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LIQUIDS REFLECTOMETER

The Liquids Reflectometer features a horizontal sample geometry and thus can accommodate air/liquid surfaces in addition to air/solid and liquid/solid interfaces. Active vibration isolation minimizes capillary-wave production by the external environment. Data rates and Q range covered at a single scattering angle setting are



sufficiently high to permit "real-time" kinetic studies on many systems. Time-resolved experiments include investigations of chemical kinetics, solid-state reactions, phase transitions, and chemical reactions in general.

APPLICATIONS

The Liquids Reflectometer is useful for a wide range of science. Current areas of interest include biomaterials, polymers, and chemistry involving thin layers of surfactants or other materials on the surfaces of liquids, such as cell-membrane analogs. These systems provide a flexible platform to study structure-property relationships at the boundary between hard and soft matter, with applications in biomimetics, bio-sensing, and biocompatible films; hydrogen storage, batteries, and fuel cells; and polymers.

SPECIFICATIONS

Source- to-sample distance	13.6 m
Sample- to-detector distance	1.5 m
Detector size	20 x 20 cm ²
Detector resolution	1.3 x 1.3 mm ²
Moderator	Coupled supercritical hydrogen
Bandwidth	$\Delta\lambda = 3.5 \text{ Å}$
Wavelength range	2.5 Å < λ < 17.5 Å
Q range (air/ liquid)	0 Å ⁻¹ < Q < 0.3 Å ⁻¹
Q range (air/ solid)	0 Å ⁻¹ < Q < 0.3 Å ⁻¹
Minimum reflectivity	1 x 10 ⁻⁷

Status: Available to users

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