Lessons from the beamline: The TES detector at beamline 10-1

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How does hemoglobin transport oxygen?



Wilson, S. A., et al (2013). PNAS, 110(41)

Outline

- The TES advantage
- Science at SSRL using a TES
 - Understanding battery degradation
 - Detecting contaminants in carbon nanotubes
 - Measuring the Fe-O bond in hemoglobin



Can be filled by TES detectors!



TES at SSRL BL 10-1 available for users since 2017

Array Specs

Pixels	240
Solid Angle	2e-3 sr
Energy range	200-2000 eV



Pixel Specs

Mo/Cu bilayer thickness	60 nm/200 nm
Тс	107 mK
Energy Resolution	1.5 eV @ 500 eV
Absorber thickness	2.8 um Bi
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aperture chip)

Samples

Vacuum

Window

System details in Doriese, et al (2017). Rev. Sci. Instrum., 88(5), 53108.

TES Location

What causes thermal degradation of batteries?



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Li et al, J. Am . Chem. Soc. 2019 (Accepted)

TES reveals that oxidation is the culprit

- Small changes in oxygen spectra indicate oxidation
- This work possible at SSRL for the first time, due to TES



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What is contaminating carbon nanotube devices?

- TES shows a bunch of weird metals!
- Contaminants (<0.1%) affect device function
- TES more sensitive than other common probes (XPS)



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Sainio et al, J. Phys. Chem. C, 123, 10 (2019)

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0.001% (ultra-dilute)	Photosystem-II, doped monolayers, trace impurities, color centers

New capability: 0.001% measurement opens many doors!



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So can we measure hemoglobin?





Yes!



First soft X-ray spectrum for oxyhemoglobin



Incident Energy (eV)

Who is right? Analysis is ongoing!

Hemoglobin project in collaboration with:

Stanford University

Leland Gee Augustus Braun James Yan Ed Solomon University of Manchester Michael Baker

Conclusions

- Robust beamline instrument with strong user demand
- TES enables battery measurements previously impossible at older light-sources
- A fast, non-destructive probe of composition
- TES enables new science in dilute compounds

Extra Slides

TES at SSRL BL 10-1



Beamline 10-1 parameters

Photon Flux	~10 ¹¹ phot/s
Energy Range	150-1400 eV
TES-sample distance	40 mm
Vacuum	10 ⁻⁸ torr



Soft X-ray Spectroscopy (150 eV - 1500 eV)

Element-specific probe of:

- Chemical composition
- Electronic structure
- Spin
- Symmetry



Absorption



Emission

Resonant Scattering





X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy (XAS)



X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy (XAS)



X-ray Emission Spectroscopy (XES)



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Resonant Inelastic X-ray Spectroscopy (RIXS)



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Routine Spectroscopy

Requirements

- Moderate solid angle
- Moderate energy resolution

Applications

• Everything

