


# SYRMEP: X-Ray Imaging and Tomography

- Absorption/Phase Contrast Imaging (free propagation)
- Dual energy imaging (K-edge subtraction)
- Analyzer Based Imaging (ABI)

## *Modalities:*

- *Planar*
- *Computed micro-tomography (micro-CT)*

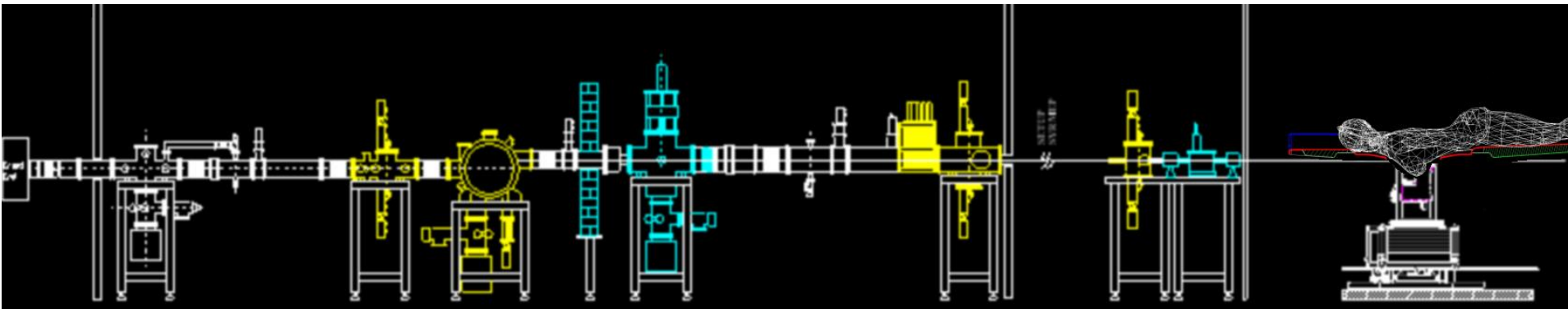


- ✓ Non-destructive techniques to visualize the internal structures of any kind of samples. Virtual volume renderings
- ✓ Phase contrast imaging: use of phase retrieval algorithms to decouple *phase* from *absorption* signal and increase image contrast
- ✓ Computed micro-CT at different resolution scales (1 - 50  $\mu\text{m}$ ) according to sample's size and composition
- ✓ Conventional micro-CT benchtop available for complementary studies
- ✓ Software tool for quantitative analysis of reconstructed data

# SYRMEP: X-Ray Imaging and Tomography

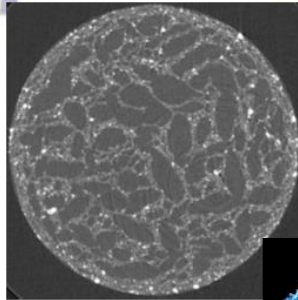


*Node for 'X-ray phase contrast imaging'*



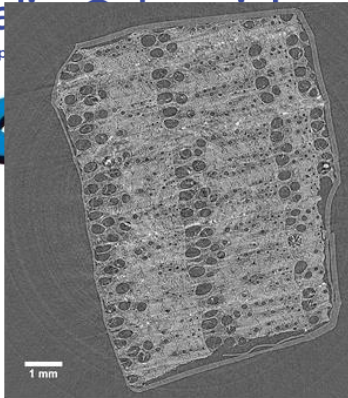
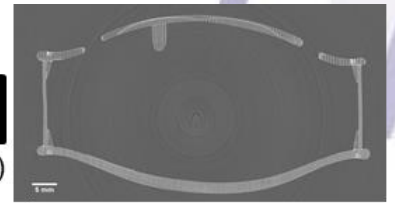
- Front-end hor. acceptance: **7 mrad**
- Source-to-sample distance  $\cong$  **15 m** (white beam station),  $\cong$  **23 m** (exp. hutch),  $\cong$  **30 m** (patient room)
- Beam hor. size at sample  $\cong$  **10 mm** (white beam station),  $\cong$  **160 mm** (exp. hutch),  $\cong$  **210 mm** (patient room)
- Energy range: **8.5 - 40 keV**, B.W.  $\Delta E/E \cong 2 \cdot 10^{-3}$
- Typical resolutions/pixel sizes:
  - 0.9 - 3.5  $\mu\text{m}$  for the white beam modality
  - 4.5 – 50  $\mu\text{m}$  for the monochromatic beam

