The Scientific Programme of the UK Fourth Generation Light

Source: 4GLS

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4GLS combines superconducting ERL, SR and FEL technology in a multi-source facility

Stimulated emission sources: free electron lasers

Spontaneous emission sources: undulators and bending magnets **Combinations of sources:** internal or with conventional lasers

750 MeV, 100 mA emittance < 1 nm rad, bunch length 50 fs - 50 ps **Conceptual design report available at http://www.4gls.ac.uk**

4GLS Ouput: Peak Brightness

Extending Spectral Range: Terahertz

4GLS: Fills the Terahertz Gap Maximum Flux per pulse 2x1014 photons RMS bunch length 266 fsec Repetition rate 1 kHz Average power 0.09 W Peak power 100 MW

4GLS Complements the Diamond Synchrotron

Frances Crick "If you want to understand function study form" Sometimes structure gives insight into function DNA, ATP synthase Often it doesn't:- Hemoglobin. How do the Fe groups interact?

Strucure of ATP synthase Structure of Myoglobin

from protein crystallography from protein crystallography

The structure must be dynamic.

Where are the channels? How do they open and close? Over what timescales?

4GLS will provide insight into function directly

From fast spectroscopy and sub-cellular imaging.

Particularly useful for studies of membrane proteins: difficult to crystallise

Reflection Anisotropy Spectroscopy: A monitor of protein dynamics

4GLS: THz pump -- RAS probe experiments

Recent work on the potential of reflection anisotropy spectroscopy (RAS) Can determine the 3D orientation of a molecule at a metal/liquid interface

Weightman et al Phys. Rev. Lett. **96** 86103 (2006)

Can distinguish between single and double stranded DNA at metal/liquid interfaces

C. Cuquerella et al Langmuir:Langmuir **23** 2078 (2007)

Can monitor molecular interactions in real time LeParc et al Langmuir **22** 341 (2006) **Can monitor for the study of peptide-membrane dynamics**

4GLS --> Rapid RAS in the UV at < 1 nsec, 250,000 faster than laboratory work.

THz Pump, RAS probe Does peptide enter membrane?

1 Extended Range: VUV FEL Range 3 eV to 10 eV

2 Increased intensity: Rapid RAS in the UV at ~ p sec to f sec

THz pump -- RAS probe on VUV FEL Thymine Dimerization in DNA Is an Ultrafast Photoreaction

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dimers in the all-thymine oligodeoxynucleotide $(dT)_{18}$ by ultraviolet light at 272 nanometers. The appearance of marker bands in the time-resolved spectra indicates that the dimers are fully formed ~1 picosecond after ultraviolet excitation. The ultrafast appearance of this mutagenic photolesion points to an excited-state reaction that is approximately barrierless for bases that are properly oriented at the instant of light absorption. The low quantum yield of this photoreaction is proposed to result from infrequent conformational states in the unexcited polymer, revealing a strong link between conformation before light absorption and photodamage.

4GLS Flagship Proposals

- **1 Origins (M. McCoustra, University of Heriot Watt)**
- **2 Spintronics (S. Thompson, University of York))**
- **3 Nanocomposites (B. Hamilton, University of Manchester)**
- **4 Quantum chemical control (I. Powis, University of Nottingham)**
- **5 High field physics (L. Frasinski, University of Reading)**
- **6 Molecular assemblies in extra-cellular matrix and cell signaling (D. Fernig, University of Liverpool)**
- **7 Biocatalysis, photosynthesis and membrane proteins (N. Scrutton, University of Manchester)**
- **8 Protein structure and dynamics (D. Klug, Imperial College)**
- **9 Cell and tissue imaging (P. O'Shea, University of Nottingham)**
- **10 Catalysis (R. Catlow, UCL)**
- **11 Nuclear astrophysics (R. Herzberg, University of Liverpool) Summary: "4GLS Science Landscapes" available at http://www.4gls.ac.uk**

High Field Physics

Leszek Frasinski

4GLS: Potential for Major Advances: New Physics

Aims:

- • **Molecular structure and dynamics can be probed with an unprecedented resolution on ångström spatial and attosecond temporal scales.**
- •**Quantum-state tomography can reveal the fundamentals of chemical reactions.**
- •**Unique parameter regime enables intense-field interactions with atoms and molecules.**

Ångström **structural resolution with** *attosecond* **temporal resolution**

Reaction dynamics is probed through tomographic imaging of molecular orbitals.

