IMAGINE is a state-of-the-art beamline for neutron diffraction analysis of advanced materials and macromolecules. IMAGINE has broad scientific application for the analysis of light atom positions in materials of interest across the diverse fields of structural biology, chemistry, condensed matter physics, and geological sciences. Neutron structures can be determined to near-atomic resolutions (1.5 Å) from crystals with unit cell edges up to ~ 100 Å. IMAGINE is suited to pinpoint individual hydrogen atoms in small molecules and protein structures.

IMAGINE optics are tunable and use an automated system of interchangeable flat mirrors and filters to select incident quasi-Laue wavelength and band pass characteristics that are best matched to the sample (λ min = 2.0, 2.8, and 3.3 Å; λ max = 3.5, 4.0, and 4.5 Å). Elliptical mirrors are used to deliver a highly focused and intense beam at the sample. The diffractometer uses neutron image plates mounted on a cylindrical detector drum, which allows hundreds of stimulated reflections to be simultaneously recorded.

**APPLICATIONS**

**Protein Structure-Function**
- Hydrogen atoms in proteins
- Enzymology
- Ligand complexes
- Drug design

**Supramolecular Crystallography**
- Single-molecule magnets
- Metal-organic frameworks
- Polyoxometalates

**Materials Chemistry**
- Small molecules
- Minerals
- Pharmaceuticals

**SPECIFICATIONS**

| Flux | ~10^7 n/s/cm² |
| Cross section | 2.0 x 3.2 mm |
| Wavelengths minimum | 2.0, 2.8, 3.3 Å |
| Wavelengths maximum | 3.0, 4.0, 4.5 Å |
| Detector | Neutron image plate |
| Detector size | 1200 x 450 mm |
| Pixel size | 125, 250, 500 μm |
| Sample-to-detector distance | 200 mm |
| Goniometer | Kappa and phi rotation axes |

**Closed Cycle Refrigerator:**
The CCR provides a constant sample temperature in the range of 4 to 450 K. The CCR can be used for macromolecular, supramolecular, and materials science experiments.

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