Alginate/Hydroxyapatite scaffolds



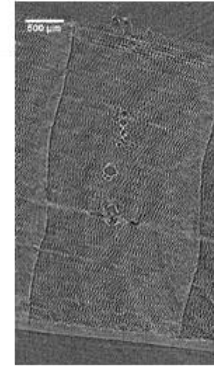
## Cultural Heritage

Guadagnini violin (1753)  
Pixel size: 50  $\mu\text{m}$   
(whole sample)



Recent oak sample

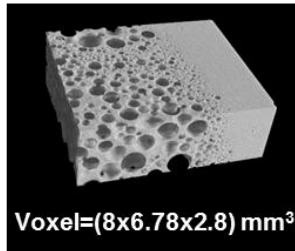
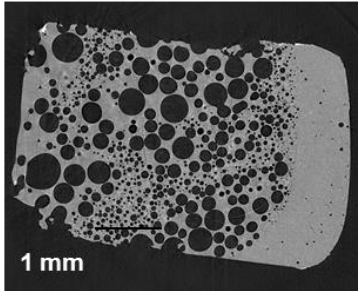
## Materials science Porous materials



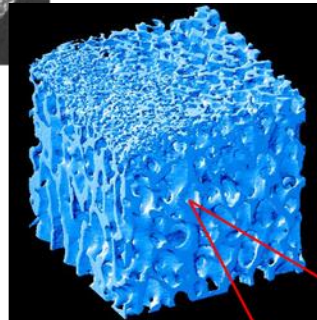
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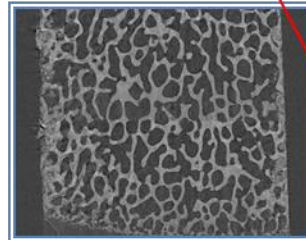
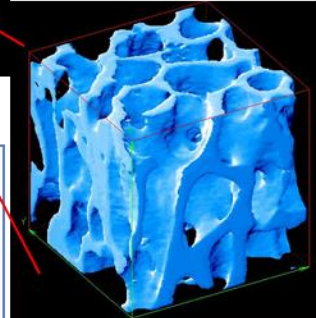
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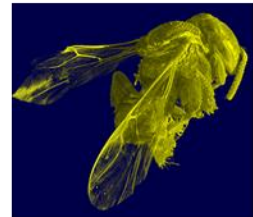
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Bone trabecular structure



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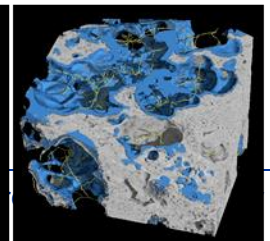
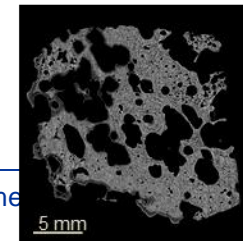
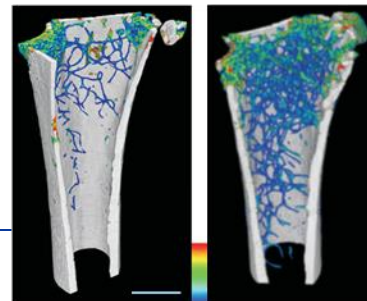
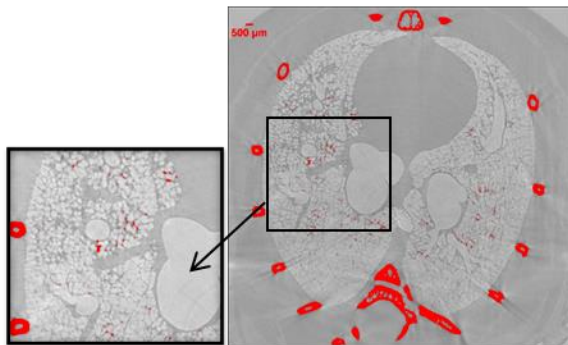


Microgravity effects in mice femurs

Ancient bee in amber

Scaffold bio-integration/new bone formation

High resolution morphological and functional imaging of thematic mice lungs







# Grazie!

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