Recollision-induced processes in a molecular sample.

Following ionisation (1) the electron may be driven away (2) or recollide (3) with the molecule depending on the field phase at the instant of ionisation.

If recollision occurs the electron can

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- **(b) scatter elastically or inelastically from the molecule.**

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"In this meaninglessness one finds usefulness" Leszek Frasiński

Protein Structure and Dynamics

David Klug

Principle of 2D IR

2D IR: A pump probe experiment: H bond between amino acids

As the Hydrogen bond breaks and the protein changes conformation the long range coupling between the local modes weakens

Example of 2D IR

C. Kolano, J. Belbing, M. Kozinski, W. Sander and P. Hamm Nature **444** 469 2006

The hydrogen bond separates at a rate that is two orders of magnitude faster than the "folding speed limit" between protein side chains given by molecular dynamics simulations.

Following rupture of S-S bond system evolves on time scales of 20 ps, 160 ps and 2.6 ns

UV pulse to cleave S-S bond: 2 experiments with UV on and with UV off Variable delay after UV pulse before starting 2D IR experiment Vary delay between pump and probe IR pulses: 3 ps, 25 ps, 100 ps: 2D maps Parallel and perpendicular polarisations of pump and probe pulse to enhance cross peaks 2D map is limited by signal to noise

DOVE-FWM: Double Vibrationally Enhanced Four Wave Mixing

 δt_1 and δt_2 vary from 0 to 20 psec.

*v***₁,** *v***₂ and** *v***₃ impinge collinearly onto specimen beam overlaps to > 2% on 0.1 mm** v_1 and v_2 line widths of 10 to 40 cm⁻¹ ^υ**1 and** ^υ**2 are varied independently Scanning** υ**4 gives a 2D map of 100 x100 pixels**

4GLS: Potential for Major Advances: Protein Function: 2D IR

Mid IR FEL 0.5 eV to 0.05 eV Far IR FEL 0.05 eV to 0.005 eV THz 0.005 eV to 0.0001 eV4GLS will open a spectral "area" 10 x greater than currently explored with 2D IR Nine tenths of the structural-dynamics elements of a protein will remain hidden without 2D IR on 4GLS

Enzyme Catalysis

Nigel Scrutton

Fast tunnelling models for enzyme catalysis: H and electron-transfer

- •**New theory emerging that fundamentally challenges TST for enzymes**
- • **Protein motion (millisecond to sub picosecond) modulates barrier properties (***i.e.* **'squeezing') to facilitate tunnelling**
- • **Fast (sub-picosecond) small-scale promoting vibrations/motions promote H-transfer and electron transfer by quantum tunnelling mechanisms.**
- •**Large-scale motion also narrows the barrier in electron transfer**

Masgrau *et al*., *Science* in press Leys, Sutcliffe & Scrutton *Nature Struct. Biol.* (2003) Courtesy Nigel Scrutton

Extra-Cellular Matrix

David Fernig

4GLS and the Extra-Cellular Matrix

Consists of molecular assemblies of proteins and polysaccharides (glycosaminoglycans)

A key regulator of cell function, and hence organ and organism function

The Central ProblemHow does the structure of glycosaminoglycans drive their functional interactions with other molecules of the extracellular matrix and the cell surface to regulate cell activity?

Medical RelevanceCancer eg. FGF, VEGF and angiogenesis in carcinomas. Neurodegeneration eg. BACE in Alzheimer's and PrP in CJD. Inflammation eg. cytokines in RA, asthma, skin. Congenital disorders eg. craniosynotoses, dwarfism, EXTs, SGB. Pathogens eg. HIV, herpes, malaria, chlamydia.

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Macromolecular assemblies in the matrix

Spatial and temporal dimensions of events at the molecular level

Examples of Science Need

CD studies in THz, IR, Visible at low concentration:

VCD - bench top instrument needs 100 mg/ml,

4GLS = µg/ml --> selectively study protein in presence of GAGs (GAG invisible)

2D IR on fast timescales

Pump probe THz UV on fast timescales

Strategy for resolving glycosaminoglycan function with 4GLS

Localised structural perturbations by electromagnetic pumping and spectroscopic monitoring:

TeraHertz: domains and solvent structure. Infrared: selective chemical bonds and protein secondary structure. UV and visible: electronic states. Far IR and THz: bound water. Chemical perturbations of biological function: amino acid mutations of proteins chemical modification of GAG chains selective labelling of complex components with fluorophores mass labels, eg. D ²O to bandshift Biology is chiral: CD in the IR and THz domains Combine spectroscopies: including UV/THz absorption in the fast time domain Non-linear techniques: 2D-spectroscopy, for coherently coupled interactions providing

