#### Recent advances in SFX at the NSF BioXFEL STC.



ACA Philladelphia Mon July 27 2015 1.30 – 2 pm

The LCLS near Stanford was the world's first hard X-ray laser. It produces < 12 kV X-rays in > 10 fs pulses, about 1E12 photons/pulse.

1fs = 1E-15 second

It started operating in April 2009.

Madey 1972 Stanford; Saldin,, Bonefachio, Sessler 1985 Microwaves; Pellegrini optical 1991; Leutl 1997 Argonne; Flash Matterlink 1997; Murphy Brookhaven 2001; (SASE mode)

## **Generational advances in beam brilliance**



### From undulator radiation to x-ray free-electron lasers (XFEL)



## Self Amplified Spontaneous Emission (SASE) is powerful amplified undulator radiation with full transverse coherence

Bonifacio, R., C. Pelligrini, and L. Narducci, Opt. Commun. **50**, 373 (1984) Madey 1972.

#### Time-resolved Protein nanoxtal sample delivery uses a liquid jet

Droplets freeze at 10<sup>6</sup> °/sec. in vacuum to vitreous ice if cryo protectant used

Flow velocity about 10 m/sec

Area \* velocity = flow rate

= constant.



PSI at 9 keV, 40 fs to 3 Ang.

Feb 2011 –first high resolution results from LCLS

and the second



19 periods along g Streak due to jet

We have seen xtals as small as

Fringes

6 unit cells on side.



# LCP jet operating at LCLS



Conrad et all IUCrJ in press. Phycocyanine to 2.6 Ang.

**GPCR** in viscous LCP at 300 picoliters per minute. LCLS at 1 Hz. 9.4 kV 7% attenuation 50 microliters total used Later 5 microliters/min.

Also works at synchrotrons ! MSX 2 Ang Resolution in bR @ ESRF – Standfuss, Schertler.

**Dynamics:** Nanoxtals are sprayed across the pulsed X-ray beam. This allows Time-Resolved SFX (serial fs xtallog). Now in Agarose (PYP)



Pump-probe experiments are possible with the liquid jet.

Pump laser and XFEL on jet – exploding PS I nanoxtals Like sunlight on a leaf....snapshots of the excited state density

Movie

Aquila Optics Express 2012

Kupitz, Fromme et al Nature 2014



pump laser: 532nm, 10ns pulse, 8 microjoules, focused to 380 micron spot, fiber coupled,

Time delay between 70 fs X-ray pulse and laser 0 - 10µs

7 micron beam 0.5-2 mic. xtals 4 micron jet

To observe *undocking of ferredoxin from PSI*, excite xtal 10 microseconds before XRD snapshot Travelling at 10 m/s, nanoxtals go 100 microns, less than width of 400nm doubled Jedai fs beam Flow rate 10 microliters/min.

**TR-SFX of Photoactive Yellow Protein (now 1.4 Ang resolution)**. Blue light photoreceptor mechanism at 1  $\mu$ sec & 10 ns time delays.

Red is PR1

then later

PR2. Not a

diff. map.

Pump light saturates nanoxtal

Science Dec 2014 Tenboer.... Marius Schmidt et al group (Milwaukee) +STC

Delays 10ns and 1 microsec. pR1 and pR2 are maximally occupied at 1 microsec.



A light-sensor in purple **photosynthetic** bacteria



reaction rate lifetimes, exp decay. SVD Six stable intermediates Photoactive Yellow Protein, pR<sub>1</sub>, pR<sub>2</sub>, imaged at LCLS Shows total density of intermediates that accumulate and decay during the photocycle. Chromophores.





## Preliminary Time Resolved SFX-LCP data from LCLS

~ 40000 indexable patterns were collected in 12h of beamtime with 8000-10000 per time point

1 millisec time delay probes M1 state



Fo-Fo difference maps at 3 sigma. Compatible with known conformational changes on bR activation for example a rotamer change of Arg82, a key residue in the proton transfer chain.

