

## Experiment Report Form

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- 1st March for experiments carried out up until June of the previous year;
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- fill in a separate form for each project or series of measurements.
- type your report, in English.
- include the reference number of the proposal to which the report refers.
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**Experiment title:**

Organic semiconductor growth on self assembled monolayers: Real-time and in-situ study of thin film growth kinetics

**Experiment number:**

SC-2099

**Beamline:**

ID10B

**Date of experiment:**

from: 31/01/2007

to: 6/02/2007

**Date of report:**

26/02/2007

**Shifts:**

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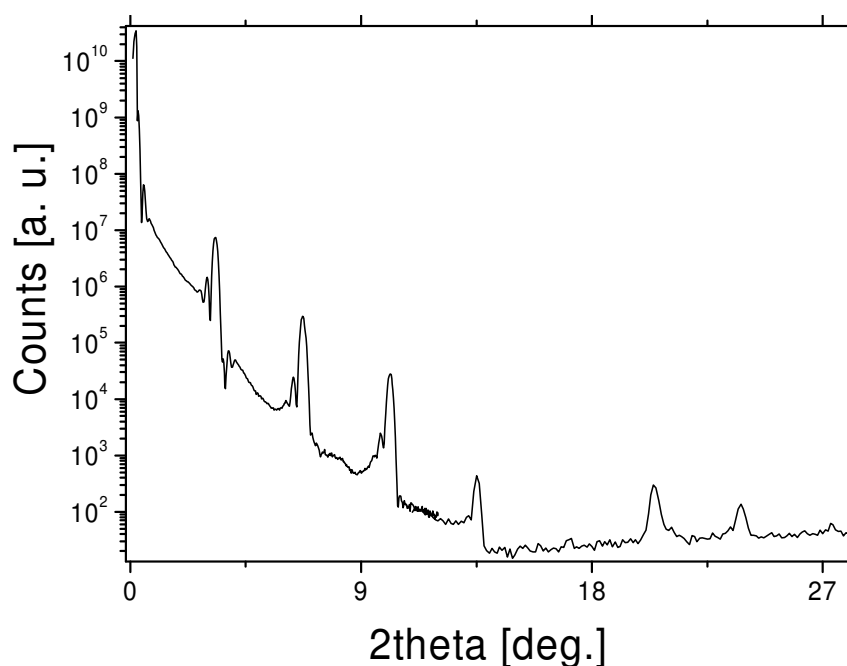
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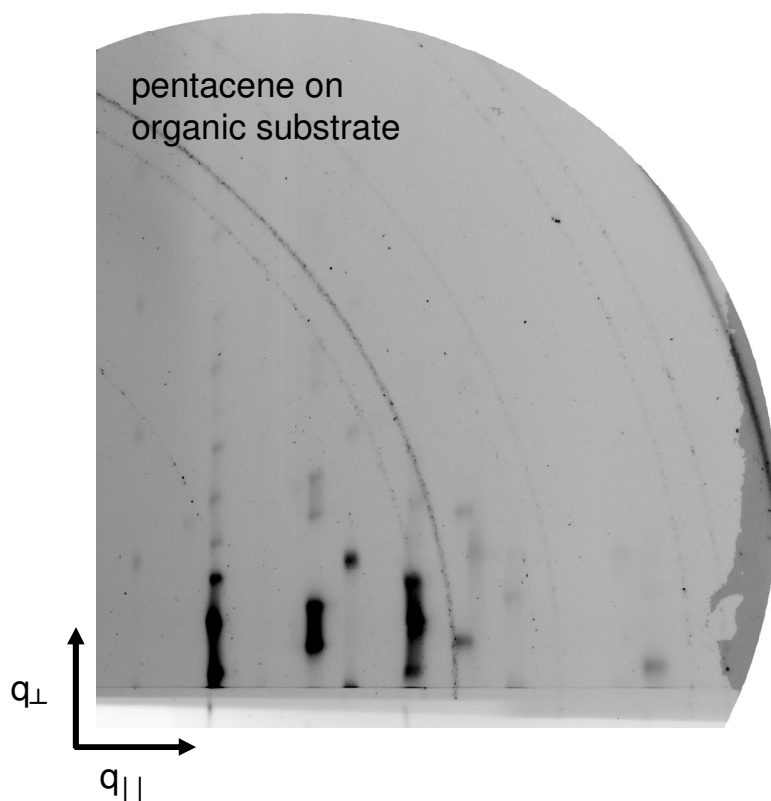
The experiments were performed along the lines of our proposal, focussing on *in situ and real time* growth studies. Since the experiments were performed only three weeks ago and the data analysis is still in progress, we can only report the most important findings.

In in situ and real time X-ray scattering provided information on the microscopic structure as well as the film morphology of pentacene films on organic substrates. Very high structural



**Fig. 1** High out of plane structural order was found for growth on an organic substrate as demonstrated by the occurrence of Bragg reflections up to the 8<sup>th</sup> order.

order was found as can be seen from the scan of the specular reflectivity in Fig. 1. From real-time scans of the specular reflectivity we can extract the evolution of the film roughness during growth and therefore the corresponding scaling laws for organic heterostructures.



**Fig. 2 Using a MarCCD detector for grazing incidence diffraction allows to acquire Bragg reflections along  $q_{\parallel}$ . Out of plane the crystallites show only very little mosaicity, so that the crystal truncation rods and Bragg reflections can be seen along  $q_{\perp}$ . Powder diffraction rings visible in the not yet background corrected image are due to scattering from the Be-window of the UHV chamber.**

To obtain in plane information we used a scintillation counter and a MarCCD camera to detect Bragg reflections in grazing incidence geometry. Several reflections are detected simultaneously as the sample is an in-plane powder.

A large number of reflections can be acquired with the CCD-camera within a comparatively short time of  $\sim 40$  sec (see Fig. 2). This allows one to study the evolution of *in-plane reflections in real-time during growth*. From this data-set - of which Fig. 2 is a single frame only - we can extract the evolution of the thin film unit cell during growth of the pentacene thin film. A comparison of growth on a soft organic substrate with growth on silicon oxide substrates will yield insight into strain evolution at the interface during evaporation.

We wish to acknowledge the excellent collaboration with the local contact Dr. F. Zontone which made this challenging experiment a success.