

Irradiation facilities (for crystals)

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Possible candidates

- CERN PS
- Triumf
- Mass General hospital
- Indiana Cyclotron facility
- FNAL – Erik Ramberg
- PSI, Florida (can be tuned to lower energies) – Todd Adams

	Indiana Cyclotron	Mass General Hospital	TRIUMF	CERN PS
price	\$627/hour	\$650/hour (only beam-on time)	\$450 per hour ¹	Free?
flux	50nA during day ²	total flux 100 nA (6x10 ¹¹ p/s) ³	5nA; ⁴	10 ¹³ -10 ¹⁴ p/hour
beam energy	200 MeV	200 MeV (650 MeV/c)	up to 500 MeV	up to 40 GeV
range ⁰	4-7 cm	4-7 cm	>23 cm	large
lead time	typically a month	4-6 weeks typical	last one was Sept 09	June/July 2010
schedule	throughout year	throughout year	once a year	No LHC runs
cool off	cannot estimate!	1-3 weeks typically ⁵	Worrisome issue	

⁰ Except CERN PS, only one crystal can be irradiated at a time.

¹ including beam tuning, energy changes and any equipment set-up time

² 100nA off hours

³ w/ 50% efficiency of scattering, 15cm dia can be covered with 2x10⁹ p/s/cm²

⁴ 8x10⁸ protons/cm²/s over about 2 cm x 2 cm (80% levels)

⁵ may be longer for Pb; no object in the package can read more that 10 mRem/hr at 10 cm distance (as measured with a survey meter) and finally the surface of the package must measure less that 0.5 mRem/hr

Some considerations

- Making measurements (transmission, light output, etc.) after irradiation can be tricky.
- Transportation of irradiated crystals can be difficult.
- Designing/building a set-up to measure transmission via spectrophotometer + optical fiber so measurements can be made while crystals are cooling off would be useful.
- How can we integrate stimulated recovery studies into our activities?

Energy dependence

- It's customary to characterize the “amount” of radiation by either proton (pion) fluence, or absorbed dose.
- The “star” formation will be energy dependent in such a way that these measures of the amount radiation is probably not appropriate.
 - Studying effect at different beam energies is important.
- At **IHEP**, Protvino, efforts were made to build a dedicated beam line which would produce a mixture of particles of differing energies, which resembles the radiation environment of CMS crystals (than monochromatic protons).
 - If we can use this facility to study radiation damages of our crystals, it will be very useful.