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Applicazioni tecnologiche della diffrazione con raggi-X

Una piattaforma SAXS/GISAXS/WAXS

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- **SAXSLab Sapienza: a large university equipment**
- **SAXS/GISAXS/WAXS (Small/Grazing Incidence Small/Wide Angle X-Ray Scattering) platform for structural characterization of solid and solution systems of meso and nanoscopic phases**

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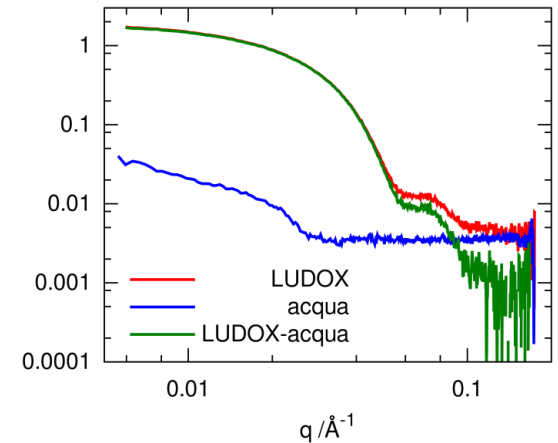
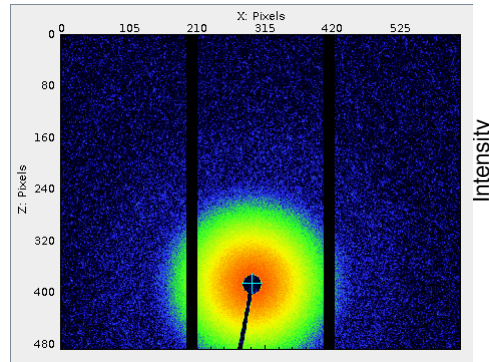
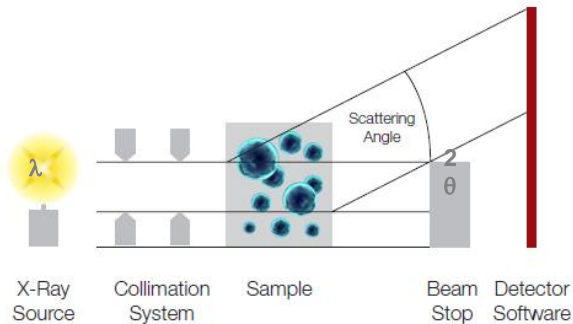
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A large university equipment



What is the technique SAXS?

- The technique is based on the diffusion phenomena of X-rays from the electrons contained in the sample and on the interference between the diffused waves



Any technique based on the diffusion follows a law of reciprocity :

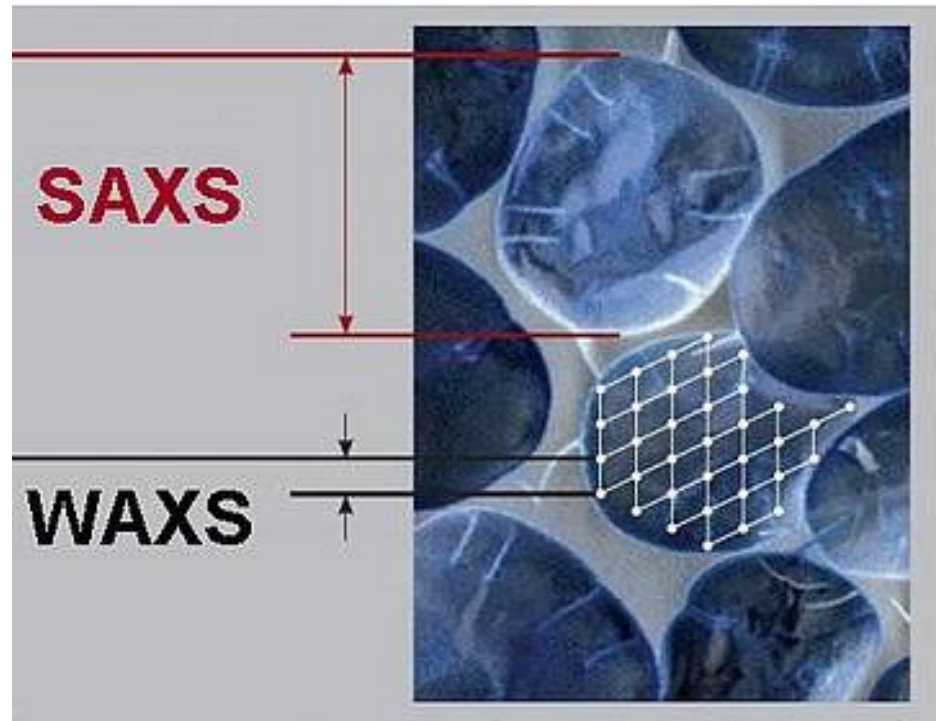
for wavelengths equal, **larger is the size** of the irradiated object, **smaller will be the angles** with respect to the direction of the incident ray to which one observes a scattered intensity different from zero.

