INSTRUMENT



HIGH FLUX ISOTOPE REACTOR

NEUTRON IMAGING PROTOTYPE FACILITY

The CG-1D beam is used for neutron imaging measurements using a white beam. Apertures (with different diameters D (pinhole geometry) are used at the entrance of the helium-filled flight path to allow L/D variation from 400 to 800. L is the distance between the aperture and the detector (where the image is produced). Samples sit on a translation/ rotation stage for alignment and tomography purposes. Detectors for CG-1D include charge-coupled device (CCD) cameras.

⁶LiF/ZnS scintillators varying from 50 to 200 microns are available. Work on neutron imaging specifically supports the development of the future VENUS instrument at SNS, which will be dedicated to neutron imaging with an emphasis on Bragg-edge contrast imaging.



Helium-filled aluminum flight tubes.

APPLICATIONS

Energy Storage

• Ion transport in energy storage materials; three-dimensional mapping of ions in electrodes

Technologies

• Particulate deposition in vehicle parts; two-phase transport in heat pipes; multi-phase constrained jet flows; metal casting; reservoir flow, creation, and production

Plant Systems Biology

• Partitioning, transport, and fate of carbon fixed by plants; carbon biosequestration; modeling impacts of rising CO₂ levels; modified bioenergy feedstock plants; cavitation and gas embolism in plants

Plant-Soil-Groundwater Systems

• Transport and interactions of fluids in porous media, water infiltration and aquifer recharge, plant-plant and plant-fungal interactions, change in pore structure and voids after repeated thawing and freezing of permafrost soil

Biological and Forensic Studies

• Structural, contrast agent, and cancer research

Food Science and Archeology

• Water migration and degradation through time

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SPECIFICATIONS

Wavelength	$1.8 < \lambda < 6 \text{ Å}$
Wavelength resolution	Δλ/λ ~ 10%
Hightest spatial resolution	50 microns (FOV: 4×4 cm ²) and 100 microns (FOV: 6×6 cm ²)
Sample- to-detector distance	5 m
Detector	CCDs
Detector chip size	2048 x 2048 pixels
Detector resolution	5.2 x 5.2 (FOV: 4 x 4 cm ²) and 13.4 x 13.4 (FOV: 6 x 6 cm ²) microns ² pixels
Detector frame rate	1 fps (1 to 5 min required per image)

Status: Available to users



Detector housing for the CCD camera lens, mirror, and scintillator.



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