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### EuPRAXIA@SPARC\_LAB

### **Scientific Case**

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### **EuPRAXIA@SPARC\_LAB – Where we are**

Parameter	Value	
Wavelength	~3 nm	
Photons/pulse	10 <sup>10</sup> - 10 <sup>11</sup>	
Pulse duration	< 50 fs	
Repetition rate	10 Hz	
Focal spot	~6 µm	

EuPRAXIA@SPARC\_LAB conceptual design report Ferrario *et al.* Nucl. Instr. Met. (2018) Villa *et al.* Nucl. Instr. Met. (2018)

### **CDR Scientific case**

#### A scientific case @ 3 nm «ACQUA» has been assembled and published. Contributions from ~15

#### different institutions



#### Article

## The potential of EuPRAXIA@SPARC\_LAB for radiation based techniques

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MDP

Balerna et al. Condensed Matter 4, 30 (2019)

Water-window: energy region between Oxygen and Carbon K-edge 2.34 nm – 4.4 nm (530 eV -280 eV) Water is almost transparent to radiation in this range while nitrogen and carbon are absorbing (and scattering)

### **ACQUA** - Techniques & Samples @ 3 nm

Cells



### ACQUA - Techniques & Samples @ 3 nm



### EuPRAXIA@SPARC\_LAB – Where we might go (beyond the baseline)

Parameter	Value	Parameter	Value
Wavelength	~3 nm	Wavelength	50-180 nm
Photons/pulse	10 <sup>10</sup> - 10 <sup>11</sup>	Photons/pulse	10 <sup>13</sup> - 10 <sup>14</sup>
Pulse duration	< 50 fs	Pulse duration	20/200 fs
Repetition rate	10 Hz	Repetition rate	10 Hz
Focal spot	~6 µm	Focal spot	~6 µm

#### Not only brilliance:

Seeded FEL, Polarization, first and second order coherence (i.e. stability and reproducibility in terms of <u>pulse & photon</u> energy), multiple colors and multiple pulses schemes, phase control

Adding a different wavelength range would open up (new) interesting scientific possibilities.

A scientific case for ARIA, in the DUV (DeepUV) and VUV (VacuumUV) is (and was) there COLLABORATIVE RESEARCH FOR A HIGH-RESOLUTION VUV FREE ELECTRON LASER USER FACILITY AT SPARC (LNF 2011) (complementary with FEL1 @ Fermi)

**Experimental techniques and typology of samples** 



#### Defining experimental techniques and typology of samples (and applications)



#### Some recent applications



Circularly polarized XUV FEL light on 1T-TiSe<sub>2</sub> while cooling it below the critical temperature results in preferential formation of one chiral domain.

#### $\lambda$ FEL (Fermi) = 64 nm

Observing ring opening in organic molecules Light-induced ringopening/closing reactions can be studied by Time-Resolved Photoemission Spectroscopy



Initial thiophenone hit by a laser and its photoproducts, with the white lines follow the smoothed paths of reaction trajectories. Pathak *et al.* Nature Chemistry 2020

Xu et al. Nature 2020

#### A theoretical look at future applications

- Ultrafast Quantum Interference in the Charge Migration of Tryptophan → TD-PES Theory
- At present, 4 fs visible/near-infrared (VIS/NIR) probe pulses, in combination with mass spectroscopy
- Interest to explore VIS/IR pump + high intensity UV probe



**2020**: Ultrafast Quantum Interference in the Charge Migration of Tryptophan. *The journal of physical chemistry letters*, *11*(3), 891-899.

### ARIA - Coupling of Low-Energy Degrees of Freedom with High-Energy Excitations

When electrons are excited by a pump pulse in VIS/UV their relaxation **usually** implies the excitation of many low energy modes: Phonons, Intermolecular Vibrations, and Spin Degrees of Freedom that could be measured through a Terahertz/Infrared probe.

On the contrary, the modulation of high-energy modes through the effective excitation of low-energy degrees of freedom is rather unusual and scarcely investigated.



Fig.1 Localized Plasmon Excitations

In dielectric nanoparticles decorated with metals, plasmon modes can be controlled and tuned through the excitations of dielectric phonons.



The Insulator-to-Metal Transition in strongly many correlated systems implies а strong coupling among high and low energy degrees of freedom. This is the case of  $VO_2$  (Fig.2) and  $V_2O_3$ .

S. Lupi et al, Nature Comm. 2010

### Beamlines @ 3 nm (& 50-180 nm)



Courtesy of Fabio Villa

Simple calculations confirm that there is sufficient space for hosting two beamlines. The deflection angle is actually larger for the long wavelengths and would allow a better lateral separation.

### Photon & Users Beamline(s) Intermediate Deliverables on the road to the TDR

#### AQUA – Photon beamline @ 3 nm (baseline)

- Photon transport study and simulations (COMSOL & ZEMAX) up to the user endstation
- Study and design of each beamline component and diagnostic (some with prototypes \*):
  - Beam Defining Apertures
  - Beam Position Monitors
  - Beam Arrival Time Monitor (\*)
  - Longitudinal Dimension (\*)
  - Transverse Dimensions
  - Longitudinal Coherence (\*)

- Transverse Coherence (\*)
- Intensity Monitors
- Attenuators (\*)
- Spectrometer
- Wavefront
- Monochromator (\*)

- Beam Polarization (\*)
- Split & Delay Line
- Optical Transport (mirrors) (\*)

#### ARIA – Photon beamline @ 50-180 nm (beyond the baseline)

- Photon transport study and simulation up to the user endstation
- Study and design of each beamline component and diagnostic

### Scientific Case & Endstation(s) Intermediate Deliverables on the road to the TDR

#### AQUA - Scientific case @ 3 nm

- User Science: fine tuning of samples & techniques
- Details of instrumentation (detector, sample delivery) for the experimental endstation
  @ 3 nm at a TDR level

#### ARIA - New perspectives @ 50-180 nm

- User Science: definition samples & techniques
- Users' community commitment
- Evaluation of instrumentation for the experimental endstation @ 50-200 nm from scratch to a TDR level

#### AQUA + ARIA

- Connections with correlated services (lasers and THz)
- Detailed costs evaluation

### **External Radiation Sources**

**Time-resolved pump-probe** experiments require (besides split&delay) coupling to an **external radiation sources** :

Two **laser** options are being explored and will be detailed in the TDR:

1- **Tunable**, for the experiments requiring an intensity of the order of few TW (e.g. Ti:sapphire)

2- High-power laser (FLAME or FLAME-like, hundreds of TW)

THz setup will also be detailed in the TDR

### Timescale

#### Year 1

Inputs from (and to) FEL group Inputs from (and to) laser group Preliminary Beam transport & Optical elements simulations

#### Year 2

Optical elements & detectors (0D, 2D, ions) R&D Beam transport & Optical elements simulations

#### Year 3

Beam transport & Optical elements design Preliminary optical elements & detector tests @ other facilities Sample delivery R&D Mechanical components design

### **Bringing this picture from CDR to TDR level**



# Thanks for the attention

#### Questions and comments are (and will be) more than welcome

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