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Small Angle: The angular range of measurement is limited to a few degrees $<5^\circ$

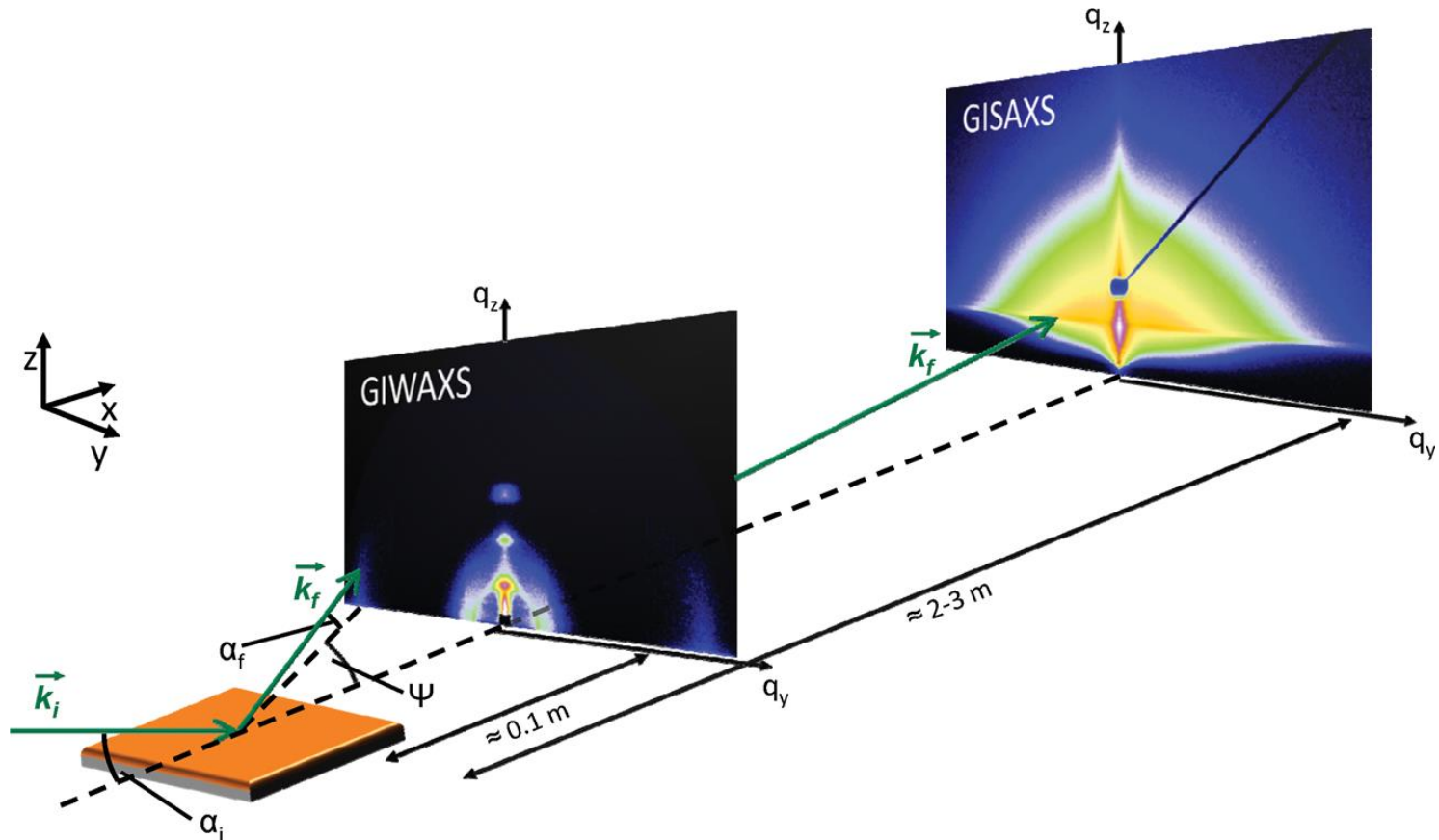
Provides structural information on the inhomogeneity of the electronic density of colloidal dimensions (1-100 nm), while does not solve the atomic details

Wide Angle: angles of measure up to 60° : distances features < 1 nm



GISAXS/GIWAXS technique

The study of surfaces at grazing angles



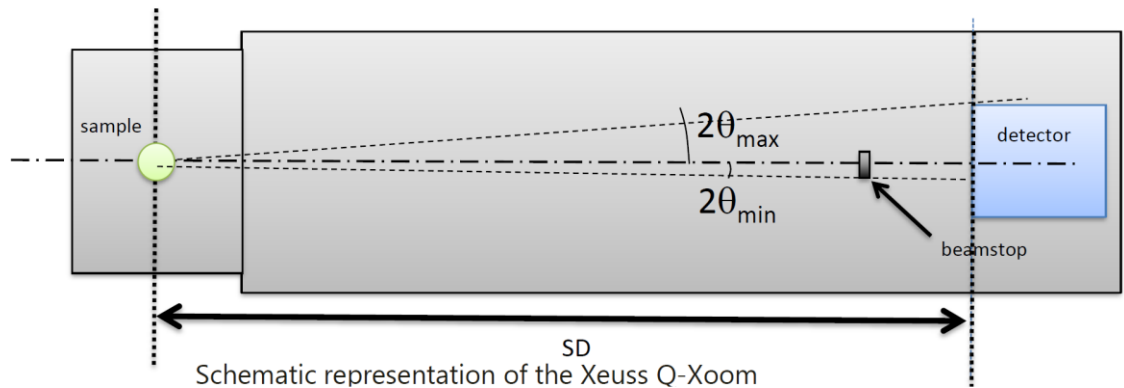
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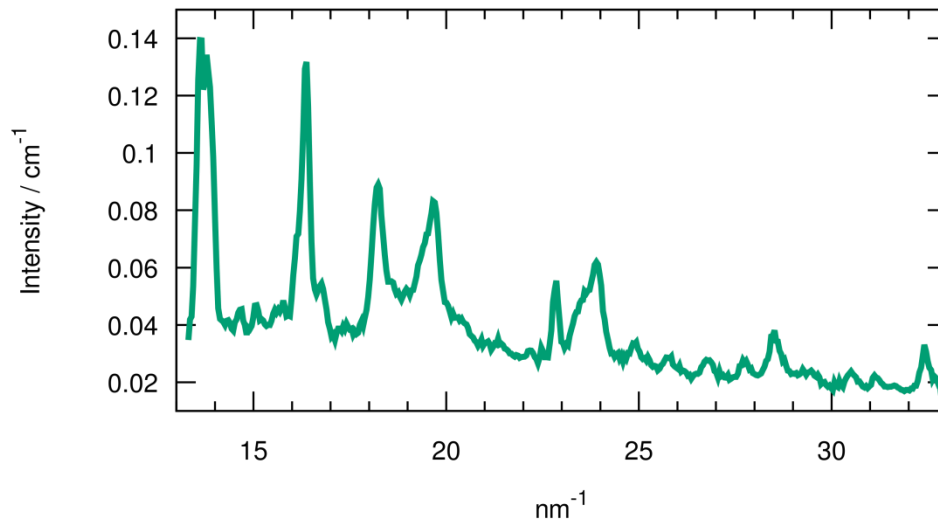
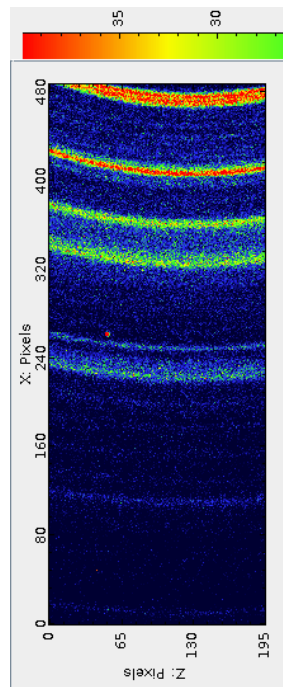
Detector 2D for SAXS (Dectris - Pilatus 300K) – a variable distance sample-detector