## This is time-resolved (pump-probe) SFX at LCLS in LCP

Standfuss, Weierstall, Schertler et al 2015

#### Fast solution scattering (FSS) at EXFEL for photosynthesis. Neutze group

#### Compare change in scattering due to pump with model

#### "Snapshot SAXS"



 $\Delta S(q, \Delta t)$ 

1. Why don't solar photons unfold photosynthetic proteins ? (they have enough energy).

2. Do fast nuclear motions occur during photosynthesis?

Black: model Red: experiment. Orange spheres are carbon atoms which move

Not possible with synchrotron (too fast) Solution scattering, not crystals Record time, space resolution for solution scattering ? SVD (4 basis vectors) + MD.

Conclude: 3 Ang model from TR-FSS with 500 fs time resolution supports a "quake" (low q, 7 ps) model of energy dissipation, followed by heat (high q, 14 ps) pulse. Fast (ps) nuclear motions occur. Quake preceeds heat.

Neutze group. Nature Meth 2014 Arnlund et al.



## Dynamics





The quake in Reaction Center responding to a light pulse.

Obtain by Neutze group using fast solution scattering (FSS) at LCLS, pump-probe.

This is a movie.

Arnlund...Neutze 2014. Nature Meth.

## **BioXFEL is developing a mixing jet for dynamics**





#### BioXFEL for improved drug design – high blood pressure

### **G** protein-coupled receptors (GPCR)

• These span the cell membrane. About human 800 GPCRs respond to many extracellular signaling molecules and transmit signals into the cell

- 40% of drugs target GPCRs. 70% of recent drug approvals were GPCRs
- Challenges: low expression yields, low receptor stability after extraction from native membranes with detergent, high conformational heterogeneity
- 19 receptor structures solved so far
- most were crystallized in LCP
- crystals often limited in size, sub 10 micron
- microfocus beamlines have been used, radiation damage severe, merge data from multiple crystals.

Vadim Cherezov/Uwe Weierstall/Ray Stevens

Brian Kobilka Nobel Prize



#### Crystal size is a major bottlenecks in GPCR structure determination





A typical initial hit contains high-density of 3x1x1 µm<sup>3</sup> crystals suitable for XFEL. Substantially larger crystals (40x20x7 µm<sup>3</sup>), required for microfocus synchrotron data collection, were produced after one year of intensive optimization studies. Vadim Cherezov

Serotonin.



## Structure of Angiotensin Receptor, a Blood Pressure Regulator



- Serves as a primary regulator for blood pressure maintenance
- In complex with a selective antagonist ZD7155
- We got 2.9 Å resolution (vs 4 Ang with SR, twinned)
- Docking simulations of the clinically used AT<sub>1</sub>R blockers into the AT<sub>1</sub>R structure show distinct binding modes for antihypertensive drugs
- Results provide fundamental insights into AT<sub>1</sub>R structure-function.
- Ligand is also arestinbiased agonist.

Fusion proteins added assist crystallization. Serotonin,  $\delta$ -opiod, plus 4 other GPCRs....



Zhang, Cherezov et al. 2015, Cell.



Chufeng LI – PhD. Zatsepin/White collab.





From Hattne/Sauter et al Nature Methods 2014

The time for SFX data collection and analysis has been greatly reduced

Protein	2011 Cathepsin	2014 Phycocyanin	
Sample injection	GVDN	LCP	
Protein size	37 kDa protease	209 kDa hexameric antenna complex	
Year of experiment	2011	2014	
Data collection took	5 days	2.5 hours	
Crystal hits	293,195	18,794	
Indexed hits	178,875	6,629	
Time data took to analyze	1 year	3 months	
Resolution	2.1 Å	1.95 Å	

**BioXFE** 

The improvement is due to better detectors, algorithms, samples.

Phycocyanin: SFX results in liquid jet and LCP agreed, but differed from cryo-cooled SR.

Phycocyanin in LCP: Only 6 μL of crystal suspension of globular protein into LCP.

