

Experiment Report Form

The double page inside this form is to be filled in by all users or groups of users who have had access to beam time for measurements at the ESRF.

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Reports supporting requests for additional beam time

Reports can be submitted independently of new proposals – it is necessary simply to indicate the number of the report(s) supporting a new proposal on the proposal form.

The Review Committees reserve the right to reject new proposals from groups who have not reported on the use of beam time allocated previously.

Reports on experiments relating to long term projects

Proposers awarded beam time for a long term project are required to submit an interim report at the end of each year, irrespective of the number of shifts of beam time they have used.

Published papers

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Should you wish to make more general comments on the experiment, please note them on the User Evaluation Form, and send both the Report and the Evaluation Form to the User Office.

Deadlines for submission of Experimental Reports

- 1st March for experiments carried out up until June of the previous year;
- 1st September for experiments carried out up until January of the same year.

Instructions for preparing your Report

- 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.
- make sure that the text, tables and figures fit into the space available.
- if your work is published or is in press, you may prefer to paste in the abstract, and add full reference details. If the abstract is in a language other than English, please include an English translation.



	Experiment title: Real time in-situ x-ray diffraction studies of electrochemical interfaces	Experiment number: 28-01-866
Beamline:	Date of experiment: from:24/6/2009 to:30/6/2009	Date of report: 3/10.2013
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Report:

The atomic structure at the Au(001) electrode surface has been studied by in situ surface X-ray diffraction in 0.1 M HClO₄ + 10⁻² M KBr and 0.1 M HClO₄ + 10⁻² M KBr + 10⁻³ M Cu(ClO₄)₂ electrolytes. Potential-dependent X-ray diffraction measurements indicate that the commensurate $c(\sqrt{2}\times\sqrt{2})R45^\circ$ -Br_{ad} structure, formed on the Au(001) surface in the potential range of 0.0–0.4 V (versus Ag/AgCl) in the absence of Cu cations, re-forms during the underpotential deposition (UPD) of Cu and then transforms into a $c(2\times 2)$ -Br adlayer at $E = -0.4$ V when the Cu UPD monolayer is complete. Detailed analysis of the surface X-ray diffraction data shows subsurface relaxation induced by Br_{ad} structure formation and shows that the bonding of Br_{ad} on the UPD Cu monolayer is identical to that observed on a bulk Cu(001) electrode. The results indicate that bonding of the halide adlayer is determined by the chemical properties of the first atomic layer of the metal substrate and demonstrates how halide adsorption can stabilize the UPD monolayer.

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