SD [mm]	q_{\min} [nm ⁻¹]	q_{\max} [nm ⁻¹]	Max Characteristic D [nm]	Min Characteristic D [nm]
2500	0.06	0.8	125	7.5
1000	0.12	2.1	51	3
500	0.25	4.1	25	1.5
300	0.41	6.8	15	0.9
2500 – High Res	0.033	0.8	190	7.5

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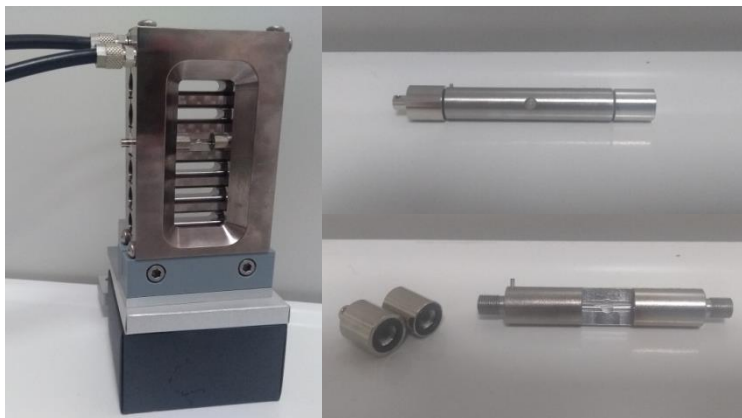
A second detector for WAXS (Dectris - Pilatus 100K) – with fixed distance sample-detector



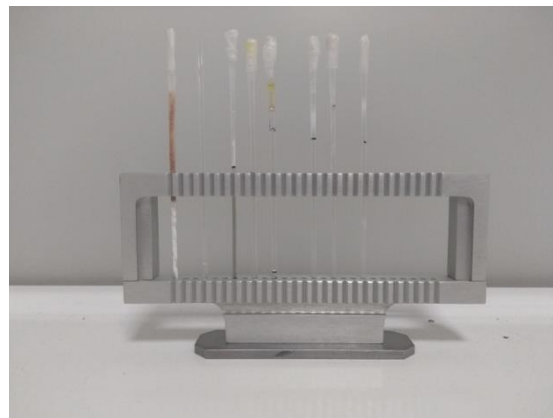
SD [mm]	q_{\min} [nm ⁻¹]	q_{\max} [nm ⁻¹]	Max Characteristic D [nm]	Min Characteristic D [nm]
162.2	13.5	32.5	0.47	0.19

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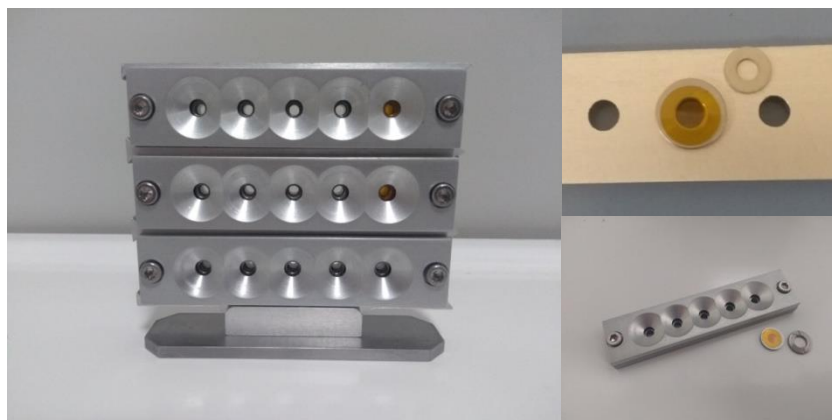
Sampling for measurements in transmission: liquids, gels, solids



