

## 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.**

Once completed, the report should be submitted electronically to the User Office using the **Electronic Report Submission Application:**

*<http://193.49.43.2:8080/smis/servlet/UserUtils?start>*

### ***Reports supporting requests for additional beam time***

Reports can now 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***

All users must give proper credit to ESRF staff members and proper mention to ESRF facilities which were essential for the results described in any ensuing publication. Further, they are obliged to send to the Joint ESRF/ ILL library the complete reference and the abstract of all papers appearing in print, and resulting from the use of the ESRF.

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:**

Studying the local structure in various phases of amorphous GeSbTe by X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy

**Experiment number:**  
MA961

**Beamline:**

gilda

**Date of experiment:**

from: 17/11/2010 to: 23/11/2010

**Date of report:**

10/3/2011

**Shifts:**

18

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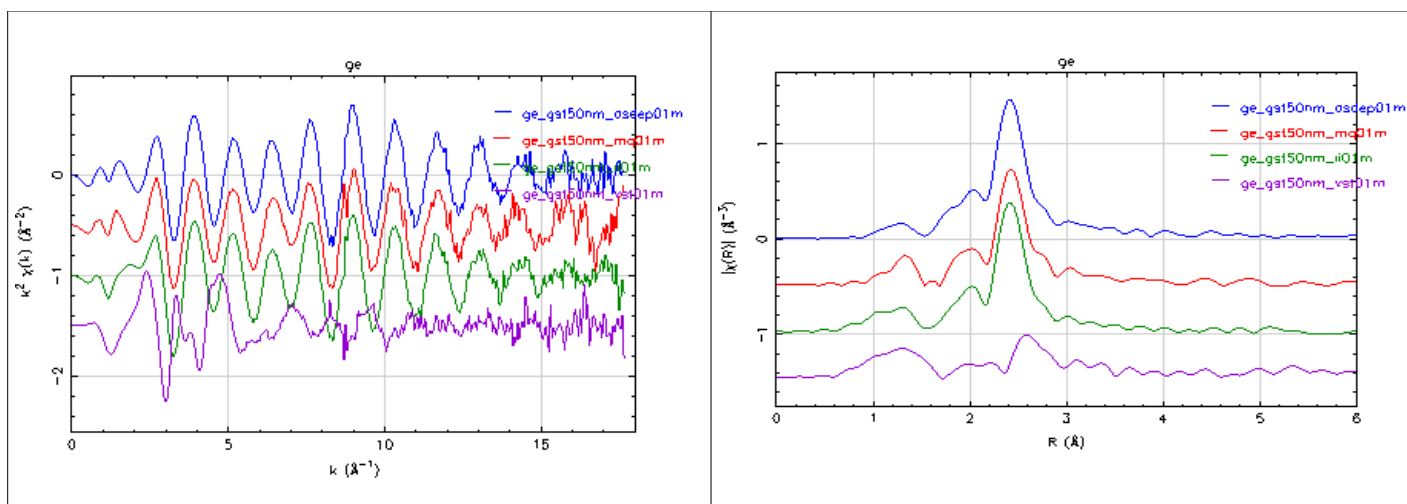
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**Report:**

In experiment MA-961 we have carried out an extensive study based on X-ray Absorption Spectroscopy at the K edges of all components of GeSbTe ternary compounds (GST) in thin film form (thickness~50nm). The study was carried out in fluorescence mode (due to the dilution of the material) using an energy-resolving Hiper Pure Germanium detector. The aim of the study was the structural determination of amorphous compounds that present different crystallization kinetics.

Here we shown the data for the Ge-K edge:



EXAFS spectrum of the various amorphous GST samples	Fourier Transforms of the EXAFS spectrum of the various amorphous GST samples
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The data at all edges are of good quality and result to be suitable for quantitative analysis. From a first qualitative inspection no dramatic structural changes are visible between the as-deposited material and the thermally treated ones. The complete and quantitative data analysis is in progress and the results will be presented in the forthcoming EMRS 2011 Spring Meeting.