David Fernig **3D/dynamic information.**

Cell and Tissue Imaging

(membranes)

Paul O'Shea and Mike Somekh

4GLS: Membrane Analysis and Dynamics

Cell Surface

- 1 lipid bilayer
- 2 embedded proteins
- 3 saccharide chain
- 4 cell cytoskeleton
- 5 small proteins
- 6 cell nucleus
- 7 exposed proteins

Membrane proteins are important and difficult to crystallise Study their function directly by fast spectroscopy and imaging

Virus and cell are surrounded by a phospholipid bilayer

While the structures of the virus, its coating and its cellular membrane target are important the dynamic interaction between them is the key to understanding how the virus and cellular membranes can fuse together and allow the virus DNA/RNA to enter the cell.

Theory:

Low frequency vibrations mediated by the environment are crucial to membrane fusion and repair. Natural membrane frequency $\sim 10^{11}$ Hz

Membrane Interactions: Due to presence of counter ions in solution oppositely charged membranes do not always attract, similarly charged membranes do not always repel **Membrane Fusion** is important in:-

viral infection, gene therapy and intracellular trafficking **Membrane Rafts** are important in cell signaling and cell interactions. May be mediated by variations in

membrane dipole across cell surfaces. Interaction with $\rm H_2O$ a key factor.

4GLS: Potential for Major Advances: Virus cell interactions

- **How does the Aids virus enter a cell? Virus and cell surrounded by a phospholipid bilayer**
- **The structures of the virus and cell membranes are important but the dynamic interaction between them is the key to understanding how the membranes fuse together for the virus DNA/RNA to enter the cell.**
- **Membrane Rafts: Area ~ 50 nm are important in cell signaling and cell interactions. The membrane dipole varies spatially across cell surfaces and variations in dipole field and interaction with H₂O are key factors.** THz
- **4GLS Key Contributions High intensity THz: Near field sub-cellular imaging and Spectroscopy of live cells. Pump probe: IR, Visible, THz, SFG Monitor fluorescence markers while scanning the H ²O THz spectrum. Modulation of raft dipole - bound water Interactions changes activity of membrane proteins involved in signaling**
- **Explore Novel Therapies Based on use of THz to modify cell behaviour Eliminating drug treatments for some neurological conditions**

- **Neuronal activity results from the precise control of transient variations in ionic conductance and water exchange between the extracellular matrix and the intra-axonal compartment.**
- **Experiment**
- **The absorption of THz by Na and K solutions is very different and can be used as a contrast mechanism in transmission near field THz measurements of neurons.**
- **Near field THz imaging of live functioning neuronal cells in Na and K ionic solutions. Provides quantative measurements of the ionic concentration in both the intercellular and extra cellular compartments of the neuron.**
- **A series of of 2D scans can be used to build up a 3D image of the axon**

J.B. Masson, M.P. Sauviat, J.L. Martin and G. Gallot PNAS **103** 4808 (2006)

The shape of the axon is shown to vary with

- **a) Introduction of veratridine, a toxin that activates Na channels in the membrane**
- **b) Temperature**
- **c) Concentration of K in the physiological solution surrounding the neurons**

Can be used for direct non-invasive imaging of neurons during electrical, toxin or thermal stressResults

Direct observation of neuron swelling induced by Temperature change or neurotoxin poisoning

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4GLS Energy Recovery Linac Prototype (ERLP)

ERL Prototype Layout

Exploiting ERLP: X-rays: Compton Back Scattering Time resolved X-ray diffraction studies aimed at probing the mechanisms of shock compression of matter on sub picosecond (ps) timescales.

Exploiting ERLP: THz THz beamline and a tissue culture facility. Allow the ultrahigh intensity, broadband THz radiation to be utilised for the study of biological systems. In collaboration with Physics Department University of Liverpool

Laser-SR synergy: Synchronisation of SR from the SRS with a table-top fs laser system. In collaboration with the Photon Science Institute (PSI) of the University of Manchester.

1 Construct a THz beamline on ERLP

- **2 Establish a Tissue Culture Facility to GLP Standard grow and maintain live tissue**
- **3 THz beamline into Tissue Culture Facility**
- **4 Exposure experiments on:-**

live tissue

model membrane systems

model DNA sequences

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