Vacuum-tight refillable capillaries for liquids



Disposable capillaries holder

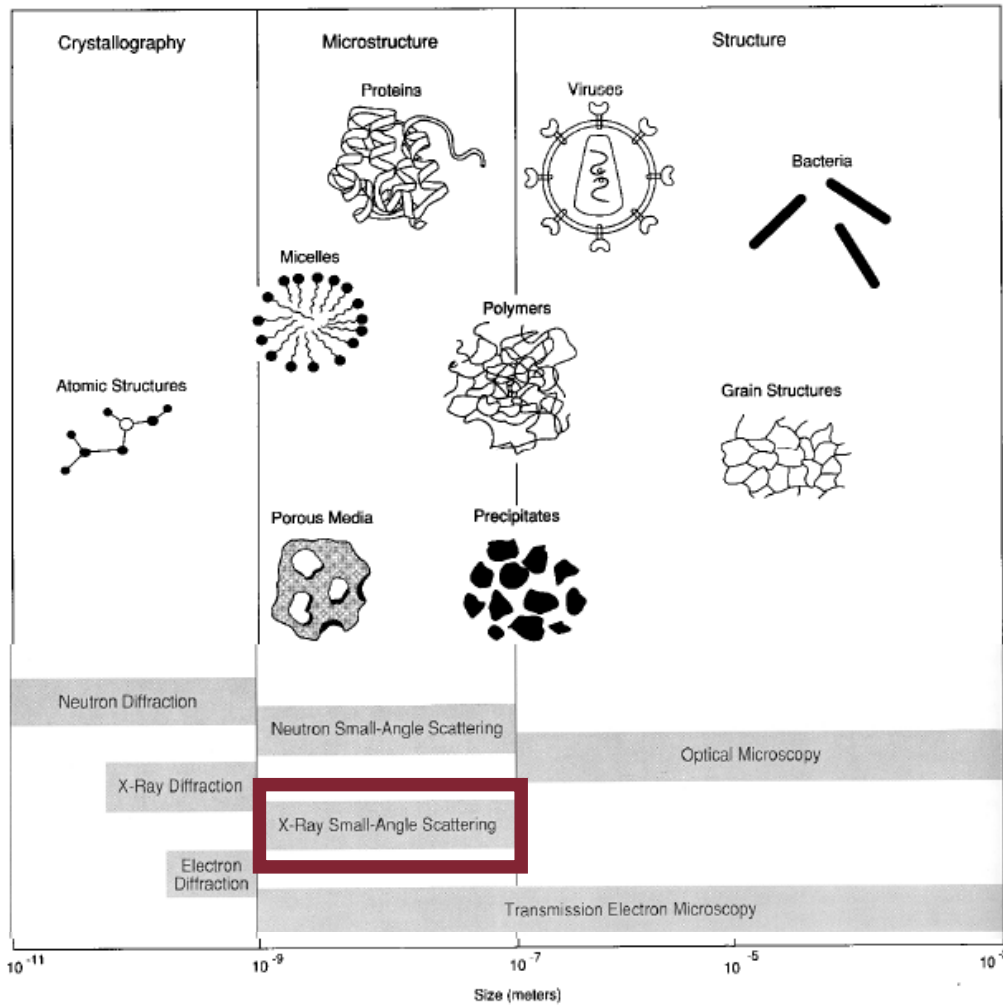


Powder holder




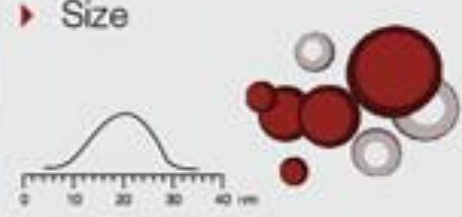


Gel-powder holder

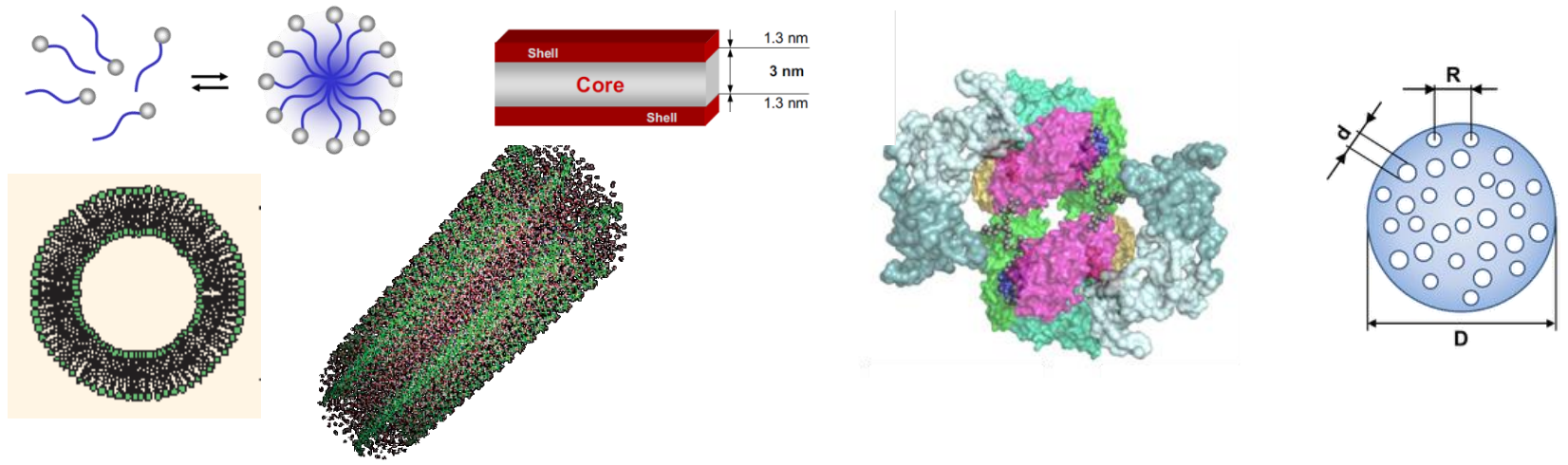
SAXS/WAXS - applications



Small Angle X-ray Scattering is a technique aimed at determining the structure of matter in terms of **inhomogeneities (electron density) of the order 1-100 nm**

