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	Experiment title: A comparative methodological analysis of the C60/Ge(111)-(V13xV13)R14 superstructure studied by SXRD.	Experiment number: SI-863
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Report:

One subject of intense research is the adsorption of C60 molecules and the growth of C60 thin films on the surfaces of metals [1-3] and semiconductors [4-6]. The interaction of isolated C60 molecules with the Ge(111)-c(2x8) surface [7] causes a perturbation of the adatom arrangement of the c(2x8) structure close to the adsorbed C60 molecules. The typical defect is a shift of a part of a Ge adatom row by one surface lattice constant starting at the C60 molecule. The defective Ge adatom arrangement in the vicinity of the C60 give rise to unsaturated Ge surface atoms with a half-filled dangling bond underneath the C60 molecules and the C60 substrate bond is mediated by a charge transfer from the Ge surface to the C60 molecules. The half-filled dangling bond states play an important role by providing the needed density of filled surface states within the Ge bulk/surface state band gap.

The Ge(111) samples that were used for this experiment were new ones. The samples were cut and polished at the ESRF and introduced in UHV conditions to be prepared following repeated sputter/annealing cycles already described elsewhere [8] in the Surface Characterization Lab at the ESRF. The surface was prepared at the SCL until well defined spots intrinsic to the C60/Ge(111)r13xr13 R14° superstructure were detected by LEED. At the same time the quality and ordering of the surface were checked by STM. After preparing

the surface sample, it was transferred to a baby chamber, supplied by the Surface Characterization Lab, and mounted in the ID32 diffractometer.

During the diffraction experiment more than 2000 reflections from the superstructure were measured. This complete data set permitted the application of “3D direct methods” in order to find a reasonable model that was used as starting point to fit the experimental data.

The analysis of the data permits to arrive to a final model, which is able to fit with a rather good agreement the 50 non-equivalent fractional order rods measured. From the structural analysis of this model we are able to identify the orientation of the C₆₀ molecule onto the Ge(111) substrate as well as to identify the C-atoms which are bonded to their closest Ge-atoms. In order to validate the model, we are planning to perform stability simulations of the whole structure as well as to simulate the density of states and electronic configuration of this surface.

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