Synchrotron Radiation and Cultural Heritage

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1. RF photo-cathode gun:

high quality electron source

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- Samples of great historical and/or commercial value
- Monitoring of restoration and conservation protocols



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- Use of several experimental techniques
- Examination of a high number of similar samples



What do we offer?

- Large portfolio of techniques
- Most techniques are non destructive or microdistructive
- Sinergies between conventional labs and large research infrastructures
- Easy access to thematic networks and fundings



ECHO - Elettra Cultural Heritage Office

- Support to CH users:
 - proposal submission
 - sample preparation
 - experimental setup
 - data analysis and interpretation
- Dedicated evaluation panel
- Collaboration for regional and european calls
- Distributed archaeometry laboratory



ELETTRA X-Ray Fluorescence: a multi-purposes XRF beamline

 Energy range:
 2 - 14 keV (0.7 - 14 keV)

 Beam size:
 at the exit slits (22.92)

 Beam divergence:
 0.15 mrad (exit slits)

 Flux:
 5 10⁹ ph/s @ 5.5 keV

 End Station:
 Ultra-high Vacuum (C)

2 - 14 keV (0.7 - 14 keV with multilayers, 2016) at the exit slits (22.91 m from source) 250 X 50 μ m² 0.15 mrad (ovit slits)

5 10⁹ ph/s @ 5.5 keV (2 GeV) or @ 7keV (2.4 GeV) (exit slits)

Ultra-high Vacuum Chamber for XRS in collaboration with Techniques: TRXRF, GIXRF (GEXRF), XRR, XANES

Beam size: ~250X120 μ m² (sample position)



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AEA.org



TECHNIQUES:

GIXRF

Grazing Incidence X Ray Fluorescence Analysis

Total Reflection X Ray Fluorescence Analysis

XANES / NEXAFS

Near Edge X ray Absorption Fine Structure





(courtesy from B. Beckhoff, 2011)

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APPLICATION FIELDS:

Energy storage and conversion related micro- and nano-scaled heterogeneous materials
 Materials/Chemistry under extreme conditions (P, T), Microelectronics – Nanoelectronics
 Environmental samples – Speciation of nanoparticles
 Fundamental Parameters work – Metrology (reference-free analysis)
 Chemistry and other domains of material – Manufacturing / Reaction follow-up
 Detection, quantification and speciation of Trace elements – Contaminants
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Elements detected with LEXRF @ TwinMic:





X-ray fluorescence: ~1000x better sensitivity than electrons (SEM-EDS) for trace elemental mapping. Better lateral resolution.

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I. Nemec & Ž. Smit, Uni Ljubljana, Slovenia

Analysis of the elemental distribution in paintings from **August Černigoj** (1898-1985)



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A. Zappala, Dept of History of Art, Uni Udine, I

Distribution of polymers ("Bookkeeper" Mg containing) for book conservation in paper



Absorption images

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ELETTRA MCX: Material Characterization by X-ray diffraction

Light source:

Bending magnet Critical energy : 3.2keV (2.0) , 5.5keV (2.4)

X-rays at sample:

Energy range : 6-22 keV Photon flux : 10^{11} photons/sec Beam size at sample : $10x1 \text{ mm}^2 - 0.3$ > Energy resolution : $\Delta E/E 2x10^{-4}$







ELETTRA MCX: Material Characterization by X-ray diffraction



Four circle diffractometer



Furnace

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X-ray diffraction patterns are used as fingerprints to identify phases in mixtures. The example shows a fragment of a stained glass window from the Basilica of San Giovanni e Paolo in Venice Chiesa dei Santi Giovanni e Paolo XIII-XVI sec.

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"La grande vetrata" End XV century

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- Low melting glass (SiO₂, PbO,)
- Pigment (metal oxides)
- Paint medium (water, vinegar, oil)
- Firing to fuse the grisaille on the glass

Grisaille technique









SSGP₂



SSGP3







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Sample	Glass	Grisaille	Patina
SSGP1	Green	Dark	Brown
SSGP2	Green	Brown	White
SSGP3	Light yellow	Blue	White

SSGP₂

SSGP2









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ELETTRA XAFS: X-Ray Absorption Fine Structures

Source	Bending magnet
Flux	10 ⁹ - 10 ¹¹
Resolution $\Delta E/E$	10 ⁻⁴ (Si 111), 5x10 ⁻⁵ (Si 311)
Spot size	max 26 x 2 (H x V) mm ²
Energy range	2.4 - 27 keV



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- Double flat crystal double cam Kohzu apparatus
- Operating angular range 5 75 degrees
- Two pairs of crystals: Si 111 (2.4 < E < 22 keV) and Si 311 (4 < E 27 keV)
- Harmonic rejection for E < 9 keV provided by detuning the second crystal



- Cylindrical mirror
- Vertical collimation -> Parallel 2 mm height beam upstream the monochromator
- •fixed grazing angle (3 mrad)
- Pt coated (cutoff : 27 keV) (no interference with Pt L₃ data)
- Optically active dimensions (1000 x 60 mm²)







Experiments can be performed in transmission or fluorescence mode, in vacuum or in air, at low or high temperature (10 to 2000 K).