SAXS/WAXS - applications

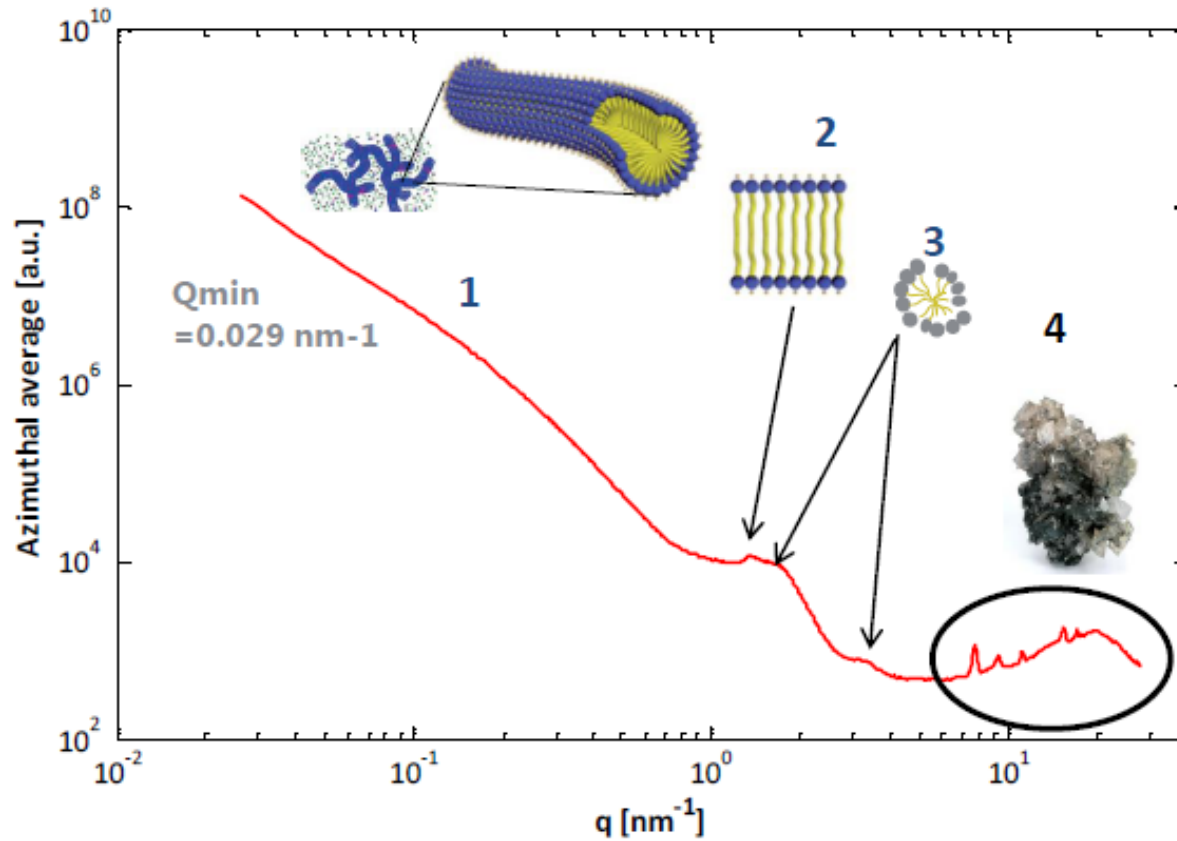
<p>SAXS determines:</p>	<p>▶ Shape</p> 	<p>▶ Size</p> 
	<p>▶ Internal structure</p> 	<p>▶ Crystallinity</p> 



