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Report:

The aim of the proposed experiment was to determine the modulated structure of $(NbSe_4)_2I$ in its modulated low temperature state with single crystal x-ray diffraction. The experiment was completely unsuccessful due to failure of beamline components.

After some test and alignment procedures with the diffractometer a stepper motor controller burned out on the morning of the second day of our beamtime. According to the local contact this controller could not be repaired within our beamtime. A spare part was not available, neither on beamline BM01 nor elsewhere at the ESRF. No data could be taken, even a test of our samples could not be performed during the beamtime.

Due to these problems the experiment is rescheduled on BM01 for the period 02/11-08/11/1999.