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XAS measurement at the Cobalt, Nickel and Copper K-edge... Differences were found at the blue pigment





Cobalt: poor crystallinity of the Co environment. Main contribution of Co²⁺ ions at tetrahedral sites, however a contribution of octahedric Co²⁺ is found in Hispano-Moorish production

Nickel: is present as NiO, and Italian majolicas present higher cristallinity for the Ni enviroment (up to the second coordination shell; Ni-O-Ni)

Copper: similar spectra, and indicate that Cu is close to Cu²⁺, even though edge modifications suggest a started reduction of the Cu ions

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Significant differences were found at the lustre!

Copper XANES spectra are compared: L19 has a behaviour matching Cu_2O . The behavior of LIM1 matches CuO, indicating, for this sample a lower reduction degree

In this case, an interpretation could be made considering the use of different technological procedures generating different efficiency in the reducing phase and consequently copper ions in different oxidation states

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1st Branch - Solid State Optimized for spectroscopy from Far to Near Infrared



Vertex 70 in vacuum Interferometer Hyperion 1000 Vis-IR microscope Cryostat Near, MIR, FIR detectors **2nd Branch -** Life Sciences Optimized for FTIR Microscopy and Imaging in the Mid Infrared



Vertex 70 N₂ purged Interferometer Hyperion 3000 Vis-IR microscope Bidimensional FPA imaging detector and single point MCT detector

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- Identification of the materials
- Understanding of the painting technique
- Study of the alteration mechanisms

Z.E. Papliaka et al., Anal. Bioanal. Chem. 407 (2015), 5393

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- Energy range: 8.3 \div 35 keV, Bandwidth $\Delta E/E \cong 2x10^{-3}$
- Beam size at sample $(h \times v) \cong 150 \text{ mm} \times 4-6 \text{ mm}$
- Source size (FWHM) s (h x v) \cong 230 µm x 80 µm
- Typical fluxes @15 keV \cong 7 * 10⁸ phot./mm² s (@ 2.4 GeV, 180 mA)
- Source-to-sample distance: $D \cong 23$ m

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Chartres Cathedral Window 37 La Passion typologique

H. Römich et al., NTJ 13 (2008) 30

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Viacryl flakes from Bourges (window 9, panel 4)

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Paper-pipes organ, Lorenzo Guscasco da Pavia (1494)

B. Bentivoglio-Ravasio et al., J. Ent. Acarol. Res. 43 (2011) 149

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F. Zanini, Strad 123 (2012) 36





G. B. Guadagnini Herrestal Violin Milano 1753

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Detail showing the bass bar and the glue used to attach it to the front plate.

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C. Tuniz et al., Archaeometry 54 (2012) 581

The Divje babe *flute* Mousterian, about 50000 years old, Slovenia



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The Lonche mandible

Upper Pleistocene, about 6500 years old, Slovenia

Left canine shows presence of beeswax Inside a vertical crack

Earliest known evidence of therapeutic dental filling

F. Bernardini et al., PLoS ONE 7 (2012)

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Raman set-up





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Main features of the Brillouin set-up:

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a) Beam @ sample:

\rightarrow E_i = 4 \div 12 \text{ eV}

\rightarrow 10^{10} \div 10^{13} \text{ ph/s}

\rightarrow 1x0.5 \text{ mm}^2 \text{ spot}

b) DE \approx 7 \div 20 \text{ meV}

c) E_o - E_i \approx \pm 1000 \text{ meV}

d) S(Q,E) in one shot

e) "Easy" Q-change
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Main features of the Raman set-up:

- a) Beam @ sample:
- \rightarrow E_i = 4.6 ÷ 6.2 eV (200 270 nm)
- →10 μW (@ 270 nm)
- \rightarrow 100 μ m diameter spot
- b) Experimental resolution 1 cm⁻¹ @ 270 nm

Upgrade in progress: Extention of the UV range below 200 nm









UV-Raman scattering for the characterization of bulk minerals and pigments at *Villa dei Quintili*

V. Crupi et al., Vibrational Spectroscopy 83 (2016) 78

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