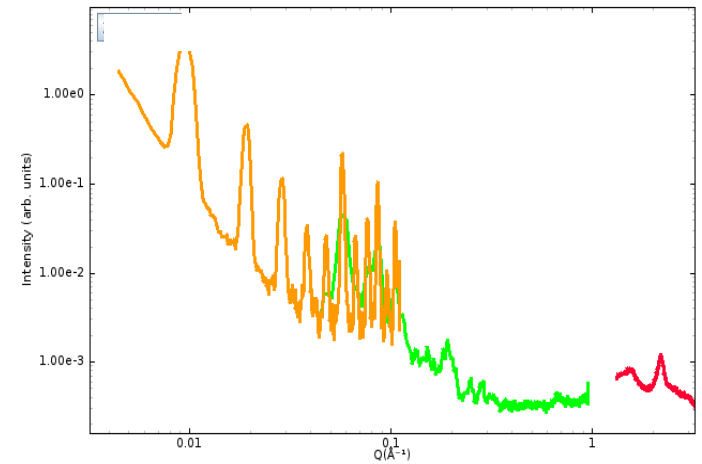
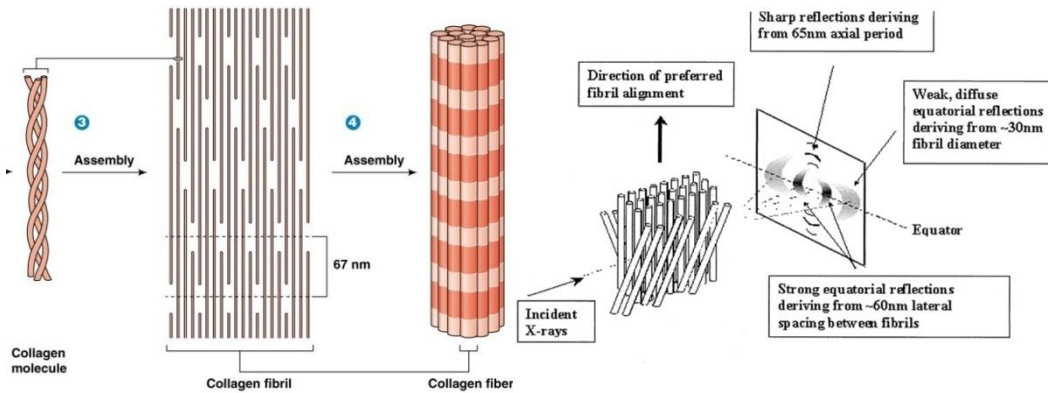
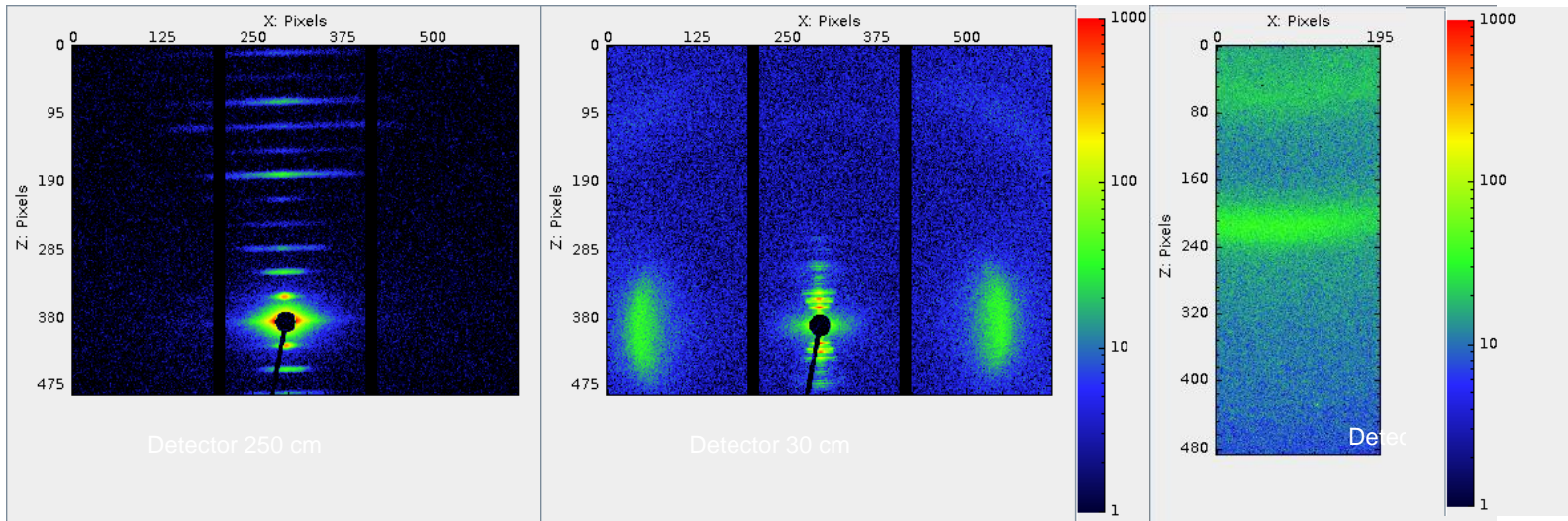
Soft Matter: Self-assembling systems

Shampoo: a complex system encountered in everyday life

Its spectra SAXS and WAXS show hierarchical structures
They vary with the composition and with the temperature