Ginn, Stuart, et al . **used 6000 patterns (of 144K total) in 30 mins to get 1.74 Ang.** map of Polyhederin CPV17 (Aug 2014). Adjust  $\lambda$ for max # of spots, optimize orient matrix

This greatly advances our goal of increased capacity for SFX work and XFEL availability for biology







A different chemical shift for every oxidation state of Mn in the Kok cycle Messinger, Bergman et al (2001)

Kern et al (2014) see absence of reduction (excess e<sup>-</sup>) on Mn K $\beta$  in dark S1 state using XES at LCLS (green). Synchrotron (red) shows reduction "damage" in PS II.

Mn Kβ1,3 line is a probe of the number of unpaired 3d electrons, and oxidation (e- loss) and/or spin state

#### **STC collaborations**

#### \* Fromme, Pushcar

- \* Scott Sayer ASU
- \* Spence/Subramanian

(fast XAS theory, expts at APS)

Correlate oxidation states with time-resolved density maps

#### COMPACT XFEL LIGHT SOURCE\*

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#### Abstract

X-ray free electron laser studies are presented that rely on a nanostructured electron beam interacting with a "laser undulator" configured in the head-on inverse Compton scattering geometry. The structure in the electron beam is created by a nanoengineered cathode that produces a transversely modulated electron beam. Electron optics demagnify the modulation period and then an emittance exchange line translates the modulation to the longitudinal direction resulting in coherent bunching at x-ray wavelength.

The predicted output radiation at 1 keV from a 7 MeV electron beam reaches 10 nJ or 6X10<sup>8</sup> photons per shot and is fully coherent in all dignensions, a result of the dominant mode growth transversely and the longitudinal coherence imposed by the electron beam nanostructure. This output is several orders of magnitude higher than incoherent inverse Compton scattering and occupies a much smaller phase space volume, reaching peak brilliance of 10<sup>27</sup> and average brilliance of 10<sup>17</sup> photons/(mm<sup>2</sup> mrad<sup>2</sup> 0.1% sec). The device is much smaller and less expensive than traditional XFELs, requiring electron beam energy ranging from 2 MeV to a few hundred MeV for output wavelengths from the EUV to hard x-rays. Both laser and THz radiation may provide the undulator fields.

laser that is within present state-of-the-art technologies and results in a very compact and inexpensive x-ray laser. A facility to test these ideas is currently under construction within the DARPA Axis program and is described below. First though the conditions for FEL gain are reviewed as is the method of producing the nanostructured electron beam.

#### FEL GAIN

For head-on ICS the resonance condition is given by

$$\lambda_x = \frac{\lambda_1}{4\gamma^2} \left( 1 + \frac{a_0^2}{2} \right) \qquad (1)$$

where  $\lambda_u$  is the x-ray wavelength,  $\lambda_L$  is the laser wavelength,  $\gamma$  is the relativistic factor, and  $a_0 = \frac{eE_L\lambda_L}{2\pi mc^2}$ 

where  $E_L$  is the laser electric field. The Pierce parameter that determines many of the FEL properties is given by

$$\rho_{jal} = \frac{1}{2\gamma} \left( \frac{I}{I_A} \frac{\lambda_l^2 a_0^2}{8\pi^2 \sigma_s^2} \right)^{1/2}$$
(2)

where  $\sigma_i$  is the electron beam size, *I* is the peak current, and  $I_A = 17,045$  A is the Alfen current. A Bessel function factor in Eq. 2 has been dropped because its value is very MIT lab-scale XFEL based on Inverse Compton scattering and a patterned beam with emittance exchange, building for ASU. 2015.



Figure 2. Layout of prototype currently under construction. Major components are labeled and shown mounted on optical tables. Structure is less than 5 m long and will be commissioned in early 2014.

