

TEAM 0.5

Core Status: new users must complete 2 training sessions and pass a sample exchange exam to work independently during Core sessions (regular work hours).

Flex Status: core users must complete 5 Core sessions and pass a driving test to work during Flex sessions (evening and weekend hours).

All TEAM 0.5 scheduling must be coordinated through Peter Ercius at Percius@lbl.gov. You may be assigned only two sessions per month.

CORE LICENSE

Safety

- Understand emergency shut-down procedure
- Demonstrate handling of the column valves
- Point out where emergency contact numbers are posted
- Know how to contact NCEM staff for support

Instrument preparation

- Show how to check basic vacuum functionality and target pressure values
- (Gun: 1, Liner: 18-20 and Octagon: < 10)
- Check Gun operate "ON" and extraction voltage "4500V"
- Demonstrate proper settings of monochromator focus and gun lens.
- Check instrument status (TEM/STEM, image/diffraction, accelerating voltage, etc.)
- Show which software needs to run to control which functionality

Pre-setup

- Explain strategies to find the beam if not present
- Demonstrate sample manipulation by using the Compustage
- Demonstrate procedure to find eucentric height of the sample
- Show electron-optical alignment procedures for "Direct Alignments" and "Stigmators"
- Demonstrate handling and choice of the CL2 aperture

Daily TEM operation

- Demonstrate how to set and align the TEM illumination (2-condenser lens mode)

Daily STEM operation

- Demonstrate how to set and align the STEM illumination (3-condenser lens mode)

Closing the session

- Set TEM mode if different
- Set magnification at x10K
- Close column valve
- Complete log book

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Pass _____ **Fail** _____

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Flex License

Image corrector fine tuning

- Apply basic alignment on a cross-grating specimen
- Demonstrate how to set instrument conditions for tuning of the image corrector
 - (magnification, illumination set up, defocus etc.)
- Know target values of aberration coefficients, e.g. A1, B2 etc.
- Demonstrate iterative tuning procedure using the corrector control software

Probe corrector fine tuning

- Apply basic alignment on a cross-grating specimen
- Demonstrate how to set instrument conditions for tuning of the illumination corrector
 - (magnification, illumination set up, defocus etc.)
- Know target values of aberration coefficients, e.g. A1, B2 etc.
- Demonstrate iterative tuning procedure using the corrector control software

Monochromator setting

- Demonstrate how to set up, align and optimize a monochromator setting
- Show procedure to form a monochromated illumination for TEM
- Demonstrate procedure to form a monochromated STEM probe

GIF tuning

- Align the energy filter for spectroscopy and filtered imaging

Daily HREELS operation

- Demonstrate the procedure to optimize the energy resolution by manually minimizing spectrometer aberrations and 60 Hz interferences using the streak-imaging technique

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Pass ____ **Fall** ____