BIO-SANS - BIOLOGICAL SMALL-ANGLE NEUTRON SCATTERING INSTRUMENT

The Bio-SANS instrument is optimized for analysis of the structure, function, and dynamics of complex biological systems. It is the cornerstone of the Center for Structural Molecular Biology (CSMB) at Oak Ridge National Laboratory. The Bio-



SANS instrument is supported by additional CSMB capabilities that include development of advanced computational tools for neutron analysis and modeling, as well as biophysical characterization and x-ray scattering infrastructure. A dedicated biological sample preparation laboratory is located adjacent to the instrument.

Detector tanks for the SANS instruments at HFIR. The Bio-SANS detector is on the left.

APPLICATIONS

- Bio-macromolecules and their assemblies
 - Protein complexes
 - Protein/DNA complexes
 - Lipids
 - Viruses
 - Carbohydrates
- Hierarchical biological structures
 - Gels
 - · Fibers and fibrils
 - Vesicles
 - Microemulsions
- Membrane diffraction
- Biomimetic and bio-inspired systems

CG-3 Detector Array

USER ACCESS

Bio-SANS is operated as a user facility and is sponsored by DOE's Office of Biological and Environmental Research. The instrument is managed under the CSMB User Program.

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SPECIFICATIONS

Wavelength	6< λ <25 Å
Wavelength resolution	Δλ/ λ = 9–45%
Q range	0.0009–0.8 Å ⁻¹
Sample- to-detector distance	1.1–15.3 m
Detector	2–D linear position- sensitive detector
Detector size	1 x 1 m ²
Detector resolution/ pixels	192 x 256
Max count rate	1 MHz

CENTER CAPABILITIES

	X-ray scattering
	Light scattering
	Computational tools
	Bio-support lab
	Protein production + analysis
	Bio-deuteration lab
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Status: Available to users



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