Table 1: Electron beam paramete	TS
Charge [pC]	2
Bunch length [fs]	28
Peak current [A]	70
Energy spread [%]	0.01
Spot size at IP [µm]	0.5
Emittance [nm]	10
Repetition rate [Hz]	1000
Energy [MeV]	7

Table 2: X-ray parameters	
Photon energy [keV]	1
Pulse energy [nJ]	10
Photons/pulse	6X10 <sup>8</sup>
Photons/sec	6X10 <sup>11</sup>
Source size [µm]	0.5
Source divergence [µrad]	200
Peak brilliance [phot/s 0.1% mm2 mrad2]	1027
Avg brilliance [phot/s 0.1% mm2 mrad2]	1017

MIT (Graves et al) Compact XFEL with patterned electron beam and emittance exchange



#### **Attosecond pulses give Laue mode for TR-SFX**



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### Attosecond XFEL avoids damage, gives full Braggs, not partials.

 $\Delta t$  (fs) = 4.14/ $\Delta E$  (eV)

"Compact attosecond X-ray sources and their applications" Workshop CFEL June 2015

nd X-ray sources ns" e 2015  $k_1$   $k'_1$  $k_2$   $k_2$  o bhbho o bh Different wavelengths cause different Bragg reflections to interfere on same detector pixel , if pulse duration less than beat period. This gives structure factor phase information .

Attosecond XFEL gives 300 eV = 3% bandwidth at 10 kV with 14 as pulses, hence full reflections, without damage. Spence, Trans Faraday

Coherence length  $L = \lambda E/\Delta E \sim 3nm$ , less than sample thickness ! Soc 2015 3-phase sums (as above , plus Friedel conjugate of sum) are origin independent.





### The international XFEL context

	FEL Facility	Location	Electron Energy (GeV max)	Photon Energy Range (keV)	Rep Rate	Linac Technology (NC or SC)
2017	LCLS-1kHz	SLAC, USA	19	0.24-25	120 Hz	NC
	EXFEL	DESY, FRG	17	0.4-20	10 Hz, 2700 pulse burst	SC
	FERMI	Trieste, IT	1.25	0.01-0.4	50 Hz	NC
	FLASH	DESY, FRG	1.25	0.01-0.2	10 Hz, 800 pulse burst	SC
2020	LCLS 2	LBNL, USA	2.4	0.23-2	1 MHz	SC
2017	PALXFEL	PAL, Korea	10	0.28-20	60 Hz	NC
	SACLA	Harima, Japan	8	5-15	60 Hz	NC
2017	SwissFEL	Switzerland	6	1.8-12	100 Hz	NC

STC has two SACLA beamtimes before summer 2015.

SwissFel is like LCLS I.



#### Summary



- 1. The invention of the free-electron X-ray laser has made possible molecular movies with femtosecond time resolution. (Debye period = 100 fs = 100E-15 sec)
- 2. These hard X-ray pulses are so brief that they can "out-run" radiation damage\*.
- 3. They have been used to make movies using snapshot Bragg diffraction from protein nanocrystals by serial fs X-ray diffraction (SFX) to begin to reveal the detailed atomic mechanism of photosynthesis, which supports life on earth.
- 4. They have been used to image small drug molecules bound to signalling membrane proteins (GPCRs). This helps refine better drugs, eg blood pressure.

Building blocks have explanatory power for understanding mechanisms in matter. eg The  $\alpha$ -helix in bio $\,$  - need only 6-9 Ang resolution to see it.

- Atoms at 2 Ang for mat sci., cond matter. Eg kink landscape.

Current XFELs need Bragg Boost (& lasing) to see them (or modelling, Bayesian) So either learn to make 10x10x10 xtals or build 1E6 times more powerful XFEL !

\*Chapman et al Nat Meth 2006

Exciting times ahead !





#### With thanks for many collaborators from CFEL, MPI, ASU, SLAC, Uppsala.

The last fifteen years has seen two important breakthroughs in imaging science : Lensless imaging and outrunning damage..



"Physics is a problem in search of a solution; Biology a solution in search of a problem".

"The successful man adapts himself to the world, the failure tries to change it. Therefore all progress depends on loosers". GBS