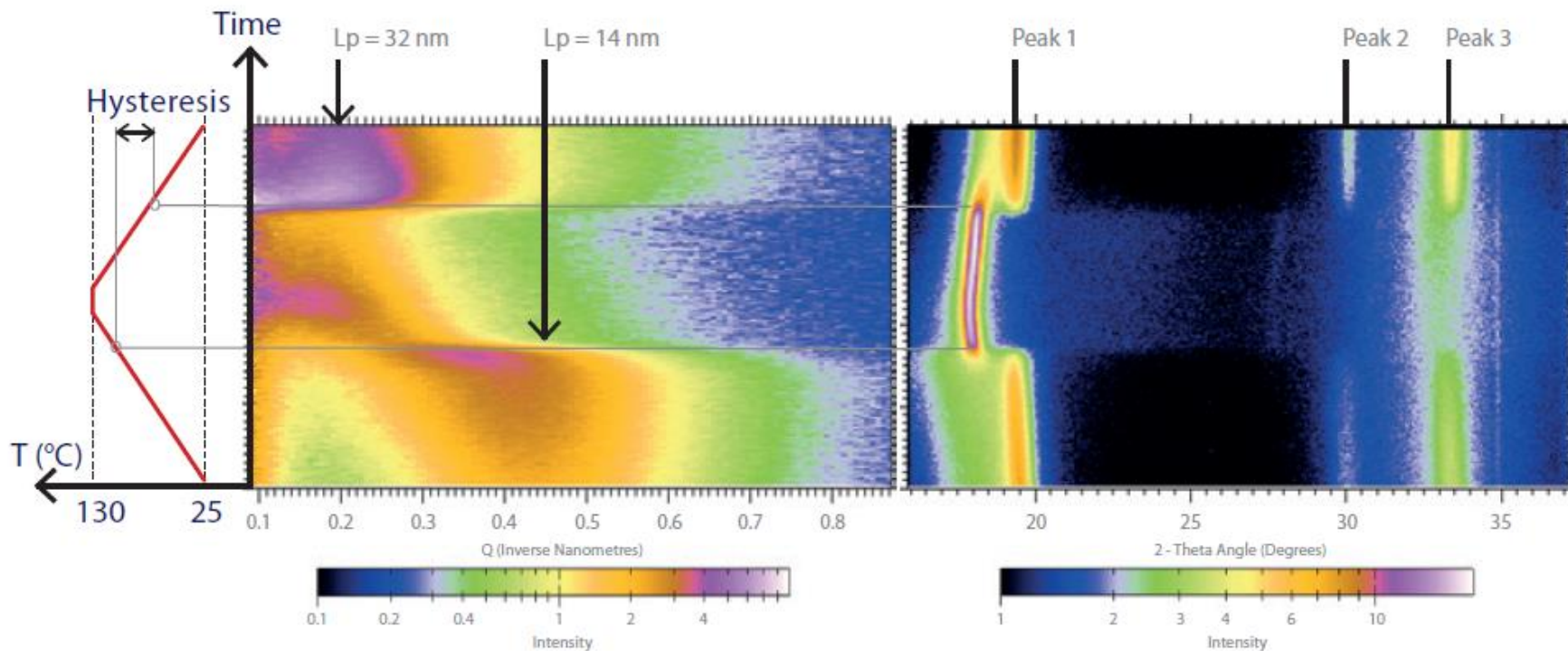


Hard Matter: Fibres of collagen



Hard Matter: Phase transformations in a polymer

Thermal process for a semi-crystalline polymer
Simultaneous spectra SAXS and WAXS

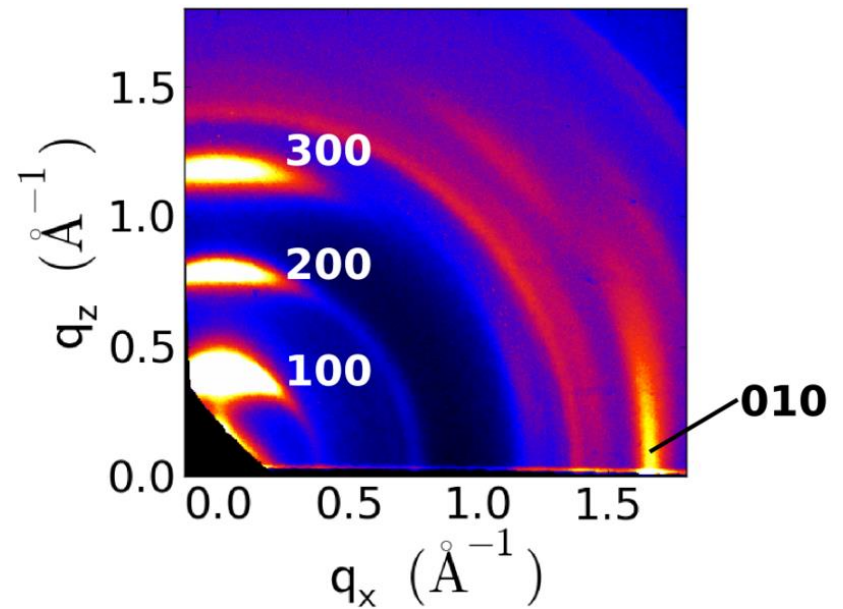
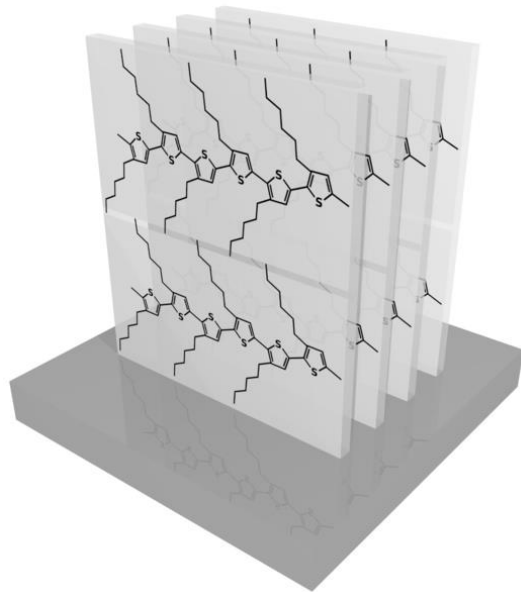


GISAXS e GIWAXS - applications

- Nanoparticles and clusters deposited on solid surfaces - shape, degree of order, morphology, structure
- Surfaces - structure, symmetry, roughness
- Film (single or multilayer) and interphases - structure of surfaces, internal structure, structure at interphase

