

XOR Update

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- Former SRI CAT (sectors 1-4) becomes X-Ray Operations and Research (XOR), offers 80% time for competition
- BES supported sectors expected to transition to facility operation, and become XOR sectors
- APS desire to retain strong partner users in steady state, where appropriate, through Partner User Proposals (PUP)
- APS aims to evolve a suite of well-supported, scientifically or technically focused beamlines
- Emerging opportunities in . . . workshops to develop strategies for remaining sectors





- The scope covers all partnerships from CATs to individual instrument development proposals requesting 10% beamtime
- Must offer the hallmarks of scientific excellence and be shown to benefit the general user program
- Are reviewed by the Scientific Advisory Committee
- And examined by the appropriate sector Sector Review Panel





Models for Sector Access









XOR BES Sectors









XOR beamlines and staffing



* Operation also is supported by CAT Staff





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Current hiring activity in XOR

requisition #	Division	Date Posted	Job title
306858	XFD	3/26/2004	Asst Physicist
306860	XFD	3/26/2004	Physicist
306859	XFD	3/26/2004	Physicist
306815	XFD	3/26/2004	Physicist

We are seeking to fill 8 new positions this year.

There are over 40 candidates with experience in areas ranging from X-ray standing waves and XAFS, to X-ray scattering, crystallography, X-ray imaging, and X-ray correlation spectroscopy.







XOR Competition for beamline instrumentation

- Instruments to increase scientific capabilities or improve user access
- Proposals may be associated with a partner user proposal
- Typical awards in the range \$60K to \$120K
- Proposal submission deadline is May 14
- Evaluation based on
 - Scientific merit
 - Impact to the potential user community
 - Feasibility
 - Capability of the proposers

A call for larger scale instrumentation, such as rebuilding an end station or replacing an insertion device, is anticipated in June.





