

NOMAD - NANOSCALE-ORDERED MATERIALS DIFFRACTOMETER

NOMAD is a high-flux, medium-resolution diffractometer that uses a large bandwidth of neutron energies and extensive detector coverage to carry out structural determinations of local order in crystalline and amorphous materials. The instrument enables studies of a large variety of samples, ranging from liquids and solutions, glasses, and nanocrystalline materials to long-range-ordered crystals. The enhanced neutron flux at SNS, coupled



with the advanced neutron optics and detector features, allows for unprecedented access to highresolution pair distribution functions, small-contrast isotope substitution experiments, small sample sizes, and parametric studies.

APPLICATIONS

- Environmental (e.g., solvent) effects on and direction of nanoscale structure formation
- In situ structural changes in nanoscale oxide catalysts used in automobile catalytic converters
- Structure of hydrogen storage materials under in situ conditions
- Transient structures of materials under extreme conditions (e.g., at high temperature or high pressure under the influence of transient fields or in metastable states)

SPECIFICATIONS

Moderator	Decoupled poisoned supercritical hydrogen
Moderator- to-sample distance	19.5 m
Sample- to-detector distance	0.5–3 m
Wavelength range	0.1–3 Å
Detector angular range	3–175° scattering angle
Initial coverage	4.0 sr
Full detector complement	8.2 sr
Flux on sample	~1 x 10 ⁸ neutrons cm ⁻² sec ⁻¹

Status: Available to users

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