GISAXS – Film of a semiconducting polymer

Structure and orientation



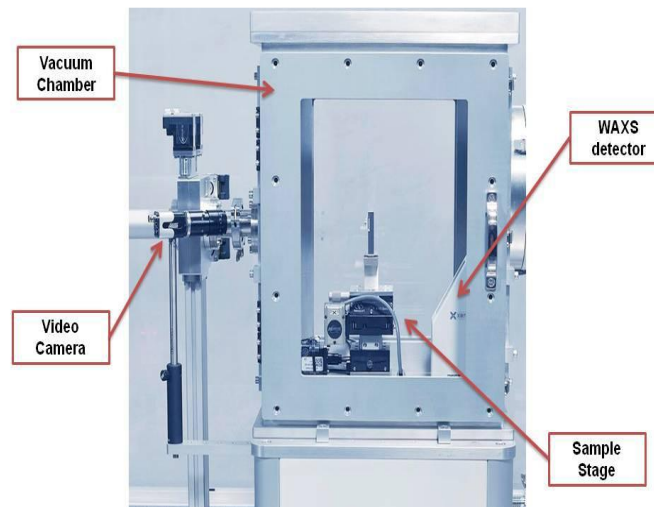
Contact Us

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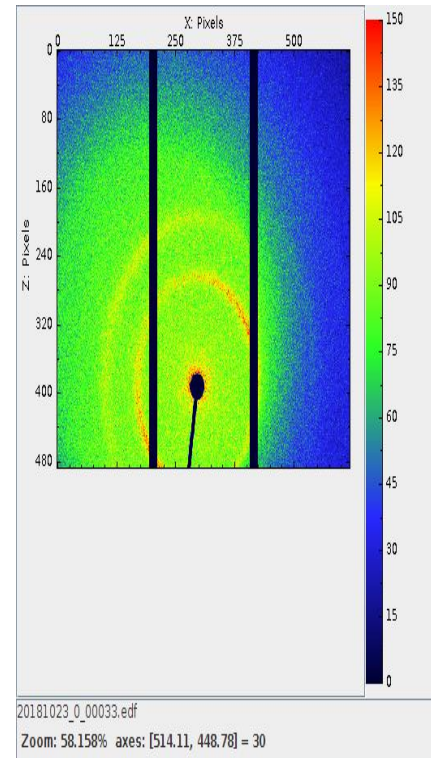
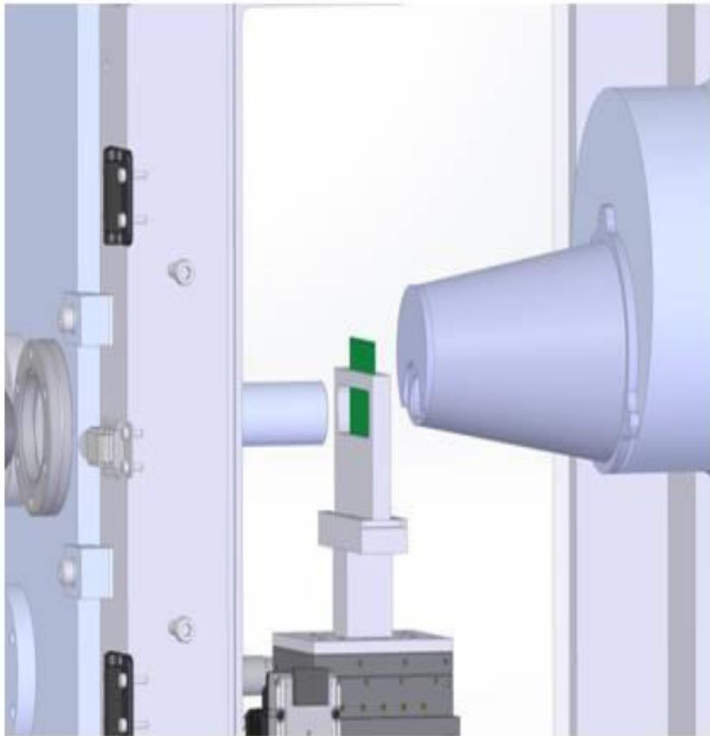
SAXS Lab *Sapienza*

Looking forward for seeing you,
thank you for your attention

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IN-AIR setup



1h-image of the empty camera at SD=300 mm,
with IN-AIR configuration

X-ray Source	Xenocs Genix 30W x-ray microsource (Cu K α)
Wavelength	1.54 Å
Monochromator/Mirror	Xenocs FOX3D single reflection
Detector «SAXS»	Dectris Pilatus3 R 300K, 83.8 mm x 106.5 mm sensitive area (487 x 619 pixels image)
Detector «WAXS»	Dectris Pilatus3 R 100K
Beam Size at Sample	~ 0.5 mm x 0.5 mm
Flux at Sample position (x-ray power: 50kV x 0.6mA)	1.4x10 ⁷ photons/s
Source to Sample Distance	1.7 m
Sample to Detector Distance	270-2500 mm, variable
Q range (typical)	0.007 – 0.32 (Å ⁻¹)
X-ray Optics	2 sets of motorized vacuum slits with “scatterless” blades
Sample Chamber	In vacuum (0.1 mbar <pressure<0.02 mbar) or in air with motorized x-y-z translations, and omega rotation
User Interface	SPEC

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Flusso (Potenza sorgente: 50kV x 0.6mA)	1.4×10^7 fotoni/s
Distanza sorgente-campione	1.7 m
Distanza campione-detector (variabile)	270-2500 mm
Range di q (tipico, variabile)	$0.007 - 0.32 \text{ \AA}^{-1}$
Collimazione	2 set di fenditure motorizzate con lame "scatterless"
Camera del campione	In vuoto (0.1 mbar <pressione <0.02 mbar) o in aria. Movimenti motorizzati per le traslazioni x-y-z e la rotazione omega della piattaforma porta-campione
Interfaccia utente	SPEC

MODALITA' DI ACCESSO E DI UTILIZZO

- Gestione tecnica, amministrativa e pagina web: Dipartimento di Chimica
- <https://www.chem.uniroma1.it/saxslab/home>
- Regolamento (CdD Chimica, 30 Ott. 2018)
- Comitato di gestione
- Assistenza tecnica: Dott.ssa Alessandra Del Giudice
- Tariffario (Sapienza, Enti non profit, Industrie)
- Modulistica: Membership, Application form
- Procedure di uso dello strumento, analisi dati:
incontro preliminare, **application form**, definizione delle procedure sperimentali, prove, misure, analisi dati = chiave di volta del successo

ATTIVITA' SVOLTE E IN CORSO, RISULTATI CONSEGUITI

Bilancio dei primi sei mesi di funzionamento

- **Distribuzione del tempo macchina**



- **Utenza:** Sapienza 12 + 8, CNR 3, altre Università: Cagliari, Firenze, Milano, Lund, ETH-Zurigo, Aalto
- **Dati preliminari:** essenziali per le richieste di tempo macchina su linee di sincrotrone
- **Pubblicazioni:** 1 manoscritto accettato
- **Formazione:**
 - Esperimenti per tesi di laurea e di dottorato, corsi della laurea magistrale
 - Corso per dottorandi (aa 2019/20)